

Avon Library

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M, Tu, Th 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; W Noon-8:30 p.m.
F 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun Closed

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For details and registration visit
www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/events

Wednesday, September 5; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

It is Solved by Walking

Join The Gathering Place for a walking meditation on the labyrinth as you focus on self-care. Includes opportunities for journaling. Preregistration required.

Thursday, September 6; 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

Friends of the Avon Library Meeting

Come to the Friends of the Avon Library meeting and find out what we're all about. We are always on the lookout for new members to help support our mission.



Fridays, September 7, 14; October 5, 12; November 2, 9; December 7, 14; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Fiber Art Group

Are you a knitter, crocheter, sewer, quilter, rugger or other type of fiber artist? Join us on the first and second Friday of each month to learn and share with each other.

Friday, September 7; 3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday, November 5; noon - 1:30 p.m.

Tech Help

Bring your questions and your devices to this informal session about the use of computers, tablets, eReaders, the internet or anything else technology-related. Preregistration required.

Saturday, September 8; October 27; December 8;
10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Musical Toolbox

Designed for children with special needs and their families, this fun and engaging music program is conducted by a board-certified music therapist from MTEC, the Music Therapy Enrichment Center. Preregistration required.

Saturday, September 8; October 13; November 24;
2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Monday, December 10; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Introduction to Windows 10

Learn to use Microsoft's newest operating system, including how to customize your desktop, manage files and folders, and navigate Windows 10. Preregistration required.

Tuesdays, September 11; October 9; November 20;
6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Tech Club

Explore programming, robots and electronics in a fun, collaborative environment! Each club meeting will introduce a different aspect of modern technology via hands-on activities and challenges. Designed for children ages 9 and up. Preregistration required.

Wednesdays, September 12; October 10; November 7;
December 12; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teen Anime Night

Talk with your peers about some of your favorites, chill out and enjoy some anime-related activities. Light refreshments will be served. G-rated cosplay is encouraged. Perfect for those in grades six through 12. Preregistration required.

Friday, September 14; 3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Scams Targeting Seniors

Every year hucksters bilk almost \$3 billion from older Americans. A representative from Right at Home will show how you can help prevent scam artists from attacking your senior loved ones. Preregistration required.

Saturday, September 15; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Kids' Tech Lab

Explore Virtual Reality, robots, engineering, and more in this fun open house of tech gadgets. Perfect for children ages 7 and up. Preregistration required.

Monday, September 17; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Excel Charts, PivotTable and Mail Merge

Learn how to create and modify basic charts. Practice with Chart Tools. Create basic pivot tables and practice using pivot table tools and pivot charts. Learn how to merge a letter with a list of names and addresses. Find out how to merge a letter and labels with an existing Excel spreadsheet. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, September 18; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Family Engineering Night: Candy Corn Catapults

Candy will be flying! School age children and their families will construct catapults and compete to see whose design is the best. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, September 19; 6 p.m.; - 6:30 p.m.

Vegan Recipe Swap

Adults, do you have a great vegan recipe that you would like to share? Are you looking for new vegan recipe ideas? Come to our recipe swap! Discuss a favorite vegan recipe and bring copies of the recipe to distribute. Feel free to bring a sample for tasting. Preregistration required.

Wednesdays, September 19; October 24; November 14;
7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Writers Group

Are you an adult who wants to meet other writers and hone your writing skills? Do you need motivation to pick up a pen in the first place? Participate in read and critique sessions, build your skills through writing practice and learn about the craft of writing. Preregistration required.

Saturday, September 22; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

American Girl Tea Party

You are cordially invited to an American Girl tea party! Bring your favorite doll, Barbie, stuffed animal or American Girl doll along with you. Enjoy games, crafts and tea party treats. Please note: Preregistration is required for all attending - children and caregivers. For families with children ages 3 and up.

Monday, September 24; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Draw Dinosaurs

Learn how to draw a dinosaur, step-by-step, then paint it with tempera paint. Recommended for school age children. Dress for a mess. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, September 25; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Cutting the Cord

Tired of paying the ever-increasing prices for cable TV? Want to learn about available alternatives for streaming TV shows, movies, music and more? Join us for a brief introduction to all the ways you can keep your family entertained without cable.

Thursdays, September 27; October 18; November 29;
December 13; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Builders Club

Use your imagination and see what you can build. We have lots of LEGO® blocks for you to use and your creations will be displayed in the library. Ages 6 and up. Little builders, ages 4-5, are invited to join in by building with a parent. Preregistration required.

Saturday, September 29; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Tech Demo for Adults

Join us for an introduction to cutting edge technology that you may never have seen or heard of before! Explore Augmented Reality, wearable tech, smart home devices and more in this fascinating demonstration.

Monday, October 1; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Family Hispanic Heritage Fiesta

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month at the library! Enjoy cultural crafts, music and stories. Perfect for families with children ages 3 and up. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, October 2; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Mindful Eating

It can be hard to eat healthy when you're feeling rushed. Join The Gathering Place and learn how to create a healthy snack pack for on the go. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, October 3; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Introduction to American Sign Language

Learn the basics of American Sign Language! Learn the manual alphabet, numbers and basic vocabulary to introduce you to the world of Sign Language. Preregistration required.

Saturday, October 6; 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Kids

Saturday, October 6; 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Adults

Ukulele Workshop

Learn the ukulele with Sheela Das of Creative Concepts in Music! We'll cover basics of instrument, blues music and turnarounds for more experienced players! We will learn 10 songs. Borrow one of Sheela's instruments or bring your own. Please arrive at 12:15 if you are bringing your own instrument. Preregistration required.

Saturday, October 6; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Senior Reading Buddies - Avon Place

Grandmas, grandpas, a good book and some homemade cookies - What more could a child want? Local seniors and children are invited to join us at Avon Place, 32900 Detroit Road in Avon, for this cozy afternoon program and create a heartwarming reading experience for young and old. Preregistration required.

Saturday, October 6; 3 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

eLibrary

Get an overview of our extensive eLibrary services, such as eBooks, audiobooks, music, movies, online courses and more. Learn how to get started enjoying these free resources at home or on the go! Bring any questions and your devices. Preregistration required.

Saturday, October 13; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

LPLS 2018 Writing Conference

The Lorain Public Library System and Friends of the Library groups of Avon, Columbia, Domonkas, Lorain and North Ridgeville are happy to announce the 2018 LPLS Writing Conference, which will be held at the North Ridgeville Branch. The featured speakers are Brian Klems, the senior online editor of WritersDigest.com, and literary agent Victoria Selvaggio. Preregistration required.

Saturday, October 13; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Puppy Pals

Puppy Pals is a relaxed program where first through fifth graders sit and read with a therapy dog for a 15 minute session. Call the library at 440-934-4743 to register.

Monday, October 15; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Saturday, December 8; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Manage Photos and Data Online

Learn how to upload photos and videos to the cloud from your computer, and how to transfer pictures and videos from your cell phone or tablet. Learn how to use Google Drive to work with and store files. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, October 16; 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. - Teens

Tuesday, October 16; 7 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - Adults

Stranger Things Escape Room

Fans of Stranger Things are invited to test their wits (and their guts) in this homage to the popular Netflix series. Will you piece together the clues you need to get your team to safety, or will the Upside Down claim another victim? Preregistration required.

Monday, October 22; 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Dementia Care Training

This free program presented by the Alzheimer's Association is for both family and professional caregivers who provide care to those with dementia-related diseases. It provides an overview of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, teaches effective communication techniques, gives ideas on how to engage those with cognitive problems, and provides strategies for managing challenging behavior. For more information and to register, call the Alzheimer's Association at 1-800-272-3900.

Monday, October 22; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

PowerPoint For Beginners

Learn how to create slides that include charts, clip art and other graphics, including animation and transition effects. Learn to edit and polish your presentations with ease. Must be comfortable using a mouse. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, October 23; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

America's Most Haunted

The Haunted Housewife, Theresa Argie, takes us on a journey through the country's most paranormally active places. Hear personal encounters with ghosts and spirits as this local author goes beyond rumors and reputation to uncover the terrifying truths behind the scariest places in America. Preregistration required.



Thursday, October 25; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Super Sweet Haunted Houses

Families - come enjoy a spooktacular time at the library by creating your own "haunted" gingerbread house. Bring a box of graham crackers and a bag of candy to share with everyone. Other materials provided. Intended for ages 2 and up. Preregistration required.

Monday, October 29; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

How to Draw Monsters

Learn how to draw your own monster, step-by-step, then paint and decorate it. Recommended for school age children. Dress for a mess. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, October 30; 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Frankentoy!

Unleash your inner mad scientist with this zany program. Tear apart old toys and dolls, discover how they work, and construct a new monster (whoops, we mean toy!) of your own creation. Perfect for ages 10 and up. Preregistration required.

Thursday, November 1;

Dinoverse Photo Contest

The dinosaurs are back and getting into more mischief while the library is closed. Send us a picture of what dinosaurs do at your house overnight. The best entry will win a prize.

Thursday, November 1; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Genealogy 101

Ohio Genealogical Society President Margaret Cheney will demonstrate a beginner's approach to researching your family tree. Preregistration required.

Saturday, November 3; 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

What's in Your Self-Care Tool Kit?

Join The Gathering Place and create a tool kit to help you focus on self-care during the holiday season and into the New Year. Preregistration required.

Thursday, November 8; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them

Come to the library to celebrate the opening of the new movie featuring the amazing creatures of Harry Potter's world. Intended for tweens and teens. Preregistration required.

Saturday, November 10; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Wild Kratts Adventure

If you love Wild Kratts or just love learning about animals, then join us for some wild animal activities, games and crafts. Recommended for children ages 3 and up. Preregistration required.



Monday, November 12; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Watercolor Leaves

Create a beautiful Autumn painting on canvas. Draw a leaf composition and paint it with watercolors. For children ages 5 and up, teens and adults. Bring the whole family! Preregistration required.

Thursday, November 15; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday, November 16; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, November 17; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Sale And Preview

The book sale preview will run from 5 to 6 p.m. Admission to the preview sale is reserved for members of the Friends of the Avon Library. New members may join that evening. Following the preview, the sale is open to the public.

Monday, November 19; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Genealogy Using Microsoft Word

Ohio Genealogical Society President Margaret Cheney will show you how to prepare documents that have a professional look, organize your files, and lay out that family history book that you always wanted to write. Preregistration required.

Monday, November 26; noon - 1:30 p.m.

eLibrary

Get an overview of our extensive eLibrary services, such as eBooks, audiobooks, music, movies, online courses and more. Learn how to get started enjoying these free resources at home or on the go! Bring any questions and your devices. Preregistration required.

Mondays, November 26; December 17; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Excel for Beginners

Learn about the basics of using the 2016 edition of Microsoft Excel to set up a spreadsheet workbook. The instructor will demonstrate how to input data, compose simple spreadsheet formulas, and choose layout and print format options. A limited amount of hands-on practice time will be available. Must be to comfortable using a mouse. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, November 27; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Family Engineering Night: Foil Ships

Can you help our miniature sailors stay afloat, or will they need their life jackets? This sink-or-swim challenge is designed for school age children and their families. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, December 5; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Emotions & Essential Oils

Essential Oils enthusiast Michelle Eddy will discuss how you can use essential oils to support a wide variety of emotional needs and help you achieve a more abundant and healthy lifestyle. Preregistration required.



Saturday, December 15; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Family Grinch Day

Get into the bah humbug spirit at our family Grinch party! Celebrate with some grinchy mini golf, games and crafts, and then watch an animated classic. Finish off the fun with a scavenger hunt. Preregistration required.

Thursday, December 20; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Teen Ugly Sweater Craft

Make your own ugly Christmas sweater for holiday parties or just for fun! You bring a sweater (or other top) and we provide the "ugly" embellishments. Holiday music and light refreshments included. Limit one garment per person. Preregistration required.

Saturday, December 29; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Family Movie and Popcorn

Families are invited to enjoy popcorn and a family friendly movie at the library. Preregistration required.

Monday, December 31; 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Noon Year's Eve Celebration

Families are welcome to celebrate the new year early with their kids. Bring in 2019 with music, activities and a countdown to a balloon drop at noon. Preregistration required.

BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesdays, 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

September 25; *Little Mercies* by Heather Gudenkauf

October 23; *Grief Cottage* by Gail Godwin

November 27; *Anything is Possible* by Elizabeth Strout

Adult Book Discussion

Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are always welcome!

Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

September 26; *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles

October 24; *Redeployment* by Phil Klay

November 28; *Nutshell* by Ian McEwan

Books and Brews - Avon Brewing Company

Looking for something fun to do in the middle of the week? Try kicking back with a book and a pint! Adults ages 21 and over are welcome to join us for a book discussion at Avon Brewing Company, 37040 Detroit Road in Avon. Participants are responsible for their own drinks. Copies of the book are available at the library.

STORY TIME

Tuesdays, September 4; October 2; November 13;

December 4; 6:15 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Math and Science Story Time

Preschoolers will explore concepts such as measurement, nature, problem solving and more through stories, songs and experiments. Preregistration required.

Mondays, September 10; October 8; November 5;

December 3; 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Family Pajama Story Time

Put on your pajamas and join us once a month at the library for a fun and relaxed family story time. For families with children of all ages. Preregistration required.

Tuesdays, September 11, 18, 25; October 2, 9, 16;

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Session 1

Tuesdays, November 13, 20, 27; December 4, 11;

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Session 2

Preschool Story Time

Talk, sing, read, write and play with us! Preschoolers ages 3 through 5 years, with or without their caregivers, are invited to join us for fun songs, rhymes, stories and activities - including arts and crafts. Preregistration required.

Tuesdays, September 11, 18, 25; October 2, 9, 16;

1 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Session 1

Thursdays, September 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18;

6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Session 1

Tuesdays, November 13, 20, 27; December 4, 11;

1 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Session 2

Thursdays, November 15, 29; December 6, 13;

6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Session 2

Music Makers

A musical story time for families with children of all ages. Join us for stories with a beat, toe-tapping tunes, instruments and dancing. Preregistration required.

Thursdays, September 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18;

10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Session 1

Thursdays, November 15, 29; December 6, 13;

10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Session 2

Baby Bounce and Rhyme Story Time

Enjoy an interactive story time designed for you and your baby, 6 through 23 months old. We will encourage early literacy development and parent/child interaction through stories, songs, rhymes, finger plays and more. Children must attend with an adult. Siblings are welcome. Preregistration required.

Thursdays, September 13, 20, 27; October 4, 11, 18;

11:30 a.m. — noon Session 1

Thursdays, November 15, 29; December 6, 13;

11:30 a.m. — noon Session 2

Toddler Tales Story Time

Join us for an interactive story time for children, ages 2 through 3 years old, that will engage your child with stories, songs, rhymes and finger plays. Your child will learn important early literacy skills that will help them grow into pre-readers. Children must attend with an adult. Siblings are welcome. Preregistration required.

Fridays, September 14, 28; October 12, 26; 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Story Time in the Woods

Explore Avon's wooded play area at the "Every Child's Playground", 36265 Detroit Road. The Avon Branch Library will be offering story times two Fridays per month April through October at 10:30 AM in the woods. Music, movement activities, nature walks and play will accompany nature-themed stories. Please dress for the weather and bring a blanket to sit on. In case of inclement weather, a story time will take place at the Avon Branch Library.

Saturday, September 15; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Celebrating Differences Story Time

This special story time features students from the Avon High School Gay-Straight Alliance celebrating people's differences with themes of family, love and friendship to promote love and acceptance for all. For families with children of all ages. Preregistration required.

Saturdays, September 22; October 20; November 3;

December 1; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Adapted Story Time

Children with varying learning styles and abilities enjoy a program with stories, songs, games and a social time. Learn in a safe, supportive environment, which is specifically designed for children who may not be successful in a typical story time experience. While content is geared for ages 3-7, all ages are welcome. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, September 26; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Story Time for You and Me - Avon Oaks

Come join us at Avon Oaks, 37800 French Creek Rd in Avon, for an afternoon of stories, music, finger plays and crafts. We will be joined by Avon Oaks residents and children from Acorn Child Care Center. Perfect for children ages 3 to 6. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, October 30; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Halloween Family Story Time

Join us for a Halloween story time for families featuring some not-so-scary Halloween stories, music and a craft. Costumes encouraged. Preregistration required.

Friday, November 9; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Story Time For You And Me - Rose Senior Living

Join us at Rose Senior Living, 33200 Health Campus Blvd in Avon, for an afternoon of stories, music, finger plays and crafts. We will be joined by Rose Senior Living residents and children from Primrose School. Perfect for children ages 3 to 6. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, December 18; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Story Time for You and Me - St. Mary of the Woods

Join us at St. Mary of the Woods Nursing Home and Rehabilitation, 35755 Detroit Road in Avon, for an afternoon of stories, music, finger plays and crafts. We will be joined by St. Mary of the Woods residents. Perfect for children ages 3 to 6. Preregistration required.