

FINALLY OPEN!

With a temporary certificate of occupancy, YDL reopened the Michigan Avenue branch on April 14 (see Page 3). So far, the renovation has been met with glowing reviews. We want you to see it, too!

On June 6, as part of downtown's First Friday festivities, attend an after-hours open house. We'll keep YDL-Michigan open until 8pm for browsing and exploring. Check out activity stations, meet some of our partners, and enter to win our exclusive Open House door prize!

Then, stop by on Saturday, June 7 for our official Back on the Block celebration, alongside our Summer Challenge Kickoff. Enjoy activities inside the building from 2-5pm. Walk through our new space, get a sneak peek at our summer programs, and complete challenges to enter into our prize raffle. Special guests include Paddington and Bambi, the library dogs kids can read to at YDL throughout the year.

Come by, explore the new branch, and help us commemorate the reopened building.



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A DINO-MITE SUMMER CHALLENGE

Meet dinosaurs, dig for archaeological treasure, play in a bounce house, and sign up for the Summer Challenge! YDL's 2025 Summer Challenge kicks off June 7 from 2-5pm at the YDL-Michigan Library Plaza with music, food, and entertainment.

From 2-3pm, interactive dinosaurs from Feller Express will be on hand. If giant dinosaurs are not your speed, you can enjoy some Kona Ice and a DJ (courtesy of Ann Arbor Summer Fest) while playing in a bounce house and participating in other library activities. This year's kickoff is paired with our Back on the Block celebration, commemorating the completion of the Michigan Avenue building renovations (see above).

From June 7–August 24, enjoy STEM activities—courtesy of a renewed \$30,000 grant from Toyota (see Page 9)—Youth Arts Alliance workshops, a fairy door scavenger hunt, and more. You can even use your library card to ride the bus for free on the

weekends all summer long, courtesy of TheRide (see Page 12). The Summer Challenge encourages everyone to learn and explore what's happening in our area by offering digital badges for reading and participating in library and community activities



throughout the summer.

This year, ask for a yard sign and write your own code word to display in your yard for people to find and earn points!

In 2024, over 2,500 people signed up for the challenge. Those participants read nearly 40,000 books and completed over 3,800 Explore challenges! More than half of participants completed 10 challenges or more.

Thanks to our generous community sponsors, everyone who participates earns a prize. Kids and teens get a free day pass to swim at Rutherford Pool just for signing up. Adults get a bookmark or sticker. Kids and teens who earn 10 badges get to pick out a book to keep, then pick a prize from the treasure box every time they earn 10 more badges. Adults earn a themed gift bag of their choice for earning 10 badges. Don't stop reading, learning, and exploring after you reach 10 badges! Every digital badge earns kids and teens (Continued on Page 2)

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an entry in weekly drawings, and players of all ages a chance to win themed grand prize baskets in the end-of-summer drawing.



How to Play

- Reactivate your account—or create a new one if you haven't played before—by visiting ypsilibrary.org/summer. Once you've signed up, visit any YDL branch to pick up your first prize.
- Log activities between June 7 and August 24. Earn a digital badge every time you read a book, complete a challenge, or attend a library program.
- Win prizes! Every badge gives you a chance to win the grand prize of your choice, and you can collect additional prizes for every 10 badges you earn.

LIBRARY SUMMER LUNCHES ON HOLD FOR 2025

Due to unforeseen logistical issues, Food Gatherers is unsure whether it can offer any Summer Lunches this year.

Typically, Food Gatherers facilitates the Library's Lunch and Listen series, which is part of the state's Meet Up & Eat Up program. This year, however, there has been difficulty finding a vendor to supply hot meals.

Food Gatherers is looking into other ways they might be able to provide food in some capacity for Washtenaw County's Summer Food Service Program, but nothing is finalized at the time of this printing.

You can keep an eye on ypsilibrary.org/events to check for updates. YDL will add Lunch and Listen programs to our calendar if they resume. For updated information from Food Gatherers, visit FoodGatherers.org/Summer. In lieu of summer lunches at YDL, there are some other community food options available.

School nutrition programs

Ypsilanti Community Schools and Lincoln Consolidated Schools provide free meals at select locations during the summer. Visit yoschools.us or lincolnk12.org for more information.

Summer EBT

This new federal program provides \$120 in food benefits for each eligible child. Children from low-income families or families that already participate in SNAP, TANF, or Medicaid are eligible. Contact your school district for more information.



Ypsi Stories

We'll learn from Matt Siegfried about the Native American Great Lakes and the Conquest of Michigan, especially as it relates to the Ypsilanti area. Visit ypsilibrary.org/ypsistories to see all available podcast episodes.



New Faces at YDL

MEET YDL'S FIRST SOCIAL WORKER

YDL recently hired its first Library Social Worker! Kat Layton will be based at the YDL-Michigan branch, but she can provide service at any YDL location.

"Deeply personal experiences, including the loss of my formerly incarcerated father to violence in 2004...drive my professional work," Layton said. "I'm eager to connect with all members of the Ypsilanti community, including the people who have been the most neglected."

This new social worker position was made possible by the Washtenaw County Mental Health and Public Safety Preservation Millage Funding, and YDL is partnering with the EMU School of Social Work to help evaluate the program's impact. Layton will



connect people with community resources, organize workshops about social issues, support library staff, and provide relevant information to anyone experiencing mental health issues, problematic substance use, unstable housing or homelessness,

or other service provision needs.

Layton has a Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan and brings nearly a decade of direct service work and experience in research and policy to the role. She has worked with public defender organizations like the Neighborhood Defender Service of Detroit and the Center for Behavioral Health and Justice at Wayne State University as a Research Assistant. This unique lens helps her advocate for systemic change informed by the realities of those most impacted.

"It's incredibly exciting to join the Library Social Work field and ensure holistic support and resources for everyone through low-barrier access," Layton said. "I also look forward to building and developing a strong team to expand the program's impact."



KATHRYN TAKACH IS THE NEW BRANCH MANAGER FOR YDL-SUPERIOR

Kathryn Takach is the new Branch Manager at YDL-Superior. She comes to YDL with over 17 years of library experience and looks forward to continuing to build the branch's presence in the community.

"I'm an avid believer that libraries are the cornerstone of every community," Takach said. "I plan to work hard to make sure the library continues to be a source of enrichment for all."

After she earned her Master of Science in Library and Information Science from Pratt Institute, Takach spent time as a Teen Librarian at Brooklyn Public Library in New York, a Youth Services Manager at Boone County Public Library in Kentucky, and a Library Supervisor at Dearborn Public Library.

Her hobbies include listening to music and audiobooks, practicing hand-stitched embroidery, competing in synchronized ice skating, and watching sports.

"I'm truly excited about working with the staff and patrons of YDL-Superior in the beautiful branch building," Takach said.

Spruced Up Spaces

MICHIGAN AVENUE HAS A NEW LOOK

On April 14 the doors opened to the public, revealing the beautiful spaces at YDL's downtown branch.



CAFÉ COMING, ALONG WITH NEW STORYTIME ROOM



This summer, check out some exciting renovations at YDL-Whittaker, informed by public input from a 2019 space needs assessment.

The former café space is being transformed into a comfortable lounge seating area. It will offer vending machines in the back where you can get a snack or a drink, plus space to gather with others, use and charge devices, or just wait for a ride.

Storytimes are adapting to include more movement, which requires the Youth Storytime Room to have a flat floor. The renovations will also allow for more technology, a new kitchen, and tables for bigger kids and teens.

We hope the youth space will be complete by the time the Summer Challenge begins, and the Café space not long after. YDL engaged Daniels & Zermack Architects to design the renovations.

PUMP UP YOUR BIKE



We will soon have bike repair stations at all three YDL branches! Each is equipped with an air pump and other tools for minor repairs.

EVENTS

Adult

Tuesdays | Jun 3 - Aug 19

ESL COMMUNITY TUTORING WITH WASHTEAW LITERACY

4pm | YDL-Superior

Practice English language skills in an informal, relaxed setting. Free and open to the public. All levels of English are welcome. Please arrive 5 minutes before the start time for each group.

Jun 4 | Jul 2 | Aug 6

CLASSIC CRIME COMEDIES

6pm | YDL-Whittaker

Watch classic comedy/crime movies. Showtimes at 6:30.

Jun 4: *The Lavender Hill Mob* (1951) directed by Charles Crichton

Jul 2: *After the Thin Man* (1936) directed by W.S. Van Dyke II

Aug 6: *Murder at the Gallop* (1963) directed by George Pollock

Thursdays | Jun 5 - Aug 21

BASIC LITERACY COMMUNITY TUTORING

10:30am | YDL-Superior

Drop-in tutoring for adults in reading, writing, and more.

Jun 5

WASHTEAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE: ADVANCE YPSI PROGRAM

3-5pm | YDL-Whittaker

Meet with representatives from Advance Ypsi—an education and job training initiative for high school students and adults—in the Whittaker lobby and get your questions answered.

Fridays | Jun 6 - Aug 22

DIGITAL LITERACY TUTORING WITH WASHTEAW LITERACY

12pm | YDL-Whittaker

Learn how to use devices, Internet safety, social media etiquette, Zoom, and more.

For more information, contact steichen@washtenawliteracy.org or call 734-337-3370. *No session July 4.

Jun 11 | Jul 9 | Aug 13

MICHIGAN WORKS! SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY OUTREACH

11am | YDL-Whittaker

A representative from MICHIGAN WORKS! Southeast will be in the lobby to answer questions and provide information and assistance on job leads, employment, job fairs, and career guidance.

Jun 11 | Jul 19 | Aug 13

YPSIWRITES WRITERS ROOM & DROP-IN CONSULTING

Jun 11: 6:30pm | Virtual

Jul 19: 11am | YDL-Whittaker

Aug 13: 6:30pm | YDL-Superior

Join other writers for open writing time. Bring a work in progress or start something new! We'll provide prompts for inspiration and one-on-one support. Register at tinyurl.com/YpsiWritesWritersRoom.

Jun 12

BIRTHING BASICS WITH WRAPPED IN LOVE

6pm | YDL-Superior

Learn what to expect as you welcome your new baby. We will focus on changes in your body, hospital and home birth expectations, advocacy, birth preparation, and lactation.

Jun 14 at 11am | Jun 23 at 6:30pm

CLAY HILL FARM & GARDEN PROJECT

YDL-Superior

Wondering what's happening at the corner of MacArthur Blvd and Harris Rd? Get to know Clay Hill Community Farm & Garden with TC Collins of Willow Run Acres. Go on a walking tour of the garden and hear about its history, future plans, and volunteer opportunities.

Jun 21

PAINT & PLANT!

1pm | YDL-Whittaker

Decorate a terracotta pot with acrylic markers. Herb seeds and planting instructions from the YDL Seed Library will be available to take home. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.

Jun 26 | Jul 24 | Aug 28

GARDEN QUESTIONS? ASK THE MASTER GARDENER!

5-7pm | YDL-Whittaker

Advanced Master Gardener Carol Brodbeck will be in our lobby once a month this summer to answer your garden questions about flowers, vegetables, fertilizer, pest control, and more.

Jun 28 | Aug 9

CANVA 101

11am | YDL-Superior

Explore Canva, a free graphic design tool. Learn to create flyers, social media content and more with this intuitive, free website. No design experience needed. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.

Jul 10

WHAT IS A DOULA?

6pm | YDL-Superior

Learn about birth doulas, what they do, the different types, how they could benefit you, and even how to become one.

Jul 17

AARP CARFIT: VEHICLE DRIVER SAFETY FOR OLDER ADULTS

10am | YDL-Whittaker

A trained technician will work with you to ensure you "fit" your vehicle properly for maximum comfort and safety in this drive-thru style event. A CarFit check takes approximately 20-30 minutes. CarFit is not a driver evaluation or a test of driving performance. Your information is kept private. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.



Jul 19

CELL PHONE PHOTOGRAPHY

2pm | YDL-Superior

Learn to express yourself with your cell phone's camera. Guanhua Yao, whose piece *Freedom* was recently added to YDL-Superior's permanent art collection, will teach you how to take great photos and edit them for printing. Choose two photos to print and take with you.

Jul 23

CREATING A NATURAL HABITAT GARDEN FOR WILD BEES

6pm | YDL-Whittaker

Learn how to make your yard a sanctuary for wild bees through small changes to your garden practices. Design tips and resources will be shared for new and experienced gardeners. Program led by Washtenaw County Parks' naturalist Shawn Severance.



Jul 24

BRING-YOUR-OWN-TREATS TRIVIA NIGHT

7pm | YDL-Whittaker

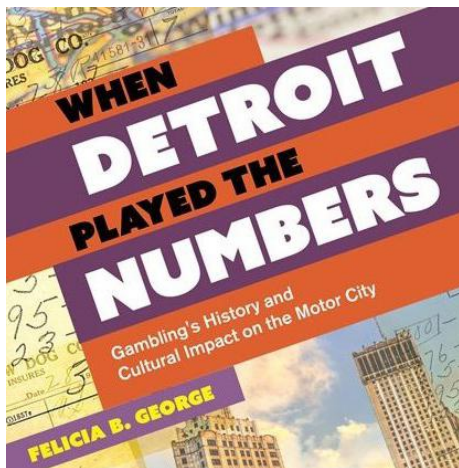
Register a team of up to four for a night of pub-style trivia. The library will provide light refreshments but guests are welcome to bring snacks, pastries, candy, and non-alcoholic beverages. Small prizes await the highest-scoring teams! Register at ypsilibrary.org/events by July 23 to ensure your spot.

Jul 26

WHEN DETROIT PLAYED THE NUMBERS: GAMBLING'S HISTORY AND CULTURAL IMPACT ON THE MOTOR CITY

2pm | YDL-Superior

Felicia George, author of the award-winning book *When Detroit Played the Numbers* sheds light on the lives of Detroit's numbers operators. These self-made entrepreneurs overcame poverty and navigated the pitfalls of racism and capitalism—by both legal and illegal means—to become important members of the community.



Aug 9

FARMERS MARKET SUMMER BASH

9am-1pm | Ypsilanti Farmers Market

Growing Hope will host live music, giveaways, and fun activities while they unveil a new outdoor sink, offer safe food handling demos, and have some great giveaways.

Aug 9

DOCUMENT SHREDDING

10am-1pm | YDL-Whittaker

Bring up to four copy paper boxes or grocery bags of documents per person. Donations will be accepted by the Friends of YDL to help offset the cost of this event. Limited to residents of the City of Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township, and Superior Township. See ypsilibrary.org/events for additional details and restrictions. Funded in part by a Washtenaw County Waste Reduction Sponsorship. **Note:** This event may end earlier if the truck fills up!

Aug 9

FLAVOR FEST

12-8pm | Ypsilanti Farmers Market

Food Gatherers will host a food truck rally with family activities and food featuring local makers, chefs, and artisans from all over Michigan.

Aug 14

BREASTFEEDING BASICS WITH WRAPPED IN LOVE

6pm | YDL-Superior

A fun and informative crash course in breastfeeding. You will learn the benefits of breastfeeding, how to advocate for yourself and your baby, some tips and tricks to meet your breastfeeding goals, and how your partner can support you on this journey.

Aug 19

PYSANKY

5:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Pysanky, also known as Easter Eggs, are a traditional Ukrainian folk craft. Eggshells are "written" upon with wax and dyed to create intricate designs. Learn how to create these small works of art and more about the tradition at this class. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.

Adult Meetups

Mondays | Jun 2 - Aug 25

MAHJONG MEETUP

10am | YDL-Whittaker

AT A NEW TIME FOR THE SUMMER: A weekly Mahjong group for new and experienced players. Chinese-style sets will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own. All experience levels welcome.

Jun 2 | Jul 7

READ IT & EAT IT: COOKBOOK CLUB

6pm | YDL-Whittaker

Each month, participants will choose a recipe from a specific book or theme, prepare it, and bring the dish to share and discuss. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.



Jun 2 | Jul 7 | Aug 4

SEW SOCIAL

7pm | YDL-Superior

Bring your latest project and meet others who enjoy needlework. Whether you cross-stitch or embroider, get inspired, share project ideas, seek advice, and work on your projects with fellow crafters. All skill levels are welcome.

Tuesdays | Jun 3 - Aug 26

KNITTING PLUS

6pm | YDL-Whittaker

Meet with other yarnies and share your projects and ideas every Tuesday. Open to all, any handcraft welcome!

Tuesdays | Jun 3 - Aug 26

MEDITATION WITH EASE: GUIDED IN-PERSON MEDITATION

6pm | YDL-Superior

Meditation has many benefits for our health and well-being. Drop in for simple, guided, non-religious awareness practices in the company of friends you may not have met yet! *No meeting Aug. 5.

Wednesdays | Jun 4 - Aug 27

WEDNESDAY WALKING CLUB - MICHIGAN AVENUE

10:30am | YDL-Michigan

A great way to start the day! We'll walk together through the beautiful Riverside Park, enjoying the fresh air and great conversation.

Wednesdays | Jun 4 & 11

ESL BOOK CLUB

11am | YDL-Michigan

For intermediate to advanced readers. Meet weekly to talk about the language, grammar, and cultural aspects of a book. Members will be expected to read approximately 45 pages in advance of each session. To register, contact Washtenaw Literacy at (734) 337-3338.

Jun 5

THURSDAY MORNING BOOK GROUP

10:30am | YDL-Whittaker

Join us on the first Thursday of the month to discuss a variety of fiction and nonfiction books. **Jun 5:** *The Queen's Gambit*, by Walter Tevis **Jul & Aug:** Summer Break (no meetings)

Jun 5 & 19 | Jul 3 & 17 | Aug 7 & 21

EUCHRE CLUB

6:30pm | See description for locations

Play tournament-style Euchre at the library. Players will be shuffled after each game. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events to ensure a spot.

Jun 5 | Jul 3 | Aug 7: YDL-Michigan

Jun 19 | Jul 17 | Aug 21: YDL-Whittaker

Fridays | Jun 6 - 27 | Jul 25 - Aug 29

CHAIR YOGA FOR ALL LEVELS WITH INSTRUCTOR MELANIE HERRON

10:30am | YDL-Superior

Engage in slow, mindful movements to create length and space in both the mind and body. Experience the benefits of Chair Yoga, including enhanced flexibility, improved mobility, and greater awareness of breath. This class is done both seated and standing alongside the chair.

Jun 6 & 20 | Jul 11 & 25 | Aug 1 & 15

FRIDAY WALKING CLUB (55+)

10:30am | YDL-Whittaker

Join us for a 30-minute walk along a path near the library and enjoy each other's company. Meet in the YDL-Whittaker lobby. Call (734) 482-4110 x2411 to check weather-related cancellations.

Jun 7 | Jul 5 | Aug 2

WAX IN THE STACKS - SHOW OFF YOUR VINYL

4pm | YDL-Michigan

Music lovers and curious listeners can explore a diverse range of genres using a vintage 1960s Mustang II portable vinyl player.

Jun 7: Surf Rock

Jul 5: Hidden Gems

Aug 2: Folk

Jun 9 | Jul 14 | Aug 11

DOWNTOWN QUEER CRAFTING GROUP (Ages 18+)

6-8pm | YDL-Michigan

Folks of the LGBTQIA+ community are invited to bring projects to work on and build a creative community. Contact Aaron Smith at asmith@ypsilibrary.org or 734-482-4110 x1335 for more information.

Jun 10 | Jul 8 | Aug 12

SCIENCE FICTION BOOK CLUB

7pm | YDL-Whittaker

A discussion group for fans of science fiction. Copies are available at the YDL-Whittaker Circulation Desk one month before the discussion date. Questions? Contact Marianne at vandenbergen@ypsilibrary.org.

Jun 10: *Red Mars* by Kim Stanley Robinson

Jul 8: *Rendezvous with Rama* by Arthur C. Clarke

AND *The Ophiuchi Hotline* by John Varley

Aug 12: *Lord of Light* by Roger Zelazny

Jun 11 & 25 | Jul 9 & 23 | Aug 13 & 27

CROCHET CLUB

6pm | YDL-Whittaker

Gather with other crocheters on the second & fourth Wednesdays of every month to crochet, share projects, get ideas, and more. Adults only, open to all.

Jun 12 | Jul 10 | Aug 14

YPSILANTI ZINE CLUB

6pm | YDL-Michigan

Work on zines together, share techniques and ideas, and make zine-making friends. Basic art materials provided. Find out how you can contribute to YDL's growing zine collection.

Jun 12 | Jul 10 | Aug 14

BOARD GAME MEET UP

6:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Play a rotating selection of mostly lighter complexity board games from the library, or bring your own to share. If you are bringing a game, please keep our two-hour time limit in mind!

Jun 14 & 28 | Jul 12 & 26 | Aug 9 & 23

YDL GUITAR CLUB

10am | YDL-Michigan

Practice your skills, learn new songs, and play in a group. Contact Aaron Smith at asmith@ypsilibrary.org or 734-482-4110 x1335 for more information.

Jun 19 | Jul 17 | Aug 21

SENIOR ADVISORY BOARD (Ages 55+)

1pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join us each month as we work to represent and give voice to the needs of older adults at the library.

Jun 19 | Jul 17 | Aug 21

QUEER BOOK GROUP

6:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Read and discuss literature written by queer-identifying writers with diverse backgrounds. Selected books include fiction, poetry, and graphic novel selections. Email kziegler@ypsilibrary.org to sign up.

Jun 19: *Love after the End* edited by Joshua Whitehead

Jul 17: *All Out* edited by Sandra Mitchell

Aug 21: *Didn't Nobody Give a Shit What Happened to Carlotta* by James Hannaham

Jun 20 | Jul 18 | Aug 15

LNGO CRAFTERNOONS

2pm | YDL-Michigan

Join us for a lighthearted afternoon working on a craft project where the goals are to engage your mind, connect with others, and build new brain pathways. Register for each session individually at ypsilibrary.org/events.

Jun 21

WASHTENAW AFRICAN AMERICAN GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY (WAAGS)

10:30am | Virtual (No meetings July and August)

Get tools and learn facts to successfully navigate the complex embedded resources of African American ancestry. All skill levels are welcome and encouraged. For more information contact Jean Winborn at owinborn@yahoo.com.

Jun 24 | Jul 29 | Aug 26

VIRTUAL AFRICAN AMERICAN AUTHORS BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

7pm | Virtual

Join us for lively discussions of books by African American authors.

Jun 24: *A Right Worthy Woman* by Ruth P. Watson

Jul 29: *Black on Black* by Daniel Black

Aug 26: *Girl, Gurl, Grrrl* by Kenya Hunt

Jun 25 | Jul 16 | Aug 20

BOOBIE CLUB WITH WRAPPED IN LOVE

6pm | YDL-Superior

This is a safe space for anyone planning to breastfeed, or currently breastfeeding, to meet other parents and to get support from lactation experts. Drop in for a snack and some boobie talk!

Jun 26* | Jul 31 | Aug 28

PARANORMAL CLUB - INVESTIGATE THE UNEXPLAINED

6:30pm* | YDL-Michigan

Delve deep into the fascinating world of the unknown, where every meeting brings new discoveries. Each month, we gather to discuss intriguing topics, share personal experiences, and engage with expert guest speakers who bring their knowledge of the supernatural.

*On June 26, meet at 9pm for an after-hours exploration of the YDL-Michigan basement.

Jun 30 | Jul 28 | Aug 25

BANNED BOOK CLUB

7pm | YDL-Superior

Read, discuss, and celebrate stories that have sparked controversy and inspired change. Copies of the book are available at YDL-Superior one month before the discussion date. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.

Jun 30: *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You: A Remix* by Ibram X. Kendi and Jason Reynolds

Jul 28: *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury

Aug 25: *The Glass Castle* by Jeannette Walls

Teen

Jun 13

TEEN SURVIVOR CHALLENGE

6pm | YDL-Michigan Library Plaza

Compete against other teens in a series of team-based challenges for the title of YDL's ULTIMATE TEEN SURVIVOR! Wear comfy clothes that you don't mind getting wet or dirty. Light snacks and refreshments will be served.



Jul 10

MAKE SAMOSAS

4:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join Amrah Ali to try your hand at making this popular Indian appetizer. Samosas are known for their crispy exterior and flavorful, spiced filling. Everyone will learn how to season their fillings, wrap their samosa, and cook it.

Jul 12

SUMMER PARTY (Ages 12-18)

6-9pm | YDL-Whittaker

The Teen Advisory Group invites you to the library for a teen-only after-hours event. Compete in all types of games to win prizes, including Mario Kart, Uno, and Capture the Flag. Watch a movie, make crafts, eat pizza, enjoy an ice cream sundae bar, and meet friends!

Jul 24

MAKE MALIAN PÂTÉ

4:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Make Malian pâté, a popular street food in Mali. This savory snack consists of a simple dough made with flour, yeast, salt, and onions, with other traditional seasonings. Presented by Aisha, Cheick Fatima, and Fatim Traore.



Aug 1

TEEN NOISE PERMIT CONCERT

5-8pm | YDL-Michigan Library Plaza

YDL is hosting our annual summer Teen Noise Permit Concert in partnership with the Ozone House Drop-In Center and Music Means More, Inc. Teens will attend workshops all summer with Dante Dorsey, founder of Music Means More, Inc., to prepare for their performances of songs, poems, spoken-word, and more, live on-stage. Questions? Email Kelly at kscott@ypsilibrary.org. See Page 9 for more.



Teen Meetups

Jun 10 & 24 | Jul 8 & 22 | Aug 12 & 26

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)

4:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Students in Grades 8-12 are invited to join TAG, the library's youth advisory group. Plan and lead library programs, design new services and spaces, look for funding opportunities, write grants, earn service hours, and meet new friends. Apply to join at ypsilibrary.org/tag.

Jun 10 & 24 | Jul 8, 22 & 29

MIDI LAB

2:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Walk through the steps of building a MIDI controller. Attendance at all sessions is highly recommended in order to finish the project.

Jun 10: Learning MIDI controllers + prototyping and learning circuits

Jun 24: Building the controller

Jul 8: Coding/mapping the controller

Jul 22: Designing the controller casing in Tinkercad

Jul 29: 3D printing controller casing

Jun 17 | Jul 1 & 15 | Aug 5 & 19

TEEN GREAT STORIES CLUB

3pm | YDL-Michigan

Enjoy a fun-filled teen book club featuring snacks, free books, and a gift card raffle. Explore questions of race, equity, identity, and history. Email kscott@ypsilibrary.org to join.

Mondays & Tuesdays | Jun 16 - Jul 29

NOISE PERMIT WORKSHOP

4:30pm | See description

Led by Dante Dorsey, founder of Music Means More, Inc. See Page 9 for more information. Questions? Email Kelly at kscott@ypsilibrary.org.

Mondays: Beats Lab at YDL-Michigan

Tuesdays: Lyricist Lounge at Ozone House

Drop-in Center (102 N. Hamilton St.)

Jun 26 | Jul 10 & 24 | Aug 7

DROP-IN DND: ONE SHOT ADVENTURE

3pm | YDL-Michigan

Join an adventure unlike any other! Literally, these are one-shot adventures and we will only play them this one time. Any experience level welcome (10+). We will work off pre-made sheets with character traits, mechanics, and actions.

Jun 26 | Jul 31

BOOKISH GIRL COLLECTIVE

5pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join other teens and YDL board member and educator Jean Winborn to chat about life and books by female YA authors of color. Each month we'll cook and/or do an art project that ties into the book. During the June meeting, decorate cookies and eat pizza while you talk, then vote on the book and activities for July.

Fridays | Jul 11 - Aug 1

TEEN ZINES AND SOCIAL CHANGE WORKSHOP

4pm | YDL-Michigan

In partnership with 826 Michigan and the Student Advocacy Center's Youth Action Michigan (YAM) group, YDL presents a workshop for teens looking to use their voices to create social change and justice in their community. Teens will learn to turn their thoughts into words and action and create their own individual zines with an opportunity to distribute them to the community at the end of the workshop. Register at ypsilibrary.org/events.

Kids & Parents

Jun 6

FIRST FRIDAYS AT YDL

6pm | YDL-Michigan Library Plaza

Check out the newly-renovated Michigan Avenue branch at this First Friday program. Visit activity stations throughout the building, meet some of our community partners, and see what other surprises await you at Michigan Avenue.

Jun 7

SUMMER CHALLENGE KICKOFF PARTY: MICHIGAN AVENUE IS BACK ON THE BLOCK

2-5pm | YDL-Michigan Library Plaza

Celebrate our reopened downtown library and sign up for the Summer Challenge at this dino-mite event. See Page 1 for details.

Jun 12 & 26 | Jul 10 & 24

READ TO MOON THE LIBRARY DOG

5:30-7:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Reading to a Therapaws dog helps children develop confidence and become better readers. Registration required. Email mitchell@ypsilibrary.org to sign up for a 10-minute slot with Moon.

Jun 12 | Jul 10 | Aug 7

READ TO BAMBI THE LIBRARY DOG

5:50-7:20pm | YDL-Superior

Reading to a Therapaws dog helps children build confidence and become better readers. Email nrussell@ypsilibrary.org to reserve a 10-minute slot with Bambi.

Jun 14

SUPERIOR DAY

11am-2pm | Oakbrook Park | 8460 Berkshire Dr.

Enjoy games, Kona-Ice, a petting farm, face painting, and more!

Jun 16 | Jul 28

KAM KOMICS WORKSHOP

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Drop in and draw with artist, educator, and MC Kamron Reynolds of Kam Komics. Create your own characters, stories, backgrounds, lettering, and more.

Mondays | Jun 16 - Jul 21

HEALTHY HABITS AT MICHIGAN AVENUE

3pm | YDL-Michigan

Healthy Habits is a health education program put on by the Washtenaw Intermediate School District. Kids and families are invited to join the fun with physical activity, games, and a fun recipe tasting with items from the Michigan Avenue Community Garden.

Jun 19

SUN BIRD WITH MICHIGAN AUTHOR/ILLUSTRATOR LINDSAY MOORE

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join us for an author visit with Lindsay Moore featuring fun STEM projects. Create life-size paper arctic terns, make wings, and explore migration routes with lacing cards. Black Stone Bookstore will have books for purchase.

Jun 20

FÊTE DE LA MUSIQUE (MAKE MUSIC DAY!)

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join us for Make Music Day, where all over the world, people will be making music wherever they can. We'll make instruments and play together!



Jun 20

SUMMER OF HeART KICK-OFF CELEBRATION

2-5pm | YDL-Superior

Celebrate the start of Summer of HeART with Youth Arts Alliance and Bichini Bia Congo Dance Theater. Kids and teens can create art, make music, and dance as we kick off our 8-week arts & culture programming at YDL-Superior! See page 9 for more information.

Fridays | Jun 20 - Aug 15

FUN FRIDAYS

3pm | YDL-Michigan

Michigan Avenue staff has fun things planned for everyone this summer on Fridays!

Jun 21

ALL DIFFERENT NOW: JUNETEENTH STORYTIME

2pm | YDL-Michigan

Join us for an all-ages storytime to learn about and celebrate the history of Juneteenth. Check out our collection of books and resources about Juneteenth, and grab a craft or two to do in the library or take home. Get a free book courtesy of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club.



Jun 23

ESSENCE GROVE: FAIRY HOUSES AND STORYTELLING

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Author C'Anna Hanser of *Essence Grove: A Storybook Brought to Life* will share a short reading from her book. Families can build their own fairy house with natural materials and write a short story about who lives there. Stories can be submitted for an opportunity to be featured on the Essence Grove website.

Jun 24

WILDERNESS SURVIVAL (Ages 8-12)

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join Rodney Cole, bushcraft instructor from Woodbutchery, to learn knot tying and shelter building, and take home a survival kit.

Jun 26

CREATURE TEACHER

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Ypsi's own Creature Teacher, Ahmid Ward, brings you up close with exotic animals. You'll see scaly, furry, and different crawling creatures. You'll learn interesting fun facts and even get hands-on with some of them!



Jun 27

LEGOS AND LEGO SPIKE CODING

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Learn to code with our Lego Spike sets; free build, design, and test Lego cars; or try one of our Lego building challenges.

Jun 27

ELECTRIC SLIDE STORYTIME

6pm | YDL-Michigan

Join us for an intergenerational good time with author Kelly J. Baptist as she reads her book *The Electric Slide and Kai*. Sherry Hawkins of Dance With Elegance will break down the electric slide for all ages so we can all get our groove on at this story and dance party!

Jun 28

SATURDAYS OF SUMMER KICKOFF

11am-2pm | Firemans Park | 8795 Macarthur Blvd

Enjoy free food, games, and more with Superior Township Parks and Recreation, the Mighty Oak Youth Project, and CLR Academy.

Jun 28

YOUTH ARTS ALLIANCE APPAREL DESIGN & ADORNMENT

2pm | YDL-Michigan

Design your own apparel with visual artist and YAA Teaching Artist Gabrielle Schaub! Explore techniques in dye, embroidery, and aesthetic. Registration is available on site.

Jun 30

STORYTELLING THROUGH MUSIC

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join us for an afternoon of musical storytelling through chamber music presented by students at the University of Michigan's Center Stage Strings summer program.

Jul 3

GARDEN MATH

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Math is everywhere, especially in the garden! Make patterns and practice weighing, measuring, comparing, and tasting.

Jul 7

KALIMBA KING

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

San Francisco musician and educator Carl Winters, a.k.a Kalimba King, will perform an interactive, family-friendly concert. Learn about kalimbas, then play one!



Tuesdays | Jul 8 - Aug 12

SUMMER WRITING LAB WITH 826MICHIGAN (Students Ages 8-14)

5:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Get creative and stretch your writing muscles with this summer small-group writing program. Young writers and trained volunteers will work together to cultivate joy and confidence around writing. For meeting times, registration, and more information, visit 826michigan.org/programs/summer-programs.

Jul 10

SLIME STATIONS

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Use household ingredients to make various types of slime to take home.

Jul 11

CAPOEIRA

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join Mestre Lobinho for an introduction to capoeira.

Jul 12

CIRQUE AMONGUS CIRCUS DAY

11am | YDL-Michigan

Cirque Amongus project managers will introduce participants to the fundamentals of circus arts—juggling, movement and balancing—in a safe, fun-filled, and educational environment.

Jul 12

MOVIES ON THE GREEN

8pm | Dixboro Village Green | 5221 Short St

This is a family event from Superior Township with playground games starting at 8pm with a family-friendly movie starting at 9:30pm. Bring your blankets, snacks, and a cooler.

Jul 14

NATURE PLAY ON THE WAY: SPHERES

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join University of Michigan's Matthaei Botanical Garden staff near the YDL garden for creative outdoor play with natural objects. Learn about gravity with spheres and near spheres, including natural and foraged objects.

Jul 16

NATURE PLAY-ON-THE-WAY WITH MATTHAEI BOTANICAL GARDENS

6pm | YDL-Michigan

Join Matthaei Botanical Gardens Nature Play staff for an evening of outdoor fun. Explore natural materials and let your imagination soar!

Jul 17

BIRDS UP CLOSE

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Observe live birds with Michigan Avian Experience, enjoy a bird walk with the Washtenaw Bird and Nature Alliance, and decorate a birdhouse to bring home.

Jul 18

JUMP ROPE WITH JUMPIN' ALLSTARS

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Catch award-winning Jumpin' Allstars while they are on a quick break between competitions. Be amazed by their presentation, then get a chance to try it out!



Jul 19

DOG MAN PARTY

2pm | YDL-Michigan

Celebrate our favorite half-man, half-dog, crime-fighting hero with games and crafts at our Dog Man party. You'll get a chance to win your very own copy of his newest book, *Big Jim Begins*.

Jul 21

TINY FURNITURE AND ROOM BOXES

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Hear an excerpt from *The Borrowers* by Mary Norton, then visit stations to make tiny furniture out of found objects and use your creations to decorate a small room in a box.

Jul 24

ROBOT CODING

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Learn to use block-based coding to program our VinciBots to dance, draw, and move. Use markers to tell our Ozobots how to move and use found objects, tin cans, and craft supplies to build a robot model of your own to take home.

Jul 25

KNIGHTS & DRAGONS

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Hark, come hither! Join in a lively obstacle course and create armor with ChompSaws and MakeDo connectors.

Jul 26

BUG HUNT

11am | Cherry Hill Nature Preserve | 6255 Cherry Hill Rd

Hike into CHNP to catch bugs, examine them up close, and learn about their habits.

Jul 26

SOMEONE SPECIAL AND ME YOGA EXPERIENCE

12pm | YDL-Michigan

Join Zion Well yoga instructor Heidi for an afternoon of celebration and connection through movement.

Jul 26

YOUTH ARTS ALLIANCE PINHOLE PHOTOGRAPHY LAB

2-5pm | YDL-Michigan

Join skilled photographer and YAA Teaching Artist Katie LeClaire in creating your own photographs using a hand-built pinhole camera.

Jul 31

COLD-BLOODED CREATURES

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join Huron-Clinton Metroparks for a hands-on look at Michigan's reptiles and amphibians. Learn how to tell the difference between reptiles and amphibians, as well as their habitats, diets, and adaptations for survival.



Aug 1

WATER PLAY DAY

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Enjoy a slip 'n slide, water stations, games, and cool treats on the lawn.

Aug 2

YOUTH ARTS ALLIANCE SKETCH COMEDY & VIDEOGRAPHY

2-5pm | YDL-Michigan

Explore a series of theater practices, write your own original skits, and record and produce sketch shorts with YAA Teaching Artists Josh McDaniel and Daniel Wylie-Eggert.

Aug 9

WILD KRATTS BIRTHDAY PARTY!

1-3:30pm | YDL-Michigan

What if? We had a Wild Kratts party! Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum and Leslie Nature Center will bring live animals that we will meet up close. Create your own Creature Power discs and enjoy activities from our museum partners. We will celebrate everyone's birthday with creature power at this giant birthday party.

Aug 9

MOVIES IN THE PARK

8pm | Oakbrook Park | 8460 Berkshire Dr.

Play kickball, then watch a family-friendly movie starting at 9pm. Bring your own blankets, snacks, and coolers.

Aug 12

BLACK MEN READ BOOK PARTY

6:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Join Black Men Read for a book party to celebrate the bittersweet ending of summer and beginning of school. Get a free book courtesy of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club.

Aug 16

SUMMER OF HeART CELEBRATION PERFORMANCE & EXHIBITION

2-5pm | YDL-Superior

Celebrate the creative and visionary works of kid and teen artists during the Summer of HeART series. See their exhibitions and a performance by Bichini Bia Congo Dance Theater Company. Refreshments provided, fun guaranteed!



Kids & Parents Meetups

Jun 2 | Aug 7

TWEEN BOOK CLUB (Grades 6-8)

6:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Join us for a monthly discussion of a shared book and enjoy a snack. Registration required. Email mitchell@ypsilibrary.org.

Jun 2: *Wiltoak* by C. C. Harrington

Aug 7: *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

Jun 4 | Jul 2 | Aug 6

GROW YOUR GARDEN

5:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Feel joy in gardening at this all-ages program. Each month we will explore an aspect of gardening, using our community garden as a practice space.

Jun 4: Succession Planting and Harvesting

Jul 2: Garden Bouquets

Aug 6: Natural Dyes

Jun 9 & 10 | Jul 2 & 3 | Aug 18 & 19

HEALTHY HABITS

2pm | YDL-Superior

Healthy Habits is a health education program put on by the Washtenaw Intermediate School District. Kids and families are invited to join the fun with physical activity, games, and a fun recipe tasting with items from the YDL-Michigan Community Garden!

Jun 11 | Jul 9 | Aug 13

READING READINESS BOOK CLUB

5pm | YDL-Michigan

Caregivers and kiddos will work together to understand pre-reading skills, how they support reading readiness, and how to practice them. Caregivers will get age-appropriate tips and tricks for recognizing, practicing, and enhancing pre-reading skills. Kids can pick a free book each week, courtesy of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club.

Mondays | Jun 16 - Aug 11

GARDEN-TO-TABLE

2pm | YDL-Superior

Join us as we cook tasty snacks and foods made with vegetables and herbs from our Learning Garden. Participants must be 8 or older or accompanied by an adult. Families are welcome to come learn together.

Tuesdays | Jun 17 - Aug 12

SUMMER STEM @ SUPERIOR

2pm | YDL-Superior

Join us for indoor and outdoor STEAM activities for school-age children.

Jun 17: G.A.S. It Up Fitness

Jun 24: Nature Play with guests from Gaffield Children's Garden

Jul 8: G.A.S. It Up Fitness

Jul 15: EMU STEM Ed - Decorate tornadoes in a bottle

Jul 22: G.A.S. It Up Fitness

Jul 29: EMU STEM Ed - Create jewelry using the number pi

Aug 12: G.A.S. It Up Fitness

Tuesdays | Jun 17 - Jul 29

TWEEN SCENE

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

New activities each week for kids ages 8-12 to get creative while parents and younger siblings enjoy movement with Healthy Habits Start Now.

Jun 17: Terrariums

Jun 24: Wilderness Survival

Jul 1: Batik T-shirts

Jul 8: Drafting Film Art

Jul 15: Room Décor

Jul 22: Classic Art Redux

Jul 29: Uno Tournament

Wednesdays | Jun 18 - Jul 30

TABLETOP GAMES

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Play tabletop games as a family or with teen volunteers. We'll introduce new games or have special activities some weeks, and we'll always have lots of favorites on hand.

Jun 25: Create travel-sized games, like tic-tac-toe and travel BINGO, and decorate a carrying case so you can take them along on your summer trips.

Jul 9: Play the Pokemon card game.

Jul 23: Try new tabletop games from Golden Rhino Games.

Wednesdays | Jun 18 - Jul 30

YOUTH CHESS MEETUP (Ages 5-18)

4:30pm | YDL-Whittaker

Kids and their families are invited to drop in and play chess this summer. If you're new to chess, you can play Dinosaur Chess on our iPads to learn how the pieces move.



Jun 19 | Jul 3, 17 & 31 | Aug 14

SUN AND SPROUTS: GARDEN RECIPES!

11am | YDL-Michigan

Join Library Gardener Stephanie to try simple recipes featuring garden ingredients while learning tips and tricks for making the most of your garden.

Jun 19 | Jul 17 | Aug 21

KIDS BOOK CLUB (Grades 3-5)

6:30pm | YDL-Michigan

Join us for a monthly discussion of a shared book and enjoy a snack. Registration required. Email mitchell@ypsilibrary.org.

Jun 19: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Hot Mess* by Jeff Kinney

Jul 17: *Once Upon a Space-Time!* by Jeffrey Brown

Aug 21: *Because of Winn-Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo

Jun 21 | Jul 19 | Aug 16

ASL FRIENDLY STORYTIME

10:30am | YDL-Superior

Join us for songs and books fully interpreted in ASL. There will be time to play with age-appropriate toys for kids up to age 5.

Tuesdays | Jun 24 - Jul 29

MOVEMENT AND MORE

2pm | YDL-Whittaker

Join Healthy Habits Start Now for Rec-Connect, a movement-based program for kids. Each lesson consists of a game-based physical activity and a yummy recipe tasting. Rec-Connect emphasizes how physical activity and nutrition work together to keep our bodies healthy and happy.

Saturdays | Jul 12 - Aug 16

DROP-IN WRITING FOR WEBBOTS

12pm | YDL-Whittaker

Ages 5-8: Read a book aloud and pay attention to one special thing the writer does. Then, work with volunteers on activities inspired by that idea.

Wednesdays | Jul 23 & 30

SUMMER STEM WITH EMU'S STEMed

3pm | YDL-Michigan

Visitors from the EMU STEM Education Institute will facilitate hands-on STEAM activities.

Jul 23: Make and decorate tornadoes in a bottle.

Jul 30: Make jewelry using the number pi and learn about pi's importance in today's world.

Wednesdays | Jun 25 - Aug 13

SUMMER OF HeART - WEDNESDAYS

2-5pm | YDL-Superior

See more details about Summer of HeART on page 9. Wednesday activities:

Jun 25: Clay Handbuilding & Visual Art Studio

Jul 9: Clay Handbuilding & Visual Art Studio

Jul 16: Ceramics on the Wheel - Visual Arts Studio

Jul 23: Clay Handbuilding - Zine Studio

Jul 30: Ceramics on the Wheel // Print and Stampmaking Studio

Aug 6: Pour & Splat! Clay Glaze Painting & Painting Abstract Art Studio

Aug 13: Clay Glaze Painting // Sun Prints & Cyanotype Studio

Thursdays | Jun 26 - Aug 14

SUMMER OF HeART - THURSDAYS

2-5pm | YDL-Superior

See more details about Summer of HeART on page 9. Thursday activities:

Jun 26: Theater 101 // T-shirt Dyeing

Jul 10: TV Studio - Part 1

Jul 17: Sounds & Stories // Album Cover Art Studio

Jul 24: TV Studio - Part 2

Jul 31: Masks & Heroes // Costume Fun

Aug 7: TV Studio - Part 3

Aug 14: Backyard Expedition // Painting Studio

Fridays | Jun 27 - Aug 15

SUMMER OF HeART - FRIDAYS

2-5pm | YDL-Superior

Each Friday during Summer of HeART, enjoy Congolese drumming and dancing with Bichini Bia Congo Dance Theater Company. See more details about Summer of HeART on page 9.

Stories and Fun for Little Ones

Jun 28

FAMILY CONCERT WITH MUSIC AT THE BLISSFUL

11am | YDL-Whittaker

Sing, jump, shake, and laugh with Evan Haller of Music at the Blissful, a national touring musician. The concert will feature songs off his new album, *This*.



Jun 28

STORYTIME AT THE POOL

1pm | Rutherford Pool | 975 Congress St.

Join us at Rutherford Pool for stories, songs, and play. Kids who sign up for the Summer Challenge get a day pass to get in free, then earn a Summer Challenge badge when you find us at the pool!



Jul 19 | Aug 9

MARKET STORYTIME

10am | Ypsi Farmers Marketplace | 16 S Washington St.

Join us for stories, songs, and play. On July 19, enjoy activities with Nature Play on the Way staff from UM Matthaei Botanical Gardens Gaffield Children's Garden.

Jul 26 | Aug 16

STORYTIME AT THE PARK

11am | Ford Heritage Park | 8399 Textile Rd.

Join us for stories, songs, and play and earn a Summer Challenge Badge!

MONDAYS

Mondays | Jun 16 - Aug 4

JUMPSTART KINDERGARTEN

10:30am | YDL-Whittaker

Find an engaging blend of activities and stories designed to help prepare preschoolers for school success, from scissor skills to STEM.

Mondays | Jun 16 - Aug 4

LITTLE ONES STORYTIME

10:30am | YDL-Michigan

Sing and move, read books, enjoy toys during open play, and connect with other caregivers. Siblings welcome. Get a free book each week, courtesy of the Ann Arbor Rotary Club.

TUESDAYS

Tuesdays | Jun 17 - Jul 29

BABY STORYTIME

10:30am | YDL-Superior

Hear a book and learn fun songs during a short lap sit storytime designed for pre-walkers. Then stay to chat with other parents and caregivers while your little one plays.

Tuesdays | Jun 17 - Aug 5

DISCOVERY TIME

10:30am | YDL-Whittaker

This fast-paced storytime is filled with music, movement, fingerplays, and books paired with exploratory learning and play.



WEDNESDAYS

Wednesdays | Jun 18 - Aug 6

BABY TIME

10:30am | YDL-Whittaker

See Tuesday description.

Wednesdays | Jun 18 - Aug 6

READ, SING, PLAY - WALKERS TO AGE 3

10:30am | YDL-Superior

Little ones learn colors, shapes, and numbers through music and movement. Build early literacy, social-emotional skills, and physical skills through play.

THURSDAYS

Thursdays | Jun 19 - Aug 7

DISCOVERY TIME AT SUPERIOR

10:30am | YDL-Superior

See Tuesday description.

Thursdays | Jun 19 - Aug 7

READ SING PLAY

10:30am | YDL-Whittaker

See Wednesday description.

FRIDAYS

Fridays | Jun 20 - Aug 1

NATURE PLAY

11am | YDL-Whittaker

Explore, discover, and build a love of nature at our outdoor sensory stations near the garden. We'll move inside if it's raining.

Jun 20: Dig for worms and make your own with natural clay.

Jul 27: Enjoy a toy car wash.

Jul 11: Visit fun ocean themed sensory stations and make a craft.

Jul 18: Mud pies.

Jul 25: Make potions with UM Matthaei Botanical Garden's Nature Play on the Way team.

Aug 1: Enjoy our new water table, funded by the Toyota Foundation.

Tech Help

Register at ypsilibrary.org/events or call 734-482-4110 X2411.

ONE-ON-ONE TECH HELP FOR SENIORS (Ages 55+)

YDL-Whittaker and YDL-Superior

Call 734-482-4110 x1384 or email

brigitte@ypsilibrary.org to schedule a one hour in-person, phone, or virtual session at Whittaker. To schedule a session at Superior, call 734-482-4110 x2431 or email mgeiman@ypsilibrary.org.

Jun 3 at 6:30pm | Jul 9 at 2pm

GOOGLE DOCS FOR BEGINNERS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn to format, select, copy, paste, and edit text. Also, learn to share and collaborate on a document.



Jun 4 at 10:30am | Jul 17 at 6:30pm

GOOGLE SHEETS FOR BEGINNERS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn to enter and edit data, format cells, and create simple formulas. Also, learn to share and collaborate on a spreadsheet.

Jun 5 at 6:30pm | Jul 12 at 10:30 am

GMAIL - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn how to send and retrieve messages, add attachments, create and manage labels and filters, add contacts, and manage junk email. Participants may sign up for a Gmail account at the end of class.

Jun 10 at 6:30pm | Jul 16 at 2pm

GOOGLE DOCS TIPS & TRICKS

YDL-Whittaker

Explore more advanced features of Google Docs: headers and footers, tabs and indents, inserting breaks (page, section, and column) and finding & replacing text.

Jun 11 at 10:30am | Jul 24 at 6:30pm

GOOGLE SHEETS TIPS & TRICKS

YDL-Whittaker

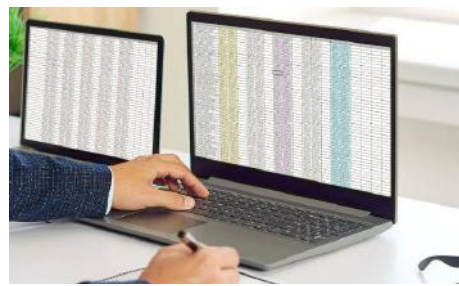
Explore more advanced features of Google Sheets like using formulas, conditional functions and formatting, sorting, filtering and linking data, and defining a print area.

Jun 11 at 2pm | Aug 9 at 10:30am

MICROSOFT EXCEL - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

A basic introduction to spreadsheets. Learn to enter and edit data, select cell ranges, format cells, use the fill handle, and create simple formulas.



Jun 12 at 7 pm | Jul 19 at 10:30 am

GOOGLE CALENDAR - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn the basics for setting up your Google Calendar to schedule and manage your events and appointments, share event information, and send notifications/reminders to your devices.

Jun 14 at 10:30am | Jul 23 at 2pm | Aug 14 at 7pm

GOOGLE DRIVE - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

Google Drive provides access to free web-based applications for creating documents, spreadsheets, presentations, and more. Learn to navigate Google Drive's interface and how to create, store, organize, access, and share your files/folders online.

Jun 14 at 2pm | Aug 7 at 6:30pm

GOOGLE SLIDES FOR BEGINNERS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn to create and deliver a presentation, add graphics and multimedia, and share and collaborate on a presentation.

Jun 17 at 7 pm | Jul 9 at 10:30am | Aug 9 at 2pm

COMPUTER BASICS - GETTING STARTED

YDL-Whittaker

Learn the parts and proper use of the computer and Windows basics, including opening/closing applications and managing files/folders.



Jun 18 at 10:30am | Jul 22 at 6:30pm

MICROSOFT POWERPOINT - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn how to create and add graphics and multimedia to a presentation.

Jun 18 at 2pm | Aug 23 at 10:30am

MICROSOFT EXCEL - INTERMEDIATE

YDL-Whittaker

Learn to apply functions, filter data, create charts, and print worksheets.

Jun 24 at 7pm | Jul 16 at 10:30am

INTERNET BASICS - HOW TO SEARCH THE WEB

YDL-Whittaker

This class covers the browser toolbar and menu options, managing your favorite websites, and using search tools and techniques.

Jun 25 & Aug 23 at 2pm

MICROSOFT EXCEL - PIVOT TABLES

(Intermediate)

YDL-Whittaker

Learn how to perform simple data analysis using Excel's PivotTable feature. Reorganize and summarize selected columns and rows of data in a spreadsheet to extract desired information. Participants should have an understanding of creating formulas and how cells are referenced within Excel.

Jun 25 at 10:30am | Jul 31 at 7pm | Aug 20 at 2pm

VEGA DISCOVER - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

An introduction to YDL's online public access catalog, Vega Discover. Learn how to find, request, and renew items. Understand the tools for managing lists and account information including checkouts and hold requests.

Jul 8 at 2pm | Aug 6 at 10:30am

FROM BOOMERS TO ZOOMERS: ZOOM PRACTICE FOR SENIORS (55+)

Virtual

Learn the basics of navigating the Zoom meeting interface. While working with other seniors, you can see yourself on camera, test your microphone, learn to chat, and more.

Jul 12 at 2pm | Aug 5 at 6:30pm

MICROSOFT WORD - BASICS

YDL-Whittaker

An introduction to word processing. Learn to enter, format, select, copy, paste, and edit text.

Jul 15 at 2pm | Aug 13 at 10:30am

HOW TO HOST A ZOOM MEETING

Virtual

Learn the basics for hosting a Zoom meeting from start to finish. Topics include: scheduling, securing, and starting your meeting; inviting participants; using host controls; Zoom etiquette; and basic troubleshooting.



Jul 19 at 2pm | Aug 12 at 6:30pm

MICROSOFT WORD - INTERMEDIATE

YDL-Whittaker

Add visual interest to your documents. Learn to create and format tables, insert images, create bulleted and numbered lists, and insert tabs.

Jul 29 & Aug 19 at 6:30pm

MICROSOFT WORD - TIPS, TRICKS, AND HACKS

YDL-Whittaker

Learn tips, hidden tricks, and time-saving hacks to get the most out of Word. Learn to modify page numbers, recover a corrupted file, add screenshots, reduce eye strain, use the Go To command, change ribbon tab order, and more.

BOOK VENDING MACHINES FUEL READING SURGE



The addition of Book Nook vending machines in the 2024-25 school year increased reading numbers across the Ypsilanti Community School District by more than 600%.

The Grizzly Reading Rewards Program has been running for several years as an incentive to get students to read more. During the 2024-25 school year, students read more than 276,000 minutes, up from 36,922 minutes in 2023-24. The percentage of students who participated jumped nearly 360% from the previous year.

“Our Book Nook vending machine has been a big hit with the students and staff,” said YCS ELC Media Specialist Sean Brandon, Jr., who runs the reading rewards program at Ford STEAM.

The Book Nooks have a large and diverse collection of books that students can “purchase”

with special tokens. Students earn tokens through reading achievements, good behavior, and even as birthday gifts.

Donations and sponsorships from the community have helped keep the vending machines stocked with reading materials. The Book Nooks have helped students build their home libraries and increased the “buzz” around reading for students.

This has resulted in students logging more hours in the Grizzly Reading Rewards Program. In the program, students take home a weekly reading log for parents to sign off on what book was read, how many pages were read, and how many minutes they read each day. The forms are returned to their teachers to log in the students’ Beanstack account.

Each month, top readers from each class and grade level are honored at school assemblies. At Ford, incentives from the program have included new books, toys, puzzles, and gift cards.

Ford STEAM celebrated “March is Reading Month” with a challenge to see which class could read the most minutes. A Kindergarten class of 17 read 19,237 Minutes and a 1st Grade class of 27 read 30,931 Minutes. Both classes earned a field trip to SkyZone.

“I love being able to run this program because it brings back the joy and excitement in learning how to read and being able to celebrate doing it as often as possible,” Brandon, Jr. said.

LINCOLN WELCOMES SEASONED EDUCATOR TO LEAD LHS



Lincoln Consolidated Schools welcomes Wendy Bridges as the new Principal of Lincoln High School. Bridges has over three decades of experience across teaching, coaching, and administrative work.

For the past three years, Bridges was the Junior/Senior High School Principal at Manchester Community Schools. She has seven years of experience as a head Principal, was an Athletic Director and Assistant Principal for 15 years, and taught English Language Arts and Physical Education for nine years. Bridges earned a bachelor’s degree at Western Michigan University and a master’s degree at Saginaw Valley University.

“Ms. Bridges brings a dynamic blend of passion, innovation, and compassion to her leadership,” said Superintendent Robert Jansen. “Her philosophy centers on empowering students to thrive academically and personally through meaningful, relevant learning experiences rooted in kindness, accountability, and opportunity.”

Bridges hopes to build on Lincoln’s Portrait of a Graduate competencies by focusing on programs like:

- **Innovation and Design Lab:** A space equipped with cutting-edge tools like 3D printers, laser cutters, and virtual reality devices.
- **Social Entrepreneurship Incubator:** A year-long program where students identify community problems and create business or nonprofit solutions.
- **Environmental Leadership Program:** An elective focused on sustainability projects such as building community gardens, advocating for renewable energy, or running recycling campaigns.
- **Digital Storytelling/Media/Sound Production Curriculum:** Students create short films, podcasts, blogs, or documentaries.
- **Kindness and Service Initiative:** A school-wide program focused on acts of kindness and community service, such as mentorship programs, volunteer days, and random acts of kindness challenges.

“At the core of my educational philosophy lies the belief that every student deserves opportunities that empower them to thrive in both the present and the future, rooted in relevance, engagement, and growth,” Bridges said. “I envision a school where students leave not only with diplomas but with a sense of purpose and a toolkit for making positive impacts.”

YPSILANTI’S ANNUAL JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION IS MOVING

Join YDL at Ypsilanti's Juneteenth celebration and decorate your own puzzle piece to round off our “Freedom for All” display



Ypsilanti’s 2025 Juneteenth celebration will have a new location, but the same vibes. From June 20-22, vendors, performers, and activities will be set up in the parking lot on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Hamilton Street. Stop by YDL-Michigan (across Adams Street) to cool down Friday and Saturday.

The Bookmobile will be on hand on June 21 with puzzle pieces to decorate and complete our “Freedom for All” display, along with other swag and activities. Return your decorated puzzle piece to YDL to be included in a special display across all YDL

branches. At 2pm, there will be a special storytime celebrating the history of Juneteenth inside YDL-Michigan (see page 5 for details).

On June 22, don’t miss Grammy Award-winning gospel artist Fred Hammond alongside performers like God’s Work Through Mime, Kemara Lynn, Bam Travis, Joy Quartet, and other gospel performers. Stop by to hear from powerful speakers and enjoy food trucks all weekend long. Get more information about the scheduled events at bit.ly/YpsilantiJUNETEENTHCelebration.

TEENS, MAKE SOME NOISE

This summer, we want teens to raise their voices and make art.

From June 16 to July 29, teens are invited to attend workshops twice a week to celebrate music, arts, and culture in our teen community (see Page 5). These workshops will culminate with a special concert on August 1, where teens can perform onstage for the community. The

concert will be held in YDL-Michigan's Library Plaza from 5–8pm, and all ages are welcome to attend.

"Prior to 2020, Noise Permit was a summer staple for Ypsilanti teens and has been a wonderful partnership between the library and Ozone House," said YDL Teen Librarian Kelly Scott. "We are so excited

to still be elevating teen voices in our community."

This is the second summer back since the COVID pandemic. This year, workshops will be Mondays at YDL-Michigan and Tuesdays at the Ozone House Drop-In Center, from 4:30-6pm, led by Dante Dorsey, founder of Music Means More, Inc. Teens will learn to write lyrics, create beats, and produce a finished song, poem, or creative piece to perform on stage at the concert.

Additionally, YDL is hosting a bi-weekly MIDI STEM Workshop on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month so teens can create and use MIDI controllers to make beats for their music. This will be a great opportunity to learn a valuable skill that's also FUN!

"We are looking to increase the reach of this series, inviting more youth-serving organizations to table at the concert and hopefully getting more teens at the summer workshops and on stage for the concert," said Scott.

The Noise Permit Series is presented in partnership with the Ozone House Drop-In Center. 2025 programming is supported in part by an award from the Michigan Arts and Culture Council and a generous donation from Brian Steimel.



Photo courtesy of Dan Blakeney

NEED MORE HeART?



with Bichini Bia Congo Dance Theater Company—will be expanded. New sessions, like a TV studio series, will be added.

"We're taking some of the greatest hits from last year and doing more of them," said YDL-Superior Youth Librarian Liz Getty. "We've got a lot of programs on the pottery wheel, which made kids feel very special last summer."

The series kicks off Friday, June 20, with special activities and a performance from Bichini Bia. YAA will offer free programming alongside community partners every Wednesday–Friday from 2–5pm. Summer of HeART continues through August 15 (no programming July 2–4), culminating with a special celebration Saturday, August 16 from 2–5pm.



Express more, create more, and make more this summer in year two of Summer of HeART. Children, tweens, teens, and families will experience eight weeks of

connection, dialogue, and empathy through arts, music, dance, and media arts workshops from the Youth Arts Alliance (YAA). This year, YAA is adding programming at YDL-Michigan to accompany the slate of programs at YDL-Superior.

"We're thrilled for another year at Superior and the expansion of Summer of HeART offerings to the re-opened Michigan Avenue branch!" said Heather Martin, YAA Founding Director. "Investing in the joy, creative expression, and artistic opportunities in our community is paramount. We're grateful for the many community partners bringing HeART to summer in Ypsilanti, especially County Commissioner Annie Sommerville's advocacy and philanthropic investment."

Programming favorites from last year—like clay handbuilding, Congolese drumming, and dancing

TO EXPAND THE PROGRAM'S REACH, THESE GREAT ACTIVITIES ARE PLANNED AT YDL-MICHIGAN:

Jun 28: Design a t-shirt.

Jul 26: Learn to take pictures using the power of the sun!

Aug 2: Create, record, and produce your own sketch comedy shorts.

All events will be from 2-5pm.

Full programming details are on Pages 5-6.

YAA has provided young people with high-quality, healing-centered arts programming for over a decade. To read more about YAA and Summer of HeART, visit youthartsalliance.org.

Summer of HeART is made possible in part by Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation, Washtenaw County Community Mental Health, University of Michigan Center for World Performance Studies, and private foundation monies.

THREE YEARS OF STEM IMPROVEMENTS



Toyota Motors North America has agreed to a third year of funding for STEM activities and equipment at YDL

This year's grant of \$30,000 from Toyota's Driving Possibilities initiative will bring even more new STEM tools and activities to children, teens, and families in Ypsilanti through YDL programming. There is a set of VinciBots to help kids practice coding, a light wall at YDL-Superior, liquid floor tiles (pictured above), a water table and Superspace building blocks at YDL-Whittaker, and more.

The goal of Toyota's initiative is to close educational gaps for all students through innovative, hands-on STEM programming. Through partnerships with YDL, Ypsilanti Community Schools, Lincoln Consolidated Schools, and WISD, the initiative will continue to build STEM awareness, excitement, and interest in careers in STEM-related fields while addressing the essential needs and barriers to success for area students and families.

GET TO KNOW YOUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT!

Do you know all the ways the Washtenaw County Health Department (WCHD) can help you find reliable health information or prevent the spread of illness? Exploring the WCHD 2024 Annual Report is a great way to learn more about the health department's impact. Check it out at bit.ly/wchd24.

SOME HIGHLIGHTS IN 2024:

- The percentage of kids ages 0-5 who were tested for lead in the blood more than doubled from 2023 (9.7%) to 2024 (23.3%). This is thanks to new universal lead testing requirements and Health Department coordination.
- 2024 was the first year the Sexual Health Services team provided free DoxyPEP—an antibiotic that can lower risk for syphilis, chlamydia, and gonorrhea.
- The Healthy Neighborhoods Team supported over 800 people in accessing food, preventing evictions, and more.

- WCHD published local data reports on suicide, firearm deaths, chlamydia, and gonorrhea.
- Environmental health staff supported health and safety at Ann Arbor's first Michigan Tattoo Convention.
- WCHD developed a new Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) for the first time in over 10 years. CHIP is focused on improving mental health, health care access and navigation, and access to healthy food in collaboration with partners and community members.
- WCHD conducted 2,632 food service inspections and coordinated 64 foodborne illness investigations.
- The communications team generated over 5.3 million impressions on social media and launched two award-winning health communications campaigns.

“We will need the support and partnership of our local leaders and community members more than ever as we work to preserve core services and

protect everyone's health moving forward,” said WCHD Health Officer Jimena Loveluck.



WHAT MAKES YPSILANTI GREAT?

What makes Ypsilanti special to you? Maybe it's the sense of community in your neighborhood, a favorite local business, or a story passed down through generations. YpsiWrites wants city and township residents to share their stories, reflections, and creative expressions that celebrate Ypsilanti's strengths.

This community-driven initiative is a collaboration between YpsiWrites and a research collective of community members, local writers, and educators. The goal is to highlight the vibrant, positive aspects of Ypsilanti through the voices of those who know it best. Stories collected through this project will help shape a shared narrative of Ypsilanti, showcasing the city's rich history, strong communities, and local pride.

Share your written stories, photos, or drawings that capture what makes Ypsilanti great at tinyurl.com/YpsiStories.

Responses may be shared publicly as part of a larger effort to celebrate what makes Ypsilanti great. YpsiWrites also hopes to share your stories

with local officials and organizations to showcase what residents say is the best part of living here.

Keep an eye on ypsiwrites.com for upcoming events and programs related to this project!



YPSI HAD A 'GREAT DAY'



Photo courtesy of Dan Blakeney

On May 3, around 60 people gathered at YDL-Michigan to recreate an iconic photo by Art Kane.

“It was really heartwarming to see such a robust turnout,” said Ann Blakeslee, co-founder of YpsiWrites.

Inspired by Kane's 1958 photograph *A Great Day in Harlem* and local author Debbie Taylor's book *Sweet Music in Harlem*, the community gathered on the steps of the downtown library branch to showcase Ypsilanti's spirit and celebrate art.

“When Debbie Taylor suggested we host A Great Day in Ypsi, it just made sense,” said Blakeslee. “There is definitely a specialness about Ypsilanti.”

There were also writing activities throughout the afternoon.

“I heard more than one person say, ‘I wouldn't have missed this,’ which was so wonderful to hear,” said Blakeslee. “We're already thinking about doing it again next year.”

GET HANDS-ON WITH FOOD

Growing Hope youth volunteer days



Help grow fresh food for your community while building skills and making a difference. Youth Volunteer Days—Growing Hope’s Teen Leadership program—kick off July 1.

Kids ages 11-17 can work on the Growing Hope farm to learn about urban agriculture, connect with other young people in the community, and take home fresh produce they grow themselves.

The program is from 10am-12pm every Tuesday, July 1-August 5. Parents/guardians can drop off and pick up their kids at Growing Hope (922 W. Michigan Avenue) for each session. Signed waivers are required for participation, and each trained adult staff member has completed a background check.

“Youth will be in a safe, supportive environment while learning, working, and having fun on the farm,” said Growing Hope Teen & Schools Manager Jenny Pritchett. “Come get your hands in the soil and be a part of the change.”

Register at growinghope.galaxydigital.com.

Tasty tours and cooking classes



Teens and young adults: Corner Health has a chance for you to get up close with the food you eat!

Healthy Youth Healthy Future cooking classes will run from 5-7pm every Tuesday from June 24-August 19 at the Corner Health Center (47 N. Huron Street). Teens and young adults ages 12-25 can sign up for cooking classes, nutrition education, and field trips to local farms to learn about sustainability and growing your own food.

Contact sjackson@cornerhealth.org for more information and register at shorturl.at/ioYPU.



WCC ADVANCES SEMICONDUCTOR, BATTERY EDUCATION



—Reprinted From Washtenaw Community College

Nearly \$2 million in grants at Washtenaw Community College (WCC) is paving the way for new associate degrees and certificate programs in semiconductor and battery education and training.

Semiconductors power everything from kitchen appliances and smartphones to modern vehicles, making expertise in this field more critical than ever.

The grants from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) will support an associate degree and several specialized certificates, creating pathways to in-demand careers and transfers to institutions such as the University of Michigan.

“WCC is proud to support Michigan’s mobility workforce through education and training. Thanks to the MEDC, these new semiconductor and battery programs will prepare students for successful and exciting careers in this growing, high-demand job area,” said college President Dr. Rose B. Bellanca.

WCC’s Board of Trustees approved a new associate degree and an advanced certificate. These programs must also be approved by the Higher Learning Commission.

THE NEW PROGRAMS

An Associate of Applied Science in Engineering Technology (60 credits): Two concentrations—Semiconductor & Battery Manufacturing, as well as Industrial Electronics—with four embedded certificates. This degree is designed to provide students with hands-on training for careers in high-demand fields like semiconductor and battery manufacturing, industrial electronics and robotics technology.

An 18-credit standalone Advanced Certificate in Semiconductor & Battery Manufacturing: Designed to equip students with the specialized skills required for careers in advanced manufacturing, focusing on semiconductor fabrication and battery technology. The program will provide hands-on experience in the manufacturing and maintenance practices of semiconductor and battery manufacturing.

A short-term, non-credit training program: Designed to reskill incumbent workers.

Michigan accounts for one-fifth of the U.S. automotive industry’s semiconductor demand and is well-positioned to lead in semiconductor manufacturing. The state’s semiconductor industry ranks among the top 10 nationally, with an 11% projected job growth over the next five years.

IS YOUR HOME TOO HOT IN THE SUMMER?

The Washtenaw County Office of Community and Economic Development is offering free weatherization services to county homeowners and renters. The initiative aims to help residents lower their utility bills through home improvements.

To apply, visit washtenaw.org/weatherization or call 734-544-3008. Some of the services you can request are:

- An energy audit to help decide what work needs to be done
- Insulation, ventilation, furnace replacements, and HVAC safety checks
- Air sealing and weather stripping

To qualify, your household must be at or below 80% AMI of the federal poverty level. You automatically qualify for the program if a member of the household has received Supplemental Security Income (SSI), State Disability Assistance (SDA), or cash benefits through the Family Independence Program (FIP) within three months of application.

Qualifying maximum incomes

PERSONS IN FAMILY / HOUSEHOLD	80% HUD AREA MEDIAN INCOME*
1	\$66,950
2	\$76,500
3	\$86,050
4	\$95,600
5	\$103,250
6	\$110,900
7	\$118,500
8	\$126,200

*Income before taxes



MeL UNCERTAINTY AFTER 20 YEARS

In its 20th year, the Michigan Electronic Library (MeL) faces an uncertain future. In March, President Trump signed a federal Executive Order seeking to eliminate the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). IMLS is the only federal agency for America's libraries and provides a significant portion of MeL's funding.

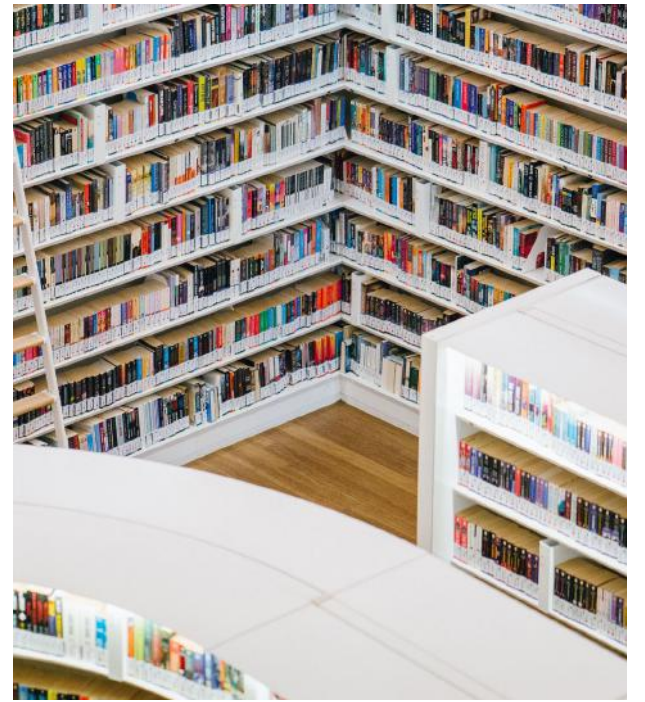
"The Michigan Electronic Library provides broad and deep access to necessary research tools used by people and students of all ages," said YDL Assistant Director Julianne Smith.

MeLCat is a statewide catalog and resource-sharing service that allows participating libraries to share materials, regardless of their local circulation system. In 2024 over 1 million items were loaned through MeL. YDL fulfills around 2,000 MeL requests per month, either coming in or going out to other libraries.

"[At YDL] these resources were used over 100,000 times in 2024," Smith said. "MeLCat is an exemplary model of efficient resource sharing."

Through MeL, students and other residents last year accessed over 19 million electronic articles, journals and other online resources to do homework, research, prepare for tests and more. Every \$1 spent on MeL returns nearly \$27 in value for Michiganders.

"The number of MeL loans that we borrow for patrons is tremendous," said YDL Director Lisa Hoenig. "It's a telling sign of how important this service is."



SHRED OLD DOCUMENTS AND SUPPORT YOUR FRIENDS



The Friends of YDL are again accepting donations during our summer paper shredding event at the library. Funds collected support library programs throughout the year, as well as collection development.

From 10am-1pm on August 9, residents of Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township, and Superior Township can bring up to four copy paper boxes or grocery bags of documents to the YDL-Whittaker Parking Lot.

Staples, paper clips, and rubber bands are OK, but no 3-ring binders, spiral notebooks, large binder clips, photographs, magazines, newspapers, hanging files, plastic bags, or water-damaged materials.

Donations will be accepted by the Friends of YDL to help offset the cost of this event, which is also funded in part by a Washtenaw County Waste Reduction Sponsorship.

Note: This event may end earlier if the truck fills up.

Whittaker Book Shop Hours:

Monday	10am-6pm
Tuesday	10am-6pm
Wednesday	10am-6pm
Thursday	10am-6pm
Friday	10am-4pm
Saturday	10am-4pm
Sunday	2-4pm



RIDE THE BUS FOR FREE WITH YOUR LIBRARY CARD

This summer, enjoy free rides on TheRide every Saturday and Sunday with your YDL card! As part of the Summer Challenge (see Page 2), free weekend rides are available June 14–August 24. Just show your YDL (or AADL) card to the driver.

GETTING TO YDL ON THE BUS:

- YDL-Whittaker:** Accessible on the 46 line.
- YDL-Michigan:** Accessible on the 6 line, or 5-minute walk from the Ypsilanti Transit Center, which serves routes 3-6, 42-47, and 104.
- YDL-Superior:** Accessible on the 42 line.



WWW.YPSILIBRARY.ORG



LOCATIONS & HOURS

YDL-WHITTAKER	YDL-MICHIGAN	YDL-SUPERIOR	YDL-BOOKMOBILE
5577 Whittaker Road Ypsilanti, MI 48197	229 W. Michigan Avenue Ypsilanti, MI 48197	1900 Harris Road Ypsilanti, MI 48198	Ypsilanti, MI 48197
HOURS Mon-Thurs: 9am-9pm Fri and Sat: 10am-6pm Sun: 1-5pm	HOURS Mon-Thurs: 9am-9pm Fri and Sat: 10am-6pm	HOURS Mon-Thurs: 9am-9pm Fri and Sat: 10am-6pm	HOURS Mon-Thurs: 4-8pm
			Neighborhood route and schedule: ypsilibrary.org/bookmobile

Board meetings are generally held on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm. They are open to the public. Visit [ypsilibrary.org/board](https://www.ypsilibrary.org/board) for meeting schedules, locations, agendas, and minutes.

Visit [ypsilibrary.org/contact-us](https://www.ypsilibrary.org/contact-us) or call 734-482-4110 for assistance.

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