There are four age groups to choose from:

- Pre-Reader (Ages 0–5)
- Youth (Ages 5–12)
- Teen (Ages 12–18)
- Adult (Ages 18+)

Reading and learning over the summer is as important as it is fun. Studies show the reading levels of students who don’t read over the summer “slide” backwards, losing two months of progress they must make up for the next school year. And you don’t have to be a student to benefit from reading and learning! Young children reap lifelong benefits from talking, singing, and playing, and retirees who read and take classes are happier and healthier than those who don’t.

Everyone who participates in the Summer Challenge can earn prizes along the way. You’ll get a prize when you sign up, and another after you read your first six books. Keep reading, learning, and exploring all summer to earn more chances to win!

Please note: to win prizes, all badges must be recorded online by August 31!
CONEY ISLAND: Visions of an American Dreamland

Exhibit open June 17–August 11 at YDL-Whittaker

This summer, YDL hosts a national traveling exhibit celebrating Coney Island, the iconic American amusement park. With artifacts, photographs, film clips, and hands-on activities, the exhibit explores the resort’s century-long history.

Known as America’s playground, Coney Island inspired artists, musicians, poets, and filmmakers, who saw it as a prism that reflected the American experience. As one of the few places where people of different races, ethnicities, and classes spent time together, Coney Island transcended social boundaries.

In conjunction with the exhibit, YDL will offer programs that explore the history, local relevance, and modern influence of Coney Island. We hope you will join us to watch a film, look back at Detroit’s Boblo Island, or learn about modern rollercoaster design! Event details are listed on pages 4–5.

The NEH traveling exhibit, Coney Island: Visions of an American Dreamland is open to the public and is available whenever the library is open. Admission is free.

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Celebrate the exhibit and launch the Summer Challenge with a fun-filled Coney Day at all three YDL locations. From carnival games to bounce houses, duck ponds to Detroit-style coney dogs, join us for a Coney-themed afternoon heralding the beginning of summer.

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BOOKMOBILE
Our iconic book bus is getting a new look!

Have you ever seen the Bookmobile parked in your neighborhood or at a community event? Don’t be shy—climb aboard! The Bookmobile is a mobile library branch that carries over 3,000 books, DVDs, CDs, and magazines for all ages. If you live near one of the regular stops shown on the map, you can even request materials online or over the phone to have them delivered to your stop.

In a recent survey, the Bookmobile was repeatedly mentioned as one of the Library’s most visible and beloved services. After ten years on the road with the old blue design, we decided to give it a fresh new look! The new Bookmobile “wrap” is fun, vibrant, and welcoming to all ages, and we hope it will inspire more people to give it a try.

When it’s not on a scheduled route, the Bookmobile also appears at community events—everyone is invited to march or ride a bike with us in the Ypsilanti Independence Day Parade! Visit the Bookmobile anytime this summer to earn a Summer Challenge badge.

Bookmobile Fun Facts

- Purchased in 2008
- 36 ft. long, 11 ft. 11 in. tall
- Has laptops with internet access
- Equipped with a seating area for storytimes and book browsing
- Carries over 3,000 books, movies, CDs, and magazines
- Makes an average of 90 stops per month
- Nearly 2,000 items checked out per month

Bookmobile makes regular visits to schools and daycares, teaching children how to use the library, get library cards, and check out materials. The Bookmobile also appears at community events—everyone is invited to march or ride a bike with us in the Ypsilanti Independence Day Parade! Visit the Bookmobile anytime this summer to earn a Summer Challenge badge.

To learn more or request a Bookmobile appearance, visit www.ypsilibrary.org/bookmobile or call (734) 482-4110 x1316.

The bookmobile is one of our most loved services! Just like the rest of the library, it is getting a fresh new look. See the big reveal in the Ypsilanti Independence Day Parade.
ADULT

**JUNE**

**FRIDAY, June 2**

**FIRST FRIDAY SUMMER CONCERT**
4pm | YDL-Michigan


**SUNDAY, June 4**

**RACIAL JUSTICE FILM & DISCUSSION**
(Ages 12–18)
2pm | YDL-Whittaker

A thought-provoking film followed by open discussion about race and racism moderated by LaRon Williams. In partnership with the Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice.

**MONDAY, June 5**

**CONY ISLAND**
6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

This fusing PBS film documents the iconic park, from its early days as “Sodom by the Sea” to its epic height and eventual decline.

**TUESDAY, June 6**

**ADULT CRAFTERS’S GUILD**
3pm | YDL-Whittaker

Create a unique notebook with vintage maps. Register: (734) 482-4110 x1377

**MONDAY, June 12**

**CONY DETROIT**
6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Joe Grimm and co-author Katherine Yung visited scores of Detroit-area Coney Island restaurants for their book. Learn how Detroit became the epicenter of a coney nation, and sample a “real” Michigan-style coney dog!

**SATURDAY, June 17**

**AFRICAN AMERICAN GENEALOGY**
10-30am | YDL-Michigan

Discovering your African-American family history is a challenge with great rewards. We invite you to learn about the process with us.

**TUESDAY, June 20**

**MANAGING ARTHRITIS**
(Ages 55+)
6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Learn about symptoms of arthritis, treatment techniques, and strategies and resources available in your area with Physical Therapist Holly Neal of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

**THURSDAY, June 22**

**BOOK PAGE ART**
(Ages 55+)
1pm | YDL-Whittaker

Create stunning vintage-inspired art using old book pages and water colors. Register: (734) 482-4110 x1359

**THURSDAY, June 29**

**BOBLO ISLAND: THEN AND NOW**
7pm | YDL-Whittaker

Historian Patrick Livingston will give an overview of Boblo Island’s history, from its discovery by French explorers to its closure in 1993. Book sales and signing to follow.

**JULY**

**FRIDAY, July 7**

**FIRST FRIDAY SUMMER CONCERT**
6pm | YDL-Michigan

Funk Opus will make your feet move to R&B, Soul, and Motown. Opening with a preview of teen performers from the Noise Permit teen concert. Held indoors in case of rain.

**TUESDAY, July 11**

**IPHONE BOOT CAMP: BASIC NAVIGATION**
(Ages 12–18)
6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Get the most out of your iPhone with help from our tech-savvy staff! Please register separately for each session you wish to attend. Register: (734) 482-4110 x1377

**THURSDAY, July 13**

**HISTORY OF THE HURON RIVER**
6:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Historian Matt Siegfried will discuss how the river was used by different Native peoples, through early American settlement, and its emergence as a place of recreation.

**TUESDAY, July 18**

**IPHONE BOOT CAMP: TAKING, EDITING, & SHARING PHOTOS**
(Ages 55+)
6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Register: (734) 482-4110 x1377

**THURSDAY, July 20**

**HOW TO START AN EXERCISE PROGRAM**
(Ages 55+)
6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

You’ve decided to start exercising. Congratulations! Learn techniques and find resources to help maintain your fitness with Physical Therapist Holly Neal. Finish with a group exercise session.

**AUGUST**

**SATURDAY, August 5**

**FEEL THE THRILL**
(Ages 13–18)
3pm | YDL-Whittaker

Ever wondered how roller coaster works, and what keeps you safe? American Coaster Enthusiasts will get nerdy about the technical dynamics of roller coaster design and safety.

**SATURDAY, August 19**

**TEEN ADVISORY GROUP**
(Ages 13–18)
3:30pm | YDL-Michigan

8 weeks, 12–16)

A four-week teen book club with WSC Academy! A thought-provoking film followed by open discussion about race and racism moderated by LaRon Williams. In partnership with the Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice.

**CONEY ISLAND: DREAMS FOR SALE**
3pm | YDL-Whittaker

An outraged community fights to protect the legendary amusement park from an unscrupulous real estate developer in this 2013 film.

**SATURDAY, August 26**

**SYLPHID**
(Ages 12–30)
2pm | YDL-Superior

You’ll need to be clever and work with others to figure out our puzzle room! Try the newest trend in escape rooms here! Create your own superhero with artist Jermaine Dickerson and get ready for the Hero Nation event!

**SATURDAY, August 26**

**GREAT SUPERIOR ESCAPE ROOM**
(Ages 12–16)
1pm | YDL-Supervisor

Register: (734) 482-4110 x1359

**SATURDAY, August 6**

**HERO NATION DRIVING CLASS**
2pm | YDL-Michigan

Create your own superhero with artist Jermaine Dickerson and get ready for the Hero Nation event!

**TEEN ADVISORY GROUP**
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XAVIER SMALL TEEN TECHE (Ages 13–18)
4:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Through a generous donation, YDL has digital art, and more during this youth-led open studio. Work on your own project or collaborate on a mural!

**TEEN ADVISORY GROUP**
(Ages 12–18)
4:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Register: (734) 482-4110 x1340

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(Ages 13–18)
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UKULELE (Ages 12–18)
3.30pm | YDL-Whittaker

You will learn about the ukulele, its history and how to play. You’ll need to bring your own ukulele and learn to read music.

**TEEN ADVISORY GROUP**
(Ages 14–18)
6pm | YDL-Whittaker

Register: (734) 482-4110 x1340

**OPEN STUDIO: MUSIC & MIC**
(Ages 14–18)
6pm | YDL-Whittaker

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**TEEN BOOK CLUB**
(Ages 13–18)
11:30am | July 27-August 17 | YDL-Michigan

A four-week teen book club with WSC Academy! Call ahead to register and find out the book we picked. Limited space. Register: (734) 482-4110 x1390

**THURSDAY, August 24**

**HERO NATION COSTPLAY WORKSHOP**
(Ages 12–30)
6pm | YDL-Michigan

Get ready for the Hero Nation event on September 9th at Parkridge Community Center by identifying your superpowers and getting your costume ready! Sewing machine, duct tape, fabric, and other supplies provided. Bring any items you want to incorporate.
### YOUTH & FAMILY

#### JUNE

**THURSDAY, June 1**
**TWEEN BOOK CLUB** (Grades 6–8) 6:30pm | YDL-Michigan
Register: (734) 482-4110 x1390

**FRIDAY, June 2**
**KIDS’ BOOK CLUB** (Grades 2–6) 11am | YDL-Whittaker

**FRIDAY, June 9**
**TINKERLAB: ART** (Ages 2–6) 12pm | YDL-Whittaker

**TUESDAY, June 6**
**LEGO NIGHT** (Ages 2–14) 6pm | YDL-Whittaker
Drop in and build with Lego Duplo. Read, Play, Grow!

**TUESDAY, June 13**
**FLAT STANLEY ADVENTURE CLUB** (Ages 6–11) 6pm | YDL-Michigan
Travel with Flat Stanley Adventure Club for stories, games, facts, and activities from fun places around the world.

**SATURDAY, June 17**
**CONEY DAY**
1pm | YDL-Michigan
2pm | YDL-Whittaker
12pm | YDL-Superior

**TUESDAY, July 10**
**STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER** (Ages 3–5) 6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker
Bring your second-favorite stuffed animal to make it a part of the library family. Snacks and a bedtime story will be provided. It will be a sleepover for your stuffed animal as well! The next day, pick up your stuffed friend and photos of the adventures they had after hours at the library.

**THURSDAY, July 3**
**TINKERLAB: ART & SCIENCE** (Ages 2–6) 2pm | YDL-Whittaker

**SATURDAY, July 15**
**SUMMER SCIENCE FESTIVAL** 2pm | YDL-Michigan
The Ann Arbor Science On-Museum will fill the library with interactive science and maker activities for kids of all ages! Sponsored by Kiwains of Ypsilanti.

**SATURDAY, July 22**
**FACE PAINTING & FUN** (Ages 5–14) 2pm | YDL-Superior
What would you like painted on your face? We’ll paint it! We’ll also have hula hoops, frisbees, music, and cookies.

**THURSDAY, July 20**
**KIDS’ BOOK CLUB** (Grades 3–5) 6:30pm | YDL-Michigan
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**SATURDAY, August 12**
**SUPERHERO TRAINING ACADEMY** 3:30pm | YDL-Michigan
Make a mask and cape, perform superhero tasks to earn your Superhero Academy diploma and refuel with sneakers.

**MONDAY, August 14**
**MUSIC TOGETHER** (Ages 0–3) 10:30am & 12:30pm | YDL-Whittaker
Try out the popular music class! Children will build musical confidence and learn to sing in tune, keep a beat, and grow as musicians.

**FRIDAY, August 18**
**TAB: TWEEN ADVISORY BOARD** (Ages 9–12) 6pm | YDL-Michigan

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**See WEEKLY EVENTS, BOOK GROUPS, ADULT MEETUPS, and STORYTIMES listed on the next page!**
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**ADULT MEETUPS**

**TUESDAYS**

**KNITTING PLUS** 6pm | YDL-Michigan
All handcrafts welcome. Bring your own supplies. Beginning knitting instruction available.

**BEGINNING AMERICAN GENEALOGY** 2pm | June 20 • July 18 • August 15 | YDL-Michigan
Offered over seven monthly sessions, each workshop features a different tool to help you find records of your American ancestors.

**THURSDAYS**

**FILM CLUB** 7pm | June 20 • July 11 • July 25 • August 8 • August 22 • June 6 | YDL-Whittaker
Watch films and take part in discussions led by film critic Perry Sibert.

**GARDEN CHATS** 3pm | June 15 • August 17 • July 20 | YDL-Whittaker
Garden enthusiasts, from novices to experts, meet for lively discussions.

**FRIDAYS**

**GUITAR CLUB** (Ages 18+)
10am | June 9 • June 23 • July 7 • July 21 • August 4 • August 18 • YDL-Michigan
Learn new songs, listen, collaborate, learn to play, and share your music! All types of guitars and levels of players are welcome.

**SATURDAYS**

**LNGO WALKING GROUP** 6:30pm | June 15 • July 20 • August 17 | YDL-Whittaker
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**MYSTERY LOVERS BOOK GROUP** 2pm | June 28 • July 26 • August 30 | YDL-Whittaker
Join us for lively discussions.

**THURSDAYS**

**AFRICAN AMERICAN AUTHORS BOOK GROUP** 2pm | June 29–August 17 | YDL-Michigan
Hone your skills and prepare for Noise Permit 2017 with Akili Jackson. Held at Ypsi Alehouse, 124 Pearl Street

**AFRICAN AMERICAN GEMS BOOK CLUB** 2pm | June 28 • August 17 | YDL-Whittaker
Learn to use music technology to make beats and play, and share your music! All types of guitars and levels of players are welcome.

**STORYTIMES**

**MONDAYS**

**BABY STORYTIME** (Ages 0–18 months) 10:30am | YDL-Whittaker
Inspire a love for literature in your future reader through songs, stories, movement, rhythm and rhyme.

**TODDLER STORYTIME** (Ages 18 months–3 years) 11:30am | YDL-Whittaker
Books, songs, fingerplays, movement, and occasional crafts help toddlers build fundamental early literacy skills. Once a month, we include a digital storyline component.

**WEDNESDAYS**

**YOGA STORYTIME** 10:30am | YDL-Whittaker
Hear great stories and try simple and fun yoga poses to go with them. Bark in downward dog, hiss in cobra pose and flutter wings in butterfly!

**ADULT EVENTS**

**MONDAY–FRIDAY**

**LUNCH AND LISTEN** (Ages 18 & under) 1pm | June 26–August 18 | YDL-Michigan
Free lunch every day! Enjoy a nutritious lunch, listen to a story, and earn Summer Challenge badges. Lunch is served at the exact time listed—please be on time! Sponsored by Food Gatherers of Ann Arbor and the Michigan Department of Education. Stick around the library afterward for fun hands-on projects.

**SNACK TIME** (Ages 18 & under) 4pm | June 19–August 18 | YDL-Michigan
Missed lunch? We’ll serve a healthy snack every afternoon.

**MONDAYS**

**GREAT GARDENERS** 2pm | June 5–August 28 | YDL-Michigan
Grow, harvest, and enjoy food from the new community garden. Make yummy snacks from easy recipes!

**TUESDAYS**

**GET CREATIVE** 2pm | YDL-Whittaker
From printmaking and watercolor to drumming, express yourself through music and art.

**RHYME ZONE** (Ages 13–20) 3:30pm | YDL-Michigan
Learn to use music technology to make beats and edit recordings with Charlie Naranos.

**WEDNESDAYS**

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**MONDAY MINECRAFT MEETUP** 4pm | YDL-Whittaker
Play Minecraft on our server—share tips and build a world together!

**LIBRARY LAB** 2pm | June 26–August 16 | YDL-Whittaker
Explore chemical reactions, electronics, engineering, coding and more.

**FRIDAYS**

**OUTDOOR FUN** 2pm | YDL-Whittaker
Get physical with hop, hop, dance, capoeira, gardening, or outdoor art and science! If it rains, we will have board games inside.

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Work on your own art project with our Creative Toolkit supplies or collaborate on a mural for the teen area.

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**THURSDAYS**

**COOKING CLASS** (Ages 12–18) 6pm | June 20–August 15 | YDL-Michigan
Read recipes, cook new dishes, and eat smart with MSU-extension’s Caprisha Curry.

**WORD PLAY** 2pm | June 29–August 17 | YDL-Whittaker
Try word-based activities like family writing workshops, journal making, word collages, digital storybooks, and more!

**LYRICIST LOUNGE** (Teen) 5pm | YDL-Michigan
Sharpen your musical skills and prepare for Noise Permit 2017 with Akili Jackson. Held at Ypsi Alehouse on 6/29, 7/6, and 7/27.

**SUMMER FUN & GAMES** 5:30pm | June 23–August 31 | YDL-Whittaker
YMCA will lead exciting outdoor games! Cancelled in the event of heavy rain.

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**WORLD LANGUAGE STORYTIME** 10:30am | June 3 • July 1 • August 5 | YDL-Whittaker
Experience a different language each month! A native speaker of the language will read a story, which will be translated into English, then we’ll have a craft or activity from another culture.

**STARRY NIGHT STORYTIME** (Family) 6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker
Wear your jammies to the library! Sleepy time stories and songs to prepare you for a night of sweet dreams.

**SATURDAY MORNING FEVER** 10:30am | YDL-Whittaker
Shake your sillies out with dancing, rhymes, and songs. Shakies and dance scarves provided.

**STEM STORYTIME** (Ages 7 and under with parent) 9am | June 10 • July 8 • August 12 | YDL-Whittaker
Help your child develop a love of science, technology, engineering, and math. Hear stories, play games, and do experiments together that encourage discovery.
MARKET STORYTIMES

If you visited the Tuesday Farmer’s Market in downtown Ypsilanti last summer, you may have noticed kids and parents stopping to read, play, and sing! Youth librarians will visit the market again this summer on Tuesdays from 4–6pm. Market storytime allows kids to drop in for a few minutes or for an hour to hear stories, sing songs, do puzzles, and play with toys from the library’s play kits. Visiting YDL at the market will also earn you a Summer Challenge badge.

In addition to the storytime, the library book tricycle will be at each market day. The adult tricycle works as a mini-library! It’s stocked with children’s and adult books, and a wireless hotspot allows staff to issue library cards and check out books.

TEENS GET CREATIVE
New projects at both YDL-Whittaker and YDL-Michigan let teens explore art, music, and design

X-SMALL TECH CAFÉ at YDL-Michigan

Xavier Small will forever remain a charismatic, energetic 14 year old, captured in the memories of his classmates, friends, and family members. Xavier, whose friends called him Zay, passed away June 1, 2016. This summer, the X-Small Tech Café will open in his honor, a place where teens can learn, create, and build skills in the creative and tech fields. Xavier frequently volunteered at the library and was much loved by both patrons and staff. He loved music, manga, and art. His mother, Claudia, asked that memorial donations go to support teen programs at the downtown library. The community responded by raising nearly $6,000 in his memory. Claudia worked with the Teen Advisory Group (TAG) to develop a vision for the X-Small Tech Café, and Xavier’s friends and family helped decorate a built-in countertop with teen-friendly seating.

The Grand Opening of the X-Small Tech Café on July 1 will honor and celebrate Xavier Small’s life. TAG members will show off their creations and invite others to play and experiment with the equipment and meet a few of the guest artists who will teach workshops in the space. The X-Small Tech Café will be a lasting tribute to a wonderful young man.

CREATIVE TOOLKITS at YDL-Whittaker

Toolkits for creative projects now available to teens at the Ypsilanti District Library.

Many people think of the library as a quiet place to study and check out books, but the Teen Advisory Group (TAG) at YDL-Whittaker had a different vision. Many teens were interested in art, music, and digital design, but wanted more than classes—they wanted the space to be able to experiment and learn, and access to the tools needed to try new creative projects. Their solution? Have the library provide high-end art supplies, digital art tools, and music equipment for young people to use to create art.

TAG members teamed up with the Neutral Zone’s Youth Driven Spaces program, led by Ypsilanti resident John Weiss. He helped them solidify their ideas, identify funding, and write a grant to implement their vision. They won the support of the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation’s Youth Council, and YDL Creative Toolkits were born.

The toolkits can be checked out by youth ages 12–18 for use inside the Whittaker Road library. TAG members will also use the kits over the summer to host youth-led open studio sessions, sharing how to use the toolkits and creating collaboratively with other teens.

TECH CAFÉ EQUIPMENT

- Microsoft Surface tablets
- Graphic and video software: Photoshop, Premiere, and Ableton Live
- Music equipment: midi controllers, sound boards, mics, and headphones
- Workshops: Graphic design, video editing, music recording, and more

CREATIVE TOOLKITS

- Digital Music: laptop with FL Studio, midi controller, drum pad controller headphones, and recording microphone
- Music Jams: keyboard, ukuleles, guitars, music stands, microphones, amps, and tuners
- Digital Art: laptop with Wacom tablet
- Visual Art: Copic markers, Prismacolor pencils, Sakura koi watercolor sets, precision markers, shading pencils, and paper
- Digital Cutouts: Cricut and materials such as vinyl and iron-on fabric to make custom decals
- Fiber Art: yarn, crochet hooks, knitting needles, how-to books, and patterns
Friends of the Library

Become a Friend

The Friends of the Library is a volunteer group that supports the Ypsilanti District Library through book sales and membership. You can become a member by contributing $10 or more. Learn more at any library desk or call (734) 482-4110 x1368.

Pop-up Sale

Get ‘em while they’re hot! The Friends will hold a special pop-up book sale at YDL-Whittaker during Coney Day on June 17, from 11am–3pm. You can buy paperbacks for as little as 25¢ each, so stock up on summer reads while supporting your library! Coney dogs will also be for sale at both YDL-Whittaker and YDL-Michigan, with 10% of proceeds donated to the Friends of YDL.

Friends Cart

The Friends also offer books for sale from a cart at YDL-Michigan. Ask at the front desk if you’re interested in buying a book.

BEEZY’S CAFÉ

at YDL-Whittaker

In January, local favorite Beezy’s Café opened inside the Whittaker Road library. The menu includes scrumptious sandwiches and salads, a variety of pastries and bagels, and two kinds of made-from-scratch soup every day, one of which is vegetarian. The café also offers coffee, tea, and bottled juice and soda. It has quickly become a favorite of YDL staff and patrons alike!

The café is open seven days a week and follows the library’s hours, closing 30 minutes before the library does. Beezy’s is also happy to offer catering for events held in the Community Room at YDL-Whittaker.

Visit beezyscafe.com/catering

Friends Book Sale

Don’t miss the best used book sale in town! Find hidden gems among a huge collection of books, CDs, and DVDs, and stock up on novels on Sunday when you can fill a bag for $4.

Next Sale: September 21–24, 2017

Thursday .................................................. 6pm–8pm

Members only preview night

Friday .................................................. 11am–5pm
Saturday ............................................. 11am–3pm
Sunday ................................................. 1pm–4pm

Friends Shop

The Friends Shop inside YDL-Whittaker offers a wonderful selection of gently-used books at great prices. The shop is open seven days a week.

Monday .................................................. 2pm–8pm
Tuesday .................................................. 6pm–8pm
Wednesday ......................................... 10am–2pm
Thursday ............................................. 10am–4pm
Friday .................................................. 10am–2pm
Saturday ............................................. 11am–5pm
Sunday ................................................. 2pm–4pm

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Friends of the YDL Liaison

Brian Steimel, Friends of the YDL Liaison

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Courtney Geil, Trustee
Jean Winborn, Trustee
Lisa Hoenig, Library Director

YDL-Whittaker

5577 Whittaker Road
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
(734) 482-4110 x1350

HOURS

Monday–Thursday .............. 9am–9pm
Friday / Saturday .............. 10am–6pm
Sunday ............................... 1pm–5pm

YDL-Michigan

229 West Michigan Avenue
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
(734) 482-4110 x1325

HOURS

Monday–Thursday .............. 9am–9pm
Friday / Saturday .............. 10am–6pm
Sunday ............................... Closed

YDL-Superior

8795 MacArthur Blvd
Ypsilanti, MI 48198
(734) 482-4110 x1391

HOURS

Monday ....................... 12pm–8pm
Tuesday ......................... 10am–6pm
Wednesday / Thursday .... 4pm–8pm
Friday ............................. Closed
Saturday ..................... 10am–6pm
Sunday .......................... Closed

YDL-Bookmobile

Ypsilanti, MI 48197
(734) 482-4110 x1359

HOURS

Monday–Thursday ........ 4pm–8pm

Locations & Hours

Holiday Closings

Tuesday – July 4, 2017 Independence Day
Sunday – September 3, 2017 Labor Day Weekend
Monday – September 4, 2017 Labor Day

Year

Board meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the board room at YDL-Whittaker. They are open to the public.

Call (734) 482-4110 x1371 for details.

Board Members

John Barr, President
Mike Randall, Vice President
Kimberly Grover, Treasurer
Kay Williams, Secretary

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