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From the Director

Welcome to our inaugural issue of *Connections!*

This new title for the Lorain Public Library System's community publication reinforces our role as your community partner for entertainment, information and services. It also touches on the expanding role eMedia resources play in providing you 24X7 access to film, video, eBooks, newspapers, magazines, music and audio downloads as well as learning from the comfort of your home or mobile device. Congratulations go to Tom Saal, who submitted the new name. You can read about this talented local writer and cartoonist elsewhere in *Connections*.

Another way we strive to connect with the community is through support for events such as Lorain's International Festival. This issue includes an article about the library's Spotlight Industry designation for the June 22-24 event. We are very proud to support Lorain in this way. Look for our rock star Summer Library program friends in the parade in support of this year's theme: Libraries Rock! — and stop by our festival booth.

And, I invite you to grab that book you have been putting off sitting down with as we rock the summer reading!

Anastasia Diamond-Ortiz

Director, Lorain Public Library System

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What's in a Name?

...Connections!



Self-portrait by Tom Saal

Tom Saal, local cartoonist and writer, said the BBC series, *Connections* of 1978, that explores the paths of how technological change happens and the social effects of those changes on society, inspired him to submit the name suggestion for the LPLS newsletter.

He was intrigued, he said, by the theme of one thing leading to another and he envisions the knowledge gained from the library system acting similarly. He also says that the library's many eMedia services help build on and make those connections easier.

The 85-year-old contributor spent most of his working life in New York and Cleveland in advertising and publishing; but writing about automobiles and racing is his passion. His work includes *Famous but Forgotten*, the life story of Cleveland auto manufacturer Alexander Winton (Winton Place), *Damn Few Died in Bed*, the life story of Andrew Dunlop, a champ car chief mechanic, and *Tommy Saal's ABCs of Auto Racing History*.

A lifelong patron of the library system, Saal joined the Friends of the North Ridgeville Library soon after moving to North Ridgeville with his wife, Judith, in 2004. He is a graduate of St. Ignatius high school (1950) and Xavier University (1954).

A big round of applause and thanks goes out to all those who participated in the naming competition as well as the panel of judges who helped make the selection. We received much thoughtful input that included name suggestions, marketing strategies and drawings. So, the next time we need creative direction, we know we can count on you! Please enjoy the first issue of *Connections* and see where your reading leads you.



The Lorain
International
Festival
and Bazaar
2017 Princesses





LPLS Helps Shine

International Spotlight on Lorain

The Lorain International Festival and Bazaar lands in downtown Lorain June 22-24, and Lorain Public Library System is honored to be the Spotlight Industry at this year's event.

The 52nd annual festival is a premier summer event that celebrates the city's nationalities and cultures through food, music, costume, art, pageantry and tradition. Activities take place in various downtown locations, as well as along the banks of the scenic Black River.

A highlight of the International Festival is the annual kick-off parade, and as this year's spotlight business, LPLS is ready to rock and roll with a float that highlights the 2018 Summer Library program theme: Libraries Rock! LPLS staff will be dressed up as rock stars from different eras, and some of these "stars" will walk the parade, handing out candy and toys.

Main Library Assistant Nina Lopez shared that the last time the library was the Spotlight Industry for the Lorain International Festival was in 2001, during LPLS' centennial anniversary.

"All attendees will be in for a real treat as we plan to make this year's festival our best effort yet," said Lopez.

LPLS will share the spotlight with Puerto Rico, the 2018 Spotlight Nationality. LPLS is honored to share this recognition with Puerto Rico, especially after the devastating affects Hurricane Maria had on the island.

LPLS, with the help of its patrons, turned library fines into donations, and presented a check for nearly \$5,000 to El Centro toward the Hurricane Maria Relief Fund for Puerto Rico.



2018 princesses. Individual photos not available at time of print.

Mark your calendars for this year's Lorain International Festival, and celebrate all the heritages within our great city!

For more information about the Lorain International Festival, including a complete schedule of events, visit loraininternational.com.

FULL STEAM AHEAD:

Discovery on the **Go!**

Children's literacy is going mobile as Lorain Public Library System introduces its newest outreach venture: Discovery on the Go. This mobile library initiative rolls out this summer, coming to a park, festival, neighborhood or event near you.



The new program's primary focus area is emerging literacy for preschoolers, who will be introduced to STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) to gain background knowledge, vocabulary and critical thinking skills. Children will have the opportunity to check out STEAM-related books from the vehicle.

The secondary focus will be reading skills for kindergarteners through third-graders. The initiative is designed to engage readers with informational text — a goal of the

This age group typically spends a lot of time reading in the classroom without much choice in subject matter. The Discovery program enables students to choose and check out books ranging from science and technology to nonfiction and poems.

LPLS Director Anastasia Diamond-Ortiz and Public Services Coordinator for Youth and Outreach Services Elaine Betting creatively collaborated on this idea after seeing Cleveland Museum of Art's mobile art studio, Studio Go.

Besides the mobile library collection of books, Discovery on the Go will include tools such as LEGOs, Keva Planks, art supplies, Ozobots and Snap Circuits in keeping with the STEAM theme.

Another benefit of Discovery On the Go is to connect state standard-based curriculum with these young students. And with take-home activities, the STEAM learning doesn't have to end once the vehicle departs. Parents are encouraged to continue engaging at home with activity sheets.

Discovery on the Go is on a mission to deliver the library experience to youngsters throughout the Lorain community.

Common Core Standards. The Common Core State Standards Initiative details what K-12 students throughout the United States should know in English language arts and mathematics at the conclusion of each grade.

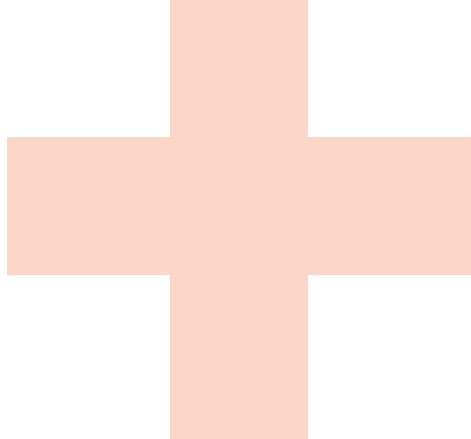
"We thought, 'Why can't we do that?' But we wanted to put a library spin on it, and we wanted to find a way to engage the community, where traditional bookmobile and book truck stops weren't working," Betting said.

"This new vehicle can take us to festivals, parks, neighborhoods and schools with specific STEAM learning goals for kids and families. We will pilot some programs this summer, with an official schedule rolling out in the fall," said Betting.

LPLS will utilize the mobility of the vehicle to reach and impact as much of the Lorain community as possible, with an emphasis on daycares, preschools and elementary schools, in areas that are more than a mile from a library branch and with high poverty and racial diversity.

For more information on Discovery on the Go or to suggest a site to visit, email ebetting@lpls.info.





Life-saving Medical Devices

Two life-saving devices are now available at your local LPLS locations.



AED Devices Located at Libraries

Sudden cardiac arrest (SCA) is a leading cause of death in the United States. More than 350,000 cardiac arrests occur outside of the hospital each year. Twelve percent of those victims survive. Because SCA can happen to anyone at any time, LPLS is implementing an AED program to prepare employees to respond to an SCA emergency.

Portable automated external defibrillator (AED) devices, located near the circulation desk of each library, are now part of each library's equipment. AEDs treat sudden cardiac arrest, which can cause death if not treated within minutes.

These lightweight, battery-operated, devices are easy to operate, providing voice prompts to guide the user through the process of checking the heart and sending an electric shock to restore a normal rhythm if necessary.

The American Red Cross credits the AED as the *only effective treatment* for restoring a regular heart rhythm during sudden cardiac arrest.

Blood Pressure Kits Now Available for Checkout

Patrons can now check out a blood pressure kit for seven days to track and monitor blood pressure readings. The kit includes a: blood pressure device, quick user card, AC adapter and four batteries. Look for it in the Circulation section of the library.



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.; Sun Closed
Hours subject to change

Please note preregistration is required for all programs except where noted. Visit the online calendar for the most current information www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/events.

Friday, June 1; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, June 9; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Monday, July 2; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 4; 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.



Fridays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27; August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Yoga for Beginners

Adults, join the weekly Friday yoga class taught by Tom Gorman. Bring a yoga mat or beach towel.

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

Summer Library Program Kickoff and Beach Party - Libraries Rock

Libraries Rock this summer as we celebrate music and rhythm! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Libraries Rock! Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park (1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain) beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance by Sogbety Diomande, who invites families to "Discover West African Rhythm Through Drumming and Dance." Preregistration not required.

Saturdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23; July 7, 14, 21, 28; August 4, 11, 18, 25; 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).

Monday, June 4; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, July 21; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Monday, August 20; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Excel for Beginners

Participants will learn the basics of using Microsoft Excel 2007 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, with limited hands on practice time. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.



Mondays, June 4, 11, 18; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; August 6, 13, 20, 27; 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 to compose and assemble a resume, set up an own email account, attach a resume in an email to a job website, save a resume online, apply for a job online and set up an account with online job websites.

Mondays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 23, 30; August 6, 13, 20, 27; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Zumba®

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

Tuesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; August 7, 14, 21, 28; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Line Dancing

Line dancing to R&B and Soul Music, taught by Ms. Evelyn Henry, is a casual experience. Learn this new skill or practice what you already know and make new friends at the same time.

Tuesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; August 7, 14, 21, 28; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Sewing Club

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

Wednesday, June 6; 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Coding Club

Get ready for games, robots and apps! We'll provide the tech; you provide the creativity as we explore coding concepts and computer languages. All skill levels welcome. Intended for children ages 10 and older.

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

Curtana Swords

Ever wanted to learn swordsmanship like an Olympic fencer? Join us for this 11-week fencing skills program! Athletic clothing is encouraged. Open to those ages 10 - 15.

Saturdays, June 9, 23; July 7, 21; August 4, 18; 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.

Mondays, June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23;
10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Baby and Me Story Time

For caregivers with children birth to 18 months. Join us for rhymes, songs, finger plays and books.

Mondays, June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 11:15 a.m. - noon

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.

Monday, June 11; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Princess Tea

Join Lorain International Festival princesses for an afternoon tea. All ages welcome.

Mondays, June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Summer Lunch for Kids

Youth ages 18 and under are invited to come to the Summer Food Service Program between 1 p.m. - 2 p.m., then stay for the family program that follows. Preregistration not required.

Wednesday, June 13; noon - 1 p.m.

Big Buddy Orientation

This orientation is one hour prior to first Book Buddies program.

Wednesdays, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Buddies

Books Buddies pairs middle and high school students with early readers for literacy and learning. Enjoy fun, games, and, of course reading. If you are a teen interested in reading with kids register under Big Buddy Orientation. Little Buddies should register under the Book Buddies listing.

Wednesdays, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18; 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.

Wednesdays, June 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1; 2 p.m.-3 p.m.
August 8, 15, 22, 29; 4 p.m.- 5 p.m.

STEM Club

Get ready for all things STEM! We'll provide the materials and you provide the creativity as we explore science, technology, engineering and mechanics. All skill levels welcome. Intended for children ages 10 and up.

Fridays, June 15; July 6; 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.

Saturdays, June 16; July 14; August 11; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Dungeons & Dragons, Ask a Dungeon Master!

Does Stranger Things have you itching to slay Demogorgon or take on a mind flayer, but you're unsure where to start? Come ask our resident DM who can help answer Dungeons & Dragons questions, and help you start your own campaign.

Saturday, June 16; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

PowerPoint for Beginners

Participants will learn to create slides that include charts, clip art and other graphics, including animation and transition effects and must be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

Saturday, June 16; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday, July 21; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday, August 18; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Self Defense

Join us for self-defense classes. Instruction will be provided on basic moves and concepts. Open to those ages 13 to 18.

Saturday, June 16; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Teen Glow Karaoke Party

Start off your summer with a celebration of music and light! Join us after hours for our Teen Glow Karaoke Party. Play around with all things glow in the dark and sing your heart out! For all fun seekers ages 12 - 18.

Monday, June 18; 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 Lorain County's Partners with Paws, in Browser's® name. Bring your cameras for special photo ops with our favorite dog!

Monday, June 18; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 14; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Friday, August 24; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Word for Beginners

Participants will learn the basics of typing, saving, formatting, printing, as well as copying and pasting techniques using 2007 Microsoft Word. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

Mondays, June 18; Wire Wrap Rings; July 16; Painted Washer Necklace; August 13; Basic Beaded Bracelet, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Craft Jewelry

Join us to make three fun jewelry pieces this summer! Ages 10 and up welcome.

Tuesdays, June 19; July 17; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Lorain: International City Food

Lorain is the International City! Join us in celebrating our diversity by learning to make some favorite community dishes.

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

Back to the Jurassic

Join us as we celebrate the release of *Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom* with dino fun, games, and crafts. All ages welcome.

Thursdays, June 21; August 16; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Builders Club

Use your imagination to see what you can build. We have lots of LEGO® blocks and other materials for you to use. Ages 6 and older.



Thursday, June 21; 6 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion - *The Buried Giant* by Kazuo Ishiguro

A book about forgetting and memory told as only Nobel prize winner Kazuo Ishiguro can. Set in a mythic post Arthurian Britain, an elderly couple sets out to find their lost son, but a strange fog has caused mass amnesia in the land. As they travel, they are joined by a Saxon warrior and a mysterious knight and start to remember a dark and shared past. Copies of the book are available at the library.

Friday, June 22; 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Beatlemania Film Festival

Join us for a day of Beatles film favorites all day long!

Fridays, June 22; August 10; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Keeping in Touch Online

Learn ways to stay in contact using online tools like Skype, FaceTime, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook and more.



Saturday, June 23; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

All About Tarot

Meet local Tarot reader Victoria Kempton who will teach the basics of an age-old metaphysical practice, including the messages behind the cards and what to expect during a reading.

Saturday, June 23; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

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

eLibrary

Receive an overview of our free eLibrary downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music and more, as well as streamed movies and TV shows. Also, find out about online courses and resources such as light car repairs, genealogy databases, and how to play a musical instrument. Bring questions and your devices.

Monday, June 25; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Library Rocks

Join us for geological fun as we learn about rocks and participate in exciting activities! All ages welcome.

Tuesdays, June 26; July 31; August 28; 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Spice & Herb Exchange Club

Discover new flavors and bold tastes to create mouthwatering dishes, marinades, dry rubs, adobos, sofritos, baked goods, soups, salads, rice, teas (home remedies) and coffees. All are welcome to join our Spice & Herb Exchange Club. Bring your favorite recipes to share and an edible sample for tasting.

Wednesday, June 27; noon - 1:30 p.m.

Lunchtime Local History: Moore House History

Valerie Smith, local historian, will present a program on Leonard Moore's contributions to Lorain's past and present, as well as a virtual tour of the Moore House Museum.

Thursday, June 28; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

- Registration opens May 17

Thursday, July 26; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

- Registration opens June 28

Thursday, August 23; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

- Registration opens July 26

Yu Gi Oh! Open Play Time

Join Ernie Hernandez, duelist and organizer for advanced format, Konami rules open playtime for 8 to 18 year olds. He will share his knowledge of the Yu Gi Oh! TRADING CARD GAME. Bring your deck of 40 cards minimum. Card trading is not allowed.

Fridays, July 27; August 31; 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.

Saturday, June 30; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Saturday, July 7; 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.

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

Grossology

Study the science of gross things and become a grossologist! All ages welcome!

Tuesday, July 3; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

July 4th Make and Take Craft

Get your red, white and blue on during this July 4th craft that will surely make a bang at home. All ages welcome.

Friday, July 6; 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Elvis Film Festival

Join us for a day of Elvis film favorites! All day long, we will show favorite films from the king.

Monday, July 9; 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.

Tuesday, July 10; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Superhero Fun Day

Come join us for superhero shenanigans! We'll have crafts, games, snacks and tons of adventure for everyone. For families and children of all ages!

Thursday, July 12; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Music Trivia Night

Test your music knowledge during this fun trivia night! Ages 13 and up welcome.

Saturday, July 14; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Nerf Night

Join us for a little lively competition as we have fun and complete challenges using Nerf blasters. All those ages 13 to 18 welcome.

Monday, July 16; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Irish Dance Basics

The jig is up! All ages are welcome to learn the basics of Irish dance with an instructor from Leneghan Academy.

Thursday, July 19; 6 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion - *State of Freedom* by Neel Mukherjee

Set in modern India, this novel about dislocation and the hunger for something better that drives us, prize winning author Neel Mukherjee weaves together the story of five very different characters, while moving between the reality of our contemporary world and the shadow of another. Copies of the book are available at the library.

Monday, July 23; 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.

Tuesday, July 24; 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Karaoke Night

Join us for an evening of musical fun! Sing along with your favorite tunes and prove your musical memory. All ages welcome.

Wednesday, July 25; 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 gather in the grassy area by the parking lot. In case of inclement weather, the program will be held in the library.

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

Adult CD Jewelry Box Craft

Put your baubles in something extra shiny. We will show you how to make a jewelry box from recycled CDs.

Saturday, July 28; 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Cocoro Playhouse Building

Children ages 5 to 11 and their families are invited to join Norio Kids as they turn the library into a Cocoro village! Help design and build your own model and full-size playhouse. Space is limited.

Thursday, August 2; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Farm Party with Pony Tails Farm

Join us in the grassy area next to the Main Library parking lot for a special party to celebrate the end of summer. Pony Tales Farm will be sharing some of their rescued animals for a meet and greet outside the library. Learn about goats, donkeys and other farm animals at this program for all ages.

Friday, August 3; 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Musical Film Festival

Who doesn't want a world where everyone bursts into song and dance? Come join us for a daylong celebration of musicals!

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

Chalk and Water Play

Join us in the grassy area next to the library parking lot for some fun in the sun! We'll have plenty of water based activities and chalk to express your creativity. This program is for families with children of all ages. In case of inclement weather, activities will be offered inside the library.

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

Barbie Bonanza

Join us to celebrate all things Barbie with crafts, games, and oodles of fun! All ages welcome.

Saturday, August 11; 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 sixth through 12th.

Thursday, August 16; 6 p.m.

Third Thursday Book Discussion - *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas

The most talked about novel last year, *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas, isn't just for teens. Please join us in reading the award winning novel about how a community comes to grips with the intersection of race, tragedy and power as it fights for justice. Copies of the book are available at the library.

Friday, August 17; 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.



Avon Library

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Avon, OH 44011
440-934-4743 or 1-800-322-READ

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Fridays, June 1, 8; July 6, 13; August 3, 10; 11 a.m.

Fiber Art Group

Are you a knitter, crocheter, sewer, quilter, rugger or other type of fiber artist? Join us on the first and second Friday of each month to learn and share with each other. Bring your ideas, tools and materials. All skill levels welcome. Preregistration not required.

Fridays, June 1; August 24; 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, July 24; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Tech Help

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

Summer Library Program Kickoff and Beach Party - Libraries Rock

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Monday, June 4; 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Wandering Ohio: A Buckeye Trail Thru-Hike

Ohio authors Chuck and Beth Hewett will talk about their experiences hiking Ohio's Buckeye Trail. Copies of their book will be available for purchase and signing.

Tuesdays, June 5; August 28; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday, July 13; 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

eLibrary

Your library card gives you access to free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music that you can take wherever you go. That's not all! You can also stream free movies and TV shows, take online courses, or even self publish your own book. Receive an overview of our eLibrary services and learn how to start enjoying them today. Bring questions and your devices.

Wednesdays, June 6; July 11; August 8; 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 anime related activities. Light refreshments will be served. G rated cosplay is encouraged. Perfect for those in grades 6 - 12.

Thursday, June 7; 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. Preregistration not required.

*Fridays, June 8, 22; July 13, 27; August 10, 24;
10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.*

Story Time in the Woods

Explore Avon's new wooded play area at the "Every Child's Playground," 36265 Detroit Road. The Avon Branch Library will offer story times two Fridays per month, April through October, 10:30 a.m., in the woods. Music, movement activities, nature walks and play will accompany nature themed stories. Please dress for the weather and bring a blanket for sitting. In case of inclement weather, a story time will take place at the Avon Branch Library. Preregistration not required.

Friday, June 8; 2 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

DIY Travel Boxes for Kids

Do you have travel plans this summer? Then, this program is for you! Come create LEGO® and art travel boxes to use during long trips. Perfect for children ages 5 - 12.



Saturday, June 9; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. (for kids);

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (for adults)

Ukulele Workshops

Learn the ukulele with Sheela Das of Creative Concepts in Music! We'll cover basics of instrument, blues music and turnarounds for more experienced players! We will learn 10 songs. Borrow one of Sheela's instruments or bring your own.

Monday, June 11; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Introduction to Windows 10

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

Tuesdays, June 12; July 3, 17, 31; August 14; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Coding Club

Explore computer programming and a bit of electronics in a fun, collaborative environment! A limited number of laptops are available for use, or bring your own. Coding Club is intended for students entering third through sixth grades, whether they have experience with coding or are brand new.

Tuesday, June 12; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Lil' Rock Star Academy

Come have a rockin' good time at the library by enjoying music themed games, crafts and activities. Perfect for ages 3 and up. Preregistration not required.

Wednesday, June 13; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Rock and Roll History: The Cleveland Connection

Dr. Joel S. Keller traces Cleveland's influence in the development of Rock and Roll music from the 1950s to the present day. Important events in local Rock and Roll history will be discussed. Emphasis will be given to local musical performance venues, both past and present, as well as Northeast Ohio musical groups and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.

Thursdays, June 14; July 19; August 16; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Summer Classics Club:

The Catcher In The Rye, Franny and Zooey, Nine Stories by J.D. Salinger

Join us for a Summer of Salinger as we read a different book by J.D. Salinger each month. Copies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration not required.

Thursday, June 14; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Teen STEAM: Duct Tape Craft

Teens and tweens - if you love duct tape, come join us for a duct tape craft! There will also be an opportunity to take home a fun duct tape freebie! Perfect for those in grades fifth through 12th.

Friday, June 15; 11 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Musical Art Play Date

Toddlers and preschoolers, along with their parents, join us for a music themed art play date! We will share a story, songs, dancing and make a musical instrument!

Monday, June 18; 6:30 p.m.

The Opioid Epidemic in Lorain County and Ohio

Drug and alcohol abuse hurts communities and everyone in them. A representative from The LCADA Way will share with us information on the opioid epidemic in Lorain County and Ohio, terminology, statistics, symptoms as well as where to get help.

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

Action Painting

Join us for a hands on creative adventure! Expand the limits of your imagination by painting with various objects and techniques, even painting blindfolded! Prepare to get messy and dress accordingly. This program is best for preschoolers through fifth-graders.

Tuesday, June 19; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Family Engineering Night: Architectural Espionage

Join us for a family friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills. School age children and their families will race to reconstruct buildings from memory.

Wednesday, June 20; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Creative Songwriting for Teens

If you like to create, dream, sing or write, a Creative Concepts in Music teaching artist will help you tap into your creative side by expressing yourself in song. Bring a notebook and your ideas! For sixth grade and up. Preregistration not required.

Wednesday, June 20; 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

The Art of Racing in The Rain by Garth Stein

Wednesday July 18; 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

We Have Always Lived in the Castle by Shirley Jackson

Wednesday, August 15; 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

In the Garden of Beasts by Erik Larson

Books and Brews - Avon Brewing Company

Looking for something fun to do in the middle of the week? Try kicking back with a book and a pint! Adults ages 21 and over are welcome to join us for a book discussion at Avon Brewing Company, 37040 Detroit Road, Avon. Participants are responsible for their own drinks. Copies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration not required.

Thursday, June 21; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Book Sale and Preview

The book sale preview will run from 5 p.m. 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 p.m. 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. Preregistration not required.

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

Summer Solstice Yoga Celebration

Celebrate the arrival of summer with a special outdoor yoga event at the library. Yogis of all ages and levels, including families, gather on the south lawn with your mats and water bottles for an uplifting yoga practice. Brought to you by 3sisters Yoga + Fitness of Avon, Avon Parks and Recreation Department and the Friends of the Avon Library! Preregistration not required.

Friday, June 22; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 23; 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Book Sale

The book sale is open to the public. 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. Preregistration not required.

Mondays, June 25; August 27; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Excel for Beginners

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

Tuesday, June 26; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

3D Printing Demonstration

Learn how to design and print three dimensional objects with a 3D printer. By the end of the hour, you will know what PLA, Tinkercad and Thingiverse are and see a 3D printer in action. Families with school age children, teens and adults are welcome to join us for this exciting demonstration.

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

Faithful by Alice Hoffman

Tuesday, July 24; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

'Tis: A Memoir By Frank McCourt

Tuesday, August 28; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Their Eyes Were Watching God By Zora Neale Hurston

Adult Book Discussion

Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are welcome! Preregistration not required.



Tuesdays, June 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Preschool Story Time

Talk, sing, read, write and play with us! Preschoolers ages 3 - 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.

Wednesdays, June 27; July 25; August 29; 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.

Thursdays, June 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2; 10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Baby Bounce and Rhyme Story Time

Enjoy an interactive story time designed for you and your baby, ages 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.

Thursdays, June 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2; 11:30 a.m. - noon
Toddler Tales Story Time

Join us for an interactive story time for 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, while having fun. Children must attend with an adult. Siblings are welcome to attend.

Thursdays, June 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2; 6 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

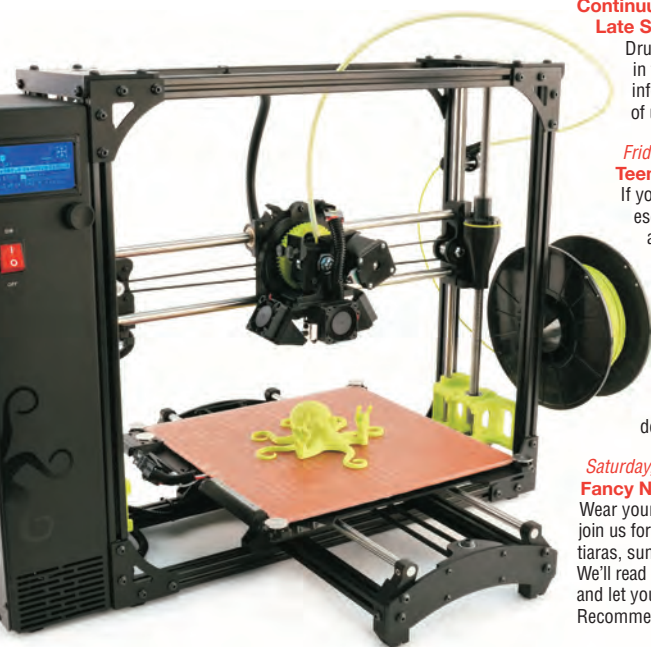
Music Makers

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

Thursdays, June 28; July 26; August 23; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Builders Club

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



Saturdays, June 30; July 28; August 25; 10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Adapted Story Time

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

Saturdays, June 30; July 28; August 25; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Teen Book Club

Teens, do you like to read? Then, come to our Teen Book Club. Each month we will discuss a specific YA title and enjoy light refreshments. Copies of the book are available at the library. Preregistration not required.

Mondays, July 2; August 6; 1 p.m. - 2 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 gel pens will be provided. Coffee will be served. This program is for adults age 18 and older.

Saturday, July 7; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Little Ballerinas

Calling all little or aspiring ballerinas! Put on your tutus and join us for an afternoon of ballerina stories, music, games and fun! Make a ballerina wand, learn some simple dance steps and have your picture taken with a ballerina! Recommended for ages 3 - 7.

Monday, July 9; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Keeping in Touch Online

Learn about ways to stay in contact using online tools like Skype, FaceTime, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook and more.

Tuesday, July 10; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Dino Dig

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

Tuesday, July 10; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Family Engineering Night: Crash Test Dummies

Join us for a family friendly engineering competition that challenges STEM skills. School age children and their families will build safety pods for their water balloon crash test dummies. How much water will be spilled by the end of the night is anyone's guess.

Saturday, July 14; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Rock Out and Read!

Come join Joanie Calem and her puppet friends as we sing and dance to old rock and roll songs about summertime fun, explore interactive folk stories about rocks and sing. Bring your imagination and your laughter with you to the Earth Berm Amphitheater at the Every Child's Playground, 36265 Detroit Rd. If it rains, we'll move the fun indoors to the library. Perfect for families with children ages 2 and up.

Monday, July 16; 6:30 p.m.

Continuum of Drug Use: From Experimentation to Late Stage Addiction

Drug and alcohol abuse hurts communities and everyone in them. A representative from The LCADA Way will share information on the progression, signs and consequences of use from experimentation through chemical dependency.

Friday, July 20; 6 p.m. - 7:30 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 - 18.

Saturday, July 21; 11 a.m. - noon
3D Printing Demonstration

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Saturday, July 21; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Fancy Nancy Soiree

Wear your fanciest attire (that's a fancy word for clothes!) and join us for a Fancy Nancy Soiree (that's French for party!) Dresses, tiaras, sunglasses and other glamorous accessories all welcome! We'll read a Fancy Nancy story by Jane O'Connor, make posh crafts and let you show off your attire at our fabulous fashion show! Recommended for preschool and school age children.

Monday, July 23; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
PowerPoint for Beginners

Learn to create dynamic presentations with slides that include charts, clip art and other graphics, such as animation and transition effects. Edit and polish your presentations with ease. Participants need to be comfortable using a mouse to attend.

Monday, July 30; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Painting Music

Let music be your guide! Translate what you hear into color, line and shape in this art program recommended for school-age children, kindergarten through fifth grade. Dress for a mess.

Tuesday, July 31; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Splash and Play

Join us for 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.

Wednesday, August 1; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Black Light Karaoke

Classic karaoke with a twist! Come to the library to enjoy a glow in the dark singing experience. Perfect for ages 10 and up.

Friday, August 3; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Hamilton Bash

Join us for Hamilton themed activities with prize giveaways. Perfect for ages 12 - 18.

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

Teen DIY: Musical Instruments

Pianos and guitars are expensive. You can do better! Construct and decorate your own custom musical instrument to take home and play. Perfect for ages 12 - 18.

Monday, August 6; 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.

Thursday, August 9; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Family PJ Dance Party

Wear your PJs and bring a stuffed animal to dance away the rest of the day. End the night by making a craft and listening to a story. Perfect for ages 2 and up.

Saturday, August 11; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Tween and Teen Chopped Challenge

Tweens and teens, are you a fan of The Food Network's Chopped? Then put on your apron and join us for our Chopped Challenge! Just like the show of the same name, this event will be divided into three courses. In each round, you will be given one ingredient that must be incorporated into the specific course. Join us for this fun, tasty event.

Monday, August 13; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Amish Fiction Open Read

Tell us about an Amish fiction book that you've read and enjoyed! Please bring a copy of the book that you are discussing. Preregistration not required.

Monday, August 13; 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Hip Hop Coding!

Use Scratch, a free computer programming language, to create a music video starring yourself, with code and hip hop dance moves. Perfect for ages 12 - 18.

Monday, August 13; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Introduction to Windows 10

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

Tuesday, August 14; 11 a.m. - noon

Pete The Cat Party

All the cool cats, who are preschool or school age, join us at the library for a Pete the Cat party! We will have interactive Pete the Cat stories, music, games, a craft and a scavenger hunt ... because it's all good!



Tuesday, August 14; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Hot Wheels Free Play

Come play with our collection of Hot Wheels cars. Perfect for ages 5 and up. Preregistration not required.

Monday, August 20; 6:30 p.m.

How to Equip Your Child to be Drug Free

Drug and alcohol abuse hurts communities and everyone in them. A representative from The LCADA Way will share information on how to equip your child to be and stay drug free. This program is ideal for parents, grandparents and caregivers.

Tuesday, August 21; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Family Engineering Night: Tower Construction

Join us for a family friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills. School age children and their families will perform a balancing act in more ways than one in this set of construction challenges.

Wednesday, August 22; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Home Repair Basics

Are you tired of having to call a handyman every time something minor breaks in your house? An expert from Lowe's will be on hand to show us some basic home repair tips.

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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.; Sun Closed
Hours subject to change

Please note preregistration is required for all programs except where noted. Visit the online calendar for the most current information www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/events.

Saturday, June 2; August 4; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 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.

Saturdays, June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; July 7, 14, 21, 28; August 4, 11, 18, 25; 11 a.m.

Booking it for Fitness Walking Club

Join the library's walking club. This group meets weekly at the beautiful adjacent walking trail in the Columbia Township Park. Meet in the library's meeting room to grab a water bottle. Collect a Summer Walking Log, on or after the scheduled walk June 10, to begin logging to earn great prizes! This program is cosponsored by the Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Preregistration not required.

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

Summer Library Program Kickoff and Beach Party - Libraries Rock

Libraries Rock this summer as we celebrate music and rhythm! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks (1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain) the beach party launches the library's Libraries Rock! 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 by Sogbety Diomande, who invites families to "Discover West African Rhythm Through Drumming and Dance." Preregistration not required.

Monday, June 4; 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Dance Party Summer Kickoff

Bring the whole family for a rocking good time at the library! Sign up for the summer library program, sing karaoke and party like a rock star. This program is co sponsored by the Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc.

Tuesday, June 5; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner and a Book Discussion - The Cottingley Secret by Hazel Gaynor

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.

Tuesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 17, 24, 31; August 7, 14; 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

Rockin' Preschool Story Time

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

Tuesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 17, 24, 31; August 7, 14; 11 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Toddlers Move and Groove Story Time

A story time for 9 - 35 months and their caregivers with stories, music, movement and rhymes.

Wednesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8; 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, behind the library.

Saturday, June 9; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Excel for Beginners

Participants will learn about the basics of Microsoft Excel 2016 edition. 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.

Monday, June 11; 6 p.m. - 7 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.

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

iPhone Help

Do you have an iPhone but don't know how to use it? This program will teach you the basics and help you get started with using your iPhone, including taking pictures and videos, sending texts, understanding apps, privacy settings, Siri and more.

Thursday, June 14; August 9; 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.

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

Manage Photos and Data in 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. Learn how to use Google Drive to work with and store files.

Monday, June 18; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Art That Rocks: Jackson Pollock

Children ages 5 - 10 will learn about Jackson Pollock and the artistic movement known as abstract expressionism as they craft Pollock inspired guitar art pieces. This program is co sponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc.



Monday, June 18; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, June 20; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thursday, June 21; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday, June 22; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Techie Camp

TechCorps and the Nordson Corporation Foundation have come together to provide a week long computer science camp at the library. This full day program is designed to engage sixth- through eighth-graders in hands on, interactive STEM related activities. Students will take a deep dive into the subject of Robotics in this specialized course. For registration and more information on Techie Camps, visit <http://www.techcorps.org>. Preregistration not required.

Tuesdays, June 19; August 21; 6 p.m.

The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. Meeting

Members are encouraged to attend and volunteer to help at fundraising events. New members and guests are welcome to attend and discover how they can become an active member and help the Columbia Branch Library. Preregistration not required.

Thursdays, June 21; July 19; August 16; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Crafty Adults @ the Library

Are you a crafter, or would you like to be one? Join us at the library monthly to try new craft projects and make new friends. This program is co sponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc.

Saturday, June 23; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Excel Charts, PivotTable and Mail Merge

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

Monday, June 25; 1 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - LaRose by Louise Erdrich

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

Monday, June 25; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Music Makers

Explore and make your own musical instruments. Children ages 5 - 10. This program is co sponsored by The Columbia Friends of the Library, Inc.

Tuesdays, June 26; July 24; August 21; 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Teen Crafternoon

Teens, come to the library and flex your creative muscles by doing various craft activities. You'll get to take home your creations when you're done. This program is cosponsored by the Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc.

Thursday, June 28; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Cookbook Discussion - Taste of Home Slow Cooker Throughout The Year: 495 Favorite Family Recipes by Michelle Rozumalski

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.

Tuesday, July 3; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Dinner and a Book Discussion - Manhattan Beach by Jennifer Egan

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.



Saturday, July 7; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 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.

Tuesday, July 10; 10 a.m.-7p.m.

Wednesday, July 11; noon-7p.m.

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

Friday, July 13; noon- 6p.m. Bag & Box Sale

Saturday, July 14; 10a.m. - 1p.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. Preregistration not required.

Monday, July 16; 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Interactive Movie Sing along

Come and sing along with a fun family movie!

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

Android Phone Help

Do you have an Android phone, but don't know how to use it? This program will teach you the basics and help you get started with using your Android including taking pictures and videos, sending texts, understanding apps, privacy settings, general problem solving and more.

Saturday, July 21; August 25; 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.

Monday, July 23; 1 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - Love and Other Consolation Prizes by Jamie Ford

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

Monday, July 23; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Country Music and Pony Rides

Join us for an evening of pony rides and country music in the grassy area behind the library. While you wait for your pony ride, children will have fun with country themed crafts and games. Pony rides will be provided by Pony Tales Farm of Columbia Station. Preregistration not required.

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

Cookbook Discussion - Women's Health Healthy Meals For One (or Two) Cookbook: A Simply Guide to Shopping, Prepping and Cooking for Yourself with More Than 175 Nutritious Recipes by Katie Walker

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.

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

Word for Beginners

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

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

Luau Time

Kids of all ages are invited to join us for a musical luau party. This program is cosponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc.

Tuesday, July 31; 3:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Rockin' Escape Room

Teens, the library Escape Room is back, this time with a musical twist! 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, celebrate the end of the summer library program with pizza, snacks and beverages.

Thursday, August 2; 6 p.m.

Murder Mystery Dinner

Join us for a fun evening of mystery and intrigue at the library as we solve a mystery together. Dinner provided. This program is cosponsored by the Friends of the Columbia Library Inc.

Friday, August 3; 3 p.m.

Columbia High School Marching Band Presentation

Join us for a very special ending to our summer library program as the Columbia High School Marching Band marches from the school to the library and performs a few songs in the Columbia Township Park just behind the library. After the performance, the high school students will invite any children in attendance to look at, possibly touch and ask any questions about their musical instruments. Preregistration not required.



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

Dinner and a Book Discussion - A Piece of the World by Christina Baker Kline

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.

Saturday, August 11; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Excel for Beginners

Participants will learn about the basics of using the Microsoft Excel 2016 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 18; 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Manage Photos and Data in the 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. Learn how to use Google Drive to work with and store files.

Thursday, August 23; 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Cookbook Discussion - Amish Community Cookbook: Simply Delicious Recipes from Amish and Mennonite Homes by Carol Roth Giagnocavo

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.

Monday, August 27; 1 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion - The Readers Of Broken Wheel Recommend by Katarina Bivald

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



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Fridays, June 1, 15, 29, July 13, 27; August 10, 24;
4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Crochet & Knit

Adults are invited to join this friendly community group to share your crochet and knit time and your expertise. Bring your own project or help with a community endeavor. Exchange of knitting and crochet knowledge is highly encouraged! Some materials will be available, but please bring your own crochet hook or knitting needles. Join the fun!



Saturday, June 2; noon - 3 p.m. Summer Library Program Kickoff And Beach Party - Libraries Rock

Libraries Rock this summer as we celebrate music and rhythm! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks (1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain) the beach party launches the library's Libraries Rock! 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 by Sogbety Diomande, who invites families to "Discover West African Rhythm Through Drumming and Dance." Preregistration not required.

Monday, June 4; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 5; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, June 6; noon - 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, June 7; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Friday, June 8; 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.
Saturday, June 9; 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Groovy Guessing Jar

Kids, come cool off in the library this week during open hours and take a guess at how many rockin' items are in our jar! Whoever gets the closest guess will receive a sweet surprise. Preregistration not required.



Mondays, June 4, 18, 25; July 9, 16, 23, 30; August 13, 20, 27;
11 a.m.

Toddler Story Time - Night Music, Pond Sounds, Noisy Farm, I can Make Music, Zoo Talk, "A Camping We Will Go", Traffic Noises, Dancing Feet, Fish, Ocean, Space
Story time for children 18 months through 4-years-old will include music, puppets, finger plays and crafts, while developing important early literacy skills. Parents are encouraged to participate.

Tuesday, June 5; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Cookbook Book Club

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 not required.

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

#JustForFun Teen Book Club

Teens, join us at the library for snacks and chat about a new book every month. We will be discussing the book *The Rest of Us Just Live Here* by Patrick Ness. Ever wonder what it is like to be the best friend to the Chosen One? Well Mikey is and all he would rather do is graduate and maybe ask a girl out, even if the end of the world, or something, is supposed to happen. Books will be available in the library a month in advance.

Saturday, June 9; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Camp Rock - Domonkas Summer Reading Kickoff Party!

Kick off your summer with s'more musical fun as we celebrate the beginning of summer reading, Libraries Rock! Come jam with us as we sing camp themed songs, play some adventurous games, and enjoy sweet treats! It is all the fun of the great outdoors, minus the pesky bug bites! Be sure to register early, as this event will fill up fast!

Tuesdays, June 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17; noon

Thursdays, June 14, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19; noon

Lunch and Fun

Children and teens age 18 and younger are invited to join us for a boxed lunch and other fun activities.

Tuesday, June 12; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - Play to the Beat

Tuesday, June 19; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - Musical Notes

Tuesday, June 26; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - Marching Bonanza

Tuesday, July 3; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - Shake, Rattle, & Roll

Tuesday, July 10; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - Rock N' Roll Legends

Tuesday, July 17; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - Rock on, Write on!

Tuesday, July 24; 11 a.m. - noon

The Domonkas Rock N' Rollers - The Big Bang!

Preschoolers through fifth-graders, come for a groovy time as we celebrate "Libraries Rock!" Each week listen to a story, participate in a variety of musical activities, from learning how to read music, to designing your own album cover, and enjoy a catered lunch thereafter! Join us as we explore a plethora of rockin' music, and learn how to jam to our beats!

Wednesday, June 13; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Cinema Fun - Musical Movie Night

Movie Lovers of all ages, come to the library and enjoy a night of melodious fun as we watch a movie musical! Tune in to a classic film, and enjoy the light refreshments as we stay cool for the summer!



Thursdays, June 14; August 9; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Magic: The Gathering®

Teens, have a new deck you have been wanting to try? Or, are you new to the mythical game of Magic® and want to learn the basics? Then come on in, hang out and play Magic: The Gathering® in a casual environment! Please bring your own set of dice as well as decks! Preregistration required.

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

The Quizzard of Oz - Movie Genre Trivia

Calling all cinephiles and movie buffs! Do you know how many movie credits Doug Jones has to his name? Or who the leading actress was in the film, *Halloween*? Then come to the library to flex your grey matter as we quiz you on various movie genres. Build a team, and whoever wins will receive a movie lover's dream prize!

Wednesday, June 20; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Adult Independence Day Craft

Adults, are you feeling patriotic? Then come to the library as we create a star spangled craft that everyone will admire! Bring your creativity, and we will provide the supplies!

Thursdays, June 21; July 19; August 16;
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.

Thursdays, June 21, July 19, August 16; 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 shoujo or shonen, there will be entertainment for everyone!

Saturdays, June 23, 30, July 14, 28, August 11, 18;
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Zumba® Beat!

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!

Saturday, June 23; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Once More with Spirit - O.R.B.S. Ghost Hunter Visit

Ghost enthusiasts of all ages, do you know which spirit has the best dance moves? The Boogie Man! Learn more information about the paranormal as one of Ohio's top investigation teams, Ohio Researchers for Banded Spirits (ORBS), presents their techniques and experiences in the world of ghosts. Be sure to register early, as this event will fill up fast!

Monday, June 25; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 26; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 27; noon - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 28; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, June 29; 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, June 30; 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Cool off and Color!

Teens, is it too hot outside, and you are wanting somewhere to cool off? Head to the library and cool down while you relax and color. Coloring sheets and supplies will be provided, and everyone is welcome. Preregistration not required.

Monday, June 25, July 30, August 27; 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!

Wednesdays, June 27; July 25; August 29;
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.

Saturdays, June 30; July 28; August 25; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Thursdays, July 5; August 2; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

#JustForFun Teen Book Club

Teens, join us at the library for snacks and chat about a new book every month. We will be discussing the book *The Coldest Girl in Coldtown* by Holly Black. Coldtowns are quarantined areas where monsters and humans battle between who is predator and who is prey. When Tana wakes up surrounded by corpses after a party, she will have to go to the heart of Coldtown itself to rescue those close to her. Books will be available in the library a month in advance.

Tuesday, July 3; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Cookbook Book Club

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 not required.

Wednesday, July 11; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

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Thursday, July 12; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Guitar Hero® Riff Off!

Teens, let's party like rockstars at the library! Those attending will be put into a bracket, and face off against one another in a game of Guitar Hero® to determine the best rocker! Bragging rights will be won, and light refreshments will be available.

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

Rock N' Roll History - The Cleveland Connection

This program traces Cleveland's influence in the development of Rock and Roll music from the 1950s to the present day. Important events in local Rock and Roll history will be discussed. Emphasis will be given to local musical performance venues, both past and present, Northeast Ohio musical groups and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum.

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

Clairvoyantly Yours - Ask a Psychic

Explore the mystical side of life at the library, as you meet local psychic and author, Victoria Kempton. Returning to the library, she explore more history of psychic phenomena, and will debunk any myths surrounding the age old trade. Then, she will answer any of your questions you may regarding clairvoyants or the supernatural! Find answers to age old mysteries and register today!

Fridays, July 20; August 3; 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Can't Help Falling In Love - with After Hours Karaoke!

Teens, do you love to sing? Perfect! Can you not hold a tune, but still love to sing? Still perfect! Whether it's solo or as a group, come and sing your favorite songs at the library! This program will be held after we close, so that means you can belt out all your favorites without worry. Please come into the library by 5:45 p.m., once the doors are closed and locked they will not open. Light refreshments will be provided. Preregistration is required.

Saturday, July 21; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Rock Around the Jukebox - Family Sock Hop

Hey all you cool cats, put on your glad rags and boogie on down to the library for a crazy good time! We'll spin some rock and roll classics for kids and cut a rug. Don't have a cow if you don't know how to dance, it's all in good fun, plus there will be plenty of treats for the family! Ya dig?



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

Super Sharktacular - Shark Week® Celebration

Families, friends, and shark finatics, come to the library to celebrate the best week of the year, Shark Week®! Learn about the ocean's most fearsome predators, play some jawesome games, and partake in sea worthy treats as we also learn about oceanic conservation. Then watch some fintastic shark moments on the big screen! Be sure to register early, as this sharky event will fill up fast!



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

Tuesday, July 31; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 1; noon - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, August 2; 10 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, August 3; 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 4; 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Create Your Own Pet Rock!

Kids, come celebrate the last week of "Libraries Rock" during open hours by decorating your very own pet rock! Give it a personality through your creative flair, and take home a new friend! Preregistration not required.

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

Beach Party Pandemonium - Summer Reading Finale

Beach Bums and Surfers, it's our summer reading finale! Don't flip out! Everything is copasetic! We're throwing a hip beach bash, complete with stellar games, neat music, and happenin' treats for everyone! It's sure to be a gas, and a great way to celebrate the end of summer reading! So kick on your flip flops, soak up some rays, and be ready to jam at the library!

Monday, August 6; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Tuesday, August 7; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 8; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Thursday, August 9; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Friday, August 10; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Tech Week

We'll provide the tech and fun. You provide the creativity as we explore coding concepts, computer languages and fun projects. All skill levels are welcome. Intended for children ages 10 and older.

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

Cookbook Book Club

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 not required.

Wednesday, August 8;

6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Using Astrology in Your Everyday Life

Timing is everything - so come to the library and learn about the sun, moon, and mercury cycles in astrology, and how to make the most of the energy that's happening around you. Learn when to start projects and when not to! Additionally, if you have your astrology chart, bring a copy. If not, don't worry, you'll still be able to use the information discussed here.

Monday, August 13;

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

Library SummerSlam®!

Are you ready? Come celebrate a party of the best there is, the best there was, and the best there ever will be, as WWE's SummerSlam® turns thirty! Show some intestinal fortitude as we play games, smell what the Rock® is cookin', and even learn some wrestling warm ups! Woooo! Library mania is running wild!

Wednesdays, August 15, 22;

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

Essential Oils Relaxation Series

As the school year begins, life gets pretty hectic. Slow down and come to the library, where Heather Crabtree will teach how to use essential oils for relaxation in this two part series! In session one, learn what oils are good to use for winding down, and in session two, learn about what oils are best to use for winter preparation. Be sure to come with an open mind, and leave with techniques to get you through the daily grind!



Monday, August 20; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Libraries Rock! - Painting Session

Come to the library and unearth your creativity as we paint local rocks! Join in the community fun as we participate in Facebook® group, Northeast Ohio Rocks, as after we paint, we will hide these gems around the area! Find the diamond in the rough with your artistic flair, and have fun with this rock solid, family friendly activity!



Thursday, August 23; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Teen Glow-in-the-Dark Bowling

Teens, come to the library and bowl with your friends, in the dark! Scores will be tracked, and the team with the highest score will win a prize. Light refreshments will be provided.



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* Closed Sundays from May through September
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Saturdays, June 2; July 7; August 4; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Brower's® Reading Buddies
Brower's® Reading Buddies is a relaxed, dog-friendly program where first through fifth-graders sit and read with a certified Therapy Dog International canine volunteer for a 15 minute session. Call the library at 440-324-8326 to register.

Saturday, June 2; noon - 3 p.m.
Summer Library Program Kickoff and Beach Party - Libraries Rock
Libraries Rock this summer as we celebrate music and rhythm! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Libraries Rock! Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park (1800 W. Erie, Lorain) beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance by Sogbety Diomande, who invites families to "Discover West African Rhythm Through Drumming and Dance." Preregistration not required.

Monday, June 4; 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Baby and Me Art
Make lasting memories with your little one! Enjoy art projects and crafts for birth to 24 months, with their caregivers.

Wednesdays, June 6; August 1; 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 the first Wednesday morning monthly. Copies of the book are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.

Wednesdays, June 6; August 1; 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Coloring for Grown-Ups
Experience the calming, stress-relieving benefits of coloring beautiful designs and patterns made for adults. Coloring sheets, pencils and markers will be provided. This program is for adults age 18 and older.

Thursdays, June 7; July 5; August 2; 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.

Thursday, June 7; 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. Learn where the first settlers came from and how the city got its name. See pictures of buildings that are gone and hear about landmarks that still exist in this informative program co sponsored by the North Ridgeville Historical Society, Inc.

Fridays, June 8; July 20; August 17; 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 more. Preregistration not required.

Saturdays, June 9, 23; July 7, 21; August 4, 18; 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.
North Ridgeville Writers
Interested in meeting other writers to hone your writing skills but need motivation? Then, join us to read, critique and learn the craft of writing in general.

Mondays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 10:15 a.m. - 10:35 a.m.
Thursdays, June 20, 27; July 5, 12, 19, 26; 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, and their caregivers.

Mondays, June 11; July 16; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Thursdays, June 14; July 19; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
eMedia
Learn to use the library's website to access free downloadable eBooks, magazines, audiobooks and music, as well as how to stream free movies and television shows to your computer or TV. Plus, learn how to take online courses. Bring questions and your devices.

Tuesday, June 12; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Sock Hop - Summer Reading Kick off Event
Shake out your poodle skirt, slick back your hair and come to the library for an old fashioned sock hop! Families are invited to dress up and join us for retro music, dancing, games and nostalgia to kick off our summer reading program.

Wednesdays, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
June 13, The Glass Castle by Jeanette Walls
July 11, A Thousand Splendid Suns by Khaled Hosseini
August 8, Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline
Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion
Copies of the book being discussed this month are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.

Wednesday, June 13; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Ice Cream Party for Teens and Tweens
School is out and the heat is rising! Come celebrate the sweet side of summer with ice cream sundaes at the library. We'll have plenty of ice cream flavors and sundae toppings to enjoy.

Saturday, June 16; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
Dinosaur Dig with Dad
Spend time with Dad this Father's Day weekend by digging for dinosaurs at the library! Enjoy dinosaur themed stories, activities and crafts. Intended for children ages 2 and up.

Mondays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Mondays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 11:30 a.m. - noon
Thursdays, June 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.
Tales for Twos Story Time
Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2-year-olds and their caregivers.

Mondays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 1 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Family Fun Story Time
A fun story time for families with children ages 2 to 6. Families not signed up for other story time sessions are welcome to join us for stories, songs and crafts.

Mondays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23; 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 ages 4 and older may go into the story room alone or with their caregivers.

Tuesdays, June 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24; 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.

Tuesdays, June 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24; 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
Thursdays, June 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; 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.

Tuesdays, June 19; July 17; August 21; 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 using pages from old books.

Tuesdays, June 19; July 24; August 14; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.
LEGO® Fun Day
The library will provide the LEGO® bricks; you supply the ideas and creations. Intended for ages 5 and up.

Wednesdays, June 20; July 18; August 15; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Coding Club
Explore computer programming and a little bit of electronics in a fun, collaborative environment! Coding club is intended for students entering third through sixth grade, whether they have experience with coding or it is a brand new interest.

Wednesday, June 20; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Sunstroke by Jesse Kellerman
Wednesday, July 18; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Open Season by C.J. Box
Wednesday, August 15; 7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Bitter River by Julia Keller
The Butler Did it - Mystery Book Discussion
Copies of the mystery book being discussed are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome.



Saturday, June 23; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Sports Trivia Challenge at the Library

Adults, come test your sports trivia knowledge! Bring a team or drop in on your own and connect with others. Categories will consist of professional sports such as MLB, NBA, NFL and NHL. Play trivia in a safe, relaxed environment. Participants compete for prizes by answering a challenging range of sports trivia questions.

Monday, June 25; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Thursday, June 28; 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Excel for Beginners

This introductory class is for people who have little or no experience using Microsoft Excel, a popular spreadsheet program. Participants work with Excel worksheets and workbooks, identify rows and columns, enter data into cells and ranges, and create simple mathematical formulas.

Tuesdays June 26; July 24; August 28; 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Afternoon Adult Book Discussion

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

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

Puppet Play

Come to the library and watch a puppet show! Enjoy playing with the library's puppets and make your own puppet to take home. Intended for children ages 2 and up.

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

Music Mayhem

Are your kids banging on the floor, knocking on the door, keeping the beat by tapping their feet? Bring the music that's in them to the library, join our band, and then make and take home a musical instrument. Intended for children ages 3 and up.

Monday, July 2; 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. General Membership Meeting

Join us for the general membership meeting of the Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. to plan the next book sale and other fundraisers. New members are welcome. Preregistration not required.

Tuesday, July 10; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Library Detective Agency

Calling young detectives! There's a crime scene at the library! We need your help to follow the clues and solve the library mystery. Intended for children ages 5 and up.

Wednesday, July 11; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

The Brits are Coming: British Invasion for Teens and Tweens

Keep calm and party on! Tweens and teens, show off your best British accent at the library and celebrate all things British with crafts, games and music.

Saturday, July 14; 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 21; 2 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Craft Closet

Help! The library needs to clean out its craft supply closet. Did you miss a story time craft or have a favorite craft that you'd like to remake. Here's your chance! Ages 2 and up may drop in anytime between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to make a special craft while supplies last. Preregistration not required.

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

Moana Luau

Do you love Moana? Come to the library for a Moana themed luau and enjoy Hawaiian music, activities and crafts. Intended for children ages 2 and up.

Fridays, July 20; August 17; 3 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Snack Chat - Tween Book Club

Tweens, join us at the library this summer for snacks and a chat about a book. Copies of the book will be available at the children's desk for you to check out and read before the program. The book club is open to kids going into fourth through eighth grade.

Wednesday, July 25; 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Preschool Paint Box

Leave the mess to us and bring your preschoolers to try different painting activities at the library. We will have brushes, sponges and paint for fingers ready for your preschooler to enjoy. Children should dress in clothes that can get messy; smocks will be provided. Intended for children ages 2 and older.

Thursday, July 26; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Book Sale Preview

Admission to the book sale preview of a large assortment of books, movies, puzzles and music for all ages is reserved for members of the sponsoring organization, Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. New members may join, or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening. Preregistration not required.

Friday, July 27; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Saturday, July 28; 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Book Sale sponsored by the Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc.

Open to the public. Find a large assortment of books, movies, puzzles and music for all ages. Preregistration not required.

Tuesday, July 31; 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Sensory Shenanigans

If your kids can't get enough of getting their hands in a mess, bring them to the story time room between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to engage in a variety of sensory activities. From Playdough® to rice, the tables will be set for a squishy good time. Intended for children ages 2 and older.

Tuesday, July 31; 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

An Evening with Terry Pluto

Join Terry Pluto, *Plain Dealer* author and sports columnist, for an evening discussion of the good, the bad and the ugly of Cleveland sports. Step back into the glory days for behind the scenes stories about the Cleveland Indians and a city crazed with Indians fever. The author's books will be available for purchase.

Tuesday, August 7; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Write Your Own Story Book

Write and illustrate your own picture book at the library! Learn about characters, setting and plot in this writing workshop. Intended for children going into third grade and older.



Wednesday, August 8; 6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Peace, Love and Tie dye for Teens and Tweens

Celebrate the spirit of the '60s by making some groovy tie dye creations! Please bring a white, 100% cotton item to be tie dyed. It could be a T shirt, tank top, pillow case or even socks! All other supplies will be provided by the library.

Friday, August 10; 6 p.m. - 11 p.m.

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

Sunday, August 12; 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. Preregistration not required.



South Lorain Library

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M-Th 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Fri and Sat 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sun* 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

* Closed Sundays from May through September
Hours subject to change

Please note preregistration is required for all programs except where noted. Visit the online calendar for the most current information www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/events.

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

Summer Library Program Kickoff and Beach Party - Libraries Rock

Libraries Rock this summer as we celebrate music and rhythm! Cosponsored by the Lorain Public Library System and the Lorain County Metro Parks, the beach party launches the library's Libraries Rock! Summer Library Program and the Metro Parks' Lakeview Park (1800 W. Erie Ave., Lorain) beach season. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting and a special performance by Sogbety Diomande, who invites families to "Discover West African Rhythm Through Drumming and Dance." Preregistration not required.

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

Friday, August 3; 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.

*Mondays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30;
10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.*

*Thursdays, June 7, 14, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2;
6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.*

Music & Movement Story Time

Children ages 0 - 6 and their caregivers can join us for stories, songs, and dancing.

Monday, June 4; 6 p.m.

Sound Garden

Families and children of all ages join us to create some musical wind chimes from bamboo, beads and washers. We will hang our completed projects outside to transform our reading garden into a sound garden to be enjoyed all summer.

*Wednesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8, 15,
22, 29; 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 chess players to congregate, meet others, talk chess, play and work on their game. Preregistration not required.

*Wednesdays, June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8, 15,
22, 29; 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.

Friday, June 8; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Internet for Beginners

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

Saturday, June 9; 2 p.m.

Tea with a Princess

Join us at the library for a tea party with the Lorain International Princesses! All ages are welcome.

Saturdays, June 9, 23; July 7, 21; 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Block Party

It's a block party in the library! Families and children of all ages join us for some building fun. We provide the blocks you bring the fun.

Mondays, June 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30;

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Thursdays, June 14, 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26; August 2;

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Kids Free Lunch Program

Children ages 6 - 17 enjoy a free lunch while we read aloud from a family friendly book. We will continue our story where we left off at each session.

Monday, June 11; 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Moo, Baa, Quack! Down on the Farm

Families and children of all ages join us for a special evening down on the farm. Spring Mist Farms will bring a variety of farm animals for you to visit.



Tuesday, June 12; 6 p.m.

Cuisine From Puerto Rico - International Month

Join Executive Chef Sergio Morales, owner of Coquito's Deli & Bakery, as he demonstrates how to prepare dishes that are delicious, authentic, and distinctly Puerto Rican. And yes, there will be food to sample and recipes to take home.

Tuesday, June 12; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Slimeology

Tweens and teens ages 9 - 14 can join us in making slimes such as Kool-Aid® and glow-in-the-dark slime.

Wednesday, June 13; 2 p.m.

Friday, July 27; 2 p.m.

Dog Tales - Children Read Aloud to a Dog

Parents bring your children to the library so they can practice their reading skills by reading to one of our furry friends from the Lorain County Kennel Club. The dogs are all ears and ready for a good story. Children can bring their own book or read a book from the library. Preregistration not required.

June 14, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; 2:30 p.m.

Camp NaNoWriMo Gathering

Want to write a novel? Aspiring authors of all ages are welcome to join us as we gather and write. Authors can tackle any project. So, have fun now and edit later.

Saturday, June 16; 11 a.m. - noon

Multicultural Story Time

Children and their caregivers can join us for stories, songs, and rhymes from other cultures!

Saturday, June 16; 2 p.m.

The Story of the People of Lorain, The International City - International Month

How does a place get to be known as an "International City"? What are the fundamentals that are mixed together to create a successful melting pot? The answer - the people! From the early Anglo Saxon settlers, to Eastern/Southern European immigrants, Black Americans, and later Hispanics - all who came together to create a unique and special home for their families in the city of Lorain, Ohio. Come along with us as we look back at how a village at the mouth of the Black River was transformed by its people into a distinctive and exceptional multinational community - an "International City." Presented by David Simmer of the Lorain Historical Society.

Monday, June 18; 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.

Monday, June 18; 6 p.m.

Rockin' Carnival

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?

Tuesday, June 19; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Candy Around the World

Tweens and teens ages 10 - 18 can taste test candy from around the world!

Tuesday, June 19; 6:30 p.m.

Change of Pace Book Discussion Group - Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad

This adventure follows Marlow, the narrator, up the Congo River on behalf of the Belgian trading company. Far upriver he encounters the mysterious Kurtz, an ivory trader who exercises a godlike sway over the inhabitants of the region. Marlow is brought face-to-face with the corruption and despair that Conrad saw at the heart of human existence. Copies of this book will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion. Preregistration not required..

Monday, June 25; 6 p.m.

Chalk Walk & Roll

Join us for our third annual Chalk Walk. Hang out with your community and help us cover our sidewalks with chalk drawings while you listen to a performance by Princess Melody. Then cool off with some delicious ice cream.

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

Pop-Tart® Pillow

Tweens and teens ages 10 - 18 can make their own Pop Tart® pillow and enjoy some Pop Tarts!

Tuesdays, June 26; July 24; August 28; 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.

Saturday, June 30; 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Keeping in Touch Online

Learn about ways to stay in contact using online tools like Skype, FaceTime, Snapchat, Twitter, Facebook and more.

Monday, July 2; 6 p.m.

Karaoke Champions

Families and children join us for an evening of musical fun. Sing along with your favorite tunes and prove your musical memory.

Monday, July 9; 6 p.m.

Defying Gravity

Families join us for a gravity defying demonstration of Alka-Seltzer rockets. Then clean up with water balloons and an epic water fight.

Tuesday, July 10; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

DIY Ice Cream

Tweens and teens ages 10 - 18 can celebrate National Ice Cream month by making their own ice cream!

Friday, July 13; 3:30 p.m. - 5:30 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.

Saturday, July 14; 11 a.m. - noon

Camping Story Time

Children and their caregivers can join us for all things camping with stories, songs, rhymes and s'mores!



Monday, July 16; 6 p.m.

Nature Rocks Featuring Jungle Bob

Welcome to the jungle! We've got fun and... animals. Join us for an evening with animal entertainer and educator Jungle Bob Tuma. It will be a wild evening with fun and animal friends.

Tuesday, July 17; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Emoji Day

Tweens and teens ages 9 - 14 can join us in celebrating World Emoji Day with crafts, snacks and other activities!

Tuesday, July 17; 6:30 p.m.

Change Of Pace Book Discussion Group - Nomadland: Surviving America in the Twenty First Century by Jessica Bruder

Bruder hits the road to chronicle the new trend of older Americans who have formed a growing community of nomads. Finding that social security comes up short, often underwater on mortgages, these individual casualties of the Great Recession have taken to the road by the tens of thousands forming a band of migrant workers who call themselves "workampers." Read the book and join us. Books will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion. Preregistration not required.

Friday, July 20; 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday, August 11; 3 p.m. - 5 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.



Monday, July 23; 6 p.m.

Bugs Rock!

Families and children of all ages join us for an evening all about bugs. Come learn about beetles, butterflies, and other creepy crawlies while you paint ladybug pebbles. Then go on a bug hunt.

Tuesday, July 24; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Crafting with CDs

Tweens and teens ages 10 - 18 can join us to create different crafts using CDs.

Saturday, July 28; 3 p.m. - 5 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, July 30; 6 p.m.

Bookapalooza

Children and families who have completed 15 hours of summer reading are invited to join us for a special pizza party, with fun activities, games and prizes.



Tuesday, July 31; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Harry Potter Jeopardy

Tweens and teens ages 10 - 18 can celebrate the Chosen One's birthday by testing their knowledge on all things Harry Potter.

Tuesday, July 31; 6 p.m.

Urban Beekeeping

I'll bet that you didn't know that you could keep bees in the city of Lorain. Bees not only produce delicious, healthy, fresh honey, but they are good for the environment and will help pollinate gardens and fruit trees. To learn more, join us and our friends from the Lorain County Beekeepers Association and find out what is needed to start an urban apiary.

Saturday, August 4; 2 p.m.

Kids Art Studio - Faux Stained Glass

Families join us to create some faux stained glass art.

Monday, August 6; 6 p.m.

Kindergarten Bootcamp

Parents and soon to be Kindergarteners join us for a special evening with Kindergarten Teacher Susan Delgado. We will play with some educational toys, read a book, and get the inside scoop on what you need to know about Kindergarten beyond ABCs and 123s.

Tuesday, August 7; 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Edible Art

Tweens and teens ages 10 - 18 can play with their food by using it to create art!

Thursday, August 9; 6 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Ready for School Story Time

Have a child starting preschool or kindergarten in the fall? Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes all about school!

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

Pete the Cat Story Time

Children and their caregivers can come celebrate all things Pete the Cat with stories, songs, and other activities!

Monday, August 13; 2 p.m. - 3:30 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.

Monday, August 13; 6 p.m.

Slime Studio

Families and children join us for an evening creating squishy, icky slime projects.

Saturday, August 18; 2 p.m.

Monday, August 20; 6 p.m.

Dinosaur Diggers

Families and children ages 3+ join us on a prehistoric adventure to learn about fossils and excavate your own dinosaur.

Tuesday, August 21; 6:30 p.m.

Change of Pace Book Discussion Group - Pachinko by Min Jin Lee

In early 1900s Japan, Sunja's decision to abandon her home and to reject her son's powerful father, sets off a dramatic saga that will echo down through the generations. Richly told and profoundly moving, Pachinko is a story of love, sacrifice, ambition, and loyalty. Read the book and join our discussion. Books will be available at the South Lorain Branch Library one month prior to the discussion. Preregistration not required.

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

Lorain Millennials Night

Presented in partnership with the Lorain Historical Society's Millennial Group, this is a fun opportunity to meet and network with other adults in a relaxed environment. We'll have some refreshments, fun activities and opportunities to get to know other engaged and passionate young professionals.

Saturday, August 25; 3 p.m. - 5 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.

Monday, August 27; 6 p.m.

Out of this World! Alien Golf

Families and children of all ages are invited to join us for a round of alien themed putt putt golf.



Tuesday, August 28; 7 p.m.

A Program of Astronomical Importance

Interested in astronomy? Come to this program presented by the Black River Astronomical Society to learn about stargazing. Topics to be covered include: what is needed to get started, things to look for in the night sky, constellations, types of telescopes and equipment. And the experts from BRAS will be able to answer your astronomical questions. Immediately following the program, we will set up telescopes outside for a night observing session.



THANK YOU!



98.96%

of survey respondents
said the library
programs/services are
a good value for the
tax dollars spent.

Strong Survey Response Helps Us Serve You Better

Many thanks to everyone who completed our LPLS survey that appeared in the winter *Dimensions* issue. Thanks to your input, we now have more than 1,000 survey responses to review that will help us deliver the type of programming and services you want.

Initial survey results tell us two main groups cross our doors. A large majority of users are families, with the second largest group age 60 or older. And, the survey showed you have made us a regular part of your lives! About 70 percent stop in once or twice a week, or once or twice a month.

Congratulations to Ann Muriello, of Avon who won the \$25 Starbucks® gift card. Her entry was chosen from among those who participated.



ROCK the Summer Reading!

Summer Library Program Kickoff and Beach Party
Saturday, June 2 • noon to 3 p.m.
Lakeview Park (1800 W. Erie Ave, Lorain)

Celebrate music and rhythm with us! Enjoy games, face painting and a special performance by Sogbety Diomande, who invites families to "Discover West African Rhythm through Drumming and Dance."

And everyone who completes the 2018 Summer Library program will receive a certificate for a free T-shirt, featuring Browser's Elvis look, from Big Frog Custom T-shirts in Avon Commons.



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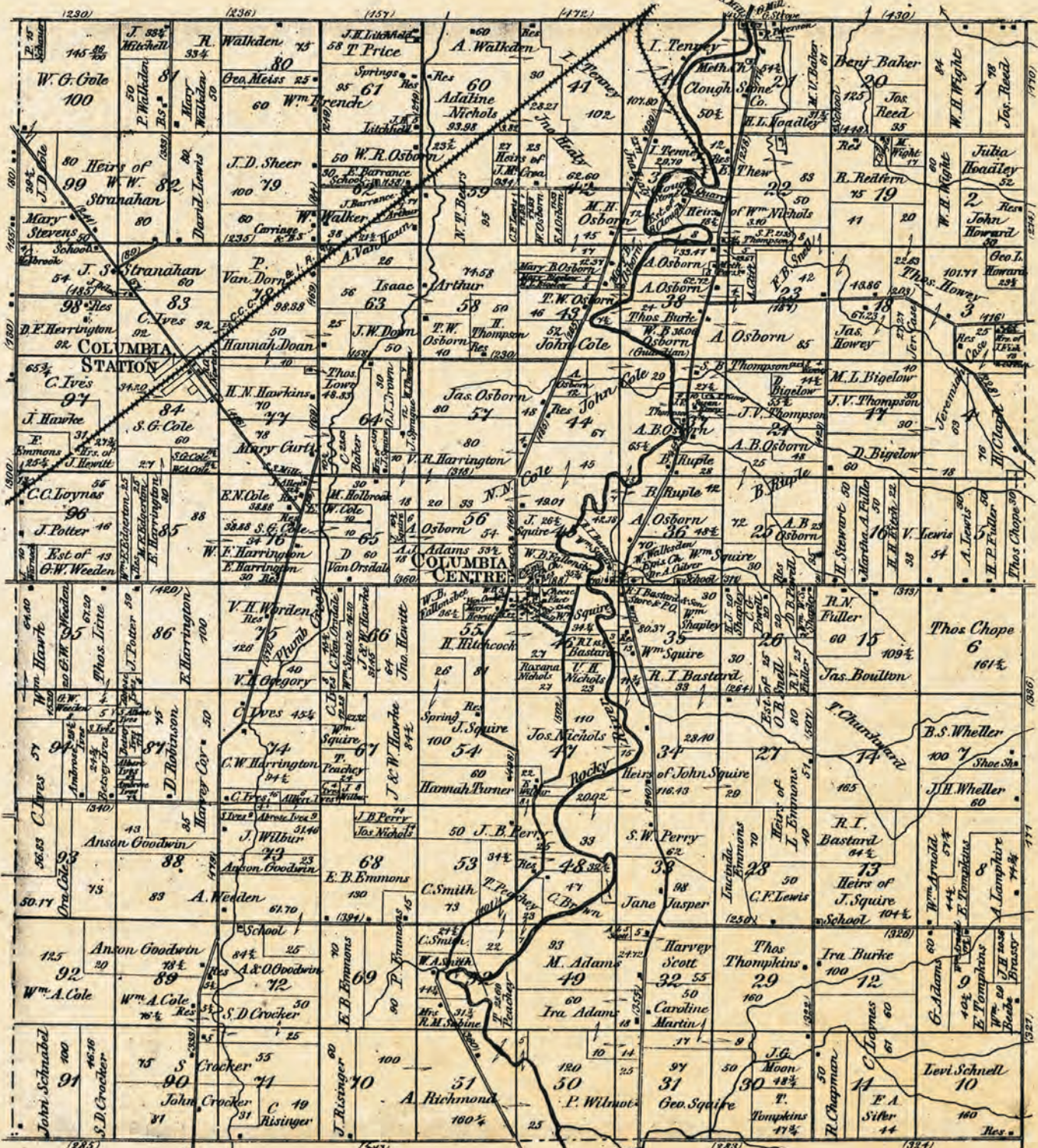
— Blanche Nemeth
President, Columbia Historical Society

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Columbia Township has had many firsts. It is the longest running settlement in the Western Reserve west of the Cuyahoga River (inhabited since 1807). It also had the first teacher and classroom, first cemetery, first doctor and first organized church society.

This community of about 7,000 residents is proud of its rich history, and the Columbia Branch and the Columbia Historical Society are collaborating to preserve that history.

Inside the Columbia Branch a unique mural depicts the township's history in photographs tile by tile. The branch also frequently shares an end-cap display commemorating the history of the township. More recently, Columbia purchased several large, lateral filing cabinets for the Historical Society, which will be used



Columbia Branch in its old location on Royalton Road, circa 1970. Photo courtesy of Columbia Historical Society.

Historical Collaboration



This unique tile mural at the Columbia Branch depicts the rich history of Columbia Twp. Photo by Susan Spivey.



Just a few of the annuals and yearbooks Columbia Branch is housing for the Columbia Historical Society. Photo by Susan Spivey.

to store its artifacts. The first items that have been transferred over to the cabinets include a collection of annuals and yearbooks. Photographs and pamphlets about Columbia's rich railroad and greenhouse history, as well as family histories and homecoming celebrations, are just some of the other artifacts that will soon be archived at the library.

"We're all tied together," said Blanche Nemeth, president of the Columbia Historical Society. "We are working to promote education of the history of our community."

Nemeth said the artifacts will be safer at the library in its climate-controlled environment, and be more conveniently accessible for patrons wanting to do genealogy research. Although the artifacts won't be able to be checked out, they can be reviewed on the spot and copies can be made.


Columbia Branch Librarian Supervisor Susan Spivey said the library is a natural stop for anyone looking for any sort of historical information.

"Columbia Township is a fascinating community filled with residents who are incredibly interested in, and connected to, their local history," said Spivey. "I'm excited to collaborate with the Columbia Historical Society to make some of their historical materials more accessible to community members and visitors who have an interest in genealogy or the history of the township."

The Columbia Branch welcomes visitors in to view these materials, and to attend future local history-centered programs.

For hour and event information, visit:
<https://www.lorainpubliclibrary.org/locations-hours/columbia-branch>

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The background of the entire page is a repeating pattern of various summer-themed icons in a light blue color. These icons include beach umbrellas, flip-flops, seashells, crabs, ice cream cones, sunglasses, starfish, and beach balls.

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