

JUNE-AUGUST 2017

Lorain Public Library! Dimensions

Build A Better World - Summer Library Program

Read, Play & Win Books

We'll be creating, taking care of our Earth, and building better communities in this year's Summer Library Program. Running from June through August, it's open to kids, teens and adults. Come read, attend fun events and win books!

Participants, from birth through 12th grade, will earn free books for reading and participating in activities during the summer. We have a summer program for adults too. Learn more in our libraries.

The summer program is about encouraging everyone to experience the joy of reading and learning, and be active. Whether outdoors or indoors, let's get moving.

Beach Party Kickoff

The fun begins on June 3 at our ninth annual Summer Library Program Beach Party Kickoff at Lakeview Park in Lorain. The beach party is cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System (LPLS) and the Lorain County Metro Parks. The all-ages event, which runs from noon to 3 p.m., will include games, educative activities, face painting and a special performance by the Barbies of Steel City dance squad!

Track Your Reading & Activities to Earn Books

Beginning on June 5, visit our libraries or **LorainPublicLibrary.org/SummerProgram** to get your reading and activity log. If you'd like, read for 15 minutes at a time and choose activities like planting a tree, building a toy block tower, reading to a family member or coming to our summer library events. See our events listed inside this newsletter. Infants and toddlers can also participate because listening to stories counts as reading time.

When you've read for five hours and completed five activities, bring your record back in to receive a free book!

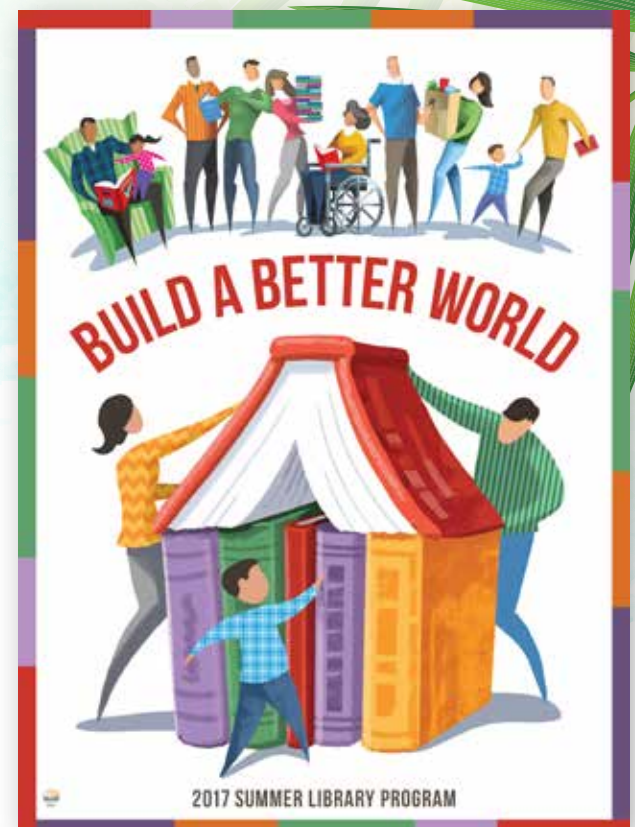
Psst! Let us know what you're reading and the library events you enjoy. Share your photos with us and get the latest summer program info on our social media using the hashtag **#LPLSSummerLearning**. This is optional and not a program requirement for earning books.

Let's build a better world together this summer!

Your Literacy Expert Lorain Public Library System

What's Inside:

- Summer Library Program Events
- Fun, Learning Activities For Kids
- Lifelong Learning Happens Here



Spotlighted Summer Events

Build A Better World Magic Show

Enjoy the Build A Better World Magic Show at all six of our libraries. Families with children of all ages will travel on a magical journey full of stories, jokes and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit!

Summer Writing Contest

Attention writers: During June, third-graders through adults may enter our summer writing contest for a chance to win prizes! Submit an original poem or short story that is 1,500 words or less. Find instructions and entry forms in our libraries or at LorainPublicLibrary.org/SummerProgram

Join Us For Lunch

We are partnering with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lorain County to provide the youth lunch in our libraries during summer. Meals will be provided at our Main Library, Domonkas and South Lorain branches. Each library will also host summer programs around these lunches. See event details inside this newsletter. For more information, call our libraries or visit our website.

Escape Rooms

Teens: Several of our libraries are having their own version of the popular Escape Room game! Participants solve puzzles or complete missions within a limited time frame in order to “escape” a room.

NASA

Come learn about humans in space! The NASA Glenn Research Center of Cleveland will present programs in our libraries.

More summer programs are listed inside.





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

June

*Saturdays, June 3, 10, 17, 24; July 8, 15, 22, 29;
August 5, 12, 19, 26; 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.

Saturday, June 3; noon - 3 p.m.
**Summer Library Program Kickoff
And Beach Party - Build A Better World**
Lakeview Park, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain

Build, create, and imagine at the beach this summer! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Build a Better World Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance of the Barbies of Steel City, a dance group created to promote confidence, sisterhood, and teamwork, which stars students from Lorain.

Tuesday, June 6; 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Teen Drama Club

It's time for our annual Teen Summer Drama! All adventurous, actor-types sixth through 12th grade are welcome to participate. Auditions will be held on Tuesday, June 6 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Rehearsal dates are Tuesdays, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, and 18 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Final rehearsal will be on Friday, July 21 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Performances are on Monday, July 24 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Preregistration required.

*Tuesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;
August 1, 8, 15; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.*
Sewing Club

Learn hand sewing and sewing machine skills. A few sewing machines will be provided but you are welcome to bring your own portable machine. Bring your questions and sewing project ideas. Beginners and those with some background in sewing are welcome. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 7; 3 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Big Buddy Orientation

Are you a teen who would like to volunteer your time and read with kids at the library? Become a Big Buddy! Book Buddies is a program that pairs middle and high school students with early readers. Big Buddies must attend this orientation session, and they must commit to the whole Book Buddies program that meets Wednesdays at 3 p.m., June 14 through July 26. Preregistration required.

Friday, June 9; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Crafternoon

Calling all crafters! If you are in grades six through 12, and like to cut, fold, tape, glitter and glue away the afternoon, join us in making CD Mandalas. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 12; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Build A Better World Magic Show
Families with children of all ages are invited to join Greg Carson in a magical journey of discovery with stories, jokes, and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit! Preregistration required.

*Wednesdays, June 14, 21, 28;
July 5, 12, 19, 26; 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.*
Book Buddies

Book Buddies is a program that pairs middle and high school students with early readers. We need Big Buddies who like to work with young kids and will volunteer their time to read at the library. Little Buddies are needed to play games and read with teens. Big Buddies must commit to the whole program, and they must have attended a special orientation session on June 7. Little Buddies will start attending on June 14. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 14; 3 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
**Local Author Meaghan Fisher Presents
Tyler the Fish and the Lorain Lighthouse**

Tyler the fish is so excited. His class is going to visit the Lorain Lighthouse today! Join author Meaghan Fisher as she shares her new picture book about our favorite Lake Erie light! This program is for families with children of all ages. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 14; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Superhero Fun Day

Come join us in celebrating the release of superhero movies, including Wonder Woman and Spiderman! We'll have crafts, games, snacks and tons of adventure for everyone. For families and children of all ages! Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 15; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Summer Science - Marshmallow Tower

Are you a builder, a maker, a thinker and a dreamer? Do those dreams involve marshmallows and spaghetti? And building things? Join us for the ultimate thinker/maker/builder challenge: Marshmallow Tower! For all curious engineers grades four through six. Older siblings welcome. Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 17; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Teen Glow Party

Start off your summer with a celebration of light! Join us after hours for our Teen Glow Party. Play a round of cosmic bowling, design your own glow-in-the-dark baseball cap, and help us create the ultimate glow-in-the-dark mural! For all fun-seekers ages 12-18. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 19; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Browser's® Surprise Party

You're invited to a special party, but shhh-- it's a surprise! Help us get ready with games, crafts and other activities while we wait for the guest of honor to show up on his big day! Families with children of all ages are welcome to bring a gift of doggy treats that will be donated to Partners With Paws of Lorain County in Browser's® name. Bring your cameras for special photo ops with our favorite dog! Preregistration required.

Monday, June 19; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time

Join Ernie Hernandez, Duelist and organizer, for open play time. He will share his knowledge of the Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME. Open play time is for 8-year-olds to 18-year-olds. Advanced format. Konami rules. Bring your own deck of 40 cards minimum. Card trading is not allowed. Registration opens May 15. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 21; 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Build It!

Families with children of all ages are invited to join us for a night of building with creative toys. Use LEGO® bricks, KEVA planks, and Connectagons to build, shape, and create! We provide the toys, and you provide the creativity! Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 24; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Meet Andrew Bajda: Captured In Liberation

Captured In Liberation, by Andrew Bajda, is a spellbinding story set in Europe during WWII that encompasses the power of freedom and the enduring strength of family. Listen as Bajda shares this true story of his own family history and the travels of discovery involved in writing the book. The author will have copies of his book available for purchase after the program. Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 24; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Music At Main With The Thor Platter Band

The "Music at Main" series will feature the Thor Platter Band appearing on one Saturday afternoon each month from June through August. Join us on the mezzanine for bluegrass/Americana music performances that include some music clinics demonstrating how to play various musical instruments. "Music at Main" programs are being held to help publicize ArtistWorks - the new, free online music instruction resource offered by the library.

Monday, June 26; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo Presents
"What To Do With All The Poo?"**

Families with children of all ages are invited to a video conference with specialists from the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo. How does a zoo recycle poo? Learn about composting and how nature takes care of the waste. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 28; noon - 1:30 p.m.
**Lunchtime Local History: Celebrating The
100th Anniversary Of The Lorain Lighthouse**

2017 marks the 100th anniversary of the completion of the Lorain Lighthouse. Come hear stories and facts about the iconic lighthouse associated with our city's history. Light refreshments will be served. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 28; 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Minion Mania

Bring the whole family and come celebrate everyone's favorite despicable characters: minions! Join us for minion-themed crafts and activities for children of all ages. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 29; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Summer Science - Rubber Band Car

With rubber bands, popsicle sticks, bottle caps, glue and determination, you can build an actual working car for hours of play and fun. Join us for the chance to create and play with an awesome, one-of-a-kind creation. Grades four through six. Older siblings welcome. Preregistration required.

July

Monday, July 3; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Glow Party For Kids

Families with children of all ages, join us this summer for a super fun Glow Party just for kids! Write secret messages, watch colors transform under black light, and share in the fun with your friends. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, July 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Closed In Observance Of Independence Day

All Lorain Public Library System locations are closed in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Wednesday, July 5; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Cardboard City

You can be a doctor at the hospital, a baker at the grocery store, or even a librarian! Parents with children ages 18 months to 5 years old are invited to come and play as the meeting room is transformed into a cardboard city full of activities to explore. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 10; 2 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Construct-A-Saurus

Families with children of all ages, join us as the Lorain County Metro Parks presents Construct-a-Saurus at the library. Children will learn basic dinosaur facts as they help build a 7-foot-tall dinosaur! Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 13; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Summer Science - Robot Tech Lab

Presented by the Northeast Ohio Regional Library System, learn all about building and programming robots! These little guys will zip and turn and change direction at your command. Learn how through coding and design, and watch them roll! For robotics enthusiasts grades four through six. Older siblings welcome. Preregistration required.

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

Crafternoon

Calling all crafters! If you are in grades six through 12, and like to cut, fold, tape, glitter and glue away the afternoon, join us in making Fairy Lanterns. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 17; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Campfire Stories

Gather round the fire, kids, because it's time for thrills and chills with campfire stories! Join us for tall tales, snacks, and lots of laughs for eager listeners from kindergarten through sixth grade. Preregistration required.



Summer Library Program

June 5 to August 5

Build a Better World at your Lorain Public Library System libraries. Come read, attend fun events and win books in our Summer Library Program! Find reading and activity logs for babies through 12th-graders in our libraries and at **LorainPublicLibrary.org/SummerProgram**. We also have a summer program for adults. We hope to see you at our events this summer!

Monday, July 17; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time

Join Ernie Hernandez, Duelist and organizer, for open play time. He will share his knowledge of the Yu-Gi-Oh! TRADING CARD GAME. Open play time is for 8-year-olds to 18-year-olds. Advanced format. Konami rules. Bring your own deck of 40 cards minimum. Card trading is not allowed. Registration opens June 19. Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 22; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Music At Main With The Thor Platter Band

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Monday, July 24; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Monday, July 24; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Teen Summer Drama Performance

Families with children of all ages are invited to a puppet show performed by our Teen Drama Club. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 26; noon - 1:30 p.m.

**Lunchtime Local History:
Notable Women Of Lorain**

Carmelene Januzzi will present information about the many women, from the 1800s to the present, who have been influential in the history of Lorain. Wilhomena Koppenhafer, Toni Morrison and Alice Weston are among the women who will be introduced to the audience. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 26; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Our Zoo To You And Ice Cream Social

Back by popular demand, get up close and personal with live animals brought to you by Our Zoo to You. Enjoy an ice cream treat too. Families may bring lawn chairs and blankets as we will gather in the grassy area by the parking lot. In case of inclement weather, the program will be held in the library. Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 27; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Summer Science - Coding With Scratch

Ever wanted to make your own video game or create a computer program? Learn some basic coding skills with Scratch, a free computer program that teaches some of the basic building blocks used in computer design. For kids in grades four through six - older siblings welcome. Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 29; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Total Game Room!

Gamers gotta game! We'll have it all: old-school board games to video games, join us for an after-hours program just for teens. Show off your gaming skills while you socialize and enjoy snacks. For all gaming enthusiasts in grades six through 12. Preregistration required.

Food Service

*Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24;
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.*

Summer Food Service Program

The Main Library is participating in the Summer Food Service Program in partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lorain County. Youth ages 18 and under are invited to come to lunch between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and stay for the Monday afternoon family program at the end of food service.

Computer Programs

Friday, June 2; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 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.

Friday, June 9; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Manage Photos From Cloud

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. Preregistration required.

Friday, June 16; 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, June 17; 11 a.m. - 1 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, June 23; 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.

Monday, June 26; 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.

Monday, July 3; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 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.

Monday, July 24; 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.

Monday, July 31; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 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, August 5; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 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.

Friday, August 11; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 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.

Saturday, August 19; 11 a.m. - 1 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.

Monday, August 21; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 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, August 25; 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.

Book Discussions

Thursday, June 15; 1 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion

- *Swing Time* By Zadie Smith

Join us to discuss Zadie Smith's book *Swing Time*. The novel centers on the talents and abilities of two young black women who dream of being dancers. It explores themes of friendship, loss, memory, race, and the complex and challenging experience of being female. Books are available at the information desk a month before the program. Preregistration required.



Thursday, July 20; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion -

Lily and the Octopus By Steven Rowley

Please join us in our discussion of Steven Rowley's heartfelt and funny novel, *Lily and the Octopus*. In this emotionally dense debut novel, explores the magic and heartbreak of pet ownership. Quirky and endearing, this novel is sure to please. Books are available at the information desk a month before the program. Preregistration required.



Thursday, August 17; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion - *The True Flag: Theodore Roosevelt, Mark Twain, and the Birth of the American Empire* By Stephen Kinzer

What is America's place in the world? It is an urgent, unanswered question, but it is also a perennial one. Following the threads of the great debate that took place between Theodore Roosevelt and Mark Twain, Stephen Kinzer's book shows that much of what we have to say about this thorny issue is neither new nor original. This is a fascinating book about an obscure but important disputation between two giants of American history. Books are available at the information desk a month before the program. Preregistration required.



Story Times

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24;

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.

Tuesdays, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;

10:30 a.m.

Story Builders

Parents with children ages 3-5 are invited to join us for a special program with stories and activities that involve building, creating, and learning. Preregistration required.



August

Tuesday, August 1; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Emoji Movie Release Party!

How are you feeling? Express your emotional state and your excitement for the *Emoji* movie release by joining our party on August 1! We'll have fun, games, crafts and snacks—sure to inspire all sorts of happy faces. For emotive types of all ages! Preregistration required.

Friday, August 4; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Crafternoon

Calling all crafters! If you are in grades six through 12, and like to cut, fold, tape, glitter and glue away the afternoon, join us in making friendship bracelets. Preregistration required.

Saturday, August 12; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Escape Room Challenge

Just for teens! Can you strategize your ultimate escape? Join us after hours for a game of Escape Room. Fun for all smart, clever types in grades six through 12. Preregistration required.

Monday, August 14; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time

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Wednesday, August 30; noon - 1:30 p.m.

Lunchtime Local History: The Admiral And The General

Lorain city school buildings were recently named in honor of Admiral Ernest J. King and General Johnnie Wilson. Come to learn about these men and their military careers. Preregistration required.



Chess Club

Saturdays, June 10, 24; July 8, 22;

August 5, 19; 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Knights Of The Square Table Chess Club

Calling all chess players! Whether you are a beginner or a seasoned player, come to our open play sessions.

Job Help

Mondays, June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 3, 24, 31;

August 7, 14, 21, 28; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Job Help Mondays

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 and set up your own account with online job websites.

Exercise Programs

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 17, 24, 31;

August 7, 14, 28; 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.

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

June

Saturday, June 3; noon - 3 p.m.

Summer Library Program Kickoff And Beach Party - Build A Better World

Lakeview Park, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain
Build, create, and imagine at the beach this summer!
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Wednesday, June 7; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teen Anime Night

If you love anime, come join us for our 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.

Thursday, June 8; 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.

Friday, June 9; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

DIY Travel Boxes For Kids

Do you have travel plans this summer? Then this program is for you! Come create a LEGO® travel box and an art travel box to use during long trips. Perfect for children ages 5 to 12. Preregistration required.

Friday, June 9; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Tween And Teen Duct Tape Craft

Teens and tweens - if you love duct tape, come join us for our duct tape craft! Enjoy making a duct tape phone holder and a braided duct tape bracelet. Also, take home a fun duct tape freebie! Perfect for those in grades five through 12. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 12; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Community Mural

Children of all ages, help us kick off our summer reading theme of Build a Better World by creating a mural together on paper to represent the Avon community. Every child who attends will get to contribute, and we will display the mural in the library for the summer. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, June 13; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Build A Better World Magic Show

Families with children of all ages are invited to join Greg Carson in a magical journey of discovery with stories, jokes, and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 14; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Senior Reading Buddies - Avon Oaks

Avon Oaks, 37800 French Creek Road, Avon
Grandmas, grandpas, a good book and some homemade cookies - what more could a child want? Local seniors will read to your little ones or listen to young readers read to them. So bring your children to Avon Oaks for this cozy afternoon program and create a heartwarming reading experience for young and old. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 14; 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Erie Lights And Lighthouse Lore

What stories can lighthouses tell? Local shipwreck hunters and authors Georgann and Mike Wachter will present the haunting and fascinating tales behind Lake Erie's lighthouses. They will also discuss how the lights operate and when they were built. This program is for adults. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 15; 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 through 5, are invited to join in by building with a parent. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, June 20; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Busy Town

Drive around Richard Scarry's Busy Town and meet all sorts of new friends! Children ages 18 months to 6 years can stop at the grocery store, car wash, construction site and more. Bring your favorite toy car or truck and play. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 21; 12:30 p.m. - 1 p.m.

Book Buddies Volunteer Orientation

Are you a teen who would like to volunteer your time and read with kids at the library? Become a Big Buddy! Book Buddies is a program that pairs sixth through 12th-grade students with early readers. Big Buddies must attend this orientation session and they must commit to the whole Book Buddies program that meets on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. from June 21 through July 26. The first Book Buddies session is immediately following this orientation. Preregistration required.

Wednesdays, June 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26;

1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Buddies

Book Buddies is a program that pairs sixth through 12th-grade students with early readers for six afternoons of fun, games and reading. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 21; 7:15 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

Summer Solstice Yoga Celebration

Celebrate the arrival of summer with a special outdoor yoga celebration at the library. Yogis of all ages and levels, gather on the south lawn with your mats and water bottles for an uplifting yoga practice led by 3sisters yoga + fitness of Avon.

Thursday, June 22; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday, June 23; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 24; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Sale And Preview

The book sale preview will run Thursday, June 22 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. The sale will open to the public from 6 to 8 p.m., immediately following the preview. Donations of books in good condition will be accepted Monday through Thursday before the book sale opens. Sponsored by the Friends of the Avon Library.

Monday, June 26; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Tiny Houses

Join us for a Q-and-A presentation from local tiny home builders Small Spaces CLE. Have all of your questions answered about the movement from design concepts and minimalism to living off the grid and legal codes. For tiny house enthusiasts to those just curious, this is an event you won't want to miss. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, June 27; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Engineering Night - Buoyant Blimps

Join us for a family-friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills. School-age children and their families build a working blimp with balloons! Complete challenges and win the grand prize! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 28; 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, June 29; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Summer Coding Club

For kids and teens ages 9 and up who want to build skills for the future or just have fun! Get a start with Scratch, explore Code.org, learn Python or share ideas for a project you are already working on. We will have laptops ready, or bring your own device. This coding club is led by Avon High School Tech Club members as part of a special volunteer project. Sign-up if you need to use a laptop. If you are bringing your own, just show up! Preregistration required.

Friday, June 30; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Action Painting

Be creative while having fun at the library. Learn how to paint like abstract expressionist Jackson Pollock. Use various techniques of action painting, like drip painting, to create individual and collaborative paintings. This will be held outside, but moved inside in the case of inclement weather. Please wear old clothing suitable for painting. Intended for preschoolers through fifth-graders. Preregistration required.

July

Tuesday, July 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Closed In Observance Of Independence Day

All Lorain Public Library System locations are closed in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Friday, July 7; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Chalk The Walk

Families are invited to drop by any time between 1 pm and 2 pm to help us decorate the sidewalks outside the library. If it rains, we'll move the fun indoors.

Monday, July 10; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Superhero Obstacle Course

Test your super powers on our obstacle course! Wear a superhero costume, and jump, run and swerve your way to victory. Games will be held on the grassy area next to the library. This program is for families with children of all ages. In case of inclement weather, activities will be offered inside the library. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 10; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Monday, July 24; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Beginning Drawing

In this two-part class, learn some basic drawing techniques while participating in exercises to help you "see" your subject matter better. This program is for adults. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, July 11; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Engineering Night - Rube Goldberg Machines

Join us for a family-friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills. School-age children and their families create a working Rube Goldberg machine with at least five steps! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 12; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teen Anime Night

If you love anime, come join us for our 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.

Thursday, July 13; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Summer Coding Club

For kids and teens ages 9 and up who want to build skills for the future or just have fun! Get a start with Scratch, explore Code.org, learn Python or share ideas for a project you are already working on. We will have laptops ready, or bring your own device. This coding club is led by Avon High School Tech Club members as part of a special volunteer project. Sign-up if you need to use a laptop. If you are bringing your own, just show up! Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 15; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Superhero Reading Buddies

Come enjoy a super afternoon at the library! We will be making our own superhero cape and reading to some of our favorite superheroes. Perfect for children in kindergarten through third grade. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 17; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Starry Night Over The City

Children, preschool through fifth grade, join us for a fun art project based on Van Gogh's "Starry Night." Make a cityscape and then paint a starry night sky in the background. "Messy" clothes to paint in are recommended. Preregistration required.

Summer Library Program

June 5 to August 5

Build a Better World at your Lorain Public Library System libraries. Come read, attend fun events and win books in our Summer Library Program! Find reading and activity logs for babies through 12th-graders in our libraries and at **LorainPublicLibrary.org/SummerProgram**. We also have a summer program for adults. We hope to see you at our events this summer!

Tuesday, July 18; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Dino Dig

Join us for a dino excavation! Children ages 4-10 receive your own dinosaur excavation kit and start digging, and then play around with some dino-themed games, crafts and more. Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 20; 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 through 5, are invited to join in by building with a parent. Preregistration required.

Friday, July 21; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Teen Escape Room Challenge

If you were locked in a room, could you plan the ultimate escape? Join us after hours to test your strategy skills in a game of Escape Room. Perfect for ages 12 to 18. Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 22; 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. Caregivers will be given musical tools to use with their children outside of class. Preregistration required.

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

Puppy Pals Story Time

Volunteers from Therapy Dogs International along with their animals will join us for a very special story time. Pre-K and school-age children will learn all about the jobs of different therapy and service dogs, take part in a puppy read along and make fun doggy crafts. Preregistration required.

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

Engineering Night - Escape Room

Join us for a family-friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills. Complete a series of challenges in a race against time and "escape" the library as a team! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 26; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Writers Group

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Monday, July 31; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Teddy Bear Campout

Bring your favorite teddy bear or stuffed animal to a campout in the library featuring story time, songs and crafts. Your stuffed animal will stay the night. Pick them up the next day and find out what they did. Intended for toddlers through kindergartners. Preregistration required.





August

Tuesday, August 1; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Wigglewords

Led by a professional dancer from Verb Ballets, Wigglewords pairs movements with each letter of the alphabet. Students bend and stretch their bodies to form the letters of the alphabet while improving knowledge in spelling, phonics rules, identification of vowels and consonants, rhyming and storytelling. This simple method supports early readers - especially kinesthetic learners. Wigglewords keeps children moving and energized with a variety of word and movement games. This program is ideal for preschoolers through second-graders. Preregistration required.

Friday, August 4; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Senior Reading Buddies

Grandmas, grandpas, a good book and some homemade cookies - what more could a child want? Local seniors will read to your little ones or listen to young readers read to them. So bring your children in for this cozy morning program and create a heartwarming reading experience for young and old. Preregistration required.

Saturday, August 5; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Splash And Play

Join us for some fun in the sun! Children ages 3-7 and their families are invited for an afternoon of water games and activities. Try our giant bubble maker, fish pond, water sensory bins and more! Wear water-appropriate attire. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 9; 6:30 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Vegan Recipe Swap

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! Come prepared to discuss a favorite vegan recipe and bring copies of the recipe to distribute. Feel free to bring a sample for tasting, though this is not required. This program is for adults. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 10; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Summer Coding Club

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Wednesday, August 16; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teen Anime Night

If you love anime, come join us for our 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.

Saturday, August 19; 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. Caregivers will be given musical tools to use with their children outside of class. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 23; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Writers Group

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Thursday, August 24; 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 through 5, are invited to join in by building with a parent. Preregistration required.

Story Times

Saturdays, June 10; July 8; August 5;
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Sensory Story Time

Join us for a program designed specifically for children with special needs and their families. This nurturing story time includes books, songs, movement and social time. Get ready to have fun at the library! Preregistration required.

Tuesdays, June 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;
August 1; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.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, June 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;
August 3; 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.

Thursdays, June 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;
August 3; 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, June 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;
August 3; 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.



Computer Programs

Monday, June 5; 6 p.m. - 8 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.

Monday, June 12; 6 p.m. - 8 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, June 17; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 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.

Monday, June 19; 6 p.m. - 8 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.

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Friday, August 4; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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Monday, August 7; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Manage Photos From Cloud

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. Preregistration required.

Monday, August 14; 6 p.m. - 8 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.



Book Discussions

Wednesday, June 7; 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Books And Brews - The Circle By Dave Eggers

Avon Brewing Company, 37040 Detroit Road, Avon
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 discussion of the book *The Circle* by Dave Eggers at Avon Brewing Company. Participants are responsible for their own drinks. Copies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration required.



Tuesday, June 27; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - Angela's Ashes: A Memoir By Frank McCourt

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



Wednesday, July 5; 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Books And Brews - The Art Of Fielding By Chad Harbach

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Tuesday, July 25; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - The Girls Of Atomic City By Denise Kiernan

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



Wednesday, August 2; 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Books And Brews - The Martian By Andy Weir

Avon Brewing Company, 37040 Detroit Road, Avon
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 discussion of the book *The Martian* by Andy Weir at Avon Brewing Company. Participants are responsible for their own drinks. Copies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration required.



Tuesday, August 22; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - Under The Wide And Starry Sky: A Novel By Nancy Horan

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



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Hours subject to change



Book Discussions



Tuesday, June 6; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner And A Book Discussion - *Homegoing* By Yaa Gyasi

Would you like to spend an evening each month discussing a great book, eating and making new friends? Check out our brand new book discussion group. Dinner is on us! Copies of the book are available at the library. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.



Thursday, June 22; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Cookbook Discussion - *Everyday Food Light: The Quickest And Easiest Recipes All Under 500 Calories* By Martha Stewart Living Magazine

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 book are available at the library. Preregistration required.



Monday, June 26; 1 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - *Commonwealth* By Ann Patchett

Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are welcome. Preregistration required.



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

Dinner And A Book Discussion - *The Versions Of Us* By Laura Barnett

Would you like to spend an evening each month discussing a great book, eating and making new friends? Check out our brand new book discussion group. Dinner is on us! Copies of the book are available at the library. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.



Monday, July 24; 1 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - *A Gentleman In Moscow* By Amor Towles

Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are welcome. Preregistration required.



Thursday, July 27; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Cookbook Discussion - *5 In 5 For Every Season* By Michael Symon And Douglas Trattner

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 book are available at the library. Preregistration required.



Tuesday, August 8; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner And A Book Discussion - *The Alchemist* By Paulo Coelho

Would you like to spend an evening each month discussing a great book, eating and making new friends? Check out our brand new book discussion group. Dinner is on us! Copies of the book are available at the library. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.



Thursday, August 24; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Cookbook Discussion - *Amish Friends Harvest Cookbook: Over 240 Recipes For Using And Preserving The Bounty Of The Land* By Wanda E. Brunstetter And Rebecca Germany

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 book are available at the library. Preregistration required.



Monday, August 28; 1 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - *Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir Of A Family And Culture In Crisis* By J.D. Vance

Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are welcome. Preregistration required.



Teen Drama

*Wednesdays, June 21; July 19; August 16;
3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.*

Teen Drama Club

"To be, or not to be?" That is not the question. The question is why haven't you registered to be part of the Columbia Branch Library's new Teen Drama Club? Join the group and start exercising your creativity and expressing your dramatic flair. We'll play games, practice dramatic techniques and watch and learn about important theatrical performances. Most of all, we'll have fun in a safe, non-judgmental environment. Whether you're a high school thespian extraordinaire or someone with no acting experience whatsoever, this group is perfect for you.

June

Saturday, June 3; noon - 3 p.m.

Summer Library Program Kickoff And Beach Party - Build A Better World

Lakeview Park, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain
Build, create, and imagine at the beach this summer! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Build a Better World Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance of the Barbies of Steel City, a dance group created to promote confidence, sisterhood, and teamwork, which stars students from Lorain.

Thursday, June 8; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Columbia Writers

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Monday, June 12; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 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, June 13; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Build A Better World Magic Show

Families with children of all ages are invited to join Greg Carson in a magical journey of discovery with stories, jokes, and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit! Preregistration required.

Friday, June 16; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

LEGO® Club

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

Monday, June 19; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Outback Ray's Amazing Animal Show

Join us for a visit with Outback Ray and his amazing exotic animals. Be ready for an interactive, educational and exciting time! This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, June 20; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Summer Themed Card Making For Grown-Ups

Nothing says you care more than a handcrafted card. Even if you've never tried it before, you'll find that it's fun and that you can do it. All skill levels are welcome. All supplies provided. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

Friday, June 23; 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.

Saturday, June 24; 11 a.m. - noon

Little Artists - Van Gogh

Our little artists will look at the works of Vincent Van Gogh and then create a Van Gogh inspired art piece. This program is for children ages 5 through 9. Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 24; 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Teen Writing Group

Join other teens who are interested in writing to discuss, write and constructively and kindly critique each other's work. For grades 7 to 12.

Monday, June 26; 2:30 p.m.

Popcorn And A Movie

Join us for popcorn and a family friendly movie that inspires us to Build a Better World. Preregistration required.

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

DIY T-Shirt Making

Teens, join us at the library for a fun time with T-shirt designing. All design supplies will be provided. Please bring a plain white T-shirt. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 28; 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 maximum 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.

July

Tuesday, July 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

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Wednesday, July 12; noon - 7 p.m.

Thursday, July 13; noon - 7 p.m.

Friday, July 14; noon - 6 p.m. - Bag & Box Sale

Saturday, July 15; 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Penny Day Book Sale

The book sale is open to the public and sponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Look for great bargains on books, CDs, DVDs and more.

Monday, July 17; 2:30 p.m.

Popcorn And A Movie

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Saturday, July 22; 11 a.m. - noon

Little Artists - Claude Monet

Our little artists will listen to a story about artist Claude Monet and study some of his pieces. They will then create their own Monet-inspired piece of art. This program is for children ages 5 through 9. Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 22; 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Teen Writing Group

Join other teens who are interested in writing to discuss, write and constructively and kindly critique each other's work. For grades 7 to 12.

Wednesday, July 26; 6:30 p.m.

Tools Of The Trade Construction Party

Children ages 3 through 6, join us to hammer away with lots of building fun. Preregistration required.



Computer Programs

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Saturday, June 10; 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.

Wednesday, June 14; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Internet Safety And Security

Do you want to use the internet, but you're frightened by all of the potential safety risks and security threats? Then come to this informative class to learn the basics of internet safety and security. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 15; 2 p.m. - 3 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.

Saturday, June 24; 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.

Saturday, July 1; 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.

Wednesday, July 26; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Understanding The Cloud

Have you heard about the Cloud but have no idea what it is? Does it all just sound too confusing? Then this class is for you. We'll go through what the Cloud is and what it can be used for in a simple and straightforward manner that anybody can understand. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 9; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Using Google Drive

Come learn about the variety of uses for your Google/Gmail account, from presentation software to survey making to file sharing.

Saturday, August 12; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 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, August 26; 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.

Monday, August 28; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Excel For Beginners

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Friday, July 28; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

LEGO® Club

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

Saturday, July 29; 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Craft Roulette

Adults, come and test your luck and help us clean out our craft closet at the same time! Attend, and you'll have a chance to complete one or more of the crafts that we've presented over the past few years. Or, use the supplies to create something completely new. Are you feeling lucky? This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.

August

Tuesday, August 1; 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Construction Mini Golf

Tee off with us as we celebrate the end of the Build a Better World summer reading program and transform the library into a miniature golf course! All ages are welcome. Bring your own putter or use ours. Preregistration required.

Saturday, August 5; 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Escape The Library

Teens, put your puzzle solving and code breaking skills to the test as you try to crack the unsolvable and mysterious lockbox. Scenarios and puzzles will be presented and groups will be challenged to solve the puzzles within set time limits. Can you solve the puzzle fast enough? Also enjoy snacks and hang out with other teens as we celebrate the end of our Summer Reading Program. Preregistration required.

Monday, August 7; 2:30 p.m.

Popcorn And A Movie

Join us for popcorn and a family-friendly movie that inspires us to Build a Better World. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 10; 6:30 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. Preregistration required.

Friday, August 11; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

LEGO® Club

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Monday, August 14; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 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.

Friday, August 18; 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.

Saturday, August 19; 11 a.m. - noon

Little Artists - Michelangelo

Little artists aged 5 through 9 will paint like Michelangelo after looking at some of his works. Preregistration required.

Saturday, August 19; 12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Teen Writing Group

Join other teens who are interested in writing to discuss, write and constructively and kindly critique each other's work. For grades 7 to 12.

Tuesday, August 22; 6:30 p.m.

Cutting The Cord - Alternatives To Cable

Tired of paying the ever-increasing prices for cable TV? Want to learn about available alternatives? Join us for a discussion of ways to break free from cable and stream TV shows, movies, music and more. Discover ways to save money without sacrificing great entertainment. Preregistration required.

Story Times

Mondays, June 5, 12, 19; July 10, 17, 24, 31; 6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Family Story Time In The Gazebo

Join us for a fun-filled family story time with books, music, finger plays and more. Meet us in the gazebo in the Columbia Township Park, just behind the library. Preregistration required.

Tuesdays, June 6, 13, 20; July 18, 25;

August 1, 8, 15, 22; 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Preschool Story Time

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for children between the ages of 3 to 6 years old with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

Tuesdays, June 6, 13, 20; July 18, 25;

August 1, 8, 15, 22; 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.

Exercise Programs

Saturdays, June 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; August 5, 12, 19, 26; 11 a.m.

Booking It For Fitness Walking Club Columbia Branch

Looking to get a little bit of exercise and make new friends? Join the library's walking club. This group meets weekly at the library and makes use of the beautiful adjacent walking trail in the Columbia Township Park. Meet in the library's meeting room and grab a water bottle, which will be provided for your walk. Be sure to collect a Summer Walking Log on or after the scheduled walk on June 10 and begin logging to earn great prizes! This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration required.



Domonkas Branch

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Sheffield Lake, OH 44054
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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.
Hours subject to change

June

Saturday, June 3; noon - 3 p.m.

Summer Library Program Kickoff And Beach Party - Build A Better World
Lakeview Park, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain
Build, create, and imagine at the beach this summer! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Build A Better World Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance of the Barbies of Steel City, a dance group created to promote confidence, sisterhood, and teamwork, which stars students from Lorain.

Monday, June 5 through Saturday, June 10; regular library hours

LEGO® Guessing Jar

Kids, stop in the library and take a gander at our jar full of LEGOS®. How many building blocks are there? Guess the correct number (or near the correct number) and win a prize! This contest runs all week long.

Monday, June 12; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

NASA Visits - Space Technology Spin Offs!

Patrons please join the library in welcoming NASA Glenn Research Center this summer! For over 50 years, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration has provided the United States new technology and discoveries of the great beyond. Here at the library they will discuss what new technology was created for space, but is now used for daily activities. Come learn how people have catapulted into the 21st century! Light refreshments will be served. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 14; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Great Decisions - Adult Foreign Policy Discussion

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Thursday, June 15; 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board

Sixth through 12th-graders, here is your chance to volunteer your time, energy and ideas to help make the library better for the 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. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 15; 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 treats! Whether it is shjojo or shonen, there will entertainment for everyone! Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 17; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Build A Better World Magic Show

Families with children of all ages are invited to join Greg Carson in a magical journey of discovery with stories, jokes, and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit! Preregistration required.

Monday, June 19 through Saturday, June 24; regular library hours

Build A Plane At The Library

Kids, come in to the library and test your engineering skills as you build a flying machine! Take your time and take home a plane! Preregistration required.

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

The Senior Sizzle - Bring A Favorite Book

Seniors, are you looking for a way to engage with fellow members of the adult community and make new friends? Then look no further! Come to the library to spice up your social life with our Senior Sizzle, a round robin of friendly discussion! Bring an open mind, and in June, your favorite book to discuss; in July, your favorite film; and then in August be prepared to talk about your favorite music artist! Light refreshments will be provided. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 21; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

America The Craftiful - Adult Patriotic Craft

Patrons, come celebrate the first day of summer and upcoming Independence Day at the library! Together, we will design a star-spangled paper dahlia wreath that will live up any patriotic gathering. Be sure to register early, as this red, white, and blue craft will fill up fast! Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 22; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Teen Green - Planting A Better Library

Teens, come to the library to spread creativity and cultivate your green thumb! First decorate pots provided, then help us plant flowers and install the pots outside in order to spruce up the library. Come spend the evening with us and volunteer in helping make the library bloom! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 28; 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Domonkas Writing Group - The Lakeview Pen

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July

Tuesday, July 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Closed In Observance Of Independence Day

All Lorain Public Library System locations are closed in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Thursday, July 6; 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board

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Thursday, July 6; 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 treats! Whether it is shjojo or shonen, there will entertainment for everyone! Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 8; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Construct-A-Saurus

Families and friends, join the library for a dino-mite experience! The Lorain County Metro Parks will show us how paleontologists use fossils to learn about animals from the past. Kids will also see this science come to life as we construct a life-size dinosaur! Preregistration required.

Monday, July 10 through Saturday, July 15; regular library hours

Paper Plate Pinball Challenge

Kids, step into the library and escape the summer heat by participating in our paper plate pinball challenge. Create a course for your pinball to go through, and then give it a try! Go home with a new indoor game, and practice your pinball skills! Preregistration required.

Monday, July 10; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Fintastic Shark Celebration!

Families, friends, and shark finatics, come to the library to celebrate the best week of the year, Shark Week! Learn new facts about the ocean's misunderstood "terrors of the deep," and participate in some sharktacular activities. Witness jawesome moments on the big screen, and then find out what you can do to help oceanic conservation! Light refreshments will be served. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 12; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

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Monday, July 17; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Narratively Yours - Adult Storytelling

Every person has a unique story to tell, so patrons, why not come to the library to hear them? Enter the world of personal storytelling with professional storyteller Gail Nyoka. Participate in an interactive session where you will not only hear stories, but even learn to tell one of your own. Light refreshments will be served. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 19; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Rock On! - Family Paint Craft

Patrons of all ages, unearth your artistic side, and come to the library for a day of community building as we paint local rocks. We will be joining the viral fun of local Facebook group, Northeast Ohio Rocks, as after we paint, we will hide the sedimentary creations around the area! Come and create some real colorful gems for a family-friendly, rock solid activity! Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 20; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teen Outdoor Art Spectacular

Teens come to the library and explore your creative flair as we spend a warm evening outside creating works of art. First, we will get messy with throwing paint sponges at canvas, in the spirit of Jackson Pollack, then we will explore the finer details of sidewalk chalk masterpieces! Come ready for messy, creative fun! Preregistration required.

Monday, July 24 through Saturday, July 29; regular library hours

Pool Noodle Toothpick Towers

Kids, come and engage in your best architectural skills as you build pool noodle toothpick towers! Walk home with a spectacular new indoor activity! Preregistration required.

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

The Senior Sizzle - What's Your Favorite Film?

Seniors, are you looking for a way to engage with fellow members of the adult community and make new friends? Then look no further! Come to the library to spice up your social life with our Senior Sizzle, a round robin of friendly discussion! Bring an open mind, and discuss your favorite film. Light refreshments will be provided. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 26; 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

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.

Monday, July 31 through Saturday, August 5; regular library hours

Homemade Tinkertoys®

Kids, come celebrate the last week of summer reading with this fun activity. Stop in during the week and create homemade Tinkertoys®, a toy construction set, out of recycled materials! Preregistration required.

Summer Library Program

June 5 to August 5

Build a Better World at your Lorain Public Library System libraries. Come read, attend fun events and win books in our Summer Library Program! Find reading and activity logs for babies through 12th-graders in our libraries and at **LorainPublicLibrary.org/SummerProgram**. We also have a summer program for adults. We hope to see you at our events this summer!



Book Discussions

Tuesday, June 6; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, July 11; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, August 8; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 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 each 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 always welcome. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 26; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Monday, July 31; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Monday, August 28; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion

Adults, enjoy an upbeat and 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.

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!

Exercise Programs

Saturdays, July 8, 22; August 12, 26;
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Zumba®!

Patrons, are you looking to jazz up your mornings with an infectious dance? Then come to the library to break a sweat with Zumba®. Have fun and get fit as we dance to Latin beats!

Book Builders

Tuesdays; 11 a.m. - noon
Book Builders Club

Kids, come to the library this summer and build a better world through reading! Together we will explore inventions in engineering and science that have made our world a better place. Come for a story, help construct awesome creations, and then stay for a catered lunch! Meals are sponsored by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lorain County. Become master builders at our library through summer reading!

June 20 - Bridge Building Bonanza
June 27 - Riveting Aerodynamics
July 11 - Rube Goldberg Machines
July 18 - Rock 'Em Robots
August 1 - Giant LEGO® Spectacular

August

Wednesday, August 2; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Earth Day, Every Day!

Families, come to the library to cool off and join us in welcoming the Lorain County Metro Parks as they teach about local ecology, and why conservation is important. They will also have fun demonstrations and activities to show you how you can build a better world through your environment! Preregistration required.

Saturday, August 5; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Domonkas Demolition Summer Reading Finale!

Kids of all ages, come to the library to celebrate the end of summer reading. The past few months we have learned what builds a better world, and now we're celebrating with a construction party! See live construction vehicles up close, as well as a few demos. Then stay for the announcement of summer reading prizes! You do not have to finish summer reading in order to join the celebration, you just need to have participated. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 9; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 23; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The Art Of Relaxation - Massage Therapy

Patrons, summer's winding down and the school year is beginning, so take a break from your busy schedule and stop into the library for this two part series! Join us in welcoming Charline Kennedy, massage therapist from Essential Kneads, who will teach relaxation techniques and daily self-care rituals through massage. Come in with an open mind, and be ready to take a moment for yourself! Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 10; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Teen Video Game Night

Teens, come to the library and beat the summer heat by playing the coolest games! Compete against each other, and earn bragging rights as the true gaming champion. Light refreshments will be provided. Preregistration required.

Story Times

Mondays; 11 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Toddler Story Time

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 welcome and encouraged to participate. Preregistration required.

June 5 - Cars And Roads
June 12 - I Use Tools
June 19 - Building With Shapes
July 10 - Robots
July 17 - Rockets
July 24 - Construction Vehicles
August 7 - Pool Noodle Boats
August 14 - Fish
August 21 - Dogs

Thursdays, June 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20;
August 3; noon - 1 p.m.

Lunch With A Librarian!

Kids ages five through eighteen, come to the library this summer for a tasty treat! Join our librarians as we read fun stories and enjoy a catered lunch. Meals are sponsored by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lorain County. The story times will also count towards your summer reading goals! Be sure to register early, as this series will fill up fast! Preregistration required.

Monday, August 14; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The Senior Sizzle - Favorite Band Or Musician

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Wednesday, August 16; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Great Decisions - Adult Foreign Policy Discussion

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Thursday, August 17; 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board

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Thursday, August 17; 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 treats! Whether it is shoyo or shonen, there will entertainment for everyone! Preregistration required.

Monday, August 21; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Details Of The Decade - '90s Trivia Night!

Oh snap! Patrons, do you think your knowledge of the '90s is all that and a bag of chips? Then come to the library for our '90s trivia night, and flex your grey matter on the decade of must-see TV, dial-up internet, and the Macarena. Gather your team while we ask questions on wicked cool details of '90s pop culture. The team who wins will receive a prize that is off the heezy! Don't be trippin' be sure to register early! Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 24; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Teen Iron Chef - Ice Cream Edition

Hey teens! Come to the library and test your culinary expertise with everyone's favorite summer treat, ice cream. Race against the clock to make the most appealing and tasty concoction, and then while enjoying an ice cream treat for yourself, find out who is awarded Teen Iron Chef! Be sure to register early, as this sweet event will fill up fast! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 30; 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

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.



North Ridgeville Branch

Hours subject to change

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

June

Thursday, June 1; 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 short stories and poetry read by library staff. Share in the follow-up discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 3; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Browser's® Reading Buddies

Browser's® 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. Call the library at 440-327-8326 to register.

Saturday, June 3; noon - 3 p.m.

Summer Library Program Kickoff And Beach Party - Build A Better World

Lakeview Park, 1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain
Build, create, and imagine at the beach this summer! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Build a Better World Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance of the Barbies of Steel City, a dance group created to promote confidence, sisterhood, and teamwork, which stars students from Lorain.

Tuesday, June 6; 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Library Field Day Summer Reading Kickoff

Join us as we kick off the Summer Library Program! Drop by anytime between 1 and 4 p.m. to play on our giant obstacle course on the lawn. Intended for children ages 2 and up accompanied by a responsible adult.

Wednesday, June 7; 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. This program is for adults age 18 and older. Preregistration required.

Friday, June 9; 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Little Learners

Three 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.

Friday, June 9; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Medicare Information Program

Do you need accurate, unbiased information about Medicare? Attend this presentation from the Ohio Senior Health Insurance Information Program (OSHIIIP) to learn the "ins and outs" of Medicare. Hear about the differences between Medicare benefits, such as supplemental insurance policies, Medicare Advantage plans and prescription drug coverage. OSHIIIP is a free service and does not sell insurance. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, June 14; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Teen Temporary Tattoo Creations

Teens and tweens, do you like tattoos? Join us for a fun tattoo workshop to learn about tattoos and make your own temporary tattoo designs. Preregistration required.

Friday, June 16; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Build A Better World Magic Show

Families with children of all ages are invited to join Greg Carson in a magical journey of discovery with stories, jokes, and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit! Preregistration required.

Tuesday, June 20; 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.

Tuesday, June 20; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Birdhouse Builders

Let's get building! Learn about basic tools and build a birdhouse with your family! Intended for children ages 5 and up accompanied by a responsible adult. Limited to one birdhouse per family. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 22; 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Couponing With Rachel

Want to save money on food and drugstore items? Rachel Krych, columnist with The Chronicle-Telegram in Elyria, can help! Rachel will show you where to get coupons and how to organize them. In this follow-up program from her February presentation, Rachel will focus especially on specific stores, including Target, CVS and others, that offer some amazing deals.

Tuesday, June 27; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

LEGO® Fun Day

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, June 29; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Type 2 Diabetes Improvement By Adopting A Low Carbohydrate Eating Plan

Learn how adopting a low carbohydrate eating plan can improve Type 2 diabetes blood sugar control at this informative talk. Preregistration required.

July

Saturday, July 1; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Browser's® Reading Buddies

Browser's® 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. Call the library at 440-327-8326 to register.

Tuesday, July 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Closed In Observance Of Independence Day

All Lorain Public Library System locations are closed in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

Wednesday, July 5; 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. This program is for adults age 18 and older. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 5; 6 p.m. - 7 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.

Thursday, July 6; 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 short stories and poetry read by library staff. Share in the follow-up discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Preregistration required.

Friday, July 7; 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Little Learners

Three 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.

Tuesday, July 11; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Speed Racers

Calling all speed racers! Come to the library to build race cars and race remote control cars! Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 12; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Hover Over Summer

We have lift-off! Tweens and teens are invited to build and fly their own hovercraft and paper airplanes! Preregistration required.

Saturday, July 15; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Summer Sand Castle Fun

Celebrate summer with fun in the sun sand castle building! Families may join us on the library lawn to build beautiful sand castles! Preregistration required.

Tuesday, July 18; 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.

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

Humans In Space

Join us for a live video conference chat with the NASA Glenn Research Center. Learn about humans in space as we explore what it would be like to live in outer space. Intended for ages 5 and up. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, July 25; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

LEGO® Fun Day

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, July 27; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

- Open to Friends

Friday, July 28; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- Open to Public

Saturday, July 29; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

- Open to Public.

Book Sale And 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 is open to the public Friday and Saturday. Large assortment of books, movies and puzzles for all ages. Books sold by the bag all day on Saturday. Sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

August

Wednesday, August 2; 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. This program is for adults age 18 and older. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 3; 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 short stories and poetry read by library staff. Share in the follow-up discussion. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older. Preregistration required.

Friday, August 4; 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Saturday, August 5; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

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Tuesday, August 8; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Connectagon® Freeplay

Calling all construction pros! Get creative and use Connectagons® to build imaginative designs. Intended for ages 5 and up. Preregistration required.

Friday, August 11; 6 p.m. - 11 p.m.

Saturday, August 12; 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Sunday, August 13; noon - 6 p.m.

Corn Festival Activities

Visit the Corn Festival booth located in the library driveway entrance sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. Stop by for free giveaways.

Summer Library Program

June 5 to August 5

Build a Better World at your Lorain Public Library System libraries. Come read, attend fun events and win books in our Summer Library Program! Find reading and activity logs for babies through 12th-graders in our libraries and at **LorainPublicLibrary.org/SummerProgram**. We also have a summer program for adults. We hope to see you at our events this summer!

Tuesday, August 15; 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.

Tuesday, August 15; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Family Game Day - Giant Jenga®

Are you tire of the same old family game night? Come to the library to play a game of giant Jenga®. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 23; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Bling Your Locker

Are you ready for the school year to start? Teens and tweens are invited to design and take home their own locker accessories. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 24; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

History Of North Ridgeville

Whether you are new to the city or have lived here all your life, you are invited to take a look back at the early settlement of the area we now call North Ridgeville. Find out when and why "North" was added to the town's name and learn where the first settlers came from. See pictures of buildings that are gone and hear about landmarks that still exist in this informative program open to all ages. Co-sponsored by the North Ridgeville Historical Society, Inc.

Saturday, August 26; 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Art Smarts

Create your own art at the library! Drop in anytime between 1 and 4 p.m. to design and paint art projects. Intended for ages 2 and up.

Monday, August 28; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Cutting The Cord - Alternatives To Cable

Are you tired of paying the ever-increasing prices for cable TV? Do you want to learn about available alternatives? Join us for a discussion of ways to break free from cable and stream TV shows, movies, music and more. Discover ways to save money without sacrificing great entertainment. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, August 29; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

LEGO® Fun Day

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North Ridgeville Writers

Saturdays, June 10, 24; July 8, 22; August 5, 19; 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.



Computer Programs

Monday, June 12; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Computers For Beginners

Learn computer basics such as using a mouse, identifying computer parts and how the Windows 10 operating system works. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 15; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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Monday, June 19; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Internet Safety And Security

Do you want to use the internet, but you're frightened by all of the potential safety risks and security threats? Then come to this informative class to learn the basics of internet safety and security. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 26; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Internet For Beginners

Learn internet basics, online search tools and pointers for evaluating Web content. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

Story Times

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17;

10:15 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.

Thursdays, June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20;

10:15 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.

Baby And Me Story Time

Stories, music and finger plays for babies from birth to 23 months old along with their caregivers. Preregistration required.

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17;

10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17;

11:30 a.m. - noon

Thursdays, June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20;

10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Thursdays, June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20;

11:30 a.m. - noon

Tales For Twos Story Time

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2-year-olds and their caregivers. Preregistration required.

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17;

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

Thursdays, June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20;

6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Family Fun Story Time

A fun 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, songs and crafts. Preregistration required.

Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 10, 17, 24;

6:45 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.

Primetime Preschool Story Time

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2 to 6-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, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;

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, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25;

11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Thursdays, June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20;

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

Wednesday, June 28; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Tech Tips

Bring your questions to this informal session about how to use library computer software and apps on your computers, tablets, eReaders or the internet. Stop in anytime between 1 and 3 p.m. for one-on-one assistance with library staff members.

Thursday, June 29; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Internet For Beginners

Learn internet basics, online search tools and pointers for evaluating Web content. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 10; 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, July 13; 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, July 24; 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.

Wednesday, July 26; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Tech Tips

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Thursday, July 27; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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Monday, August 14; 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 free 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, August 17; 2 p.m. - 3:30 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 free 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.

Wednesday, August 30; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Tech Tips

Bring your questions to this informal session about how to use library computer software and apps on your computers, tablets, eReaders or the internet. Stop in anytime between 1 and 3 p.m. for one-on-one assistance with library staff members.



Book Discussions

Wednesday, June 7; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

After Breakfast Adult Morning Book Discussion - A Short History Of Nearly Everything By Bill Bryson

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 members are welcome. Preregistration required.



Wednesday, June 14; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion - 1776 By David McCullough

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



Wednesday, June 21; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Butler Did It - Mystery Book Discussion - Elegy For Eddie By Jacqueline Winspear

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



Tuesday, June 27; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Afternoon Adult Book Discussion - The Wright Sister By Richard Maurer

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 members are welcome. Preregistration required.



Wednesday, July 5; 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 members are welcome. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, July 12; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion - The Invention Of Wings By Sue Monk Kidd

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



Wednesday, July 19; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Butler Did It - Mystery Book Discussion - The Cuckoo's Calling By Robert Galbraith

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



Tuesday, July 25; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Afternoon Adult Book Discussion - America's First Daughter By Stephanie Dray

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 members are welcome. Preregistration required.



Wednesday, August 2; 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 members are welcome. Preregistration required.

Wednesday, August 9; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion - Between The World And Me By Ta-Nehisi Coates

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



Wednesday, August 16; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

The Butler Did It - Mystery Book Discussion - The Redeemer By Jo Nesbo

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



Tuesday, August 22; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Afternoon Adult Book Discussion - A Man Called Ove By Fredrik Backman

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 members are welcome. Preregistration required.



South Lorain Branch

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M,Tu,Th 11 a.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

June

Tuesday, June 6; 6 p.m.
**In Your Future I See A ... -
Introduction To Tarot Cards**

At this introductory program, learn the mysteries of the tarot deck from tarot expert and author Victoria Kempton. Also, if desired, receive a free one card reading from Victoria. Preregistration required.

Saturday, June 17; 2 p.m.
**Darling You Look Simply Marvelous -
Expert Skin Care Solutions**

Cosmetic and skin care specialist, Destinee Bonilla, will go over a simple skin care regimen customized to your specific needs. Come pamper yourself with a softening treatment for your hands while learning the importance of skin care and the necessary steps for fresh, healthy, and younger looking skin. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, June 27; 6:30 p.m.
**DVD Discussion Group -
Film Appreciation 101 - What Makes Film Art?**
Let's watch and talk about some of the finest films ever made and some of the finest performances to ever grace the big screen. Discover why certain films are considered classics, and learn about the art and craft of expert filmmaking. In this monthly series, patrons will be able to borrow the featured film on DVD one week prior to the discussion. Preregistration required.

July

Tuesday, July 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
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Tuesday, July 11; 6 p.m.
Civil War Medal Of Honor Winner Fredrick Phisterer And The Battle Of Stones River
Actor and historian John Burke will portray Fredrick Phisterer, Ohio Civil War Medal of Honor winner. Learn how he won the country's highest award for bravery at the Battle of Stones River, Tennessee in 1862 and eventually earned the rank of Brevetted Major General. All told, in costume, from Phisterer's point of view. Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 20; 6 p.m.
Adult Paint Night

Adults, painting experience won't be necessary at this simple, stress-free session. Artist and Branch Librarian Supervisor Cheryl Grizzell will guide you in replicating the featured painting. Canvas, paints and brushes, as well as light refreshments, will be provided. Artists will take home their masterpieces. Wear appropriate clothing. Preregistration required.

Tuesday, July 25; 6:30 p.m.
**DVD Discussion Group -
Film Appreciation 101 - What Makes Film Art?**
Let's watch and talk about some of the finest films ever made and some of the finest performances to ever grace the big screen. Discover why certain films are considered classics, and learn about the art and craft of expert filmmaking. In this monthly series, patrons will be able to borrow the featured film on DVD one week prior to the discussion. Preregistration required.

August

Tuesday, August 8; 6 p.m.
**History Of Rock And Roll -
Progressive Rock And Rock Stars Of The '70s**
Dr. Joel S. Keller will take you on a historical journey of 1970s rock and roll. Special attention will be given to musical form, instrumentation, themes and social commentary. Spectacular album covers will be discussed and, of course, great rock from the '70s will be played throughout the program. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 31; 6 p.m.
Caring Cards
All ages are welcome to come make a caring card (or two or three!) for those in need. Preregistration required.



Family Programs

Saturday, June 3; noon - 3 p.m.
**Summer Library Program Kickoff And
Beach Party - Build A Better World**
Lakeview Park, 1800 W. Erie Ave. in Lorain
Build, create, and imagine at the beach this summer! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Build a Better World Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance of the Barbies of Steel City, a dance group created to promote confidence, sisterhood, and teamwork, which stars students from Lorain.

Monday, June 5; 6 p.m.
Kite Festival And Carnival Games
The Library Carnival returns! Join us outdoors for a fun night of carnival games. Will you get a temporary tattoo or find the lucky duck? Kids can also color and assemble their own kites for a colorful launch. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 8; 6 p.m.
**It's A Small World Disney
Snack Bar Trivia Night**
Kids and families team up and join us for a night of Disney trivia and snacks. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 12; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Build A Better World Magic Show
Families with children of all ages are invited to join Greg Carson in a magical journey of discovery with stories, jokes, and a special appearance by Trixie, the live magical rabbit! Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 15; 6 p.m.
Family Movie Night
Skip the line at the theater and join us for popcorn and a family-friendly movie at the library. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 19; 6 p.m.
Chalk Walk And Ice Cream Social
Join us for our second annual Chalk Walk and Ice Cream Social. Hang out with your community and help us cover our sidewalks with chalk drawings. Then cool off with some delicious ice cream. Rain date to be announced. Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 22; 5 p.m.
STAR Stop Motion Animation Camp 1
Summer Technology Arts and Reading (STAR) Stop Motion Animation Camp is a multi-week program where kids can study wordless stories, storyboards, and implement the techniques of stop motion animation to create their own short videos. There will be two sessions to work on projects and then the finished films will be shown during our stop motion film night on July 6. Preregistration required.

Monday, June 26; 6 p.m.
Very Merry Unbirthday Bash
Families and kids of all ages take a hop down the rabbit hole and join us for a very merry unbirthday party. The library lawn will be transformed into a wonderland where you can play games, try some activities, and enjoy some light refreshments. Don't be late for this very important date! Preregistration required.

Thursday, June 29; 5 p.m.
STAR Stop Motion Animation Camp 2
Summer Technology Arts and Reading (STAR) Stop Motion Animation Camp is a multi-week program where kids can study wordless stories, storyboards, and implement the techniques of stop motion animation to create their own short videos. There will be two sessions to work on projects and then the finished films will be shown during our stop motion film night on July 6. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 3; 6 p.m.
Build A Miniature Garden
Children and families of all ages join us to make a miniature garden. Will you make an Enchanted Fairy Garden or a Prehistoric Dinosaur Garden? Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 6; 6 p.m.
Stop Motion Film Night
Skip the line at the theater and join us for popcorn and a family-friendly movie at the library. Check out the short films created by our STAR summer camp participants followed by a stop motion film.

Summer Library Program

June 5 to August 5
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Monday, July 10; 6 p.m.
Sand Castles And Catapults
Families and children of all ages join us as we transform the library lawn into a sandy beach. Make a sand castle, a piece of sand art and build a catapult. Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 13; 6 p.m.
LEGO® Night
Express your LEGO® creativity at this free-building session. LEGO® bricks provided. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 17; 6 p.m.
The Great Outdoor Games
Families and children of all ages join us for a night of outdoor games. Practice your swing and play a round of miniature golf with the dinosaurs or race through life-size Candy Land®. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 24; 6 p.m.
Double Bubble Water Balloon Blowout
Families and children of all ages join us to celebrate some of the best things of summer - bubbles and water balloons! Dance with the bubble machine, create huge bubbles, or make bubble art. We will end the night with an epic water balloon fight. Preregistration required.

Thursday, July 27; 6 p.m.
LEGO® Night
Express your LEGO® creativity at this free-building session. LEGO® bricks provided. Preregistration required.

Monday, July 31; 6 p.m.
Family Movie Night
Skip the line at the theater and join us for popcorn and a family-friendly movie at the library. Preregistration required.

Monday, August 7; 6 p.m.
Mini Maker Mondays
Families and children of all ages join us for Mini Maker Mondays. This new program introduces children to a variety of different STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) projects. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 10; 6 p.m.
Family Movie Night
Skip the line at the theater and join us for popcorn and a family-friendly movie at the library. Preregistration required.

Monday, August 14; 6 p.m.
Family Fun Time - Ugh, A Bug!
Families and children of all ages join us to learn about cool bugs and create a bug-inspired activity. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 24; 6 p.m.
LEGO® Night
Express your LEGO® creativity at this free-building session. LEGO® bricks provided. Preregistration required.

To Be Continued

*Mondays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31;
noon - 1 p.m.*
*Thursdays, June 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;
August 3; noon - 1 p.m.*
To Be Continued - Kids Free Lunch Program
Children ages 6-17 enjoy a free hot lunch while we read aloud from a family-friendly book. Meals are sponsored by the Boys and Girls Clubs of Lorain County. We will continue our story where we left off at each session. Preregistration required.



Writers Group

*Thursdays, June 1, 15, 29; July 13, 27;
August 10, 24; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.*

Writers Group

Do you write fiction or would you like to start? Join our fiction writing group and fine-tune your skills! This group is for adults only. Preregistration required.

Thursday, August 3; 6 p.m.

Teen Writing Camp

Do you write fiction or would you like to start? Join our fiction writing camp and fine-tune your skills! This program is for teens age 12 and up only please.



Exercise Programs

*Wednesdays, June 7, 14, 21, 28;
July 5, 12, 19, 26; 6 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 eight-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.

Wednesdays, August 2, 9, 16; 5:30 p.m.

Yoga For Beginners

Adults, join the weekly Wednesday yoga class taught by Tom Gorman. Please bring your own yoga mat or beach towel. Preregistration required.



Chess Club

*Wednesdays, June 7, 14, 21, 28;
July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; 4 p.m.*

South Lorain Chess Club

Open play chess sessions are for all ages and levels, from beginner to expert. This is an opportunity for people to congregate, meet others, talk chess, play and work on their game.

Computer Programs

Saturday, June 3; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 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.

Saturday, June 10; 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.

Saturday, June 24; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Manage Photos From Cloud

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. Preregistration required.

Friday, July 21; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 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.

Saturday, August 12; 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, August 19; 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Individual Technology Help

Call to schedule one-on-one help during this two-hour window. 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!

Book Discussions

Tuesday, June 20; 6:30 p.m.

Change Of Pace Book Discussion Group - Prague Winter: A Personal Story Of Remembrance And War, 1937-1948 By Madeleine Albright

From former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright comes a moving and thoughtful memoir of her formative years in Czechoslovakia during the tumult of Nazi occupation, World War II, fascism, and the onset of the Cold War. Books will be available one month prior to the discussion. Read the book and join us.



Tuesday, July 18; 6:30 p.m.

Change Of Pace Book Discussion Group - Commonwealth By Ann Patchett

Spanning five decades, *Commonwealth* explores how a chance encounter reverberates through the lives of the Keating and Cousins families in this funny, sad, and ultimately heart wrenching family portrait. Read the book and join our discussion.



Tuesday, August 15; 6:30 p.m.

Change Of Pace Book Discussion Group - American Heiress: The Wild Saga Of The Kidnapping, Crimes And Trial Of Patty Hearst By Jeffrey Toobin

American Heiress examines the life of a young woman who suffered an unimaginable trauma and then made the decision to join her captors' crusade. Or did she? Read the book and join our discussion.



Fun, Learning Activities For Kids & Teens

Our Summer Library Program is all about giving free books, and encouraging children to keep reading and learning during their school break.

Here are a few ways kids and teens can have fun while learning in our libraries in the summer and all year long.



Programs/Events

Teen Drama Clubs

Our Columbia Branch is starting a Teen Drama Club this summer! Teens, learn about the theater. Our Main Library's Teen Drama Club, now in its ninth year, puts together several plays a year where the teens not only act but help write their own scripts, construct their costumes and build the scenery.

Science, Technology & Animal Programs

Have your kids and teens develop their skills in STEM – science, technology, engineering and math. Learn computer science in our Avon Branch's Summer Coding Club. Try stop motion animation at our South Lorain Branch's STAR camp. Come invent, build and discover at our engineering nights, science series and animal programs.

Story Times, Art & Writing Programs

All our libraries provide story times geared for babies, toddlers or preschool children. Our Avon Branch offers story times specifically designed for children with special needs. Do your kids love to paint? Your children can create their own art after looking at the works of Van Gogh, Michelangelo and more in our Columbia Branch's Little Artists series. We also have teen writing groups for those into creative writing.

Reading Buddies & Reading to a Therapy Dog

Let's read together. Have your young ones come to our reading programs to read with seniors or teens. How about man's best friend? Your kids can read to a therapy dog at our North Ridgeville Branch!

Game & Movie Nights

Come to our anime nights, Yu-Gi-Oh! card games, LEGO® programs and chess clubs. Our Domonkas Branch is hosting a teen video game night. Enjoy our family game days and movie nights!

Books & Resources

Computers & Tablets for Kids

Our libraries have kid-friendly, touch-screen computers with games that build early literacy and math skills. Plus, check out mini tablets for kids at our Avon Branch!

Educational Backpacks

Our Main Library, Avon, North Ridgeville and South Lorain branches have backpacks for checkout full of learning resources, including books, toys, CDs and DVDs that teach math, science and reading.

Books & Movies

From board books and picture books to early readers, chapter books, middle grade and young adult books, we have a great selection of books for kids and teens. We also have a great collection of family and kids' movies. If you're looking for digital books, visit OverDrive for Kids and BookFlix at LorainPublicLibrary.org/eLibrary. Our staff will gladly help you find the right books and movies for your child.



Lifelong Learning Happens Here

Would you like to discover your community's history, play music, improve your computer skills or learn another language? Turn to our libraries to increase your knowledge!

Events

We offer local history, health and a variety of educational programs in our libraries throughout the year. This summer, learn about the iconic Lorain Lighthouse, North Ridgeville's history or the tiny houses movement. Plus, learn how to sew or play musical instruments at our Main Library. Get introduced to computers, Microsoft Office programs, social media and more in our computer programs. See these events listed inside this newsletter and on our website.

Library Materials

Books, DVDs and other materials on home remodeling, gardening, cooking, nutrition, fitness, technology, languages – you name it, we'll work to get it for you. What topic do you want to learn more about? Just ask us. We'll help you find what you need.

Online Learning Providers

Visit **LorainPublicLibrary.org/eLibrary** to access our eMedia collection and our digital service providers. Gale Courses offers online, instructor-led classes spanning website and business creation, creative writing, medical terminology, photography or languages. ArtistWorks for Libraries provides self-paced video lessons covering musical instruments, voice and physical art. Research topics such as car repair, genealogy, consumer and medical information in our online databases. Visit **LorainPublicLibrary.org/research** to use our databases.



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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 11 a.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)

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