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# **Strategic Plan**

# As the Lorain Public Library System continues to evolve, serving you – our communities – will always be our most important role.

Your input helped us craft a new strategic plan of service. Our vision, mission, values and commitments, and priorities for the next few years have been written and the Lorain Public Library System board of trustees approved the plan on Dec. 17, 2015.

Thank you to all who took the time to respond to our survey, call us and attend a focus group meeting. More than 400 surveys were returned, and over a dozen focus group sessions were conducted throughout our service district with both adults and teens. People also took advantage of a dedicated phone line where community members could leave their comments. Staff and trustees also made their voices heard. With the help of the State Library of Ohio, all of the information was analyzed along with community statistical data.

### What We Found

Residents overwhelmingly responded that creating young readers is the most important role of the library. Community, learning, Internet access and career development followed.

### What We Are Doing

About a quarter of library cardholders are children. The library provides story times and has early literacy computer stations. Lifelong learning remains a staple in our mission statement.

The library continues to foster partnerships and offer communitybased events. Residents consider computer classes essential. The library offers numerous classes, as well as computers with high-speed Internet and Wi-Fi. The library has made immediate efforts to highlight and expand upon our resources for job seekers.

### What We Learned

Overall, the strategic planning process reaffirmed what we're doing, and encouraged us to continue growing and transforming with community needs. Our thanks to all of you who participated. We care about what you have to say, and are always willing to listen.

Visit **LorainPublicLibrary.org** to read our new vision and mission statements, along with what we're committed to doing.

### Spring Into Your Lorain Public Library System!

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### Dazzle your mind!

### For more information visit us at: LorainPublicLibrary.org

### **APRIL - MAY 2016**



# **New Book Truck**

Have you spotted our colorful book truck on the road? It's been on the move delivering books and smiles.

The book truck carries library materials to a mix of locations in the Lorain Public Library System's service district.

"There are so many people that can't get to their libraries. They rely on this delivery service," said Elaine Betting, youth services and outreach librarian supervisor.

"We are reaching many children there that might not otherwise have access to our library services." Our staff takes library materials inside locations to lobbies or recreation rooms. Library staff coordinates the stops and sets a schedule so people know when we're coming.

At one of the book truck's first stops, people browsed through materials on bright green carts labeled *New Items*, *Large Print* and *DVDs*. A storage bin held magazines.

Patrons cheerfully talked about books they were reading. They even recommended books they'd just finished to others. "I always find what I want," said patron Margaret Allison, who used to get her books at the same location via the Bookmobile. She left with a wide smile and a bag full of newly checked out books.

Cynthia Driver signed up for a library card, picked out a book and requested other library materials. "I used to go to the library all the time before, and now I can't drive," she said. The book truck delivers materials to her apartment building lobby. "This is wonderful. This means a lot to me. I love the library," Driver said smiling.

The book truck is reaching new people too. A Boys and Girls Club meets at one of the stops. "We are reaching many children there that might not otherwise have access to our library services," Betting said.

The book truck has just begun its first season, so look for it to appear in more locations this spring and summer.











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### MAIN LIBRARY | APRIL - MAY 2016

### **Main Library**

351 W. Sixth Street Lorain, OH 44052 440-244-1192 or 1-800-322-READ

M,Tu,W,Th 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; F, Sat 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Hours subject to change



### April

#### Tuesday April 12: 1 pm - 4 pm Planning And Appraisal Event

Learn how to plan for what to do with your belongings. Hear advice from a man who has helped sell everything from million-dollar paintings to Benjamin Franklin's pocket watch! Andrew Richmond is president and CEO of Wipiak Consulting & Appraisals, and has spent more than a decade in the world of antiques and fine art auctions. He is recognized as an expert in the field, serving on the boards of several museums and decorative arts organizations, appraising on *Kentucky Collectibles*, conducting appraisal events in Ohio and beyond, and speaking for Ohio Humanities. You may bring three items for Andrew to appraise. Andrew is not a gemologist and cannot give expert advice on fine jewelry. No firearms allowed. Registration opens March 1. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, April 12: 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. Anime Club

Join your fellow otakus and enjoy anime! View a variety of shows, from shojo to shonen, action, adventure and fantasy - There's a series for everyone! Bring a friend to share in the fun and snacks. For ages 13 and up. Preregistration required

#### Thursday, April 14; noon - 1 p.m. Identity Theft

Older Americans are the fastest growing segment of the population to be victimized by identity theft and scams. Every day con artists bombard the telephone, home and Internet of older Americans. The Better Business Bureau educates seniors on the most common scams. Come learn how to protect yourself. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, April 16; 2 p.m.

Havana Curveball - A Documentary Watch Havana Curveball (2014) for free at the library! This documentary covers the story of a teenager on a quest to heal the world. He launches a grand plan to send baseballs to Cuba, the place that gave his grandpa refuge during the Holocaust. Light refreshments will be served. Preregistration required

#### Saturday, April 16; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Library Mini Golf

Tee off with us this National Library Week as we transform the library into a miniature golf course! Bring your own putter or use one of ours. All ages are invited to play a round. Preregistration required.

#### Monday. April 18: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join Ernesto Hernandez, local Yu-Gi-Oh! expert, for open play time. He will share his knowledge from regional and national tournaments. The Yu-Gi-Oh! open play time is for 8-year-olds to 18-year-olds. Bring your own deck of 40 cards minimum. Card trading is not allowed. Registration opens March 14. Preregistration required

#### Wednesday, April 20; 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

LEGO<sup>®</sup> Night Do you love to build with LEGO® bricks? The library will provide the LEGO® bricks and you supply the ideas and creations. All ages welcome Preregistration required

#### Monday, April 25: 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Teen Clubhouse

How about we just hang out? Join us at the library for our monthly Teen Clubhouse. Make a craft while we listen to music, chat with friends, share a snack and chill out. Ages 12 and up. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, April 26; 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Teen Gaming Club Join us for our monthly game night where you can explore new games and play classic favorites. Whether you enjoy video games, board games, card games or RPG, we've got something for you! Snacks provided. This program is for kids and teens, grade six and up. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 27; noon

Geological Origins Of The Great Lakes -Three Billion Years Of Spectacular Scenery In The Making This program will be presented by Dr. Charles E. Herdendorf, professor

meritus of geological sciences, The Ohio State University. The illustrated presentation will trace the geological evolution of the Great Lakes from Precambrian volcances to Pleistocene glaciers. Special attention will be given to the origin of selected scenic features along the coasts and islands. The formation of the Lake Erie basin and coast will be highlighted. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, April 30; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m. Coloring For Adults

Join us as we celebrate the adult coloring craze at the library! Experience the calming, stress-relieving benefits of coloring beautiful designs and patterns made specifically for adults. Coloring sheets, colored pencils and markers will be provided. Light refreshments will be served. This program is for adults age 18 and up. Preregistration required.

### May

#### Saturday, May 7

Mother's Day Tea Rose Cafe, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain

Ladies of all ages are invited to join us for our annual Mother's Day event at Lorain County Metro Parks' Lakeview Park. Light refreshments, entertainment and make-and-take crafts will be provided. Event time and registration will be available by April 1. Preregistration required

#### Tuesday, May 10: 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Anime Club Join your fellow otakus and enjoy anime! View a variety of shows, from shojo to shonen, action, adventure and fantasy - There's a series for everyone! Bring a friend to share in the fun and snacks. For ages 13 and up. Preregistration required.

Thursday, May 12; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. – Open to Friends Friday, May 13; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. – Open to public Saturday, May 14; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. – Open to public Monday, May 16; 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. – Open to public Tuesday, May 17; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. – Open to public Book Sale & Preview

Admission to Thursday's book sale preview is reserved for members of the Friends of the Lorain Public Library, Inc. New members may join, or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening. For more information, including membership fees, call the Main Library at 440-244-1192 or 1-800-322-READ. The book sale is open to the public Friday through Tuesday and sponsored by the Friends of the Lorain Public Library, Inc.

### Saturday, May 14; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Zentangle<sup>®</sup> 101

Interested in learning a new art form? Attend this fun session on Zentangle, a very easy method of drawing used to create beautiful images from repetitive patterns. It is suitable for beginners and seasoned artists alike. With Zentangle one can create designs that can be used for gifts, greeting cards and more. However, Zentangle has also been helpful to others for relieving stress, panic attacks and chronic pain, and in rehabilitation and weight loss. During the class the entire process is broken down and taught "one stroke at a time." You will be amazed at what you will accomplish at the end of just one class. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, May 16: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time

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#### Tuesday, May 24; 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

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### Wednesday, May 25; noon

Yo-Ho-Ho And A Bottle Of Rum -Prohibition Era Rum-Running This program will be presented by Eden Valley Enterprises. Have you ever wondered what was happening on the inland waters during Prohibition? Now you can find out in a new program about rum-running. Hear the tales of boats, pirates and the rest of the characters who were involved in helping to quench the thirst of Americans during those dry days. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, May 30

Lorain Public Library System Closed The Lorain Public Library System is closed for Memorial Day.

### Main Job Help

#### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Job Help Monday

Are you seeking help in looking for a job? Come to one of the library's free drop-in sessions. Learn how to:

- Compose and assemble your own resume.
- · Set up your own email account.
- · Attach your resume in an email to a job website.
- Save your resume online.
- Apply for a job online.
- Set up your own account with online job websites

### Main Yarn Club

Saturdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14, 21; 10 a.m. - noon Yarn Club

Knitting/crochet instructor Valerie Dillard will teach and review the basic stitches of knitting and crochet. The Yarn Club is open to teens and adults. Beginners as well as those who have come to her previous classes are welcome to join the club. Yarn is provided for practice. Please bring knitting needles (size 9 or 10) or a crochet hook (size G or H). Preregistration required

### Main Book Discussions

Thursday, April 21; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Third Thursday Book Discussion -Station Eleven By Emily St. John Mandel

Join us for a series of adult book discussions taking place on the third Thursday of each month. Described as the book to read in 2015, Station Eleven chronicles the end of the world through a series of entwined narratives that travel through time exploring memory, what it means to be human, and what it means to truly survive in a world remade in the wake of disaster Conies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration required.



#### Thursday, May 19: 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion -The Paying Guests By Sarah Waters Join us for a series of adult book discussions taking place on the third Thursday of each month. Taking place in 1922 London, *The Paying Guests* is a tense, dark tale of forbidden passion and crumbling social and cultural relationships. Told with a meticulous eye for historical detail, this highly acclaimed novel will keep you reading breathlessly until its very last page. Copies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration required.









### MAIN LIBRARY | APRIL - MAY 2016

### **Main Computer Programs**

#### Friday, April 1; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. **Computers For Beginners**

Get started here with the basics such as using a mouse. identifying computer parts and an introduction to the Windows operating system. This class includes an opportunity to receive a Certificate of Completion mouse skills certificate. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, April 2; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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

#### Friday, April 8; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Internet For Beginners

Become familiar with Internet basics, visiting websites and using Internet search engines to find information. Discover the most useful websites for accurate information, such as health information. Learn about services available through the library's website. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, April 9; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. PowerPoint For Beginners

Learn to create dynamic presentations for any audience. Participants will 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. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, April 16; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Excel For Beginners

Participants will learn about the basics of using the 2007 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. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

#### Friday, April 22; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m

Email For Beginners Become familiar with email account setup and use I earn how to send and receive emails, attach pictures and documents to your emails, and create and use contact lists. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, April 25; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Word For Beginners Participants will learn about the basics of typing and saving documents using the 2007 edition of Microsoft Word. Learn ways to format and print documents, and copy and paste techniques. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

#### Friday, April 29; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. eMedia

Come learn how to use the library's website to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music. Also learn how to stream free movies and TV shows to your computer or TV. Get an overview of our eLibrary services. and learn how to get started enjoying them today. Plus learn how to take online courses for free using Gale Courses Bring any questions and your devices. Preregistration required

#### Saturday, April 30; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Introduction To Social Media Social media allows you to interact with people online. Learn how to create, share and exchange information and ideas in virtual communities and networks online, including Facebook and Twitter. Preregistration required.

#### Friday, May 6; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

**Computers For Beginners** Get started here with the basics such as using a mouse, identifying computer parts and an introduction to the Windows operating system. This class includes an opportunity to receive a Certificate of Completion mouse skills certificate. Preregistration required

#### Friday, May 13; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Internet For Beginners

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#### Friday, May 20; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. **Email For Beginners**

Become familiar with email account setup and use. Learn how to send and receive emails, attach pictures and documents to your emails, and create and use contact lists. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday. May 21: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Word For Beginners

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### Main Exercise Programs

Fridays, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; May 6, 13, 20, 27; 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Basic Yoga

Join the weekly Friday yoga class taught by Tom Gorman. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel for this hourlong program.

#### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Zumba

Zumba makes working out fun and effective! Join the Zumba workout craze and shed pounds while dancing to merengue, salsa and other hot Latin beats. Preregistration required.

### **Main Story Times**

### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Family Story Time Families with babies, toddlers and young children will enjoy stories, music, finger plays and a craft while developing important early literacy skills. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20;

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Preschool Story Time Three through 5-year-olds will gather for stories, music and finger plays. Preregistration required.







### **Avon Branch**

37485 Harvest Drive Avon, OH 44011 440-934-4743

#### 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. Hours subject to change

### **Avon Story Times**

#### Tuesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Tuesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26; 1 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. 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 - designed to build early literacy skills. Preregistration required.

#### Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28; 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. **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 to attend. Preregistration required.

### April

#### Friday, April 1 through Saturday, April 30;

#### regular library hours

Friends Of The Avon Library Student Art Show Come to the art show featuring works by local student artists. A reception for artists, patrons and friends will be held at the library on April 21 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. The art show is sponsored by the Friends of the Avon Library.

#### Thursday, April 7; 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

Friends Of The Avon Library Meeting Friends of the Avon Library business meeting. New members are welcome. For more information, call the Avon Branch at 440-934-4743.

#### Saturday, April 9; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, April 23; 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Beginning Knitting This is an opportunity to learn to knit starting from the very basics. Instructors and volunteer knitters will be on hand to help you get things going in this two-part series for beginning knitters ages 10 through adult. Bring a pair of size 7 knitting needles. We will have yarn, but you can bring your own if preferred. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, April 9; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Kandinsky Art For Kids Children, preschool through fifth grade, join us for a program about artist Wassily Kandinsky, one of the pioneers of abstract, modern art. Listen to the book The Noisy Paint Box by Barb Rosenstock. Then make your own masterpiece inspired by Kandinsky through the use of bold colors and shapes. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, April 11 through Saturday, April 16; regular library hours

Avon Community Poetry Project All ages can help celebrate National Library Week and National Poetry Month by participating in our Community Poetry Project. Choose words from our poetry bin to create a line or two. Watch the poem grow through the week. When complete, this original work will be published on the Lorain Public Library System's website and Facebook page, and credited to Avon Branch Library patrons!

#### Wednesday, April 13; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Basics Of Home Automation

Learn how to use your smartphone or tablet to control your home lighting, thermostats, cameras, security and more. From very simple to complex networks, experts from Best Buy will teach you about various types of smart home products and apps. Preregistration required

#### Saturday. April 16: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Beginning Book Folding

Join Cari Hearn for this class on the basics of book folding. See examples of her work, learn the technique and where to get patterns. Get started on your own project while you are here. All supplies will be provided, including a used book to recycle for the craft. You can bring your own hardcover book to use if preferred. Preregistration required.

#### Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28; 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. **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 all while having fun. Children must attend with an adult. Siblings are welcome to attend. Preregistration required.

#### Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28; 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 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.

#### Tuesday, April 19; 6 p.m. - 8 p. **Couponing With Rachel 101**

Want to save money on your grocery bills? Rachel Krych, columnist with The Chronicle-Telegram in Elvria. can help! Rachel will show you where to get coupons and how to organize them to maximize savings, and give you great coupon tips. What's a catalina and how can it save you money? Find out here! Also receive tips for shopping at Giant Eagle, Target and CVS. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 20; 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? If so, take part in our writing group. Participate in read and critique sessions. build your skills through writing practice and learn about the craft of writing in general. Preregistration required.

### Thursday, April 21; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Friends Of The Avon Library Student Art Show Reception

The reception for the April art show featuring local student artists is sponsored by the Friends of the Avon Library. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be served

#### Monday, April 25; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Land Of Stories Night

Come to our Land of Stories for fun activities based on the Land of Stories books by Chris Colfer and the original fairy tales incorporated into his books. Design your own land of stories map with countries and lands you create and name. Older elementary and middle school students will love this. Preregistration required

#### Tuesday, April 26; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Shopping At Stores With Rachel This follow-up class to Couponing with Rachel 101 teaches you more in-depth ways to save, including how to shop at stores like Walgreens, CVS, Rite Aid and Staples. Rachel Krych, columnist with The Chronicle-Telegram, shows you money saving apps such as SavingStar, Ibotta and Checkout 51, among other topics. It's recommended that newbies take the Couponing 101 class first. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 27; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Money Smart Teens

There are right and wrong ways to handle money, and David Szafranski from Edgewater Investment Group in Avon will teach you the difference. Learn essential lessons to help you build a lifetime of financial success, including banking, budgeting and credit. Parents are welcome to attend with their teens. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, April 28; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**Builders Club** Join us for an evening of building with LEGO® bricks! Complete challenges and enjoy some free time with other enthusiasts. We will even have occasional surprise projects, contests and prizes! Children ages 6 and up. Preregistration required

### Avon Computer Programs

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### May

Monday, May 2 through Saturday, May 7;

regular library hours May Craft Stations - Mother's Day Make a tissue paper bouquet for your mother or a special person in your life.

#### Wednesday, May 4; 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Star Wars Dav May the Force be with you on this day of crafts, games and activities for all ages. Come as your favorite character and meet other characters at this great family event. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, May 7; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Butterfly Gardening

Families with children of all ages, learn about butterfly habitats and what attracts them. Take home some of the things you will need to cultivate your own butterfly garden. Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, May 11; 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Teen Volunteer Night

Sixth through 12th-graders can explore the many volunteer experiences available at the library. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, May 12; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Playdate At The Library Bring your child to the library for a playdate! Meet up with other parents and their little ones for a fun time playing with toys, reading books and listening to music in our meeting room. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, May 14; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

An Afternoon In Wonderland Tim Burton's Alice Through the Looking Glass movie comes out on May 27. Families can gear up for this new adventure by watching a movie and making a Mad Hatter hat. Preregistration required.

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#### Thursday, May 19; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Robot Invasion All ages can come watch as the library is invaded by robots! The Avon High School Tech Club will demonstrate the drone they built this year, and the Robotics Club will demonstrate their competition robot. Join us for this fun and exciting night of technology in action! Preregistration required

#### Monday, May 2: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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#### Tuesday, May 17: 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**Basic Computers** A hands-on introduction to computer basics, including email, word processing and the Internet Preregistration required.

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#### Saturday, May 21; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. The Art Of Eric Carle

Join us as we read books by Eric Carle and learn about his signature style of illustration. We will create an art project in the style of his artwork. Intended for children in preschool through fifth grade. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, May 25; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Sears Kit Homes In The Lorain County Area Between 1908 and 1940, Sears, Roebuck & Co. sold more than 70.000 homes by mail order throughout the United States. Come to this program to hear about some of the houses in the greater Lorain County area that have been identified as Sears homes. Pictures will be shared that show the many styles. Preregistration required.

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### Avon Book Discussions

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Tuesday, April 26; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

*Z: A Novel Of Zelda Fitzgerald* By Therese Anne Fowler

Wednesday, May 4; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Whiskey Island By Les Roberts

Tuesday, May 31; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. The Rosie Project By Graeme Simsion

Adult Book Discussions Copies of the books are available at the library. New members are welcome





### **Columbia Branch**

Columbia Station, OH 44028 440-236-8751

13824 W. River Road North M, Tu 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; W, Th Noon-8 p.m.; F Noon-6 p.m.; Sat 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Hours subject to change

### **Columbia Computer Programs**

#### Saturday, April 16; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Excel For Beginners Participants will learn about the basics of using the 2007 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. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, April 23; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Saturday, May 28; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

#### Word For Beginners

Participants will learn about the basics of typing and saving documents using the 2007 edition of Microsoft Word. Learn ways to format and print documents, and copy and paste techniques. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend Preregistration required.

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#### Saturday, May 14; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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

### Saturday, May 21; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Facebook And Twitter For Beginners

Learn the very basics about these social networking websites, including an overview of what they consist of, how to create accounts, and how to keep yourself and children safe in these online environments. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, May 21; noon - 1 p.m. Pinterest 101

Come and learn about the popular website Pinterest. With Pinterest you can collect or "pin" images you love online. Learn how to create an account, collect and organize pins on boards, follow people and more! Preregistration required.

### Columbia Book Discussions

Tuesday, April 12; 6:30 p.m. Death Comes To Pemberley By P.D. James day, May 3; 6:30 p.m. Murder On The Orient Express By Agatha Christie

#### **Mystery Book Discussions**

Do you enjoy mysteries? Are you an armchair sleuth? Join our mystery book discussions and sift through clues and red herrings with fellow mystery lovers. Copies of the books are available at the library. Preregistration required.

Monday, April 25; 1 p.m. All The Light We Cannot See By Anthony Doerr Ma Dead Wake: The Last Crossing Of The Lusitania By Erik Larson

Adult Book Discussions Copies of the books are available at the library. New members are welcome. Preregistration required.

sday, April 27; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. *Glass Sword By Victoria Aveyard Wednesday, May 25; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.* Library Wars: Vols. 1-3 By Kiiro Yumi

#### **Teen Book Discussions**

Teens in sixth through 12th grade are welcome to sit in and speak out at our monthly book discussions. Copies of the books are available at the library. New members are welcome. Preregistration required.

Thursday, April 28; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Mr. Food Test Kitchen Guilt-Free Weeknight Favorites Thursday, May 26; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. The Delight Gluten-Free Cookbook By Vanessa Weisbrod

#### **Cookbook Discussions**

Adults, if you love to read, cook and share recipes, this is the group for you. Bring a dish from the selected author's cookbook and talk about your experience in the kitchen. Copies of the books are available at the library. New members are welcome. Preregistration required.

### April

Saturday, April 2; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Columbia Crafting Circle Are you crafty? We are starting a craft group that will meet monthly. If you're working on a project or trying to start one, bring it to the library and hang out and chat with other crafters. Knitting, crocheting, cross-stitching, quilting - whatever you want to do, bring it and all materials needed. We'll provide the meeting space. Preregistration required.

Monday, April 4; 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. - Open to Friends Tuesday, April 5; 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Open to public Wednesday, April 6: noon - 7 p.m. Open to public Thursday, April 7; noon - 7 p.m. - Open to public Friday, April 8; noon - 6 p.m. Open to public Saturday, April 9; 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Open to public **Book Sale & Preview** 

Admission to Monday's book sale preview is reserved for members of The Friends of the Columbia Library. Inc. New members may join. or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening. The book sale is open to the public Tuesday through Saturday and sponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library. Inc. Look for great bargains on books, CDs, DVDs and more. Friday only - \$3 a bag, \$5 a box. Penny Day discount prices are in effect Saturday only. All remaining items will sell for 1 cent each.

#### Monday, April 11; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Farewell *Downton Abbey* Tea Do you miss the television show *Downton Abbey* yet? Gather with fellow fans to enjoy an afternoon of tea, commiserating and reminiscing. Not a fan? Come anyway and enjoy socializing at a beautiful spring tea. This event also celebrates the kickoff of National Library Week. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 13; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Rainy Day Science** April showers bring spring science fun. Children in kindergarten through second grade will be taking part in rainy day science experiments. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

### Thursday, April 14; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Columbia Writers

Have you ever wanted to meet other writers and hone your writing skills? Do you need motivation to pick up a pen in the first place? If so, take part in our writing group. Participate in read and critique sessions, build your skills through writing practice and learn the craft of writing in general. This month, we will be exploring research methods and helpful resources for writers. Preregistration required.

#### Friday, April 15; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club

Bring your imagination once a month to the library's LEGO® Club! Build with our collection and have your creation put on display here at the library. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

### *Tuesday, April 19; 6 p.m.* **The Friends Of The Columbia Library, Inc. Meeting** Members are encouraged to attend and volunteer

to help at fundraising events. New members and guests are welcome to attend and discover how they can become an active member and help the Columbia Branch Library.

#### Wednesday, April 20: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

ACT/SAT Practice Testing Students, are you stressing out about taking college assessment tests? We can help build your confidence. Sylvan Learning will visit to provide free practice tests. Tests will be scored and you will receive a personalized evaluation of your performance. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday April 21:6 p m - 8 p m Couponing With Rachel 101

Want to save money on your grocery bills? Rachel Krych, columnist with The Chronicle-Telegram in Elyria, can help! Rachel will show you where to get coupons and how to organize them to maximize savings, and give you great coupon tips. What's a catalina and how can it save you money? Find out here! Also receive tips for shopping at Giant Eagle Target and CVS. Preregistration required.

### COLUMBIA BRANCH | APRIL - MAY 2016

### Saturday, April 23; 11 a.m. - noon Shakespeare Birthday/Death Day

To party or not to party, that is the question. Teens, join us for some Elizabethan frivolity and, of course, birthday cake. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, April 25; 10:30 a.m. Coffee And A Classic Film

Fancy a relaxing start to your week? Once a month, we'll be featuring a classic film in our meeting room. Sit back with a cup of coffee and enjoy a bit of magic from the silver screen. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday. April 30: noon - 1 p.m.

Pet Rocks Rock! Adopt your own pet rock at the library. Visit our Pet Rock Shop to choose your new pet. Name your pet and make it a comfy bed to go home in. This program is for children ages 3 to 7 and is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

### May

Wednesday, May 4; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. **Star Wars Extravaganza** Join us for an adventure of intergalactic proportions as we celebrate all things Star Wars. Costumes are encouraged. We will have games, trivia, snacks and more. May the 4th be with you! This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, May 5; 3 p.m *Thursday, May 5; 6 p.m.* **Book Page Crafts**

Adults, join us at the library for crafting fun. We'll be recycling old books and making a beautiful new creation. There will be an afternoon and evening session, and the same craft will be created at each. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

### Monday, May 9; 10:30 a.m. Senior Coffee Hour

We are hosting a monthly senior social hour in our meeting room. Join us for coffee, light refreshments and a different topic of discussion event or presentation each month. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, May 10; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**DIY 3-D Hologram Projector** Teens are invited to learn how to create a 3-D hologram projector with the aid of a smartphone and some old tech. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, May 11; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Off To Neverland -Pixie Dust And Pirate Party

Second star to the right and straight on till morning. Children ages 3 through 6 will enjoy pirate and fairy fun and games. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

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#### Monday, May 16; 6 p.m.

Zentangle<sup>®</sup> - Advanced Zendalas<sup>®</sup> Have you taken a basic Zentangle class? Would you like to learn more tangles? Join us as we make a Zendala, which is similar to a mandala. Instead of using color, we will use patterns to fill in the spaces. You will receive two Zendalas - one for at the library and one to take home. Supplies will be provided for you to complete your Zendala. Be sure to bring a small sketchbook or notepad to take notes. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, May 17: 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Teen Video Game Night

Teens, grade six and up, stop by with your friends in tow and enjoy Wii U and PlayStation® 4 on the big projector screen. Board games will also be available to play. Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, May 18; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Engineering For Kids - Bridge Building

Children in grades one through six are invited to attend this exciting program offered by Sylvan Learning. Participants will engage in a hands-on project building bridges with K'NEX parts. Allow your budding engineer to build teamwork and critical thinking skills, while having a blast. Preregistration required.

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#### Tuesday, May 24; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Blackout Poetry Teens and adults, join us as we create beautiful and one of a kind pieces of art from oversize pages of poetry. Blackout poetry is a fun combination of poetry and Zentangle®-inspired art. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, May 28; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Columbia Crafting Circle Are you crafty? We are starting a craft group that will meet monthly. If you're working on a project or trying to start one, bring it to the library and hang out and chat with other crafters. Knitting, crocheting, cross-stitching, guilting - whatever you want to do, bring it and all materials needed. We'll provide the meeting space. Preregistration required

#### Monday, May 30

Lorain Public Library System Closed The Lorain Public Library System is closed for Memorial Day.

### **Story Time**

Mondays, April 11, 18, 25; 7 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Family Story Time Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for families with children between the ages of 3 and 6 years old with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesdays, April 12, 19, 26;

10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m Preschool Story Time Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for children between the ages of 3 and 6 years old with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

### Tuesdays, April 12, 19, 26; 11 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Toddler Story Time

A story time for beginning walkers to 3-year-olds and their caregivers with stories, music movement and rhymes. Preregistration required







### DOMONKAS BRANCH | APRIL - MAY 2016

### Thursday, May 12; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Teen Iron Chef - Twinkie<sup>™</sup> Madness Edition

Teens, get ready for a culinary battle! Do you have what it takes to make the most delicious and decadent Twinkie^ $\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!\!$ concoction? Then come to the library for an Iron Chef battle and let everyone be the judge. Test your decorating and plating skills, and enjoy your delicious treat! "Allez cuisine!" Preregistration required.

### Saturday, May 14; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Soaring Into Summer - A Celebration Of Flight

It's a bird! It's a plane! It's a celebration of flight! May is an important month for aeronautics and we're getting into the wing of things! Learn about important people like Amelia Earhart, the Wright brothers and Charles Lindbergh, and about the different modes of air travel like planes, rockets and hot air balloons. Participate in a paper airplane contest, listen to stories, make a craft and more. For pre-K children through fifth-graders. Preregistration

Calling All Performers! Do you love to sing and dance? Are you great at telling stories? If you're in grades five through 12 and have a knack for performing, we're looking for you! If you have experience in performance or have always dreamed of trying, join a new storytelling troupe at the library. Call if interested

#### Monday, May 16; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

A Fond Farewell - *Downton Abbey* Tea Party The beloved British television program may be over, but everyone can still celebrate the Countess of Grantham one last time here at the library! Enjoy an evening of tea and revelry. Wear your best tea finery, learn about the history of teatime and partake in some delicious treats that even the Crawleys would enjoy! Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday. May 17: 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Family Fun Night - Don't Let The Pigeon Party! What was the last thing you really wanted? To drive a bus? To eat a cookie? A new puppy? A party? In honor of everyone's favorite bird with an attitude, we're partying at the library! Children's author Mo Willems created this popular character 13 years ago and he's been inspiring children with his birdie antics ever since. School-age children will listen to stories, participate in games and songs, and create a pigeon-themed craft to take home! Preregistration required.

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Domonkas Writing Group - The Lakeview Pen Would you like to try your hand at creative writing but need some inspiration? Come to the library for monthly meetings to sharpen your writing skills and share ideas with other novice writers. Bring drafts of your work and be prepared to critique as well as have others review your writing. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday. May 19: 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Teen Advisory Board

Sixth through 12th-graders, here's your chance to volunteer your time, energy and ideas to help make the library better for our community. It's also a nice addition to your personal resume! Stop in and fill out an application or come to a meeting and check it out.

#### Thursday, May 19; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Anime Night Moshi-moshi! Come join the library and your fellow tomodachis and enjoy anime. Over the course of the series we will view a variety of shows while enjoying some tasty Japanese treats. Whether it is shojo or shonen, there will be entertainment for everyone! Preregistration required.

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### Domonkas **Computer Program**

Individual Technology Help Call to schedule an individual one hour help session. If you have a new computer, phone or device, we are here to help you learn about and enjoy them. We can also show you the many electronic resources the library has to offer, such as movies, books, music and audiobooks. Need help setting up an email account or want to learn basic computer skills? Start here. Call today!

### Domonkas Book Discussions

#### Tuesdav. April 5: 6:30 p.m Cookbook Discussion

If you like reading and learning about cooking, you'll enjoy this adult get-together to explore the world of food. Review the month's cookbook selection and try some of the recipes. Then attend the discussion session to share your kitchen experiences or a favorite dish from the book. Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are welcome Preregistration required.

### Monday, April 25; 7 p.m. Adult Book Discussion

Adults, enjoy a hip, upbeat, thought-provoking discussion of titles suggested by the group and Domonkas Branch staff. Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are always welcome! Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, May 3: 6:30 p.m.

Cookbook Discussion If you like reading and learning about cooking, you'll enjoy this adult get-together to explore the world of food. Review the month's cookbook selection and try some of the recipes. Then attend the discussion session to share your kitchen experiences or a favorite dish from the book. Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are welcome Preregistration required.

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### **Domonkas Story Times**

Monday, April 4; 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m

- Toddler Story Time Pets
- Monday, April 11; 11 a.m. 11:30 a.m
- Toddler Story Time Rain And Rainbows
- Monday, April 18; 11 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- Toddler Story Time Earth Day
- Monday, May 2; 11 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- Toddler Story Time Mother's Day

Monday, May 9; 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Toddler Story Time - Ponds

Monday, May 16; 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Toddler Story Time - Number Rhymes

Story time for children 18 months through 4 years old. Children will have fun with stories, music puppets, finger plays and crafts, while developing important early literacy skills. Parents are welcor and encouraged to participate. Preregistration required.

### **Domonkas Branch**

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### April

#### Calling All Performers!

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#### Saturday, April 2; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

April Fools' Day - Laugh Factory What building has the most stories? The library, of course! If you like jokes like that one, then this event is for you! Children in kindergarten through fifth grade are invited to celebrate April Fools' Day and everything funny. We'll be sharing jokes and riddles, funny stories, games, pranks and more. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 6; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

April Showers Bring Garden Flowers Craft Spring is here! Brighten up your garden by creating some upcycled garden art. Create aluminum foliage, and then decorate it with your own flair! Don't be a late bloomer. Register for this craft early! Preregistration required.

### *Thursday, April 7; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.* Mad Science - Earth Day Celebration

Calling all young scientists! Earth Day is almost here, and we want to celebrate being environmentally friendly with you! Come learn what we can do to help the environment. Discover renewable energy with wind vanes, discuss recycling and more. Preregistration required

#### Monday, April 11 through Saturday, April 16; regular library hours

#### Pigments Of Imagination

Adult Coloring Page Drop In Libraries are transformative and ever changing, being a source of information as well as community Come celebrate your library during National Library Week. While visiting, relax by coloring beautiful and intricate images. Think outside the box, but color inside the lines!

#### Monday, April 11; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Movie Classics Club Adults are invited to enjoy a screening of the classic film

of the month at the library. Movies from the '30s through the '60s will be shown - mostly black and white. Come join us for a trip down memory lane! Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, April 13; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Laws Of Attraction Series -The Effects Of Positive And Negative Thinking

Find inspiration to make changes in your life. Explore the laws of attraction in the first session of this two-part series. Open your mind, create a different mind-set, and learn about the effects of positive and negative thinking Preregistration required

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#### Saturday April 16: 2 p m - 4 p m National Library Week Celebration

M,Tu,Th 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; W Noon-8:30 p.m.;

F 2 p.m.-6 p.m.; Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Celebrate National Library Week with us. You are invited to explore library history - both local and national. Learn about the humble beginnings of libraries, as well as how they have transformed throughout history. Enjoy light refreshments and discussion of how libraries will transform into the future. Preregistration required.

### Monday, April 18; 6:30 p.m. Let's Get Quizzical! - Trivia Night

Attention adults and teens! Are you ready to drop some knowledge? Participate in a battle of wits as we host trivia night. Make a team or join one here. Whoever wins this epic battle is in for a prize! Light refreshments will be served. Put on your thinking caps, and register today! Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, April 19; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Family Fun Night -A Curious Earth Day Celebration Even our favorite characters (like a certain curious and mischievous monkey) know how important it is to take care of planet Earth. School-age children and their families are invited to join us for an evening of games and stories that celebrate the planet and teach us ways to help keep it safe. Children will receive a special Earth Dav gift to take home! Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, April 20; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Laws Of Attraction Series -The Power Of Manifestation

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### Monday, May 2; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. A Wonderfully Spa-tastic Mother's Day Craft

Patrons, come to the library to celebrate your mother or other special lady in your life by making a homemade gift. Create a dazzling assortment of spa treatments that pamper and relax. It is perfect for Mother's Day! Register early for this spa-tastic craft! Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, May 4: 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Return Of The Library - Star Wars Celebration Attention all patrons! May the 4th be with you and join the library in a galaxy far, far away! Celebrate the classic science fiction movie franchise with new galactic games to hone your Jedi tricks, cantina treats and more. Come dressed up as your favorite character, and participate in activities that even a Wookiee could win! Do not be a scruffy-looking nerf herder - register today! Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, May 5; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Mad Science - Mother's Day Botany Attention aspiring young scientists! Visit the library and discover some botanical biology as we learn about plant life and make a blooming good gift for your mom! , Preregistration required



### SOUTH LORAIN BRANCH | APRIL - MAY 2016

### South Lorain Branch

2121 Homewood Drive Lorain, OH 44055 440-277-5672

### M,Tu,Th 11 a.m.-8 p.m.; W Noon-8 p.m.;

Hours subject to change

F 2 p.m.-6 p.m.; Sat 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun\*1p.m.-4 p.m.

### South Lorain Writers Group

Thursdays, April 7, 21; May 5, 19; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m South Lorain Writers Group Enjoy writing? Join our fiction writing group every other Thursday to share your writing and improve your skills. Be prepared to critique as well as receive constructive criticism Preregistration required.

### South Lorain Chess Club

Wednesdays, April 6, 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11, 18, 25; 4 p.m. After School Chess Club Calling all chess players! Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned player, come to our open play sessions on Wednesdays at 4 p.m.

### South Lorain Story Time

Mondays, April 4, 18; May 2, 16; 6 p.m. **Family Fun Time** Families and kids of all ages, join us for an evening of stories, games and fun! Preregistration required.

### South Lorain Exercise Programs

#### ays, April 6, 13, 20, 27; May 4, 11; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Tai Chi For Arthritis

Are you one of the over 50 million people in the U.S. who has arthritis, including pain, stiffness and fear of falling? If so, you are invited to attend this six-week series that will teach you valuable techniques to better cope with this potentially disabling condition. Please wear loose clothing and comfortable shoes so you can participate in simple exercises. Preregistration required.

### South Lorain Book Discussions

#### sdav. April 19: 6:30 p.m

Change Of Pace Book Discussion -Dead Wake: The Last Crossing Of The Lusitania By Erik Larson As a German U-boat and the Lusitania, a luxury ocean liner, approached Liverpool in May 1915, an array of forces, both grand and small, converged to produce one of the great disasters in history. It is a story that many of us think we know but don't. Books will be available at the library's circulation desk one month prior to the discussion. Join us.

#### Tuesday, May 17; 6:30 p.m

Change Of Pace Book Discussion - Big Little Lies By Liane Moriarty The setting is an Australian suburb and the main characters are three women who all have children at the same preschool. Right from the start, we know that someone is going to end up dead - the questions are who and how. Books will be available at the library's circulation desk one month prior to the discussion. Join us

### South Lorain Computer Programs

#### Saturday, April 9; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Computers For Beginners** Get started here with the basics such as using a mouse, identifying computer parts and an introduction to the Windows operating system. This class includes an opportunity to receive a Certificate of Completion mouse skills certificate. Preregistration required

#### Saturday, April 23; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. eMedia

Come learn how to use the library's website to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music. Also learn how to stream free movies and TV shows to your computer or TV. Get an overview of our eLibrary services, and learn how to get started enjoying them today. Plus learn how to take online courses for free using Gale Courses Bring any questions and your devices. Preregistration required.

Dazzle your mind!

#### Saturday, April 30; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Internet For Beginners

Become familiar with Internet basics, visiting websites and using Internet search engines to find information. Discover the most useful websites for accurate information, such as health information. Learn about services available through the library's website. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

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### April

#### Monday, April 11; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**Explorations In Art - Fun With Painting** Have you ever wanted to paint on the wall? Join us as we paint in fun and exciting ways, from caveman style to pingpong balls. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, April 12; 6 p.m.

How The Steel Mill Came To Lorain The Johnson Steel Street Rail Company, led by Tom L. Johnson and Arthur J. Moxham, founded the Lorain mill in the late 1800s. Hear the fascinating story of the lives of these individuals and the building of the mill. Eventually becoming one of the largest mills in the world, learn its early history through vintage photos and unique stories. Presented by Matt Weisman of the Lorain Historical Society. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, April 14; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. I EGO® Club

Welcome to the LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club! Build with our collection and have a chance for your creation to be put on display here at the library. We will provide the LEGO<sup>®</sup> bricks, and you supply the imagination! Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, April 16; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. LEGO® Club

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#### Tuesday, April 26; 6 p.m.

The Joy Of Adult Bicycling Ed Stewart, president and founder of Silver Wheels Cycling Club and author of the book Bicycling, Lorain County, Ohio, will talk about cycling opportunities in Lorain County. Learn about bicycling equipment and safety, social aspects of cycling, benefits and challenges of cycling especially for the older population, and what you will need to get started. Ed will also have information about Silver Wheels Cycling Club and will be available to answer your questions. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 27; 6 p.m.

Middle School Makers - Build A Birdhouse Do you like to build and create? Join the Middle School Makers to work on cool projects. This month you will build your very own birdhouse. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, April 28; 6 p.m.

Respect Your Elders -Oaks, Pines And Hickories Too Plant a tree in recognition of Arbor Day. In this program, children will learn about the importance, benefits and proper care of trees. Each child will plant a tree in a pot that can be taken home and planted outside. Anyone under 12 needs to be accompanied by an adult. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, April 30; noon

International Tabletop Day Celebrate International Tabletop Day! Discover new card games and board games, or play an old favorite. We will have a small variety of games, including family friendly games. Feel free to bring a game to teach and play. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, May 21; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. eMedia

Come learn how to use the library's website to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music, Also learn how to stream free movies and TV shows to your computer or TV. Get an overview of our eLibrary services and learn how to get started enjoying them today. Plus learn how to take online courses for free using Gale Courses. Bring any questions and your devices. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday, May 28; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. **Email For Beginners**

Become familiar with email account setup and use. Learn how to send and receive emails, attach pictures and documents to your emails, and create and use contact lists. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required



#### Tuesday, May 3; 6 p.m. Change Your Lens, Change Your Story -Photography 101

Mark Nowak, president of the Erie Shores Photography Club, will help you become a better photographer. Learn about types of equipment to buy, the best paper to use, benefits of joining a photography club, common mistakes, what makes stunning photos, upcoming competitions and much more. Mark will also be available to answer your photography questions. Preregistration required

#### Wednesday, May 4: 4 p.m.

Star Wars Day May the 4th be with you! Celebrate Star Wars with a cool craft and Star Wars-themed bingo. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, May 9: 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Explorations In Art - Fun With Colors Watch the colors mix and swirl! Join us to experiment with coffee filter art and paper marbling. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, May 12; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club

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#### Saturday. May 14: 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. LEGO<sup>®</sup> Club Welcome to the LEGO® Club! Build with our collection and

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#### Wednesday, May 18; 5:30 p.m. Couponing 101

This fun and engaging class will teach techniques that will lower your grocery bill every time you shop. Rachel Krych, blogger at couponingwithrachel.com and columnist

at The Chronicle-Telegram, will cover topics such as where to get coupons, how to organize them, where and how to stack coupons, and how to shop at stores like Giant Eagle and CVS. This class is great for beginners as well as those who have used coupons for years. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, May 23; 6 p.m.

Princess Tea Party Put on your best dress and join us for tea, cookies and some fun princess activities. Each participant will get a special princess crown to wear. Preregistration required.

### Thursday, May 26: 6 p.m.

Middle School Makers -Perler Bead Key Chains

Do you like to build and create? Join the Middle School Makers to work on cool projects. This month you will build your very own Perler bead key chain. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, May 30

Lorain Public Library System Closed The Lorain Public Library System is closed for Memorial Dav.





### NORTH RIDGEVILLE BRANCH | APRIL - MAY 2016

### North Ridgeville Branch

35700 Bainbridge Road North Ridgeville, OH 44039 440-327-8326

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\* Closed Sundavs from May through September

### April

### Friday, April 1; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Prank Day Science

Come join us for some science - prankster style! Kindergartners through fifth-graders, get ready to laugh uncontrollably as we explore the science behind some truly surprising and hilarious pranks. Preregistration required.

#### Saturday. April 2: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Browser's<sup>®</sup> Reading Buddies is a relaxed, dog-friendly program where first through fifth-graders may sit and read with a certified Therapy Dog International canine volunteer. Each child may sign up for a 15-minute session. Preregistration required.

#### Monday, April 4: 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The Friends Of The North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. General Membership Meeting General membership meeting of The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. New members are welcome. Plans will be made for the next book sale and other fundraisers.

#### Wednesday, April 6; 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Coloring For Grown-Ups** Join us as we celebrate the adult coloring craze! Experience the calming, stress-relieving benefits of coloring beautiful designs and patterns made specifically for adults. Coloring sheets, colored pencils and markers will be provided. Coffee, tea and light dessert will be served. This program is for adults age 18 and older. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 6; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

#### Upcycled Crafting Fun

Families are invited to get ready for Earth Day with this eco-friendly craft. Challenge yourself to create an upcycled treasure out of reusable materials that might otherwise go into a landfill. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, April 13; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m

**Butterfly Gardens - A How-To Event** Creating butterfly gardens is both easy and fun! Learn some affordable techniques to create a special habitat to attract a variety of butterflies. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, April 14; 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

A Literary Lunch Break -Story Time For Grown-Ups Bring a lunch and relax while listening to poetry and short stories read by library staff. Share in the follow-up discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Preregistration required.

#### Friday, April 15; 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Little Learners

Two through 5-year-olds and their caregivers are invited to stop by the story room to explore and learn about the alphabet, numbers, shapes, colors, patterns and much more.

#### Saturday, April 16; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**Balloon Bonanza** Help celebrate National Library Week with the most incredible balloon creations you've ever seen! Swifty the Clown will wow the audience in this interactive and

entertaining program for families. Some children will get a chance to participate in the show and may even get to take an amazing balloon creation home. PLEASE NOTE: Preregistration is required for all attending - children and caregivers. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

### Tuesday, April 19; 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Upcycle Book Craft For Adults

Hours subject to change

Adults, come enjoy an afternoon of crafting at the library. Staff will present a fun, easy take-home craft that will be made from the pages of old books. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, April 19; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Upcycled Book Page Poetry - Tween And Teen Fun Calling all aspiring tween and teen artists! Help the library celebrate National Poetry Month. Fourth through 12th-graders, learn how to repurpose old book pages into pieces of poetic artwork. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, April 21; 5 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Open to Friends Friday, April 22; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. - Open to public Saturday, April 23; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. - Open to public Sunday, April 24; 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. - Open to public

**Book Sale & Preview** 

Admission to Thursday's book sale preview is reserved for members of The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. New members may join, or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening. Book sale open to the public Friday through Sunday. Large assortment of books, movies and puzzles for all ages. Books sold by the bag on Sunday. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

### May

#### Tuesday, May 3; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Galaxy In A Jar - Tween And Teen Fun Help the library celebrate National Space Day early with an out of this world craft extravaganza! Fourth through 12th-graders, become the master of your own cosmos as you create your very own galaxy in a jar. Preregistration required

#### Wednesday, May 4 through Saturday, May 21; regular library hours May Art Show

Come view the North Ridgeville City Schools annual student art exhibition that includes artwork from many grade levels.

#### Wednesday, May 4; 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m

Coloring For Grown-Ups Join us as we celebrate the adult coloring craze! Experience the calming, stress-relieving benefits of coloring beautiful designs and patterns made specifically for adults. Coloring sheets, colored pencils and markers will be provided. Coffee, tea and light dessert will be served. This program is for adults age 18 and older. Preregistration required.

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International canine volunteer. Each child may sign up for a 15-minute session. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, May 7; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Mom And Me Afternoon Tea

Join us to celebrate Mother's Day at our eighth annual Mother's Day tea party. Enjoy tea, juice and a light snack while we play games and make crafts - all while making memories with the ones we love. Mothers, grandmothers and caregivers with those 3 years of age and older are all welcome. PLEASE NOTE: Preregistration is required for all attending - children and caregivers. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. Preregistration required

### North Ridgeville Writers

#### Saturdays, April 2, 16, 30; May 14, 28; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

North Ridgeville Writers 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? If so, take part in our writing group. Participate in read and critique sessions, build your skills through writing practice and learn the craft of writing in general. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, May 11; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. LEGO<sup>®</sup> Fun Night

Do you love to build with LEGO® bricks? Here's your chance! The library will provide the LEGO® bricks and you supply the ideas and creations. Intended for ages 5 and up. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, May 12; 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

A Literary Lunch Break - Story Time For Grown-Ups Bring a lunch and relax while listening to poetry and short stories read by library staff. Share in the follow-up discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Preregistration required.

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#### Tuesday, May 17; 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Upcycle Book Craft For Adults Adults, come enjoy an afternoon of crafting at the library. Staff will present a fun, easy take-home craft that will be made from the pages of old books. Preregistration required.

### Saturday, May 21; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Movie And Popcorn

Families are invited to enjoy a recently released and much-anticipated PG or G-rated film. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, May 24; 10:30 a.m. - noon

Peewee Picassos Help! The library needs to clean out its craft closet. Did you miss a story time craft? Or perhaps you have a favorite craft that you'd like to remake. Here's your chance! Drop in anytime between 10:30 a.m. and noon to make a special craft while supplies last. Intended for ages 2 and up.

#### Thursday, May 26; 10:30 a.m. - noon

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#### Monday, May 30

Lorain Public Library System Closed The Lorain Public Library System is closed for Memorial Day.





### North Ridgeville Computer Programs

#### Monday, April 18; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Downloading eBooks And Audiobooks Participants will learn about the library's OverDrive media and Axis 360 services, which can be used to download eBooks, audiobooks and more. The instructor will do some how-to demonstrations. The participants will learn about the various kinds of eBooks that can be downloaded or viewed on one's computer or device. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, April 21; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m

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### Monday, April 25; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. Facebook And Twitter For Beginners

Learn the very basics about these popular social networking websites, including an overview of what they consist of, how to create accounts, and how to keep yourself and children safe in these online environments. Preregistration required

#### Wednesday, April 27; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Tech Help

Bring your questions to this informal session about the use of computers, tablets, eReaders, the Internet or anything else technology-related. Stop in anytime between 1 and 3 p.m. for one-on-one assistance with staff members. Preregistration required.

#### Thursday. April 28: 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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#### Monday, May 2; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Word 2016 For Beginners Learn the basics about Microsoft Word 2016, including the formatting and editing necessary for creating a basic document. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

### *Thursday, May 5; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.* **Word 2016 For Beginners**

Learn the basics about Microsoft Word 2016, including the formatting and editing necessary for creating a basic document. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required

#### Monday, May 16; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Hoopia, Freegal And Zinio - Download And/ Or Stream Movies, Magazines And More Come and learn how to use the library's website to access free downloadable and/or streaming magazines, movies, TV shows, music and audiobooks. Get an overview of what hoopla, Freegal and Zinio are, and learn how to get started enjoying them today. Bring any questions and your devices Preregistration required.

#### Thursday, May 19; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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### *Thursday, May 19; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.* **PowerPoint 2016 For Beginners**

Learn how to present information in a slideshow format with Microsoft PowerPoint 2016. Good computer skills are recommended. Preregistration required

#### Monday, May 23; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Excel 2016 For Beginners This introductory class is for people who have little or no experience using Microsoft Excel, a popular spreadsheet program. Participants will learn about working with Excel worksheets and workbooks identifying rows and columns, entering data into cells and ranges, and creating simple mathematical formulas. Preregistration required.

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### North Ridgeville Story Times

#### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9;

10:15 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. Sittin' And Scootin' - Story Time For Babies Stories, music and finger plays ideally for babies from birth to 17 months old along with their caregivers. Babies between the ages of 18 months and 23 months old may also attend with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9; 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Tune Stompin' Twos -Story Time For 2-Year-Olds Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2-year-olds and their caregivers. Preregistration required

#### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9;

11:30 a.m. - no

Wigglin' And Waddlin' -Story Time For Babies A noisy, interactive story program recommended for active babies from 18 months to 23 months old together with their caregivers. Active babies between the ages of 12 months and 17 months may also attend along with their caregivers. Babies and their caregivers will enjoy stories, music, finger plays and nursery rhymes. Preregistration required

#### Mondays, April 4, 11, 18, 25; May 2, 9; 1 p.m. - 1:30 p.r

Rhythm And Rhyme Family Story Time A toe-tappin' story time for families with children ages 2 to 6 years old. Families not signed up for other story time sessions are welcome to join us for stories with a beat, exciting tunes and jazzy crafts Preregistration required.

#### Mondavs. April 4. 11. 18. 25: May 2. 9: 6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Prime Time Preschool Story Time Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 3 to 5-year-olds. Make us a part of your Monday night bedtime routine. Children may come dressed in their pajamas ready to enjoy a bedtime story. Children may go into the story room alone or with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3, 10: 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Thrilling Threes - Story Time For 3-Year-Olds Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 3-year-olds and their caregivers. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesdays, April 5, 12, 19, 26; May 3, 10;

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Fabulous Fours And Fives -Story Time For 4 And 5-Year-Olds Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 4 and 5-year-olds. Preregistration required.

#### Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12;

10:15 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. Sittin' And Scootin' - Story Time For Babies Stories, music and finger plays ideally for babies from birth to 17 months old along with their caregivers. Babies between the ages of 18 months and 23 months old may also attend with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

### Thursdays, April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12; 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

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### North Ridgeville Book Discussions

### . Wednesday, April 6; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

After Breakfast Adult Morning Book Discussion Adults. enjoy a fun and interesting discussion of a popular title on the first Wednesday morning each month. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, April 13: 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion -The Diving Bell And The Butterfly By Jean-Dominique Bauby

Copies of the book being discussed this month are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, April 20; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Butler Did It -Mystery Book Discussion

Copies of the mystery book being discussed this month are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, April 26; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Adult Afternoon Book Discussion Adults, enjoy a fun and interesting discussion of a popular title on the fourth Tuesday afternoon each month. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, May 4: 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. After Breakfast Adult Morning Book Discussion

Adults, enjoy a fun and interesting discussion of a popular title on the first Wednesday morning each month. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

### Wednesday, May 11; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion -White Teeth By Zadie Smith

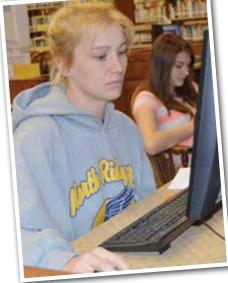
Copies of the book being discussed this month are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

#### Wednesday, May 18; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Butler Did It -Mystery Book Discussion Copies of the mystery book being discussed this month are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required.

#### Tuesday, May 24; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. Adult Afternoon Book Discussion

Adults, enjoy a fun and interesting discussion of a popular title on the fourth Tuesday afternoon each month. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New adult members are welcome. Preregistration required





# Lorain Public Library System Top 2015 Checkouts

### ADULT FICTION Hope to Die by James Patterson Fifty Shades of Grey by E.L. James The Escape by David Baldacci Private India: City on Fire by James Patterson and Ashwin Sanghi Burn by James Patterson and Michael Ledwidge

### DVDS & BLU-RAYS

22 Jump Street

The Boxtrolls

The Interview

Frank Miller's Sin City: A Dame to Kill For

Hercules

### OVERDRIVE

*The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins OK! Magazine *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn Star (Magazine) *Eyes on You* by Kate White

# ADULT NONFICTION

Finding Me: A Decade of Darkness, a Life Reclaimed: A Memoir of the Cleveland Kidnappings by Michelle Knight

Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption by Laura Hillenbrand

*Hope: A Memoir of Survival in Cleveland* by Amanda Berry and Gina DeJesus

The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics by Daniel James Brown

Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail by Cheryl Strayed

### AXIS 360 EBOOKS

*The Girl on the Train* by Paula Hawkins *The Death Cure* by James Dashner *The Scorch Trials* by James Dashner *Invisible* by James Patterson and David Ellis *Gone Girl* by Gillian Flynn

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### Lorain Public Library System Locations/Hours

### **Main Library**

351 W. Sixth Street, Lorain, OH 44052 440-244-1192 or 1-800-322-READ M,Tu,W,Th 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; F, Sat 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

### Avon Branch

37485 Harvest Drive, Avon, OH 44011 440-934-4743 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.

### Columbia Branch

13824 W. River Road North Columbia Station, OH 44028 440-236-8751 M,Tu 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; W,Th Noon-8 p.m.; F Noon-6 p.m.; Sat 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

### Domonkas Branch

4125 E. Lake Road Sheffield Lake, OH 44054 440-949-7410 M,Tu,Th 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; W Noon-8:30 p.m.; F 2 p.m.-6 p.m.; Sat 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

### North Ridgeville Branch

35700 Bainbridge Road North Ridgeville, OH 44039 440-327-8326 M,Tu,W,Th 10 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; F, Sat 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun\* 1 p.m.-5 p.m. (\* Closed Sundays from May through September)

### South Lorain Branch

2121 Homewood Drive Lorain, OH 44055 440-277-5672 M,Tu,Th 11a.m.-8 p.m.; W Noon-8 p.m.; F 2 p.m.-6 p.m.; Sat 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun\* 1 p.m.-4 p.m. (\* Closed Sundays from May through September)

These hours are subject to change.