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And the Bog Frog on W E O L.

NORMA PRESTON

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Patrons that live in the South Lorain community.

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So there's a lot of books there for people like that and as well as for people who may be interested in learning a second language as well.

NORMA PRESTON

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That's quite true.

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Now, the South Lorain Pride week has been going on, and today is the second day, kind of, because it started yesterday with the different events.

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The youth dance at the Sacred Heart Chapel is going on, but there's also the big block party on Pearl Avenue this coming Saturday.

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And I understand the library will also have a booth there.

NORMA PRESTON

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Yes, we will.

NORMA PRESTON

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And we'll be giving out information about our services, and we'll be there to answer questions and to help any way we can.

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Also, yesterday, they had a little bit of a history of South Lorain.

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I was wondering, are there books or information about South Lorain, maybe its history at the library?

NORMA PRESTON

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Now, we have a section that deals with the city of Lorain and sections of the different city.

NORMA PRESTON

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However, I must say, in all honesty, they'd probably find more down at the Main Branch.

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But they do have, though.

NORMA PRESTON

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But we do have some.

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Information about the city, because that's always kind of interesting, especially for people who maybe have recently moved to a new city.

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They can come there and look at the history to find out why things are named certain names and.

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And the culture.

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Why is there a different mix of culture in different areas?

NORMA PRESTON

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Well, talking about history, you might be interested to know that South Branch is the oldest branch in the Lorain Public Library System.

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Really?

NORMA PRESTON

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Really.

NORMA PRESTON

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It's been around longer than all the others.

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Still in good shape, though, I hope.

NORMA PRESTON

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Right.

NORMA PRESTON

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Still going strong, we hope.

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Now, the library system itself, you get books from all over the county as well as somewhat connected with Cuyahoga County.

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Is that true?

NORMA PRESTON

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That's quite right.

NORMA PRESTON

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On CLEVENET, we can order in just about anything our patrons might need.

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And that's something relatively new, is it not?

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Or within the last.

NORMA PRESTON

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Last two years.

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Something like that.

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Sure, because that's the way to expand and just get the information out.

NORMA PRESTON

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Right.

WEOL

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And the libraries have really changed in quite a.

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Quite a while now with the CDs that you can get in videotapes, too.

NORMA PRESTON

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Well, we've come a long way when it was just the card catalog and handwritten cat cards.

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Well, you have everything computerized now, right?

NORMA PRESTON

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Right. Everything's online.

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So if people are even.

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What about people who are kind of afraid of using computers?

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You can assist them quite well, can't you?

NORMA PRESTON

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Mm.

NORMA PRESTON

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And we'll be happy to give them run through demonstrations, orientations whenever they'd like.

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So if people haven't been to a library in a while, they might notice things are a little bit different.

NORMA PRESTON

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That's right.

NORMA PRESTON

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If they come looking for the card catalog, we're going to have to disappoint them.

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So, what happened to Mr. Dewey in his decimal system?

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It's still there, right?

NORMA PRESTON

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Oh, Dewey's still there.

NORMA PRESTON

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He's just changed his face.

NORMA PRESTON

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You know, instead of driving a horse and buggy, he's opted for a LeBaron convertible.

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And there's a lot of things going on.

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We were talking about with the South Lorain Pride Week, just to let people know.

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Each week at this time or each day at this time during the week, we're talking with different people in the community who are proud to support South Lorain.

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And as we mentioned, there's the youth dance tonight.

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The block Watch program, presented by the Lorain police at the South Lorain Community Development Corporation office will be tomorrow.

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Steak fry on Friday, and people can contact the…

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Contact Community Development Corporation if they want tickets for that.

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And the big cleanup also on Saturday morning, as well as the block party.

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Now, you mentioned that you're going to have a booth there that's going to have handouts, information about libraries.

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Can people sign up for a library card there, too?

NORMA PRESTON

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No. We can give them the application that they can fill out and take it to the branch, and we can process it at the branch.

NORMA PRESTON

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But the processing has to go through the online, and we need the computers for that.

WEOL

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But they can still get information to fill out…

NORMA PRESTON

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Right. They can pick up the form.

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Great. Well, we thank you for taking some time, Norma, this afternoon, and we appreciate the help you're giving to the South Lorain Pride Week.

NORMA PRESTON

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Okay.

NORMA PRESTON

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Thank you.

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Sure. Bye.

NORMA PRESTON

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Bye.

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That is Norma Preston, the South Branch librarian at the Lorain Public Library System and the involvement in South Lorain community pride week 3:51 at we o l our weather center forecast for tonight.