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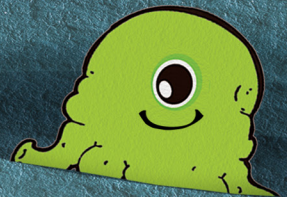
CONNECTIONS

PROGRAM GUIDE



A UNIVERSE of Stories

BLAST OFF WITH
OUR SUMMER
READING PROGRAM!





From the Director

It wouldn't be summer at the library without the summer reading program and this year's focuses on the universe of stories, including the story of the Apollo moon landing in 1969. The wonder and curiosity about the universe, which caused the development of the space program and NASA, demonstrates the power of imagination to bring about something truly amazing. We learn the most about our world and effect positive change when we take the time to listen to others. This summer, we invite people of all ages to read and share stories.

This summer also marks the kickoff of the Go Lorain bicycle checkout program. Go Lorain is a partnership between the Lorain County Metro Parks, Lorain County Public Health, Lorain County Community Action Agency (LCCAA) and LPLS. We will be checking out bicycles at our Main and South Lorain branches to patrons with a library card. Helmets and locks will also be available for checkout. This program has multiple benefits beyond being able to see the city on a bike. Go Lorain is an outgrowth of the Lorain County Public Health's Active Transportation initiatives that are encouraging people to walk and bike instead of always relying on cars. Also, LCCAA will be providing the maintenance through an innovative program that trains young adults to service and repair bicycles.

Additionally, we have this whole program guide filled with ways to keep yourself engaged in the coming months. Look for us out and about in your community as well, at the Avon pool for story time, at little league games in Sheffield Lake, at the North Ridgeville Corn Festival, Lorain County Fair and walking in the Lorain International Festival and Sheffield Lake Home Days parades.

We hope you will make the library part of your story this summer.

Best,

Anastasia Diamond-Ontiz

Director, Lorain Public Library System



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Library hours and program dates and times are subject to change. Please call your local branch for latest information.

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Meeting Room Space Available

Looking for a place to host your next meeting? All of our branches have meeting room space available for public use. Please call your local branch for size, included amenities and availability.

Volunteer

If you've got some spare time and would like to volunteer with a fun group of like-minded library enthusiasts, join your local "Friends of the Library" group! The Friends groups meet a few times a year, host book sale fundraisers and sponsor several programs. For more information call your local branch or go to www.lorainpubliclibrary.org.

Lorain Public Library System Closed

Thursday, July 4

LPLS Lauches Summer Reading Program "A Universe of Stories"

Katie Nix | Content Marketing Strategist | Lorain Public Library System

LORAIN – Blast off with the Lorain Public Library System as we celebrate "A Universe of Stories" for our annual summer reading program!

Elaine Betting, Director of Community Engagement, said a national organization, the Collaborative Summer Library Program, selected the theme as 2019 marks the 50th anniversary of the first manned moon landing.

Betting said all summer there will be programs and presentations focused on this anniversary, including the summer reading program kick-off event at noon June 1 at Every Child's Playground, 36265 Detroit Road, Avon.

"We'll have activities such as crafts, face painting and games, all focused on space," she said. "Discovery on the Go will also be there and the staff from the Avon Branch will be having a special story time along the trail."

Discovery on the Go is a mobile initiative taking the library experience to the youngest patrons, preschoolers through third-graders, to focus on literacy and an introduction to STEAM (or science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics).

Betting said for the first time all participants in the LPLS, regardless of age group, will engage in the same summer reading program.

"We learned last year that families really liked being given the option to participate together, so all patrons will be given a tracking sheet with numerous stars on that represent various activities focused on reading and space," she said. "Once they complete four activities, they can draw a line to connect them to create their own constellation. Each patron is able to complete up to four constellations."

Betting said by turning in their tracking sheets with completed constellations they become eligible for small prizes in addition to grand prizes at each branch.

Smaller prizes will include items like star wands, pens, gift certificates for Lorain Historical Society programs and coupons for Big Frog Custom T-Shirts of Avon, among others.

Grand prizes, which will be awarded at each branch, will include telescopes, star projectors and gift certificates to the Great Lakes Science Center.



As another part of the summer programming, each of the LPLS's six branches will have a StarLab Portable Planetarium program, provided by Starry Trails, which will involve a fan-powered dome for children and families to enter.



"From there, they'll use a projector and different disks to show where the stars are at during other seasons and how the stars align to create constellations," she said. "One of the cool things about the presentation at the Main Branch is we're hoping to have the dome in the big atrium we have. It would make for a great focus piece in the library."

Betting said each branch will also have an opportunity for patrons to take part in the system's oral histories initiative, Lorain County Memory.

"We're going to have displays and programs of mixed media from the original moon landing and other items to help jog patrons' memories of that time period," she said. "And then one of our staff members will record them talking about their memories from that summer and what they remember about when the first men landed on the moon."

Betting said there will also be a display at the Main Branch courtesy of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, or NASA, featuring memorabilia from the Apollo missions in addition to models and photos.

LPLS will also be expanding its Summer Food Service Program as for the first time it will feature five days of meals at the Main, South Lorain and Domonkas branches as part of the United States Department of Agriculture Summer Food Service Program.

"Many of the students who live near those branches rely on the free and reduced lunches available during the school year so it's important for us to provide an alternative for them during the summer months," Betting said. "There will be a free bagged lunch as well as programs and activities."

For more information on the summer reading program or the summer lunch program, visit www.lorainpubliclibrary.org

Adult

Yarn Club

Saturdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 13, 20, 27; Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24
10 a.m. to noon

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). [PRE REG](#)



Job Help Mondays

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Aug. 5, 12, 19, 26
2 to 4 p.m.

Are you seeking help in looking for a job? Come to one of the library's free drop-in sessions. Learn how to compose and assemble your own resume, set up your own email account, attach your resume in an email to a job website, save your resume online, apply for a job online and set up your own account with online job websites. [PRE REG](#)

Tech Help

Monday, June 3; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, July 27; 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 12; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Bring your questions to this informal session about the use of computers, tablets, eReaders, the internet or anything else technology related. [PRE REG](#)



Zumba®

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Aug. 19, 26
6 to 7 p.m.

Zumba® makes working out fun and effective! Join the Zumba® workout craze and shed pounds while dancing to merengue, salsa and other hot Latin beats. [PRE REG](#)

Sewing Club

Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Aug. 6, 13, 20, 27
5:45 to 7:30 p.m.

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

LPLS Main Writers' Group

Tuesdays, June 4; July 9; Aug. 13
6 to 7 p.m.

Adults, come and join us in this pressure free and friendly writing group. Engage in writing exercises and peer critiques, as well as support for whatever project you are working on! [PRE REG](#)



Genealogy Club

Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m.
June 5, July 3, Aug. 7;
Wednesdays, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
June 19, July 17, Aug. 21;

The Genealogy Club will learn research techniques and explore resources. Members will be encouraged to share their research successes and offer advice to others who are stuck. New and experienced genealogists are welcome. [PRE REG](#)



Line Dancing

Wednesdays, June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Aug. 7, 14, 21, 28
6 to 7 p.m.

Line dancing to R&B and soul music, taught by Ms. Evelyn Henry, is a casual experience. Come to learn this new skill or practice what you already know and make new friends at the same time. [PRE REG](#)

SciFi Showings

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26
1 to 4 p.m.

Join us in watching some of our favorite science fiction films and television shows. From cult classics to more recent releases, there's a space saga for everyone! [PRE REG](#)

Yoga for Beginners

Fridays, June 7, 14, 21, 28; July 5, 12, 19, 26; Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Adults, join the weekly Friday yoga class taught by Tom Gorman. Please bring your own yoga mat or beach towel. [PRE REG](#)



Books and Brews - Speak of the Devil

Wednesdays, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
June 12; "Dune" by Frank Herbert
July 10; "The Calculating Stars" by Mary Robinette Kowal
Aug. 14; "Hidden Figures" by Margot Lee Shetterly

Come and grab a cold brew and discuss some literature with library staff! Adults ages 21 and over are welcome to join us at Speak of the Devil, located at 201 W. Fifth Street, Lorain. Participants are responsible for their own drinks. [PRE REG](#)



Sailor Moon Craft

Thursday, June 13
6 to 7:30 p.m.

Moon prism power, make up! Adults and teens, come make a celestial Sailor Moon themed craft. [PRE REG](#)

Email for Beginners

Saturdays, July 5; June 15; 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

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. [PRE REG](#)

Cookbook Discussion

Tuesdays, June 18; July 23; Aug. 20
6 to 7 p.m.

Come have a delicious discussion with us as we explore this month's cookbook selection, discuss recipes and kitchen tips and try a few dishes from the cookbook! [PRE REG](#)



Cozy Book Discussion

Thursdays, 6 to 7 p.m.
June 20; "The Murder of Roger Ackroyd" by Agatha Christie
July 18; "I'll Be Gone in the Dark" by Michelle McNamara
Aug. 15; "The Talented Mr. Ripley" by Patricia Highsmith

Get ready to cozy up to some good mysteries and thrillers with this laid back book discussion. Come for the tea, stay for the murder! [PRE REG](#)

Internet for Beginners

Thursdays, July 25; June 27; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
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. [PRE REG](#)

Adult

Spice & Herb Club

Thursdays, June 27; BBQ Heaven
July 25; Smoothie Palooza
Aug. 22; Mini Party Pizzas
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Summer is barbecue time! Learn how to make Kansas City, Memphis and Asian barbecue sauces and then make summer smoothies using sweet aromatic spices and fresh herbs before learning how to make and use pizza seasonings and herbs! [PRE REG](#)



Introduction to Social Media

Thursdays, July 11; Aug. 24; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Social media allows you to interact with people online. Learn how to create, share and exchange information and ideas in virtual communities and networks online, including Facebook and Twitter. [PRE REG](#)

UFOs Over Ohio

Saturday, July 13; 2 to 4 p.m.

Strange crafts seen emerging from the icy waters of Lake Erie. Reports of odd lights dancing across the skies of southern Ohio. A helicopter initiating a "power descent" to avoid colliding with a UFO in the skies above Mansfield. County sheriffs chasing an unknown craft over 80 miles across Ohio. Just what is going on in the Buckeye state? Find out when James A. Willis, author and paranormal researcher, presents Ohio's most infamous UFO cases. [PRE REG](#)

Children

Summer Lunch for Kids

Monday to Friday
June 3 to Aug. 16 (except July 4)
1 to 2 p.m.

The Main Branch is participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Children ages 18 and under are invited to come to lunch between 1 and 2 p.m. Monday to Friday all summer long!



Family Movie Night: Pet Adventures

Thursday, June 6
6 to 7:30 p.m.

Do you wonder what pets do when left at home? Come check out this fun family flick to find out! Treats will be available too. [PRE REG](#)



Family Story Time

Mondays, June 10, 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22
10:30 to 11 a.m.

Families with babies, toddlers and young children will enjoy stories, music, finger plays and a craft while developing important early literacy skills. [PRE REG](#)

Galaxy Night Light

Tuesday, July 16
6 to 7 p.m.

Adults, join us in making your own personal galaxy, sure to light up your nights! [PRE REG](#)

Moon Landing Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, July 20; 1 to 2 p.m.

Join us in celebrating the anniversary of the Apollo 11 landing on the moon with visuals, records and passive activities. Light refreshments provided. [PRE REG](#)

Star Wars Escape Room

Saturday, Aug. 10
1 to 2 p.m.
2 to 3 p.m.
3 to 4 p.m.

Escape the room in a galaxy far, far away. Adults and teens, come see if you can beat our galactic themed room before the time runs out! [PRE REG](#)



Space Terrarium

Saturday, Aug. 17
2 to 3 p.m.

Adults and teens, come set the scene for your own little galactic world. We'll provide everything to make your vision a reality! No live plants included. [PRE REG](#)



Zentangle for Beginners

Saturday, Aug. 31
4 to 5 p.m.

Zentangle® is an easy to learn method of creating beautiful images from repetitive patterns. It is a fascinating art form that is fun and relaxing. It increases focus, creativity, provides artistic satisfaction and an increased sense of personal well-being. Adults and families are invited to join us to learn the philosophy behind the process and create a tile of your own to take home. No previous art or drawing experience is required. [PRE REG](#)

Space Training

Monday, June 17
2 to 3 p.m.

Try our out of this world activity course and get ready for your own space adventure! [PRE REG](#)



Edible Universe

Tuesday, June 18
2 to 3:30 p.m.

Create stars and constellations out of tasty treats! [PRE REG](#)

Rising Titans Playgroup

Wednesdays, June 19; July 17; Aug. 21
10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Want to play and learn with your child? Join the Rising Titans Playgroup for children 5 and under where parents and caregivers can take part in leisure play, then have small parent group discussion while kids take part in a themed educational play. Snacks will be provided with the fun! [PRE REG](#)

STEAM: Galaxy Slime

Thursday, June 20
3 to 4 p.m.

Get ready to make Galaxy Slime! We'll provide the materials and you provide the creativity. Intended for children ages 10 and up. [PRE REG](#)



Children

DIY Star Display Flashlight

Monday, June 24; 2 to 3 p.m.

Create your favorite constellation and spend some time looking at the stars. Children of all ages welcome. PRE REG

STEAM: Build It

Mondays, June 24; July 29; Aug. 26 6 to 7 p.m.

Use your imagination and see what you can build. We have lots of materials for you to use including magnetic tiles and Lego Duplo and Keva blocks. Ages 6 and up. Little builders, ages 4 to 5, are invited to join in by building with a parent. PRE REG

Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time

Thursdays, June 27; Registration opens May 23 July 25; Registration opens June 27 Aug. 22; Registration opens July 25 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join Ernie Hernandez, duelist and organizer, for open play time. He will share his knowledge of the Yu-Gi-Oh! trading card game. Open play time is for ages 8 to 18. Advanced format. Konami rules. Bring your own deck of 40 cards minimum. Card trading is not allowed. PRE REG



Glow Dance Party

Monday, July 1; 2 to 3 p.m.

Families with children of all ages, join us this summer for a super fun Glow Dance Party! PRE REG



Web-Slinging Watch Party

Tuesday, July 2; 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a web-slinging watch party featuring friendly neighborhood superheroes in this recent animated feature. Plus snacks and crafts! PRE REG

All-Stars

Monday, July 8; 2 to 3 p.m.

Join us at the corner of Reid Avenue and West Sixth Street for an afternoon of everything baseball! PRE REG



Space Yoga

Wednesday, July 10; 6 to 7 p.m.

Blast off with space themed yoga poses! We will learn and practice the rocket, moon, and the astronaut! PRE REG

Dungeons and Dragons

Saturdays, July 13; Aug. 24; 1 to 3 p.m.

Families that game together, stay together! Families are welcome to come join for a fun, beginner level game of Dungeons and Dragons. Our resident Dungeon Master will have characters ready to play so you can join in at any game. PRE REG

Alien Protection Agency

Monday, July 15; 2 to 3 p.m.

Join library staff as we train to become members of an elite alien protection agency like those men in suits. PRE REG

STEAM: Rockets

Thursday, July 18 3 to 4 p.m.

Get ready for all things rockets! Learn the science behind space exploration and see how it works. Intended for children ages 10 and up. PRE REG

Starry Trails Portable Planetarium

Monday, July 22 2 to 2:45 p.m.; 2:45 to 3:30 p.m. 4 to 4:45 p.m.; 4:45 to 5:30 p.m.

Learn how to use a simple star map, then come into the Starlab Portable Planetarium to learn about Greek, Native American and Chinese constellations before exploring the stars of the summer sky. PRE REG

Space Jam

Monday, July 29; 2 to 3 p.m.

Join us for fun filled activities based on the all-star basketball movie! PRE REG

Solar System Sensory Bag

Tuesday, July 30; 2 to 3 p.m.

Can you find an astronaut, four stars and the moon? Join us and make a solar system i-spy bag! PRE REG

Camp Half-Blood

Tuesday, Aug. 6 and Wednesday, Aug. 7 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Immerse yourself in the world of Rick Riordan's "Percy Jackson" series and join us for a fun filled two day camp inspired by the books and Ancient Greek culture. Children ages 9 to 18 welcome! PRE REG

Save the Space Station

Thursday, Aug. 8; 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Kids of all ages, help save the space station from alien invaders. We provide the Nerf guns, you take down the aliens. PRE REG



STEAM: Space Painting

Thursday, Aug. 15, 3 to 4 p.m.

Create your own space painting with our Sphero robots. Intended for children ages 10 and up. PRE REG

Family

Summer Reading Program Kickoff - A Universe of Stories

Saturday, June 1; Noon to 3 p.m.

There's a Universe of Stories waiting for you at the library this summer. Join us as we kick off the beginning of this year's Summer Library Program at Every Child's Playground, located at 36265 Detroit Road in Avon. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting, crafts, and a visit from the library's new vehicle, Discovery on the Go!

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Knights of The Square Table Chess Club

Saturdays, June 8, 22; July 6, 20; Aug. 3, 17, 31; 2 to 5 p.m.

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

Destination: Moon

Monday, June 10; 2 to 2:45 p.m.

Mad Science of Northeast Ohio presents a highly interactive event created to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of landing on the moon! Explore the moon, learn about principles of flight and encounter astronaut training. PRE REG

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Fun with Microgravity

Saturday, July 6; 2 to 4 p.m.

An astronaut "floating" in space is not a mystery and is NOT due to an absence of gravity! Microgravity, weightlessness and zero-g will be explained and demonstrated during this session. See how some things react when gravity is "turned off." Learn why scientists perform experiments on the International Space Station and how you can easily share these basic ideas with family and friends. PRE REG

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Teen

PRIDE Jewelry

Wednesday, June 5 4 to 5 p.m.

June is LGBT Pride Month, Ages 12 to 18; come celebrate and make a bracelet. PRE REG

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Summer Movie Club for Teens

Tuesdays, 5 to 7:30 p.m. June 11; July 9; Aug. 13

Join our movie club for teens, ages 13 and up! PRE REG

Teen Graphic Novel Club

Thursdays, 2 to 3 p.m.

June 13; July 11; Aug. 8;

Join our new monthly graphic novel reading club for teens! Get ready to talk, read, make new friends and have fun! Limited copies available at the library. PRE REG

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Teen Anime Club: Natsunokodomo Edition

Mondays, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. June 17; July 22; Aug. 19

Ages 13 to 18, joins us this summer for more fun with all our favorites. PRE REG



Teen Book Club

Tuesdays, 6 to 7 p.m.

June 25; "Illuminae"

by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff

July 30 "Empress of a Thousand Skies"

by Rhoda Belleza

Join us in discussing some teen reads. Snacks will be provided. Copies are available at the library. PRE REG

Yu-Gi-Oh! Open Play Time

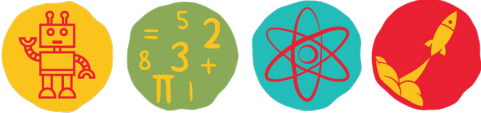
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Techie Camp

Monday, July 29; Tuesday, July 30 Wednesday, July 31; Thursday, Aug. 1; Friday, Aug. 2 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

TechCorps and the Nordson Corporation Foundation have come together to provide a week-long computer science camp. This full-day program engages 6th through 8th graders in hands-on, interactive STEM-related activities. Students will take a deep dive into the subject of App Development. Food will be provided for lunch every day. For registration and more information on Techie Camps, visit <http://www.techcorps.org>.

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Adults



Tech Help Appointments

Need help setting up an email account or learning basic computer skills? Want to learn how to use our eLibrary of downloadable movies, books, music and audio books? Call during regular library hours to schedule a one-on-one Tech Help session with library staff.



Book Folding Craft

Monday, June 3; 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Learn how to turn the pages of a book into a work of art to take home with you! All materials will be provided. [PRE REG](#)

Moon Landing Memories

**Wednesday, June 5
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Where were you during the Apollo 11 moon landing on July 20, 1969? Glued to your TV or not even born yet? Celebrate the 50th anniversary with us as we show videos and photos commemorating the event. Those who have a story to share are invited to call for an appointment to record their memories in an oral history interview during that time. [PRE REG](#)

Friends of the Avon Library Meeting

Thursday, June 6; 7 to 8:15 p.m.

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.

Fiber Art Group

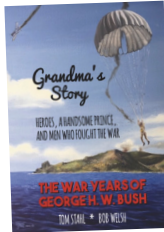
**Fridays, June 7, 14; July 5, 12; Aug. 2, 9
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

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. Bring your ideas, tools and materials. All skill levels welcome.

"Grandma's Story: Heroes, a Handsome Prince and Men Who Fought the War"

**Tuesday, June 11
6 to 7:30 p.m.**

This documentary about George H. W. Bush and World War II is a production by Ohioans, Tom Stahl and Bob Welsh. The film includes the only color footage of the attack on Pearl Harbor, various battle footage and Bush's rescue by the USS Finback. The paintings by Stahl are put to verse by Welsh as if Barbara Bush was narrating a story to her grandchildren. [PRE REG](#)



Book Sale and Preview

Thursday, June 20; 5 to 8 p.m.

The book sale preview will run from 5 to 6 p.m. Admission to the preview sale is reserved for members of the Friends of the Avon Library. New members may join that evening. The sale will open to the public from 6 to 8 p.m. immediately following the preview. Donations of books in good condition will be accepted Monday through Thursday before the book sale opens.

Book Sale

**Friday, June 21; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday, June 22; 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

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.

Summer Solstice Yoga Celebration

Friday, June 21; 6 to 7 p.m.

Celebrate the arrival of summer. Yogis of all ages and levels, including families, gather on the south lawn with your mats and water bottles for an uplifting yoga practice, weather permitting. Brought to you by 3sisters yoga + fitness of Avon, Avon Parks and Recreation Department and the Friends of the Avon Library.



Adult Book Discussion

**Tuesdays, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.
June 25; "Clock Dance" by Anne Tyler
July 23; "A House Among the Trees" by Julia Glass
Aug. 27; "Conversations with Friends" by Sally Rooney**

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

Books and Brews - Avon Brewing Company

**Wednesdays, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
June 26; "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time" by Mark Haddon
July 24; "Love and Other Consolation Prizes" by Jamie Ford
Aug. 28; "Manhattan Beach" by Jennifer Egan**

Adults 21 and over join us for a book discussion at Avon Brewing Company, 37040 Detroit Road. Participants are responsible for their own drinks. Copies of the book are available at the library.

Murders and Mysteries of Lorain County Author Event

Saturday, June 29; 3 to 4 p.m.

Explore Lorain County's darker past at this meet-and-greet with local author and historian Don Hilton. His book, "Murders, Mysteries and History of Lorain County Ohio 1824 - 1956," will be available for sale after the program. [PRE REG](#)



Avoiding Fake News

Friday, July 19; 4 to 4:30 p.m.

Learn how to identify and avoid "fake news" on the internet. [PRE REG](#)

PowerPoint for Beginners

Monday, July 29; 6 to 7 p.m.

Create dynamic presentations for any audience. Learn how to create slides that include charts, clip art and other graphics, including animation and transition effects. [PRE REG](#)



Excel for Beginners

**Monday, Aug. 26;
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Learn how to create spreadsheets using Microsoft Excel 2016. A limited amount of hands-on practice time will be available. [PRE REG](#)



Keeping in Touch Online

Tuesday, Aug. 27; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Learn about ways to stay in contact using online tools and websites. [PRE REG](#)

Children



Story Time in the Woods

**Fridays, June 14, 28; July 12, 26; Aug. 9, 23
10:30 to 11 a.m.**

Music, movement activities and play will accompany nature-themed stories at the Every Child's Playground, 36265 Detroit Road, Avon. Dress for the weather and bring a blanket. In case of inclement weather, a story time will take place at the Avon Branch.

Math and Science Story Time

**Tuesdays, June 4; July 2, 30
6 to 6:30 p.m.**

Preschool-age children will explore concepts related to science, technology, engineering and math through stories, songs and experiments. [PRE REG](#)

Art Play Date

**Saturday, June 8; July 20; Aug. 3
11 to 11:45 a.m.**

Join us once a month for a creative story time that will include a story, interactive songs and an art project designed for toddlers and preschoolers. Dress for a mess. [PRE REG](#)



Drop-In DIY: Duct Tape

**Monday, June 10; Tuesday, June 11
Wednesday, June 12; Thursday, June 13
Friday, June 14; Saturday, June 15**

Swing by the library any time this week to explore all things duct tape.

Destination: Moon

**Monday, June 10
6 to 6:45 p.m.**

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Library 25th Anniversary Event

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Drop-In Learning Activities

Stop into the library for hands-on interactive activities related to science, art and more throughout summer.



Puppy Pals

**Saturdays, June 15; July, 6; Aug. 17
10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

Children ages 5 to 10 sit and read to a therapy dog for a 15-minute session. Call the library at 440-934-4743 to register.

Tech Club

**Tuesdays, June 18; July 16; Aug. 13
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Explore programming, robots and electronics in a fun, collaborative environment! Designed for children ages 9 and up. [PRE REG](#)



Preschool Story Time

**Tuesdays, June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
10:30 to 11:15 a.m.**

Children ages 3 to 6, along with their caregivers, are invited to join us for stories, rhymes, songs and a craft. Siblings are welcome to attend. [PRE REG](#)

Starry Trails Portable Planetarium

**Wednesday, June 26
4 to 4:45 p.m.; 4:45 to 5:30 p.m.
6 to 6:45 p.m.; 6:45 to 7:30 p.m.**

Learn how to use a simple star map, then come into the Starlab Portable Planetarium to learn about Greek, Native American and Chinese constellations before exploring the stars of the summer sky. [PRE REG](#)

Baby Bounce and Rhyme Story Time

**Thursdays, June 27; July 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1
10:30 to 11:15 a.m.**

Enjoy an interactive story time including stories, songs and rhymes, followed by free play. For babies from birth to 23 months and their caregivers. Siblings are welcome to attend. [PRE REG](#)

Children

Toddler Tales Story Time

Thursdays, June 27; July 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1
11:30 a.m. to noon

Join us for a story time for toddlers, ages 2 to 3, that will engage your child with stories, songs and rhymes. Siblings are welcome to attend.

PRE REG

Music Makers

Thursdays, June 27; July 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1
6 to 6:30 p.m. and 6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

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

PRE REG

How to Draw Cute Animals

Friday, June 28;
2 to 3 p.m.

Learn some simple techniques for drawing some of the cutest animals you've ever seen! Recommended for children ages 5 and up.

PRE REG

Adapted Story Time

Saturdays, June 29; July 27; Aug. 24
10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

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 to 7, all ages are welcome. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend.

PRE REG

Space Science

Tuesday, July 2; 2 to 3 p.m.

Come to the library for fun STEM experiments that explore all things outer space. Intended for children ages 6 to 12.

PRE REG

Magical Unicorn Party

Monday, July 8
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a story time featuring unicorn books, crafts and activities.

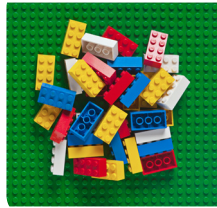
Recommended for children ages 2 to 7.

PRE REG

Remembering Apollo 11

Monday, July 15; Tuesday, July 16
Wednesday, July 17; Thursday, July 18
Friday, July 19; Saturday, July 20

Stop by the library any time this week for activities celebrating the 50th anniversary of the first moon landing.



Lego Free Play

Friday, July 19; 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Drop in anytime between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. to build with our Lego blocks. Intended for children ages 5 and up.

PRE REG

Badge Explorers - Space Science

Saturday, July 27; 2 to 3 p.m.

Join us for an hour of hands-on activities that help meet scouting award requirements for the Junior Space Science Investigator badge. Intended for scout troops, but all third to sixth-graders are welcome!

PRE REG

Story Time from Space

Tuesday, July 30; 2 to 3 p.m.

Join us for an afternoon of space-themed crafts, activities and books read by NASA astronauts on video. Perfect for families with children ages 2 and up.

PRE REG



Life-Size Angry Birds

Thursday, Aug. 15; 7 to 8 p.m.

Join us for a life size version of the game! Intended for teens and tweens ages 10 and up.

PRE REG

Lego Terrariums

Friday, Aug. 16; 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Build a tiny environment for your Legos! We will provide containers, plants, soil and a limited supply of Lego pieces. Feel free to bring your own figurines and materials as well to personalize your miniature world. You will create and take home one terrarium per child. Ages 4 and up.

PRE REG

Story Time for You and Me - Avon Oaks

Wednesday, Aug. 21; 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

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

PRE REG

Family

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Summer Library Program Kickoff - A Universe of Stories

Saturday, June 1

Noon to 3 p.m.

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Space Camp for Kids

Tuesday, June 18

2 to 3 p.m.

Calling all space explorers! Enjoy an afternoon of space-themed crafts, games and activities. Perfect for families with children ages 2 and up.

PRE REG



Summer Solstice Yoga Celebration

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Family Paint Night - Galaxies

Monday, June 24

6 to 7:30 p.m.

Paint a brilliant galaxy on canvas using acrylic paint. Tempera paints available for children. For all ages. Bring the whole family! Dress for a mess.

PRE REG

Family Engineering Night

Tuesdays, June 25; July 23; Aug. 20

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for a fun, family-friendly engineering competition that challenges your STEM skills.

PRE REG

Starry Trails Portable Planetarium

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PRE REG

Alien Spaceship Escape Room

Tuesday, July 9

6 to 6:45 p.m. and 7 to 7:45 p.m.

This escape room is out of this world! Are these extraterrestrials friend or foe? Find out as you work with your team to escape an alien spaceship before it leaves Earth! For families with children ages 7 and up.

PRE REG

Space Shuttle Drive-In

Saturday, July 13

2 to 4 p.m.

Get ready to blast off to the movies! We will make and decorate our own personal space shuttles and enjoy popcorn while watching a popular family movie. One lucky winner will take home the movie. Perfect for families with children of all ages.

PRE REG

Lindsay Bonilla: A Universe of Stories

Wednesday, July 17

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join storyteller Lindsay Bonilla for tales of the moon and stars from around the world. Perfect for families with children of all ages.

PRE REG

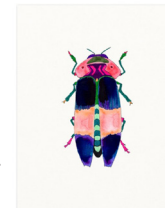
Family Paint Night - Watercolor Beetles

Monday, July 22

6 to 7:30 p.m.

Explore the beauty of beetles and make a beautiful watercolor painting of one. For all ages. Bring the whole family! Dress for a mess.

PRE REG



Jim Kleefeld's Outer Space Magic Show

Monday, Aug. 5

6 to 7 p.m.

Join local magician Jim Kleefeld for an evening the whole family will enjoy.

PRE REG

Family Fun Book Discussion

Wednesday, Aug. 7

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening with local author Christine Sromek Laforet as we discuss her book "Bree and the Nametag Worries." We will also enjoy related activities and light refreshments. Books will be available beginning July 1. Limit of one book per family. Perfect for families with children ages 6 to 10.

PRE REG

Teddy Bear Campout

Monday, Aug. 12

6 to 7 p.m.

Wear your pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal friend to a campout in the library featuring story time, songs and crafts. Your little friend will stay the night. Pick them up the next day and find out what they did! For families with children of all ages.

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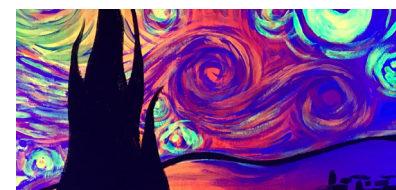
Princess Studio

Saturday, Aug. 17

2 to 3 p.m.

Come dressed in your best princess attire. Listen to a princess story, learn to walk and dance like a princess and make a crown and tutu! For families with children of all ages.

PRE REG



Family Paint Night - Black Light Starry Night

Monday, Aug. 19

6 to 7:30 p.m.

Using fluorescent paint, we'll create our own glowing version of Van Gogh's Starry Night. For all ages. Bring the whole family! Dress for a mess.

PRE REG

Teen



Retro Video Game Party for Tweens and Teens

Friday, June 7; 3 to 4 p.m.

What did kids play before Fortnite and Minecraft? Travel back in time to a land of arcade games, 2D platformers and 8-bit music. Intended for ages 10 and up.

PRE REG

Teen Anime Night

Wednesdays, June 12; July 10; Aug. 14

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join fellow fans for an evening of anime, manga and light refreshments. G-rated cosplay is encouraged. Perfect for those in sixth to 12th grade.

PRE REG

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Tech Club

Tuesday, June 18; July 16; Aug. 13

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Explore programming, robots and electronics in a fun, collaborative environment! Designed for children ages 9 and up.

PRE REG



DIY Galaxy T-Shirt Craft

Tuesday, July 16

2 to 3 p.m.

Bring a plain t-shirt to create an out of this world craft. Limit one garment per person. Intended for teens and tweens age 10 and up.

PRE REG

Hogwarts Summer School

Wednesday, July 31

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Summer school at Hogwarts is in session! Let our sorting hat place you in your house, create your own wand and enjoy many more magical activities. For teens and tweens age 10 and up.

PRE REG

Teen Sleuth Academy

Saturday, Aug. 10

2 to 3 p.m.

Nancy Drew. Sherlock Holmes. Sammy Keyes. All are detectives with special skills to help them solve mysteries. Join our Teen Sleuth Academy to pick up crime investigation techniques and even solve a case using augmented reality! Ages 10 and up.

PRE REG

Adult



Booking it for Fitness Walking Club
Saturday, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; July 6, 13, 20, 27;
Aug. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
11 a.m.

Looking to get a little bit of exercise and make new friends? Join the library's walking club. This group meets every Saturday at the library and walks on the beautiful adjacent walking trail in the Columbia Township Park. Meet in the library's meeting room and grab a provided bottle of water. Come back in after to record your distance or time. This program is cosponsored by the Friends of Columbia Library, Inc.



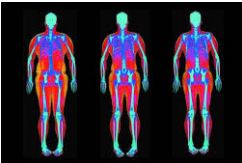
Evening Book Discussion
Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.
June 4; "The Summer that Melted Everything" by Tiffany McDaniel
July 2; "Woman in Cabin 10" by Ruth Ware
Aug. 6; "Disclaimer" by Renee Knight
Would you like to spend an evening each month discussing a great book and making friends? Check out our book discussion group! Copies of the book are available at the library. **PRE REG**

The Columbia Knitters & Crocheters
Thursday, June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 18, 25;
Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Noon to 4 p.m.
Come if you want to learn or are already a knitter or crocheter. If you have a "UFO," or an Unfinished Object, that you would like to work on with us, bring it or start something new!



Chair Yoga
Friday, June 7, 21; July 5, 19; Aug. 2, 16, 30
3 to 4 p.m.
We will do guided mindfulness relaxation and then follow along with videos for chair yoga. Stay afterward for tea or water and chat with new your friends. Check with your healthcare practitioner before participating in any exercise program.

Southwest General Health Center Health Topics
Tuesdays, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
June 11; Bone Health and Body Fat
July 9; Skin Health and Skin Cancer
Aug. 13; Nutrition and Healthy Weight
Come and learn about health from Southwest General Health Center's Community Outreach nurse. Screenings and analysis will be available as well. Get a sneak peek at programs and services coming up in our area.



Genealogy Club
Thursday, June 13; July 11; Aug. 8
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Come join us whether you are new to researching your family tree or you have been looking for your family's story for a while. We come together to learn research techniques and explore resources, share our successes and get advice when stuck.

The Friends Of The Columbia Library, Inc. Meeting
Tuesdays, June 18; Aug. 20
6 p.m.
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.



Wednesday, June 19 5 to 6 p.m.
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. **PRE REG**



Crafty Adults @ The Library
Thursday, June 20; July 18; Aug. 15
6 to 7:30 p.m.
Are you a crafter or would you like to be one? Join us at the library monthly to try a new craft or learn a new skill and make new friends. This program is co-sponsored by The Friends of the Columbia Library, Inc. **PRE REG**

Adult Book Discussion
Mondays, 1 p.m.
June 24; "The Tea Rose" by Jennifer Donnelly
July 29; "The Race for Paris" by Meg Waite Clayton
Aug. 26; "A Deadly Wandering" by Matt Richtel
Would you like to spend an afternoon each month discussing a great book and making friends? Check out our book discussion group! Copies of the book are available at the library. **PRE REG**

Cookbooks Dicussion
Thursdays, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
June 27; "Vegan Cookbooks"
July 25; "The Fearless Baker"
Aug. 22; "Simple: The Easiest Cookbook in the World"
Adults, if you love to read, cook, learn and share recipes, this group is for you. Bring a dish from the selected month's cookbook and share your experience in the kitchen and opinion on the cookbook. Copies of the book are available at the library. **PRE REG**



Reliving the Moon Landing
Saturday, Aug. 10
11 a.m.
Join us to watch footage of the moon landing and tell us your memories of it for our local history project. **PRE REG**

Android Help
Wednesday, Aug. 14
5 to 6 p.m.
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. **PRE REG**



Children

Preschool Story Time
Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 16, 23, 30;
Aug. 6, 13
10:15 to 10:45 a.m.
Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for children between the ages of 3 and 6 years old with their caregivers. **PRE REG**



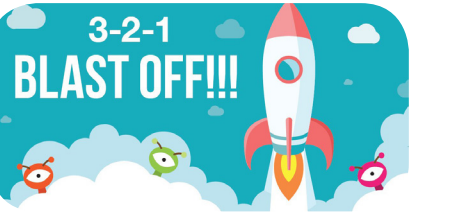
Toddler Story Time
Tuesdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25; July 16, 23, 30;
Aug. 6, 13
11 to 11:15 a.m.
A story time for beginning walkers to 3-year-olds and their caregivers with stories, music, movement and rhymes. **PRE REG**

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An Alien Invasion
Monday, June 17; 3 to 3:45 p.m.
An extraterrestrial extravaganza of galactic games, out of this world crafts, and high flying stories for children ages 4 to 8. **PRE REG**



3-2-1 Blast Off
Monday, June 24; 3 to 3:45 p.m.
Join us on the launch pad for roaring rocket stories, games and crafts for children ages 4 to 8. **PRE REG**

Outdoor Rocket Launch
Wednesday, June 26; 3 p.m.
Join us making and launching stomp rockets outside! Meet at the pavilion behind the library. **PRE REG**

Astronaut Training Camp
Monday, July 15; 3 to 3:45 p.m.
Train like an astronaut! Fun, fitness and astronaut nutrition for children ages 4 to 8. **PRE REG**

Mars Robot Challenge
Wednesday, July 17; 3 p.m.
Join us for guiding our Mars robot through several challenges in an obstacle course. **PRE REG**

Reach for the Stars
Monday, July 22; 3 to 3:45 p.m.
Explore the constellations during the day for children ages 4 to 8. **PRE REG**

To the Moon
Monday, July 29; 3 to 3:45 p.m.
The Apollo 11 moon landing mission took the first men to the moon! Learn all about it with stories and activities for children ages 4 to 8. **PRE REG**

Wacky Alien Creations
Wednesday, Aug. 7; 3 p.m.
Join us for designing and making your own aliens while learning about animal adaptations. **PRE REG**



Outback Ray's Amazing Animal Show
Monday, Aug. 12; 6 to 6:45 p.m.
We are excited to have Outback Ray's Amazing Animal Show. Children of all ages join us to see many fun and exotic animals. **PRE REG**

Save the Date!

James Renner Wednesday, October 23; 7 p.m.

at LCCC Spitzer Conference Center

Renner is the local author of Amy: My Search for Her Killer (2006), The Serial Killer's Apprentice (2008), It Came from Ohio (2012), and True Crime Addict: How I Lost Myself in the Mysterious Disappearance of Maura Murray (2016).

While he is mostly known for his true-crime journalism, he has also written two fiction novels and directed several short stories and documentaries. His new podcast is titled "The Philosophy of Crime."

Family



Summer Library Program Kickoff - A Universe of Stories

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Book Sale

Tuesday, July 9; 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Wednesday, July 10; Noon to 7 p.m.
Thursday, July 11; Noon to 7 p.m.
Friday, July 12; Noon to 6 p.m.
Saturday, July 13; 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The book sale is open to the public and sponsored by the Friends of the Columbia Public Library, Inc.



Teen



Cult Movie Fest

Wednesday, June 26
4 to 6 p.m.
What better way to celebrate pop culture than by indulging in some family friendly cult films from decades past? Especially when it's getting lost in David Bowie's magical maze? **PRE REG**

Escape Room

Wednesday, July 24
4 to 5 p.m.
Teens, the library escape room is back! 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 an hour. Can you solve the puzzle fast enough? **PRE REG**



Adult



Sweet Toths Unite - A History of Candy
Monday, June 3
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Have you ever wondered how candy has evolved over time? Then join us as we learn about the history of candy, from its humble beginnings to the ever-growing variety of sugary concoctions we have today! Embrace nostalgia as you indulge your sweet tooth with a sample of confections. [PRE REG](#)

Cookbook Book Club
Tuesdays, June 4; July 2; Aug. 6
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

If you love to read, cook and share recipes, this is the group for you. Review this month's cookbook selection and try some of the recipes. We will discuss the book, share kitchen experiences and a favorite dish from the book. Copies of the book are available at the library. New members are always welcome.

Beekeeping Basics
Wednesday, June 5
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Are you buzzing with curiosity on how beekeeping works? Then come to the library as a member of the Lorain County Beekeepers Association presents the basics of beekeeping! From equipment to use and flowers to plant, learn how to help nature's hardest workers in your backyard. [PRE REG](#)



Strange and Unusual Ohio - Tales from Space
Monday, June 10
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us as we look to the night skies and explore the strange and unusual side of Ohio. Together, we will explore tales of the mysterious, the odd, and see what historical facts are too strange to be false, and what is just an urban legend. Afterwards, stay and talk about your own space related stories! Find out why so many astronauts are from Ohio and what Project Blue Book was! Light refreshments will be served. [PRE REG](#)

"Grandma's Story - Heroes, a Handsome Prince and Men Who Fought the War"
Wednesday, June 12
6 to 7 p.m.

This documentary about George H. W. Bush and World War II is a production by Ohioans, Tom Stahl and Bob Welsh. The film includes the only color footage of the attack on Pearl Harbor, various battle footage and Bush's rescue by the USS Finback. The paintings by Stahl are put to verse by Welsh as if Barbara Bush was narrating a story to her grandchildren. Light refreshments will be served. [PRE REG](#)



Crochet and Knit
Fridays, June 14, 28; July 12, 26; Aug. 9, 23
4:30 to 5:45 p.m.

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 for everyone but please bring your own crochet hook or knitting needles. Join the fun! [PRE REG](#)

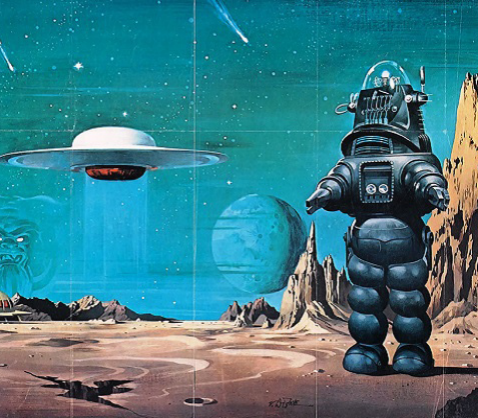
America the Craftful - Adult Independence Day Craft
Monday, June 17
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Are you feeling patriotic? Then come to the library and celebrate July 4th as we create a star-spangled craft that is sure to brighten up any home for the holiday! Bring your creativity and we'll provide the supplies! [PRE REG](#)



Senior Sizzle
Wednesdays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
June 19; Favorite hobby
July 24; Favorite vacation memories
Aug. 21; Favorite author

Seniors, are you looking for a way to engage with fellow members of the adult community and make new friends? Then look no further! Come to the library to spice up your social life with our Senior Sizzle, a round robin of friendly discussion! Light refreshments will be provided. [PRE REG](#)



Robots and Space and Aliens Oh My! - Science Fiction Film Through History
Saturday, June 22
2 to 3 p.m.

Calling all sci-fi aficionados! Come to the library as we take a cinematic journey exploring the depths of science fiction films. Learn of the genre's humble beginnings, to the box office giants, with the shlock of B-movies in between! Be prepared to discuss some of your favorites. Light refreshments will be served. [PRE REG](#)

Adult Book Discussion
Mondays, June 24; July 29; Aug. 26
7 to 8 p.m.

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! [PRE REG](#)



The Lakeview Pen - Domonkas Writing Group
Wednesday, June 26; July 31; Aug. 28
6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

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. [PRE REG](#)

Moon Landing Memories
Monday, July 8;
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Patrons are invited to share their memories of the 1969 moon landing at the Domonkas Branch. Patrons will sit down with a staff member for a short 15 to 20-minute one-on-one recorded interview. Please call with any questions. [PRE REG](#)



A Wonderful World of Disney Trivia
Monday, July 15; 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Are you a die-hard Disney fan? Then let's get down to business and defeat other trivia teams! Do you know who the first Disney princess was? Or when Walt Disney World was built? Can your trivia team paint with all the colors of the wind? The winning team will receive a magical prize that even Stitch would enjoy! [PRE REG](#)



Cosmic Movie Night
Wednesdays, July 17; Aug. 14
6 to 8 p.m.

Come to the library to cool off this summer and escape the everyday stresses of Earth with this interplanetary experience! Enjoy an out of this world cinematic experience as we watch a celestial themed movie and enjoy intergalactic treats! [PRE REG](#)



The Stars Say You're Feeling Creative - Adult Astrology Craft
Wednesday, Aug. 7
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Astrologically speaking, it's Leo season, so come to the library and indulge in your creative streak as we make a celestial creation! This joyful craft is sure to impress even the ficklest of signs. It was written in your horoscope that this is the place to be! [PRE REG](#)

The History of Mourning Practices
Monday, Aug. 19
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Have you ever wondered why we have certain traditions while mourning those who have passed away? Then come to the library as we dive into the history of mourning practices, understanding the roots of our funeral behavior and what customs still carry on today. Light refreshments will be provided. [PRE REG](#)

Children

Toddler Story Time
Mondays, 11 to 11:30 a.m.
June 3; Stars
June 10; Father's Day and the Moon
June 17; The Sun
June 24; Planets
July 1; Rockets
July 8; Astronauts
July 15; Aliens
July 22; Robots
July 29; Constellations
Aug. 5; Bubbles
Aug. 12; Fish
Aug. 19; Bees
Aug. 26; Jack and the Beanstalk

Children 18 months through 4-years-old will have fun with stories, music, puppets, finger plays and crafts, while developing important early literacy skills. Parents are encouraged to participate. [PRE REG](#)



Summer Lunch for Kids
Monday to Friday
June 3 to Aug. 21 (except July 4)
1 to 2 p.m.

The Domonkas Branch is once again participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Children ages 18 and under are invited to come to lunch Monday through Friday all summer long! Activities will be offered during lunch each day.

D.A.S.A. Summer Reading Series
Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
June 11; The Sun
June 18; Mercury
June 25; Venus
July 2; Mars
July 9; Jupiter
July 16; Saturn
July 23; Uranus
July 30; Neptune

Kids and space enthusiasts unite! This summer we will explore the solar system with the Domonkas Aeronautics and Space Association, or D.A.S.A. Pre-K through fifth grade, join us in learning about unique facts themed to a different planet each week, and prepare for takeoff with our intergalactic games! Then stay for lunch after the program ends. [PRE REG](#)

Destination: Moon
Tuesday, June 11
6 to 6:45 p.m.

Mad Science of Northeast Ohio presents a highly interactive event created to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of landing on the moon! Explore the moon, learn about principles of flight and encounter astronaut training. [PRE REG](#)

Build a Boat Challenge
Thursday, June 27
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Young scientists will be introduced to buoyancy, water displacement and physics principles through designing and building their own watercraft. Participants will also be able to explain forces and motion involved as they propel their design across a body of water. Lunch will be provided through the Summer Lunch Program. This program is provided by Get with the Program, Inc., and is intended for students ages 10 and up. [PRE REG](#)



Pluto Prom
Saturday, July 20
2 to 3 p.m.

Join us for Domonkas Branch's first ever Space Prom! We will dance the afternoon away with out of this world music, a glow-in-the-dark space theme, enjoy some cosmic refreshments and even have prom photos taken! Children are encouraged to dress up in their "prom" or celestial best! [PRE REG](#)

Starry Trails Portable Planetarium
Saturday, Aug. 3
2 to 2:45 p.m.
2:45 to 3:30 p.m.

Learn how to use a simple star map, then come into the Starlab Portable Planetarium to learn about Greek, Native American and Chinese constellations before exploring the stars of the summer sky. [PRE REG](#)



Teen



Cube Craft Fandom Extravaganza
Thursday, June 6
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Teens are welcome to participate in this fun papercraft celebrating all our favorite fandoms and video games. Each participant will be able to create at least one character to take home. All supplies will be provided as well as the templates representing a variety of pop culture, anime and video game characters.

Teen Advisory Board
Thursdays, June 20; July 25; Aug. 22
6 to 6:30 p.m.

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.



Anime Night
Thursdays, June 20; July 25; Aug. 22
6:30 to 8 p.m.

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 shojo or shonen, there will be entertainment for everyone!



Magic: The Gathering
Thursdays, June 27; Aug. 29
6 to 7:30 p.m.

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!



Light Painting Photography
Thursday, July 18
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Do you have an interest in photography? Have you seen pictures where light is used to draw shapes, words or pictures? Come on into the library while we experiment with a camera and different lights and effects to create some fun pictures. Everyone will leave with one of their light photo creations.

Board Game Night
Thursday, Aug. 8
6:30 to 8 p.m.

Bring your friends and family for a fun evening playing popular and unique board games! A variety of board games will be provided but, participants are welcome to bring their favorites in to play as well! Pizza and snacks will be provided.

new bookalerts

BOOKS, MOVIES,
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New Book Alerts is a free online service that showcases the newest titles purchased by the Lorain Public Library System. You can select to receive alerts via email and/or RSS feeds. If you see a new title that you are interested in, just click "check catalog" to place a hold on the item right away.



You can also sign up for Author Check program that allows you to view author profiles and track authors. When you track an author, you will receive emailed alerts the next time the library gets a new book in by that author.

Family



Summer Library Program Kickoff - A Universe of Stories
Saturday, June 1
Noon to 3 p.m.

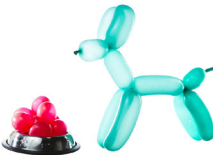
There's a Universe of Stories waiting for you at the library this summer. Join us as we kick off the beginning of this year's Summer Library Program at Every Child's Playground located at 36265 Detroit Road in Avon.. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting, crafts, and a visit from the library's new vehicle, Discovery on the Go!

Destination: Moon
Tuesday, June 11
6 to 6:45 p.m.

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Balloon Twisting 101 - The Series
Monday, July 1
Monday, July 8
Wednesday, July 10
6:30 to 8 p.m.

Come one, come all to a colorful spectacular! In this series, join local owner of Exclusive Balloons, Shelia Kopic, as she teaches the art of balloon twisting. Before you attend, prior knowledge of balloon knotting is highly recommended.



A Fintastic Sharktacular Celebration!
Monday, July 22
6:30 to 8 p.m.

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!

Board Game Night
Thursday, Aug. 8
6:30 to 8 p.m.

Bring your friends and family for a fun evening playing popular and unique board games! A variety of board games will be provided but, participants are welcome to bring their favorites in to play as well! Pizza and snacks will be provided.



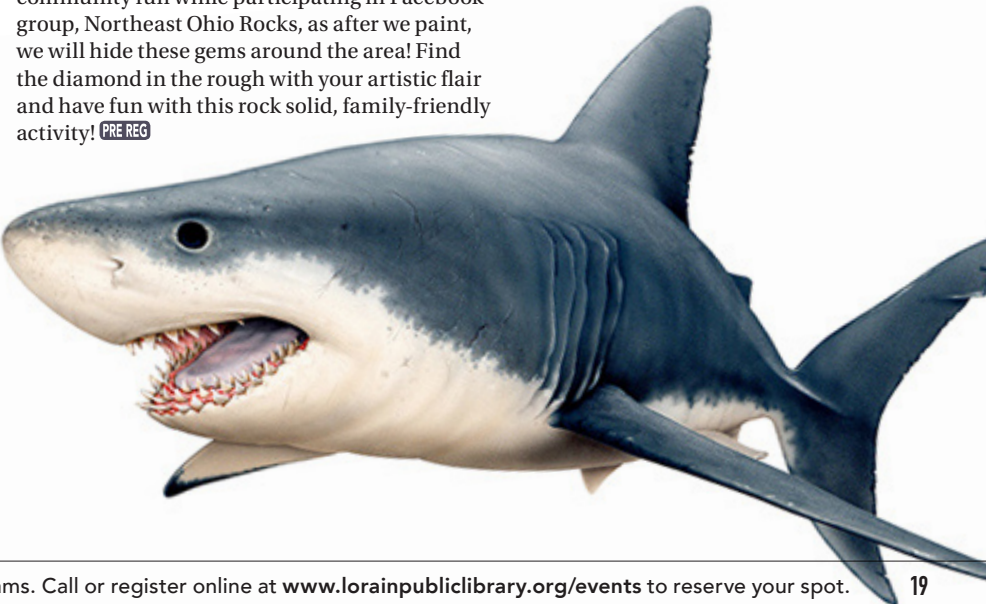
Library Summer Slam!
Monday, Aug. 12
6:30 to 8 p.m.

What a rush! Come to the library and party with the best there is, the best there was, and the best there ever will be, as we celebrate WWE®'s SummerSlam®! Show some intestinal fortitude as we play games, smell what the Rock is cookin' and even learn some wrestling warm ups! It's time to play the games!



Rock On! - Rock Painting Craft
Monday, Aug. 5
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Families, come to the library and unearth your creativity as we paint rocks! Join in the community fun while participating 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!



Adult



Coloring for Adults

**Wednesdays, June 5;
Aug. 7
1 to 2:30 p.m.**

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. **PRE REG**

A Literary Café - Story Time for Adults

**Thursdays, June 6; Aug. 1
12:30 to 1:30 p.m.**

Bring a lunch and relax while listening to short stories and poetry read by library staff. Share in the follow-up discussions. Coffee and tea will be provided. For ages 18 and older. **PRE REG**

North Ridgeville Writers

**Saturdays, June 8, 22; July 6, 20;
Aug. 3, 17, 31
1 to 3 p.m.**

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. **PRE REG**



Book Buddies - Adult Book Discussion

Wednesdays, 1 to 2 p.m.

**June 12; "A Man Called Ove" by Fredrick Backman
July 10; "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah
Aug. 14; "A Hero of the Empire" by Candice Millard**
Copies of the book being discussed each month are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome. **PRE REG**

Accessing Free Online Courses with Your Library Card

**Wednesday, June 12
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Have you ever wanted to learn how to write code, start your own business, or learn a new language? Find out how to access hundreds of online courses with your library card. **PRE REG**



The Butler Did it- Mystery Book Discussion

Wednesdays, 7 to 8 p.m.

**June 19; "Summer of the Dead" by Julia Keller
July 17; "Western Star" by Craig Johnson
Aug. 21; "Before the Fall" by Noah Hawley**

Copies of the mystery book being discussed each month are available at the adult information desk. New members are welcome. **PRE REG**

Afternoon Adult Book Discussion

Tuesdays, 1 to 2 p.m.

**June 25; "The Library Book" by Susan Orlean
July 23; "The Paragon Hotel" by Lyndsey Faye
Aug. 27; "Meet Me at the Museum" by Anne Youngson**

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. **PRE REG**

Moon Landing Memories

Friday, June 28

1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Where were you during the Apollo 11 moon landing on July 20, 1969? Glued to your TV or not even born yet? Celebrate the 50th anniversary with us as we show videos and photos commemorating the event. Those who have a story to share are invited to call for an appointment to record their memories in an oral history interview during that time. **PRE REG**

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

**Monday, July 8
6 to 7:30 p.m.**

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. **PRE REG**



Roots and Branches: An Introduction to Genealogy

Wednesday, July 24; 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dig into your family tree with this beginner genealogy workshop. Learn basic research methods to locate an ancestor's vital details. Discover resources such as Ancestry.com, FamilySearch, and HeritageQuest to guide you on your journey. Understand how to record and organize information with pedigree charts and family group records. What stories will you discover this summer? Come to the library and find out! **PRE REG**



Book Sale Preview

**Thursday, July 25
5 to 8 p.m.**

Admission to the book sale preview is reserved for members of The Friends of North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. New members may join or former members may renew their annual memberships that evening.

Book Sale

Friday, July 26; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, July 27; 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The book sale is open to the public and sponsored by The Friends of the North Ridgeville Branch Library, Inc. Find a large assortment of books, movies, puzzles and music for all ages.

How to Create a Flyer

**Wednesday, July 31
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Have a business, party or event you want to promote? We will go step by step through creating and printing your own flyer or sign using Microsoft Office. **PRE REG**



Corn Festival Activities

Friday, Aug. 9; 6 to 11 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 10; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

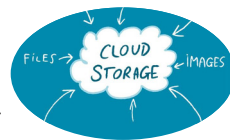
Sunday, Aug. 11; Noon to 6 p.m.

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. **PRE REG**

Managing Photos and Documents Online

**Wednesday, Aug. 21
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Is your phone running out of storage space? Do you need to save your resume so you can edit it later? Find out how to upload your photos and documents to the cloud for safekeeping. **PRE REG**



Children



Browser's Reading Buddies

**Saturdays, June 1; July 6; Aug. 3
10:30 to 11:30 a.m.**

Browser's® Reading Buddies is a relaxed, dog-friendly program where first through fifth-graders sit and read with a certified therapy dog volunteer. Each child may sign up for a 15-minute session. Call the library at 440-327-8326 to register. **PRE REG**

Little Learners

**Fridays, June 7; July 19; Aug. 2
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Children ages 3 to 5 and their caregivers are invited to stop by the story room to explore and learn about the alphabet, numbers, shapes, colors, patterns and much more. **PRE REG**

Destination: Moon

**Tuesday, June 11
2 to 2:45 p.m.**

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Lego® Space Scape

**Thursday, June 13
2 to 3 p.m.**

Lego® guys and gals get ready to blast into your own space scape. Come to the library to create an outer space landscape using our supplies and Lego®. Keep what you make! **PRE REG**

Do It Yourself: Solar System

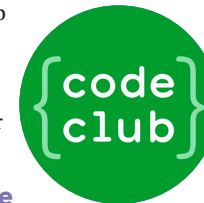
**Tuesday, June 18
2 to 3 p.m.**

Children in third grade and up are invited to build their own model of the solar system. **PRE REG**

Coding Club

**Wednesdays, June 19; July 17; Aug. 28
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

Explore computer programming and a little bit of electronics in a fun, collaborative environment! Coding club is intended for students in third through sixth grade, whether they have experience with coding or are brand new. **PRE REG**



Starry Trails Portable Planetarium

**Friday, June 21
1 to 1:45 p.m.; 1:45 to 2:30 p.m.
3 to 3:45 p.m.; 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.**

Learn how to use a simple star map, then come into the Starlab Portable Planetarium to learn about Greek, Native American and Chinese constellations before exploring the stars of the summer sky. **PRE REG**

Lego® Fun Day

**Tuesdays, June 25; Aug. 6
2 to 3 p.m.**

The library will provide the Lego® bricks and you supply the ideas and creations. Intended for ages 5 and up. **PRE REG**



Snack Chat: Tween Book Club

Saturdays, 2 to 3 p.m.

**June 29; "Lost in Outer Space: The Incredible Journey of Apollo 13" by Tod Olson
July 27; "Endurance: My Year in Space and How I Got There (Young Readers' Edition)" by Scott Kelly
Aug. 24; "Hidden Figures (Young Readers' Edition)" by Margot Lee Shetterly**

Tweens, join us at the library for snacks and a chat about a space-themed book! Snack Chat is open to those in grades fourth through eighth. Copies of the books will be available at the children's information desk. **PRE REG**



Space Art for Preschoolers

**Tuesday, July 9
2 to 3 p.m.**

Attention preschoolers! Join us at the library to make stellar art projects. Children should dress in clothes that can get paint on them even though we will provide smocks. Intended for children ages 2 and up. **PRE REG**



Do It Yourself: Buzz Lightyear® Space Wings

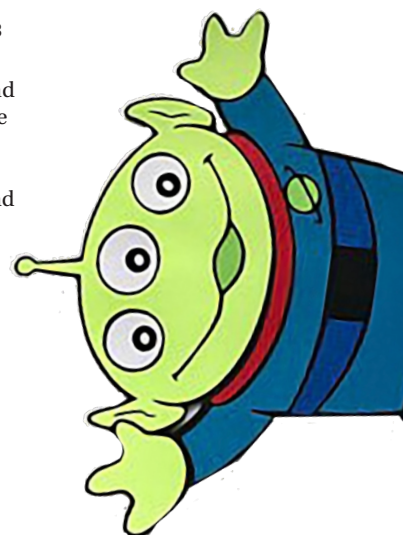
**Tuesday, July 16
2 to 3 p.m.**

Children ages 5 and up with a caregiver are invited to build their own Buzz Lightyear® space wings. **PRE REG**

Alien Party

**Tuesday, Aug. 13
2 to 3 p.m.**

Celebrate the end of summer at the library with extra-terrestrial crafts, games and activities. **PRE REG**



Family



Summer Library Program Kickoff - A Universe of Stories

Saturday, June 1
Noon to 3 p.m.

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Build It, Break It, Blast It!

Saturday, June 15
2 to 3 p.m.

Bring it on! Calling all dads and kids! Celebrate Father's Day with some construction projects followed by deconstruction of your creation! **PRE REG**



Starry Trails Portable Planetarium

Friday, June 21
1 to 1:45 p.m.; 1:45 to 2:30 p.m.
3 to 3:45 p.m.; 3:45 to 4:30 p.m.

Learn how to use a simple star map, then come into the Starlab Portable Planetarium to learn about Greek, Native American and Chinese constellations before exploring the stars of the summer sky. **PRE REG**

Star Wars® Day

Tuesday, July 23; 2 to 4 p.m.

Calling all Star Wars® fans! Drop into the library for Star Wars® themed crafts, games and activities. **PRE REG**

Story Time



Baby and Me Story Time

Mondays, June 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22
10:15 to 10:30 a.m.

Thursdays, June 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25
10:15 to 10:35 a.m.

Stories, music and finger plays for babies from birth to 23 months old along with their caregivers. **PRE REG**

Tales for Twos Story Time

Mondays, June 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22
11:30 to 12:00 p.m.

Mondays, June 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22
1 to 1:30 p.m.

Thursdays, June 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25
10:45 to 11:15 a.m.

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 2-year-olds and their caregivers. **PRE REG**

Family Fun Story Time

Mondays, June 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22
10:15 to 10:30 a.m.

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. **PRE REG**

Thrillin' Threes

Tuesdays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23
10:30 to 11 a.m.

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 3-year-olds and their caregivers. **PRE REG**

Primetime Preschool

Mondays, June 17, 24; July 1, 8, 15, 22
6:45 to 7:15 p.m.

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for ages 2 to 6. Make us a part of your Monday night bedtime routine. Children may come dressed in their pajamas ready to enjoy a bedtime story. Children may go into the story room alone or with their caregivers. **PRE REG**

Fabulous Fours and Fives

Tuesdays, June 18, 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23
11:15 to 11:45 a.m.

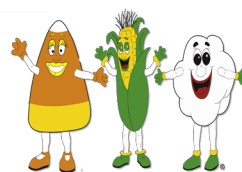
Thursdays, June 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25
1:30 to 2:00 p.m.

Stories, music, finger plays and crafts for 4 and 5-year-olds. **PRE REG**

Corn Festival Activities

Friday, Aug. 9; 6 to 11 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 10; 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 11; Noon to 6 p.m.

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Alien Party

Tuesday, Aug. 13
2 to 3 p.m.

Celebrate the end of summer at the library with extra-terrestrial crafts, games, and activities. **PRE REG**

Teen



Bottle Rockets: Build and Blast Off for Teens and Tweens

Wednesday, June 5
6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Tweens and teens are invited to design, build, and launch a bottle rocket on the library lawn. Will your rocket travel the farthest? Please bring a two-liter plastic bottle and your creativity! **PRE REG**

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Tweens, join us at the library for snacks and a chat about a space-themed book! Snack Chat is open to those in grades fourth through eighth. Copies of the books will be available at the children's information desk. **PRE REG**



It's Written in the Stars: Zodiac Party for Teens and Tweens

Wednesday, July 10
6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Astrologists have looked to the sun, moon, and stars for centuries. Do you know your astrological sign? Learn about the starry regions of the Zodiac and create constellation and astrology-themed crafts! **PRE REG**

Edible Moon for Teens and Tweens

Wednesday, Aug. 7
6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Do you think our Moon is made of cheese? Craft an edible model of the moon, delicious moon rocks, and crazy crater creations. **PRE REG**



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Adult

**Tai-Chi for Arthritis**

**Thursdays, June 13, 20; July 11, 18, 25;
Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
10:30 a.m.**

Are you one of the over 50 million people in the U.S. who has arthritis, including pain, stiffness and fear of falling? If so, you are invited to attend these Thursday morning sessions to learn valuable techniques to better cope with this potentially disabling condition. Start your day off right and join us. Please wear loose clothing and comfortable shoes so you can participate in simple exercises. **PRE REG**

**Tech Hacks and Snacks**

Fridays, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

June 14; Google Apps

June 28; Smart Phone Help

July 12; eMedia

July 26; Email Tips

Aug. 9; Staying Safe Online

Aug. 23; Understanding the Cloud

Come learn about technology and how to use it. Coffee and snacks provided! **PRE REG**

**Saturday Afternoon Concert - In2ative**

**Saturday, June 15
3 p.m.**

In2ative's goal is to emotionally connect with their audience while breaking the stereotypes of two historically conservative, classical instruments, the flute and cello. Although classically trained at the Cleveland Institute of Music, this avant-garde flute and cello duo specializes in a fusion of musical styles, with original compositions combining the street rhythms of beat-box with jazz, hip-hop and rock. **PRE REG**

**Change Of Pace Book Club**

Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

June 18; "The Call of the Wild" By Jack London

July 16; "The Friend" By Sigrid Nunez

Aug. 20; "Indianapolis: The True Story of the Worst Sea Disaster in U. S. Naval History and the Fifty-Year Fight To Exonerate an Innocent Man" by Lynn Vincent and Sara Vladic

Read the book and join our discussion. Copies of the book will be available at the South Lorain Branch one month prior to the discussion.

Oral History - Moon Landing

Tuesday, June 25

3 to 5 p.m.

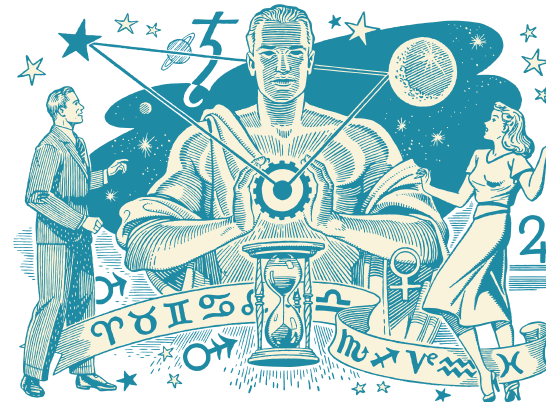
Relive the moon landing at the library and share your personal stories with us! LPLS is collecting oral accounts of your experience of the moon landing. We'll have a special moon landing themed video playing as well. **PRE REG**

Adult Cookie Decorating

Thursday, June 27

5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Adult enthusiasts of delicious crafts join us for a cookie decorating workshop. Participants will learn how to decorate sugar cookies with royal icing. Participants must also bring their own cookie sheet to transport their cookies safely home as they will be wet and will not be able to be stacked. This workshop is for adults only. Please do not register for both sessions. **PRE REG**

**Ask a Psychic - An Evening of Enlightenment and Entertainment**

Tuesday, July 9

6 p.m.

Victoria Kempton is a professional psychic who has worked in the metaphysical business for over 25 years and has given hundreds of psychic readings. She has worked with the police and has written a book about what it is really like to be a psychic. **PRE REG**

Adult Craft Night - Make a Bracelet

Tuesday, July 23

6 p.m.

Join members of the Parma Lapidary Club as they guide you through the beading and wrapping of a beautiful bracelet. All material will be provided and you can take your hand-crafted bracelet home with you. This program is limited to adults, 18 and over please. **PRE REG**

**Sheffield's First People - Native American Cultures and Their Settlements in the Black River Valley**

Tuesday, Aug. 6

6 p.m.

Lorain County is rich in human history that began over 10,000 years ago with Native American occupation along the lakeshore, on the ancient beach ridges and the river and creek valleys. The presentation will chronicle these settlements and discuss the development of these cultures from the seasonal camps of hunter/gatherers to more permanent farming communities. This program will be presented by Charles E. Herdendorf, Professor Emeritus of Geological Sciences, the Ohio State University. **PRE REG**

Children

**Pint Size Picasso**

Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.

June 19; Around the World;

July 17; Fly Swatter Paint

Children ages 6 and under can join us for stories and the chance to create a messy masterpiece. Make sure to wear play clothes! **PRE REG**

Summer Lunch for Kids

Monday to Friday, June 3 to Aug. 16

(except July 4)

12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

The South Branch is once again participating in the Summer Food Service Program. Youth ages 18 and under are invited to come to lunch Monday through Friday all summer long! Activities will be offered during lunch each day.

Out of This World Party

Wednesday, June 5

10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can join us to celebrate the start of summer reading by launching off into space with stories crafts, and other activities. **PRE REG**

**Slimeology**

Thursdays, June 6; Aug. 1

6 p.m.

Tweens ages 8 to 13 can join us each month to create a different type of slime! **PRE REG**

Rising Titans Playgroup

Tuesdays, June 11; July 9; Aug. 13

10:30 a.m. to noon

Want to play and learn with your child? Join the Rising Titans playgroup for children ages 5 and under where parents and caregivers can take part in leisure play, then have small parent group discussion while kids take part in a themed educational play. Snacks will be provided with the fun! **PRE REG**

Zoo Party

Wednesday, June 12

10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can celebrate National Zoo Month with zoo themed stories, crafts and other activities. **PRE REG**

**Destination: Moon**

Thursday, June 13

6 to 6:45 p.m.

Mad Science of Northeast Ohio presents a highly interactive event created to help celebrate the 50th anniversary of landing on the moon! Explore the moon, learn about principles of flight and encounter astronaut training. **PRE REG**

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Starry Trails Portable Planetarium

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6 to 6:45 p.m.; 6:45 to 7:30 p.m.

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Star Party

Wednesday, July 3
10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can join us for star themed stories, crafts and other activities. [PRE REG](#)



Ice Cream Party

Wednesday, July 10
10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can join us to celebrate National Ice Cream Month with stories, crafts and ice cream! [PRE REG](#)

Moon Party

Wednesday, July 24
10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can join us for moon themed stories, crafts and other activities. [PRE REG](#)

Beach Party

Wednesday, July 31
10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can join us for beach themed stories, crafts and other activities. [PRE REG](#)

Noisy Party

Wednesday, Aug. 7
10:30 a.m.

Children ages 6 and under can join us for a roaring good time with noisy themed stories, crafts and other activities. [PRE REG](#)



Teen

A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

Universe of Stories Writing Contest

Prompt 1: June 3 to June 21
Prompt 2: June 24 to July 11
Prompt 3: July 15 to Aug 2

Calling writers of all ages, it's time to celebrate a universe of stories! We challenge you to write a short, 350-word story from a space-themed prompt posted at the South Lorain Branch. Please turn all entries in at the desk. There will be three prompts and three chances to win a small prize and bragging rights.

Edible Mars Rover

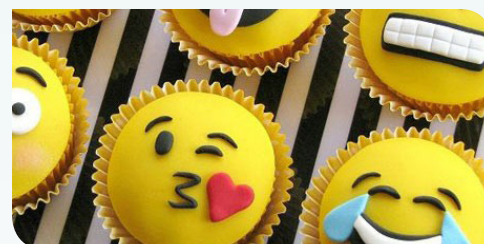
Thursday, June 20
6 p.m.

Tweens and teens ages 10 to 18 can join us to create a Mars Rover made from candy. [PRE REG](#)

Emoji Cupcakes

Thursday, July 18
6 p.m.

Tweens and teens ages 10 to 18 can join us to decorate their very own emoji cupcake. [PRE REG](#)



DIY Drone

Saturday, July 20
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Young scientists will learn about aeronautics and basic engineering principals through building and flying their own drone. Participants will learn how drones fly, the forces that impact flight, and drone capabilities from making movies to delivering medicine. Lunch will be provided. This program is provided by Get with the Program, Inc. and is intended for children ages 10 and up. Program involves soldering, so adult supervision is required. [PRE REG](#)

Galaxy Tote

Thursday, July 25
6 p.m.

Tweens and teens ages 10 to 18 can create their very own space themed tote bag. [PRE REG](#)

Family

A UNIVERSE of Stories

Summer Reading Program Kickoff - A Universe of Stories

Saturday, June 1; Noon to 3 p.m.

There's a "Universe of Stories" waiting for you at the library this summer. Join us as we kick off the beginning of this year's Summer Library Program at Every Child's Playground, located at 36265 Detroit Road in Avon. Fun for the whole family will include games, face painting, crafts, and a visit from the library's new vehicle, Discovery on the Go!

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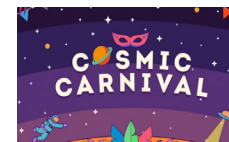
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Cosmic Carnival

Monday, June 3;
6 p.m.

Families join us outdoors for a cosmically fun night with carnival games, spacey activities, and prizes. In the event of rain the event will be moved indoors. [PRE REG](#)



makerSPACE Saturday

Saturdays, 3 to 3:45 p.m.
June 8; Celestial Stencils
June 22; Chalktastic
July 6; Galaxy Slime
Aug. 3; Ice Cream in a Bag

Children ages 5 and up are invited to join us to design and experiment. [PRE REG](#)

Jungle Bob's Animal Show - Aliens Among Us

Monday, June 10; 6 p.m.

Join us for an evening with animal entertainer and educator Jungle Bob Tuma. It will be a wild evening with weird and wacky animals. Learn just how alien the animals of Earth can be! [PRE REG](#)



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Extragalactic Chalk Walk

Monday, June 24
6 p.m.

Chalk artists of all ages please come join us for our fourth annual Chalk Walk. Hang out with your community and help us cover our sidewalks with cosmic, space-themed chalk drawings. Then cool off with some delicious ice cream. Ice cream will be served at 6:30 p.m. before a puppet show by Lorain native Dr. Raquel M. Ortiz, based on her bilingual children's picture book "Sofi and the Magic, Musical Mural." Join Sofi on a magical adventure exploring art, imagination, and Puerto Rican cultural traditions. Rain Date July 15 at 6 p.m. [PRE REG](#)

Alien Autopsy

Monday, July 1
6 p.m.

Families join us to make some gross and gooey alien-inspired slime. [PRE REG](#)



Space Camp

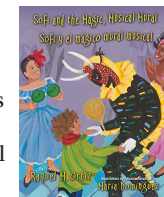
Monday, July 8
6 p.m.

Families join us for some space-themed activities to test and train your space survival skills. [PRE REG](#)

"Sofi and the Magic, Musical Mural": Puppet Show

Saturday, July 13
3 p.m.

Join us at Sacred Heart Chapel's Fiestas Patronales for a library sponsored performance of local author Dr. Raquel M. Ortiz's bilingual children's picture book "Sofi and the Magic, Musical Mural." Join Sofi on a magical adventure exploring art, imagination, and Puerto Rican cultural traditions. Learn about Carnival, visit beautiful places all around the Caribbean island of Puerto Rico, and sing and dance to bouncy plena music.



Drops of Jupiter - Water Balloon Blast

Monday, July 15
6 p.m.

Families and children 12 and under join us to celebrate one of the best things of summer - water balloons! Swimwear and a towel are recommended. Rain date July 22 at 6 p.m. [PRE REG](#)



Mission to Mars

Monday, July 22
6 p.m.

Families join us to construct and launch some rip-roaring rocket fun. [PRE REG](#)

Starry Night Fancy Formal

Monday, July 29
6 p.m.

Join us for a special evening under the stars. Celebrate the conclusion of the summer library program with dancing, balloons, and sweet treats for all. Don't forget to dress up super fancy! This event is intended for families with children ages 12 and under please. [PRE REG](#)

Family Literacy Night - Meet an Author!

Monday, Aug. 5
6 p.m.

Families join us for a special literacy night with local children's picture book author Dr. Raquel Ortiz. Talk to a real author, learn about some of her books and make your own book to take home with you. [PRE REG](#)



Scary Stories

Thursday, Aug. 8
6 p.m.

Families who enjoy the spooky, scary and weird join us for snackable smores and a presentation by Greg Feketik of the Tri-C Ghost Hunters. [PRE REG](#)

Adult and Child Birdhouse Build

Saturday, Aug. 10;
3 p.m.

In this project adults and children will work in teams to assemble and decorate a hand-crafted wooden birdhouse. All material will be supplied and you will take your birdhouse home with you. All children 13 and under must work with an adult. [PRE REG](#)

Tech Together

Mondays, 6 p.m.
Aug. 12; Robots and Coding
Aug. 19; Paper Animation
Aug. 26; Recording Studio

Interested in learning about different technologies? Join us for a fun evening where families get hands-on experience and learn about tech together. Recommended for ages 4 and up. [PRE REG](#)



Staff Picks

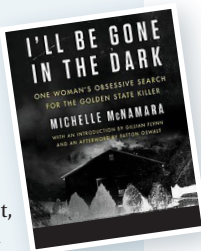
From our family to yours. The LPLS staff has enjoyed these items that can be found in the CLEVNET system and we hope you will also.

"I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer"

by Michelle McNamara

Katie Nix, Main Branch

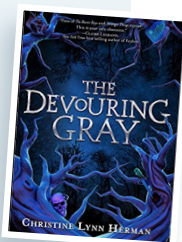
For more than ten years, a mysterious and violent predator committed 50 sexual assaults in Northern California before moving south, where he perpetrated ten murders. Then he disappeared, eluding capture by multiple police departments. Three decades later, Michelle McNamara, a true crime journalist, was determined to find the psychopath she dubbed "the Golden State Killer." This book, which McNamara was writing at the time of her sudden death, offers a chilling account of a criminal mastermind and the wreckage he left behind. It is also a portrait of a woman's obsession and her unflagging pursuit of the truth, which fulfilled Michelle's dream of helping to unmask the Golden State Killer.



"The Devouring Gray" by Christine Lynn Herman

Annalisse Strippoli, Main Branch

Violet Saunders finds herself in Four Paths, New York. Violet may be a newcomer, but she learns she belongs to one of the revered founding families of the town. Justin Hawthorne's bloodline has protected Four Paths for generations from the Gray – a lifeless dimension that imprisons a brutal monster, and although he fails to inherit his family's powers, he can't let go of the future he was promised and the town he swore to protect. And ever since Harper Carlisle lost her hand to an accident that left her stranded in the Gray for days, she has vowed revenge on the person who abandoned her: Justin Hawthorne. The Gray is growing stronger every day and its victims are piling up. When Violet accidentally unleashes the monster, all three must band together to unearth the dark truths behind their families' abilities.



"The Light Brigade" by Kameron Hurley

Katie O'Keefe, Main Branch

The Light Brigade: it's what soldiers fighting the war against Mars call the ones who come back...different. Grunts in the corporate corps get broken into light traveling from interplanetary battlefronts and it changes everyone. Those who survive learn to stick to the mission brief – no matter what happens during combat. Dietz, a fresh recruit in the infantry, begins to experience combat drops that don't sync up with the platoon's. And Dietz's bad drops tell a story of the war that's not at all what the corporate brass want the soldiers to think it is. Trying to survive with sanity intact, Dietz is ready to become a hero-or maybe a villain; in war it's hard to tell the difference.



"The Trauma Cleaner: One Woman's Extraordinary Life in the Business of Death, Decay, and Disaster"

by Sarah Krasnostein

Julianne Brown, Main Branch

Homicides and suicides, fires and floods, hoarders and addicts. When properties are damaged or neglected, it falls to Sandra Pankhurst, founder of Specialized Trauma Cleaning Services Pty. Ltd. to sift through the ashes or sweep up the mess of a person's life or death. Her clients include law enforcement, real estate agents, executors of deceased estates and charitable organizations representing victimized, mentally ill, elderly and physically disabled people. The remnants and mementoes of these people's lives resonate with Sandra. Before she began professionally cleaning up their traumas, she experienced her own. First, as a little boy, raised in violence and excluded from the family home. Then as a husband and father, drag queen, gender reassignment patient, sex worker, small businesswoman and trophy wife. In each role she played, all Sandra wanted to do was belong.



"Welcome: A Mo Willems Guide to New Arrivals" by Mo Willems

Chelsea Jewell, Avon Branch

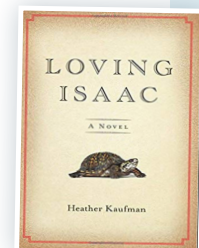
Mo Willems's introductory guide for new arrivals welcomes readers to the world using bold, eye-catching graphics and clever text that is perfect for reading aloud. With a fun and heartwarming message, "Welcome" playfully interacts with the reader with its meta-humor, while addressing such topics as injustice, cats, friendship and family. This one-of-a-kind guide to the world is a must-have for infants and new parents alike.



"Loving Isaac" by Heather Kaufman

Valerie Cesaratto, Avon Branch

Pastor Matthew Schofield loves his books, his writing, and his small Oklahoma congregation. His life is studious and predictable, just the way he likes it. And then he meets Hana Howard and her son, Isaac, who are anything but quiet, anything but predictable, and his world is forever changed. Hana is a single mother of a son with autism, living out of her sister's basement. She's running from a painful past that she never imagined would be a part of her story, and she's looking to the future with not much hope. And then she meets Matthew Schofield, a quiet, thoughtful man who forms a surprising bond with her son, Isaac, and she's challenged to view God and His promises in a whole new light.



"Evil: The Science Behind Humanity's Dark Side" by Julie Shaw

Elaine Betting, Main Branch

What is it about evil that we find so compelling? From our obsession with serial killers to violence in pop culture, we seem inescapably drawn to the stories of monstrous acts and the aberrant people who commit them. But evil, Julia Shaw argues, is all relative. What one may consider normal, like sex before marriage, eating meat or being a banker, others find abhorrent. And if evil is only in the eye of the beholder, can it be said to exist at all? In "Evil," Shaw uses case studies from academia, examples from popular culture, and anecdotes from everyday life to break down complex information and concepts like the neuroscience of evil, the psychology of bloodlust and workplace misbehavior.



"The Book of Joy" by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu

Margie Urban, Columbia Branch

His Holiness the Dalai Lama and Archbishop Desmond Tutu have survived more than 50 years of exile and the soul-crushing violence of oppression. In April 2015, Archbishop Tutu traveled to the Dalai Lama's home in Dharamsala, India, and they traded intimate stories, teased each other continually and shared their spiritual practices. By the end of a week filled with laughter and punctuated with tears, these two global heroes had stared into the abyss and despair of our time and revealed how to live a life brimming with joy. This book offers us a rare opportunity to experience their astonishing and unprecedented week together, from the first embrace to the final good-bye.

