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See SciFi Channel's Ghost Hunters Live!



Friday, March 13, 7 pm
Pease Auditorium, Eastern Michigan University

PLUMBERS BY DAY, ghost hunters by night. You may have seen Jason Hawes and Grant Wilson on their popular SciFi Channel series, *Ghost Hunters*. Now you can see them in person when the guys from TAPS (The Atlantic Paranormal Society) visit Ypsilanti to share spooky stories about documented hauntings around the country. General admission tickets are \$10. Get yours at the EMU Convocation Ticket Office, online at www.emich.edu/convocation, or call (734) 487-2282 beginning January 5.

An Evening with NPR's Scott Simon

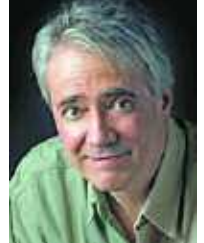
Saturday, April 18, 7 pm
Towsley Auditorium, Washtenaw Community College

IN CELEBRATION of National Library Week, YDL welcomes National Public Radio's Scott Simon, host of "Weekend Edition," broadcast on Michigan Radio 91.7 FM. An Emmy and Peabody Award winner, Simon will discuss his experiences reporting from all 50 states, 5 continents, and 10 wars, from El Salvador to Iraq and Afghanistan. He will sign copies of his books that chronicle characters in war and peace, sports and art, tragedy and comedy—including his latest work, *Windy City*, a political comedy set in the Chicago City Council.

Seating is limited, so get your tickets soon! General admission tickets are \$15.

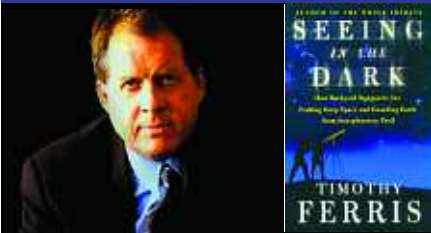
VIP TICKETS, which include a meet-and-greet reception with Simon, are \$30.

Tickets go on sale February 1 at YDL-Whittaker Road, YDL-Michigan Avenue, and YDL-Superior, as well as at Nicola's Books, 2513 Jackson Avenue, Ann Arbor. For details, call 482-4110 ext. 1303.



Special thanks to the Friends of the Ypsilanti District Library, Eastern Michigan University Library, the Friends of the Eastern Michigan University Library, and The Ypsilanti Office of the Bank of Ann Arbor for their generous support of this event. Michigan Radio is an NPR news and information station that strives to inform, educate and enlighten listeners about the world around them.

The Universe: Yours To Discover



Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Reads 2009:
Meet Author Timothy Ferris
Thursday, January 29, 7:30 pm
WCC Towsley Auditorium

The Universe: Yours to Discover is this year's theme, and the book selected for discussion is *Seeing in the Dark: How Amateur Astronomers are Discovering the Wonders of the Universe*. Author Timothy Ferris will speak on Thursday, January 29 at 7:30 pm at Washtenaw Community College's Towsley Auditorium. The talk is free and open to the public.

Interested in leading a book discussion about *Seeing in the Dark*? Sign up for a facilitator training scheduled for Monday, January 12 at 7 pm at YDL-Whittaker Road or get more information about a session by calling 482-4110 ext. 1303.

Field Trip to the Stars (FAMILY)

Thursday, January 22, 7:30–9:30 pm
EMU Sherzer Observatory, 4th floor
 Dress warmly, park in the McKenny Union Lot, and meet us at EMU's Sherzer Observatory to make the universe "yours to discover." View the Orion Nebula, Andromeda Galaxy and other objects in the winter sky through EMU's large refracting telescope, weather permitting. If skies are cloudy, we'll use the classroom planetarium and talk about astronomy.

Presented in partnership with the EMU Astronomy Club

Lively Arts @ YDL

In Our Family (ALL AGES)

January 19–30 @ YDL-Whittaker Road

February 2–14 @ YDL-Michigan Avenue

In Our Family is a museum-quality photo exhibit of 20 families that showcases a breadth of diversity and family configurations. The exhibit challenges stereotypes and prejudice by celebrating differences of all kinds.

In Our Family was designed and arranged by Family Diversity Projects, a non-profit organization in Amherst, Mass. YDL is pleased to present this exhibit in collaboration with the Ypsilanti City Human Relations Commission and with support from the Friends of YDL.

M School Art Displays

Michigan Avenue, Lower Level

We will display student art from Estabrook School in January and March, Cheney and Henry Ford in February, Fortis Academy in April, and Erickson in May.



Artist: Janet Kohler

W Pastelists of Ann Arbor

February 3–March 15

Opening Reception Saturday, Feb. 7

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room

Enjoy the variety of pastel works created by the members of the Great Lakes Pastel Society living in the Ann Arbor area. Meet the artists on Saturday, February 7, 4–6 pm.



Harry Potter Sculpture, 2008

M Ice Carving in the Park

YDL-Michigan Avenue

Saturday, February 14 beginning at 10 am

Ice carving in the park is back! Bring your family downtown to the Library Park Plaza and watch J.R. transform 600 pounds of ice into a frozen work of art. The carving begins around 10 am—stop by often to view the ice sculpture as it emerges throughout the day.



Asante Paramount Chief of Ejisu, Nana Diko Pim III, wears a rare Asasia Oyokoman Adweneasa cloth, Ejisu, Ghana, 1976. Photograph courtesy Doran H. Ross

W Wrapped in Pride: Ghanaian Kente and the African American Identity

March 25–April 30

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room

Kente cloth, made by the Asante peoples of Ghana and the Ewe people of Ghana and Togo, is the best known of all African textiles. Kente began as festival dress for special occasions and is recognized as a proclamation of a proud association with the rich heritage of the African continent.

Wrapped in Pride bridges two continents, evoking and celebrating a shared cultural heritage. Individual Kente strips are especially popular in the United States when sewn into religious and academic robes or worn as a stole. This hands-on exhibition includes photos, samples of cloth, and a loom. Visitors are also invited to go on a gallery hunt.

This exhibition is made possible by NEH on the Road, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and is brought to you by Mid-American Arts Alliance and the Friends of Ypsilanti District Library.

Teen Film Festival

Enter your film in the second annual YDL Teen Film Festival. Awards will be given to the best film, director, and male and female actors. Stop by a reference desk for entry forms and an instructional filmmaking packet. Entries can be dropped off at any YDL location by Monday, March 2. For information, call 482-4110 ext. 1323 or 1390.

Take Note @ YDL Concert Series



W Nutshell

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Sunday, February 1, 2 pm
 Enjoy Celtic toe-tapping music from this Ann Arbor-based quartet, with Linda Teaman on vocals and bodhran; Tom Voiles on flute, whistles, and sitar; John Lloyd on guitar; and Susie Lorand on fiddle.

W The Cats and the Fiddler

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Sunday, March 15, 2 pm
 This amazing trio of 13-year-olds has dazzled audiences since 2001 with their instrumentation and outstanding vocal harmonies. They have performed at bluegrass festivals, community events, and coffeehouses statewide and recently won the Elderly Instruments Battle of the Bands (www.catsandthefiddler.com).

PROGRAM SCHEDULE: JANUARY

All programs are drop-in, except where noted as "Registration required." For drop-in programs, space is limited and on a first-come, first-served basis.

W = YDL-Whittaker Road **M** = YDL-Michigan Avenue **S** = YDL-Superior

W Partners for Reading: Literacy Help at YDL Tutor Orientation (ADULT)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Tuesday, January 6, 7 pm
 Thursday, January 22, 7 pm
 Wednesday, March 11, 7 pm
 Have you thought about tutoring adults in reading? Now would be a wonderful time. Many people are on the waiting list in need of help with reading, writing and English. Volunteering is easy, fun and has high impact. Details: 879-1320.

W Search Ypsilanti Gleanings Online! (ADULT)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Saturday, January 10, 11 am
 We will demonstrate the new searchable online version of "The Gleanings," the Ypsilanti Historical Society's newsletter, from the early 1970s to the present. In addition, YHS president Al Rudisill will give an overview of Ypsilanti history.

M Financial Literacy for Teens (TEEN)

YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Mondays, 3-4:30 pm, January 12 and 26, February 9 and 23
 Rhonda Foxworth of the Bank of Ann Arbor will present a series of four workshops for youth ages 12-21. All classes will be limited to the first 20 people. Youth who finish all four workshops and assignments will receive a prize. Workshop locations alternate between The Corner Health Center (47 N. Huron St., Ypsilanti, 1/12 & 2/9) and YDL-Michigan Avenue (1/26 & 2/23). Registration is preferred: call the Corner Health Center at 484-3600 ext. 251.

Presented in collaboration with The Corner Health Center and the Bank of Ann Arbor



W An Evening of Edgar Allan Poe (ADULT)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Wednesday, January 14, 6:30 pm
 Celebrate Poe's 200th birthday (January 19) by viewing some of his most famous short stories with fellow Poe fans.

S Crafternoons: Bird Feeders (AGES 8-18)

YDL-Superior
 Saturday, January 17, 2-4 pm
 Join us in making bird feeders for our fine feathered friends. There's no need for them to go hungry if we can help them through the long winter months with tasty peanut butter pine cones and bird seed in hanging feeders. Materials provided.

W **M** Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration (ALL AGES)

Monday, January 19, 1-8 pm
 This special event has something for all ages. Starting at 1 pm, YDL-Michigan Avenue will show *Ruby Bridges*. At 3 pm, YDL-Whittaker Road will feature *The Color of Friendship*, a movie about two girls, followed by a storytime with books about Martin Luther King Jr. At 6 pm, the Erickson Excellence Song Flute and Vocal Arts Ensemble will perform patriotic and freedom songs. At 7 pm, actor Steve Dixon will make his fifth visit to YDL to deliver Dr. King's most stirring rhetoric.

W Making Beaded Earrings (ADULT)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Tuesday, January 20, 6:30 pm
Learn basic wire working skills while making copper and sterling silver earrings. All tools and materials provided. Limit 14. Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1377.

W What Can the Michigan Talent Bank Do for You? (ADULT)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Wednesday, January 21, 6 pm
Employment Services Facilitator Jackie Cochran gives an overview of services from Michigan Works! and the MI Talent Bank. She will show you how to use job seeker functions to update your resume, search for a job, or explore a new career.

M H&R Block Tax Seminars (ADULT)
YDL-Michigan Avenue, 7 pm
This four-seminar series, presented by Brian McClemens of H&R Block's Rawsonville Road office, will make you a more educated and possibly wealthier taxpayer. Topics: *Tax Changes for 2008 (1/22)*, *Frequently Overlooked Deductions and Common Mistakes (2/18)*, *Credits: Are You Getting All You're Entitled To? (3/9)*, and *Tax Strategies for 2009 (4/2)*.



Science Career Workshop (TEEN)
M YDL-Michigan Avenue
Friday, January 23, 3:30–5 pm
Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1390
W YDL-Whittaker Road
Monday, February 23, 3:30–5 pm
Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1340
Students in grades 6–9 (and parents, too!) are encouraged to attend a FREE science career workshop about fun, exciting careers in science and technology—and how education in these fields is financially possible for anyone.

W Mobile Planetarium (ALL AGES)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Saturday, January 24, 10 am–4:30 pm
Visit our inflated dome to learn about outer space with shows created by NASA.

Friends Book Sale

W Friends of YDL Used Book Sale
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Members' Preview Sale: Thursday, January 15, 6–8 pm (memberships sold at the door)
Friday, January 16, 11 am–5 pm
Saturday, January 17, 11 am–3 pm
Sunday, January 18, 1–3 pm
Get great books at terrific prices! Enjoy purchasing a wide range of used books for 25¢ or 50¢. On Sunday, fill a bag of bargains for \$3. Come in for the sale and also check out the Friends Shop's selections! Next sale is May 15–17.



W Beyond Earth:
Exploring Outer Space (YOUTH)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Saturdays, 1 pm
January 31, February 14, March 7
Enjoy science as a family through a reading program and hands-on experiments. Topics are: *Look Up at the Sky (1/31)*, *Planet Adventures (2/14)*, and *Missions into Space (3/7)*. For children ages 6–11 with an adult caregiver. Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1340.

FEBRUARY

W African American Read In (ALL AGES)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Monday, February 2, 6:30–8:30 pm
Join more than one million people in the United States and the Caribbean and read literature written by African Americans on the same day. Local amateur and professional African American writers will share their works. This year's theme is "Gardeners and Farmers Read."
Organized by Splendor Educational Consulting

W The Universe: Yours to Discover—Significant Discoveries in the Last 400 Years (ADULT)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Tuesday, February 3, 7 pm
We'll look at a few of the significant discoveries made in astronomy since Galileo first pointed his simple telescope at the night sky.

M Love Your Skin (TEEN/ADULT)
 Wednesday, February 4, 6:30 pm
 Discover the benefits of African shea butter and essential oils in keeping your skin youthful. Samples and a giveaway! Registration required: 482-4110 ext 1385.

Presented by Sheila Miller of Simply Devine, Ypsilanti

S Crafternoons: Hemp Friendship Bracelets (AGES 8-18)
 YDL-Superior, Saturday, February 7, 2-4 pm
 Make a beaded hemp bracelet for yourself or for a Valentine's Day gift.



W For the Birds! Backyard Birding in Winter (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Sunday, February 8, 2 pm
 Learn to identify birds common to our area in winter, their favorite foods, and what types of plantings and other lures they prefer from Master Gardener Carol Brodbeck. A drawing will be held for a book about Michigan birds.

W Act It Out (TEEN)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Sunday, February 8, 3 pm
 In this workshop, teens will learn essential acting strategies and practice basic acting skills through fun and creative activities.

W Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Presents a Kinder Concert (FAMILY)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Monday, February 9, 9:30 am & 10:30 am
 Monday, May 4, 9:30 am & 10:30 am
 Your child's imagination will come alive in dance and movement during these interactive concerts led by Gari Stein, with music by Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra musicians. Concert is designed for 2 to 5-year-olds and parents/caretakers.

W Wounds and Bruises: Your Guide to Make-Up Effects (TEEN)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Monday, February 9, 7 pm. Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1340
 Learn how to create realistic-looking wounds, bruises and other special effects with stage make-up from Melanie Schuessler of EMU's theater department.

M Heart Health Nuts and Bolts (ADULT)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Wednesday, February 11, 6 pm
 Celebrate American Heart Month by learning how to keep your heart healthy. Staff from St. Joseph Mercy Health System will discuss heart disease and the positive changes you can make to help your heart.

W Toxins and Y.O.U. (ADULT)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Wednesday, February 11, 7 pm
 Arbonne Consultants Loreen Couch and Karen Priemer, RN, discuss the effects toxins have on your overall well being. Learn about the small changes you can make to improve your environment and health.

Chocolate Creations (GRADES 7-12)
M YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Saturday, February 14, 11 am
 Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1390

W YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room, Saturday, February 14, 3 pm
 Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1340
 Create your own chocolate assortment to enjoy or give to someone special. We'll have all you need to mold, decorate, and package your delectable delicacies.

W SAT vs. ACT: Comparing and Preparing for College Admission (TEEN/ADULT)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Sunday, February 15, 3 pm
 David Eyl, Director of Ann Arbor's Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions Center, will explain the differences in the SAT and ACT test formats, and share proven Kaplan score-enhancing strategies.



Animal Magic (YOUTH)
M YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Saturday, February 21, 11 am
W YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room, Saturday, February 21, 1 pm
 This family-oriented show mixes live exotic animals with magic to build appreciation for the animals that share our planet.

W Getting Started in Astronomy (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Sunday, February 22, 1-3 pm
 Find out how to get started in amateur astronomy without emptying your wallet from Shannon Murphy, NASA Jet Propulsion Lab Michigan Solar System Ambassador, UM Astronomy Department.

W **Make a Mardi Gras Mask or Float** (AGES 6–12)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Monday, February 23, 7 pm
 Make a Mardi Gras mask or float out of a shoebox. Supplies provided. Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1340.

M **First-Time Home Buyers: Taking Advantage of the Foreclosure Market** (ADULT)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Wednesday, February 25, 6:30–8 pm
 The foreclosure market has made it much easier for first-time buyers to enter the housing market. Learn the steps involved in getting the house of your dreams from Andra Anteau of Edward Surovell Realtors.

W **2nd Annual Images of African American Life in Washtenaw County** (ADULT)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Saturday, February 28, 1–4:30 pm
 Learn about the rich African American heritage in Washtenaw County.
Presented by The Loyal Opposition to the Status Quo, Inc., in partnership with YDL

S **Crafternoons: Fun with Sun** (AGES 8–18)
 YDL-Superior
 Saturday, February 28, 2–4 pm
 Attention soon-to-be astronomers! Learn more about one of the most useful astronomical tools of the past and present as you create your very own sundial.

MARCH

W **Dr. Seuss's Birthday** (YOUTH)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Monday, March 2, 6 pm
 Help celebrate Dr. Seuss's birthday by watching a movie of *The Cat in the Hat*.

W **YDL Teen Film Fest Premiere** (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Saturday, March 7, 3 pm
 Support local filmmakers, screen the winning films and some honorable mentions, and munch snacks.

W **Ypsilantwii!** (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Sunday, March 8, 2–5 pm
 Come play the Wii of YDL! Games include: Wii Sports, Big Brain Academy, and Pokemon Battle Revolution. Snacks, too!

M **Need Money for College?** (TEEN)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Monday, March 9, 3–4:30 pm
 Learn how to get financial aid, apply for scholarships and more!

Presented by CSTS Youth & Family and The Corner Health Center

W **Celebrate Michigan Women!** (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Saturday, March 14, 2–4 pm
 Join storyteller Laura Raynor, Michigan author Virginia Law Burns, and performance artist Marie Papciak in celebrating Women's History Month.

S **Crafternoons: St. Patrick's Day Hats**
 YDL-Superior, Saturday, March 14, 2–4 pm
 Turn an ordinary paper bag into a wearable St. Patrick's Day hat. Ages 8–18.



W **St. Patrick's Day Fun** (YOUTH)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Tuesday, March 17, 6:30 pm
 We'll celebrate the luck of the Irish as we watch the movie *Darby O'Gill and the Little People* starring a very young and handsome Sean Connery. Wear green!

M **Home Maintenance: Keep Out the Cold and Save Energy, Too** (ADULT)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Wednesday, March 18, 6:30 pm
 Learn how to save money and keep the cold out through basic maintenance on your home's windows, doors, and insulation, and by practicing easy energy conservation measures.

Sponsored by Habitat for Humanity, Huron Valley

M **Helpers and Heroes: Baker** (YOUTH)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Saturday, March 21, 11 am
 Mark Swanson, owner of Terry's Bakery in Ypsilanti, walks you through a baker's typical day. Free strawberry shortcake! Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1390.

M **Free Tax Preparation** (ADULT)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Saturdays, March 21 and 28, 12–4 pm
 If you earn less than \$40,000, get free help preparing your tax return from members of EMU's honor accounting fraternity, Beta Alpha Psi. First come, first served.

W **Fantasy Baseball League** (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Computer Lab
 Monday, March 23, 7 pm
 Join us for a family-friendly introduction to Fantasy Baseball. We will explain the rules, build teams, and form a league.

APRIL



Creative Weaving: Techniques, Patterns, and Traditions (YOUTH/TEEN)

M YDL-Michigan Avenue
Saturday, April 4, 11 am–1 pm

S YDL-Superior
Saturday, April 4, 2–4 pm

W YDL-Whittaker Road
Saturday, April 18, 11 am–1 pm
After visiting YDL's *Wrapped in Pride* exhibit about Kente cloth, try the craft of weaving. You'll make a simple cardboard loom and use yarn, raffia, beads and other materials to create a beautifully unique weaving.

W Design Your Own Kente Cloth (FAMILY)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Computer Lab
Sunday, April 5, 1–4 pm
Monday, April 27, 5–8 pm
Design a Kente pattern of your own on a computer, then print it out and take it home! A great parent/child activity for anyone who can use a computer.

W Spring Break Matinees (YOUTH)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Watch some great flicks at 3 pm.
Tuesday, April 7: *Madagascar*
Wednesday, April 8: *The Game Plan*
Thursday, April 9: *Hairspray*



W **Wii Gaming** (AGES 6–12)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Monday, April 13, 2–3 pm
Join in a fun hour of Wii bowling.

M The Best Do for You: Hair Cuts, Colors and Styles (TEEN/ADULT)

YDL-Michigan Avenue
Monday, April 13, 6–7:30 pm
Get tips from hair styling professionals on cuts, colors and styles that will make you look fabulous. Find your perfect hue and learn no-fail strategies for making your

hair coloring last longer. Registration required: call 482-4110 ext. 1385.

Presented by Dwight Thomas of Thomas Blondi Salon, Ypsilanti

W **Helpers and Heroes: Baker** (YOUTH)
YDL-Whittaker Road
Monday, April 13, 7 pm

Mark Swanson, owner of Terry's Bakery in Ypsilanti, walks you through a baker's typical day. Free treats!

S **Earth Day Celebration** (ALL AGES)
YDL-Superior, Saturday, April 18, 2–4 pm
Celebrate Earth Day by making earthy crafts, eating an earthy snack, and listening to environmentally conscious stories.

W **Book Art** (TEEN)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Sunday, April 19, 3 pm
Take an old book and turn it into a work of art! Registration required: call 482-4110 ext. 1340.

W **The Weaving and Wearing of Cloth for Kings** (ADULT)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Tuesday, April 21, 7–8 pm
This talk will focus on the production of Kente cloth and on its wearing by Ghanaian kings and their family members.

W **Celebrate the Earth's Birthday** (YOUTH)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Saturday, April 25, 2 pm
Celebrate Earth Day as we read stories, have snacks, make our own compost, and plant seeds. Registration required: call 482-4110 ext. 1340.

W **El Día de Los Niños, El Día de Los Libros** (ALL AGES)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Sunday, April 26, 1:30–4:30 pm
Enjoy a day dedicated to celebrating children and books with crafts, music, and refreshments!

Co-sponsored by The Ann Arbor District Library

MAY

M **Helpers and Heroes: Emergency Medical Technician** (YOUTH)
YDL-Michigan Avenue
Saturday, May 2, 11 am
Jason Trojan of Huron Valley Ambulance discusses what an EMT does and gives a tour of an ambulance.

W **Mother's Day Canvas Bags** (AGES 6–12)
YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Saturday, May 2, 1–2 pm
Thursday, May 7, 7–8 pm
Color a tote bag for a Mother's Day gift. Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1340.



W Latin Dance Basics (TEEN)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Thursday, May 7, 7 pm
 Learn the basics of Latin dance and spice up any dance floor. Register at 482-4110 ext. 1340 or just drop by!

W Living History Day (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road
 Saturday, May 9, 11 am–5 pm
 Experience the past with events and re-enactors from different periods in United States history.

S Crafternoons: Baskets (AGES 8–18)
 YDL-Superior, Saturday, May 9, 2–4 pm
 Weave a pretty basket you can give to mom for Mother’s Day. All materials are provided.

M Plant a Seed and Start Your Garden (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Michigan Avenue
 Wednesday, May 13, 6–8 pm
 Staff from Growing Hope will help you plant a seed to take home and discuss successful gardening in small spaces. Registration preferred: 482-4110 ext. 1385.

W Teen Gaming: DDR Tournament (TEEN)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Friday, May 22, 4 pm
 Show off your mad DDR skills and win prizes! Register at 482-4110 ext. 1340 or just drop by.

W TYDL Wave: Marathon Madness (TEEN)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Saturday, May 23, 1–5 pm
 Join TYDL Wave for a marathon of anime. We’ll also be making Candy Sushi! Call 482-4110 ext. 1340 to register.

W Spring Songwriting Showcase (TEEN/ADULT)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
 Saturday, May 30, 3–5 pm
 Bring your talent to this showcase of local songwriters. Call in advance to reserve a time slot: 482-4110 ext. 1316.

Drop-In Storytimes

Drop-in storytimes run from January 12 through May 2.

No registration is required for storytimes, so drop in any time!

W = YDL-Whittaker Road **M** = YDL-Michigan Avenue **S** = YDL-Superior

Introduce your child to the wonders of reading with stories, songs and an occasional craft, led by our creative youth librarians.

M Kids’ Club Pre-School Storytime
 YDL-Michigan Avenue, Mondays, 10:30 am

W Baby Brigade (INFANTS–18 MONTHS)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Mondays, 10:30 am

S Superior Storytimes
 YDL-Superior, Tuesdays, 10:30 am

W Toddler Storytime (18 MO–3 YEARS)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:30 am

W Pre-School Storytime
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Wednesdays, 1:30 pm

W Jump Start Storytime (PRE-SCHOOL)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Thursdays, 10:30 am

M Pre-School Fun with Teens Storytime
 YDL-Michigan Avenue, Thursdays, 1 pm
 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26
 Drop in with your pre-school child to listen to stories and sing songs, followed by a craft. Provided by students enrolled in the Child Care Program of the Regional Career Training Center (RCTC).



W Super Saturday Storytime (ALL AGES)
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Alternate Saturdays, 10:30 am
 1/24, 2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/21, 4/4, 4/18, 5/2
 Skip Saturday morning TV and visit the library for stories, songs, and an easy craft.

W Bilingual Pre-School Storytime
 YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
 Alternate Saturdays, 10:30 am
 1/17, 1/31, 2/14, 2/28, 3/14, 3/28, 4/11, 4/25
 Fun, easy stories, songs, and rhymes promote English and Spanish language skills.

Ongoing Events @ YDL-Whittaker Road

W Lego Night (FAMILY)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Tuesdays, 6–8 pm
Build whatever your imagination allows!

W TAG Meeting (AGES 13–18)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Wednesdays, 7 pm, 1/14, 2/11, 3/11, 4/8, 5/13
Meet up with other teens and share your opinions about what you'd like to see and do at the library. Call 482-4110 ext. 1340 or just stop by a meeting.

W R.E.A.D. with
Spencer (AGES 6–8)
YDL-Whittaker Road,
Story Room
Thursdays, 6:30–8 pm
1/15, 2/5, 2/19,
3/5, 3/19, 4/2



Sign your child up for a 10-minute reading slot with Spencer, the Reading Education Assistance Dog (R.E.A.D.). Read to Spencer six times and earn a new book. It will be a pawsitive experience! Register by calling 482-4110 ext. 1340.

W Oscars® Film Series (ADULT)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Community Room
Thursday, 6 pm, 2/5, 2/12, 2/19, Tuesday, 2/24
Join us in paying tribute to the beloved

Oscar® with a month of Best Picture screenings: *Rebecca* (2/5), *The Apartment* (2/12), *The French Connection* (2/19), and *No Country for Old Men* (2/24).

W Teen Gaming Fridays (TEEN)

YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Fridays at 4 pm, 1/23, 2/27, 3/27, 4/24
Kick off your weekend with some PS2 open play at the library.

W TYDL Wave/Teen Anime

YDL-Whittaker Road, Story Room
Saturdays, 2–4 pm, 1/10, 2/7, 3/14, 4/4
Join other teens to watch and discuss new and popular anime. January: *Animation Styles Then and Now*; February: *Love Is in the Air*; March: *Mecha: Super Fighting Robots*; April: *What's the Difference? Subbed vs. Dubbed*.

W Saturday Craft Box (FAMILY)

YDL-Whittaker Road,
Story Room
Saturdays at 2:30 pm
1/17, 1/31, 2/14,
2/28, 3/14, 3/28,
4/11, 4/25

Families, drop in and enjoy fun-filled "crafty" afternoons.



Book Groups @ YDL-Whittaker Road

Registration is suggested; call the contact number listed for each group.

W Mother/Daughter Book Club

(GRADES 4–6)
Meets Mondays, 1/26, 3/2, 3/30, 4/27, at 7 pm in the Story Room. To register, call 482-4110 ext. 1340.

W Monday Evening Book Group (ADULT)

Meets the second Monday of the month at 7 pm, Conference Room 1C. Titles this season: *Team of Rivals* (1/12), *Seeing in the Dark* (Community Reads selection, 2/9), *In this House of Brede* (3/9), *Walden Two* (4/13), and *Me Talk Pretty One Day* (5/11). Details: 482-4110 ext. 1306.

W African American Authors Book Discussion Group (ADULT)

Meets the last Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Community Meeting Room. Details: 482-4110 ext. 1306.

W Mystery Lovers Book Group (ADULT)

Join other amateur sleuths once a month on Wednesdays at 2 pm in Conference Room 1C to discuss mystery novels.

Titles under the microscope: *One Corpse Too Many* (1/28), *A Thin Dark Line* (2/25), *Broken Shore* (3/25), *Sudden Prey* (4/29), and *Deal Breaker* (5/27). Details: 482-4110 ext. 1356.

W Thursday Morning Book Group (ADULT)

Meets the first Thursday of each month at 10:30 am in Conference Room 1C. The group will read: *Seeing in the Dark* (Community Reads selection, 1/8), *Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer* (2/5), *You Learn by Living* (3/5), *Thirteenth Tale* (4/2), and *Zookeeper's Wife* (5/7). Details: 482-4110 ext. 1376.

W Boys Only Book Group (AGES 10–12)

Meets one Thursday a month. Call for meeting times: 482-4110 ext. 1340.

W Book Buddies (GRADES 1–3)

Meets Saturdays, 1/10, 2/7, 3/7, 4/18, at 1 pm in the Story Room. Discuss selected books and enjoy a craft and small snack. Call to register: 482-4110 ext. 1340.

Ongoing Events @ YDL-Michigan Avenue

Registration is required for some events. Call the phone number listed.

M **YDL Readers' Theatre Troupe** (YOUTH/TEEN)
YDL-Michigan Avenue, Mondays, 6–7 pm
3/2, 3/16, 3/30, 4/13, 4/27
Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1390
If you like acting or just acting silly, we need YOU to join the YDL Readers' Theater Troupe! No memorization is required. For fluent readers ages 8–18. Performance will be April 27 at 6:30 pm.

M **Chess Club and Family Game Night**
YDL-Michigan Avenue, Tuesdays, 6–8:30 pm
Join other chess enthusiasts of all skill levels for some friendly competition. Families are invited to play Checkers, Sorry, Connect Four and other favorites.

M **AARP Tax Aid Program**
YDL-Michigan Avenue
Thursdays, 1–5 pm, February 5–April 9
Get free help with tax preparation. For people 60 and older, low to moderate income. By appointment only: call 482-4110 ext. 1385.

M **Read to Logan the Library Dog** (AGES 6–8)
YDL-Michigan Avenue, Thursdays, 6:30–8 pm
1/15, 1/29, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26
Studies show that reading aloud to a trained Therapaws dog helps kids become better readers. Sign up today for your 10-minute reading slot with Logan. Bring your own book or choose one of ours. Register at 482-4110 ext. 1390.

M **Teen Gaming Thursdays** (TEEN)
YDL-Michigan Avenue
Thursdays, 12–3 pm, 1/22, 3/12, 4/9, 5/14
School is out early! Kick off your afternoon with PS2 open play at the library.

M **Final Friday Family Film Series**
YDL-Michigan Avenue, Fridays, 6–8 pm
Join us for a free after-hours movie on the big screen. Bring a picnic blanket and enjoy free popcorn and lemonade. Children under 13 must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. Feature films are: *Wall-E* (G-rated) 1/30, *Kung Fu Panda* (PG-rated) 2/27, *October Sky* (PG-rated) 3/27, *The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian* (PG-rated) 4/24.

M **Getting Connected**
Join the free hands-on introductory classes in the Friends of YDL-sponsored computer training lab. Courses include: *MS Word*, *MS Excel*, *MS PowerPoint*, *MS Publisher*, *PC Basic Skills*, *Selling on eBay*, *The PC Problem Solver*, *Resume Writing*, and *The Career Change Workshop*. Registration required: 482-4110 ext. 1385.

Drop-In Computer Lab: Teach yourself to type or improve your PC skills with free tutorials every Thursday from 1–3 pm.

Special Workshops: Wednesdays from 6–8 pm. *Critical Thinking: Win Every Argument Every Time:* 1/28, 4/29, 5/27
Internet Scams, Fraud, and Hoaxes: 2/25 and 3/25.

Book Groups @ YDL-Michigan Avenue

Registration is suggested; call the contact number listed for each group.

M **Kids Only Book Club** (GRADES 3–5)
Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19
Youth book discussion group meets monthly for snacks and discussion about books selected just for them. Details: 482-4110 ext. 1390.

M **ESL Book Group** (ADULT)
Wednesdays, 11 am
Study English as a Second Language in a casual, comfortable atmosphere. Call 482-4110 ext. 1385 or 1320.

M **Middle Readers** (GRADES 6–8)
Tuesdays at 7 pm, 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7
Join other girls and guys in middle school to discuss books about the best—and worst—things about becoming a teenager. To register, call 482-4110 ext. 1390.



Books and Bites for Teens

This teen book group focuses on the finer things in life: good books and great pizza! Meeting locations vary: YDL-Whittaker Road (1/31 and 4/25), YDL-Michigan Avenue (2/28 and 5/30), and YDL-Superior (3/28). All groups will meet at 4 pm. Call 482-4110 ext. 1340 to register.

INSIDE: Dr. Seuss, Living History Day, Latin dancing, teen film fest and much more!

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