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Youngstown State University

Office of Diversity & Multicultural Affairs

Youngstown State University's Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs believes that a vibrant and diverse institutional climate is essential to providing effective delivery of services and instruction to diverse groups and in preparing them for a diverse and global society. YSU embraces a broad definition of diversity that is comprised of, but is not limited to, differences in cultural, social, economic, racial and ethnic origin, gender, rural and urban communities, geographic origins, academic backgrounds, sexual and spiritual orientation, ability or disability, physical appearance, personality, learning style, personal experiences, multilingual abilities, and veteran status. This diversity creates a richness that enhances the campus climate.

OUR MISSION:

- Educate the university and community about diversity and multicultural affairs
- Support and encourage diversity through educational outreach programs and training
- Cultivate an environment that is inclusive

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Community Diversity Program Series 2014-2015

This year's events, programs and activities listed in the *Community Diversity Program Series 2014-2015* are more community-based, inclusive and reflective of the region's diverse cultures and multicultural programs. This year's *Series* includes a variety of events, programs and activities that are diverse in nature, while some are diverse in content. There are events for children, adults, and the entire family. Information has been included on the history of commemorative days, weeks and months throughout the *Series* to enhance our knowledge and to enrich our appreciation for diversity.

On behalf of YSU's Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs, we would like to thank all who contribute to the spirit and vitality of our region through the presentation of your exciting events! We trust that many will attend and enjoy the programs being offered throughout the region.

All events included in the *Community Diversity Program Series* are free and open to the public.

Program Series

FEATURES:

AUGUST 2014

Butler Institute of American Art: William Wegman - Videos, Prints, And Photographs Exhibition

**The Month of August • The Butler Institute of American Art,
524 Wick Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio**

These classic works by a well-known video artist bring together some of the most inventive and amusing of the artist's prolific output. Wegman has created film and video works for Saturday Night Live and Nickelodeon, and his video segments for Sesame Street have appeared regularly since 1989. In 1995, his film *The Hardly Boys* was screened at the Sundance Film Festival. William Wegman lives in New York and Maine where he continues to make videos, take photographs and make drawings, prints and paintings. *The Videos, Prints, And Photographs Exhibition* will be running through Sunday, August 31 in the Beecher Center. Museum hours and more information about this exhibition are available at The Butler Institute of American Art, (330) 743-1107.

Literature of Prescription: Charlotte Perkins Gilman and the Yellow Wall-Paper

**August 1-9 • Traveling Exhibit, Atrium of Cushwa Hall,
Youngstown State University**

In the late nineteenth century, at a time when women were challenging traditional ideas about gender that excluded them from political and intellectual life, medical and scientific experts drew on notions of female weakness to justify inequality between the sexes. Artist and writer Charlotte Perkins Gilman, who was discouraged from pursuing a career to preserve her health, rejected these ideas in a terrifying short story titled "The Yellow Wall-Paper." The famous tale served as an indictment of the medical profession and the social conventions restricting women's professional and creative opportunities. Traveling exhibit from the National Library of Medicine, History of Medicine Division. For more information on the exhibit, visit <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/exhibition/literatureofprescription/index.html>. For more information about the Melnick Medical Museum, visit www.melnick.ysu.edu.

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**Diversity Leadership
Celebration and Benefit Concert**
with Landau Eugene Murphy, Jr., the 2011 winner
of America's Got Talent. Sponsored by the Office
of Diversity & Multicultural Affairs and Walmart.

Family Garden Fridays: Alice in Wonderland

Fridays in August • 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. • Fellows Riverside Gardens, 123 McKinley Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

Each Friday, take part in fun drop-in activities in the Family Garden. Watch as the garden grows with characters from Alice in Wonderland and Wonderland-like plants. Learn about garden creatures, tools and how to care for a garden. Take part in making garden treats, listening to stories, kid's yoga and of course, adventuring with Alice and her friends. Registration not required. For more information call Fellows Riverside Garden at 330-740-7116 or go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/places/mill-creek-park/fellows-riverside-gardens/>.

Noon in the Park with JD Eicher

Friday, August 1 • Noon – 1:30 p.m. • Courthouse Park, Warren, Ohio

Join JD Eicher, contemporary solo acoustic, for Noon in the Park. Noon in the Park is coordinated by the Fine Arts Council of Trumbull County. For more information go to TrumbullArts.org or call 330-399-1212.

Shakespeare in the Park

Friday, August 1 & Saturday, August 2 • 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. • Judge Leo Morley Pavilion, 1861 McCollum Road, Youngstown, Ohio

The Mahoning Valley Players and Mill Creek MetroParks are proud to present Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* at the Judge Morley Pavilion. *A Midsummer Night's Dream* portrays the events surrounding the marriage of the Duke of Athens, Theseus, and Hippolyta. Highlighted are the adventures of four young Athenian lovers and a group of six amateur actors, who are controlled and manipulated by the fairies that inhabit the forest in which most of the play is set. The play is one of Shakespeare's most popular works for the stage and is widely performed across the world. The performing cast is an assemblage of talented Shakespearean actors from the tri-county area. Lawn seating – bring a chair or blanket. For more information go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/event/shakespeare-park/2014-08-01/> or call 330-702-3000.

Friday Night Flicks: Growing Cities

Friday, August 1 • Dusk • Warren Community Amphitheatre (Downtown), 321 Mahoning Avenue NW, Warren, Ohio

Growing Cities is a 2014 documentary film that examines urban farming in America. Presented by the Fine Arts Council of Trumbull County and the Fine Arts Council's Summer Program Sponsors. For more information go to TrumbullArts.org or call 330-399-1212.

2nd Annual African American Male Wellness Five-Mile Walk/Run

Saturday, August 2 • 7:00 a.m. - Noon • Covelli Centre, 229 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio



This event provides free medical screenings and testing prior to the 5-mile walk. The theme of the event is "Save a Life." The walk has a goal of reaching over 10,000 men, women and children. While the focus is on African American Males, it is open to all populations in the Mahoning Valley, regardless of race, gender or residency. Sponsored by CareSource and The Academy for Urban Scholars. For more information contact Rev. Lewis Macklin, Event Chairman at 330-788-1696 or email: lwmacii@aol.com.

Bug Day

**Sunday, August 3 • Noon – 4:00 p.m. • MetroParks Farm,
7574 Columbiana-Canfield Road, Canfield, Ohio**

Think bugs are creepy and yucky? Well then join us to see how much fun insects can be. Earn your "Master of Bugology" diploma by playing bug games, racing bugs, hunting for bugs, viewing them through microscopes, and learning about honeybees. For more information go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/places/metroparks-farm/> or call 330-533-7572.

Beyond the Art with Butler Director Lou Zona

**Sundays, August 3, 10 & 17 • 2:00 p.m. • The Butler Institute of American
Art, 524 Wick Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio**

In this series of talks, Dr. Zona will recall episodes and events related to the art and artists who have exhibited during the last three decades at The Butler Institute of American Art. Join us for this fascinating and sometimes humorous look at the recent history of the Butler. All talks will be held in the Beecher Center Auditorium, main floor. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Sponsored by the Butler Institute of American Art and Ohio Arts Council. For more information call 330-743-1107.

Salem Summer Concert Series: Road Work with Davis Allen

**Sunday, August 3 • 6:00 p.m. • Waterworth Memorial Park, Orashan
Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem, Ohio**

Enjoy the annual Salem Summer Concert Series with Davis Allen - country music, oldies and classic rock. Sponsored by the City of Salem. For more information call 330-332-5512.

Summer Band Concert with W.D. Packard Concert Band

**Sunday, August 3 • 7:00 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning
Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio**

This is an outdoor performance in the South Lawn Band Shell. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will move into the Packard Music Hall. This event is part of the Summer Concert Series underwritten in part by the W. D. Packard Trust. For more information call 330-841-2919.

Movie Nights at the Covelli

Enjoy your summer nights outside with free movie showings on the Covelli Centre lawn, courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. Movies will start at dusk. Special Note: This is an outdoor event. CANCELLATION POLICY: If it is necessary for a showing to be postponed due to weather conditions, it will be rescheduled for the following day.





Movie Nights at the Covelli - Pacific Rim

Monday, August 4 • Dusk • Covelli Centre, 220 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio

As a war between humankind and monstrous sea creatures wages on, a former pilot and a trainee are paired up to drive a seemingly obsolete special weapon in a desperate effort to save the world from the apocalypse. For more information about Movie Nights at the Covelli go to <http://www.covellcentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.

Recreational Hikes

Wednesday, August 6 (through Aug 31) • 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. • Ford Nature Center, 840 Old Furnace Road, Youngstown, Ohio

Wednesday's hike is at moderate pace for 2 or 4 miles. *Other volunteer-led hikes:* **Tuesday, 8/12 at 6 p.m.** – Overflow lot on West Golf Drive. This is easy, 1 or 3 miles. **Wednesday, 8/20 at 9 a.m.** – meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead, Kirk Road. This is easy for 2 or 4 miles. **Sunday, 8/24 at 2 p.m.** – meet at Ford Nature Center. This is moderate for 2 miles. **Tuesday, 8/26 at 6 p.m.** – meet at MetroParks Bikeway Trailhead, MetroParks Farm. This is easy for 2 or 4 miles. **Sunday, 8/31 at 2 p.m.** – meet at ODOT, 401 West Main Street, Canfield. This is easy for 2-3 miles. For more information call the Ford Nature Center at 330-740-7107.

Hands-On-History Open House: A Nation Divided

Wednesday, August 6 • 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. • Arms Family Museum, 648 Wick Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

A Nation Divided offers free interactive programs for visitors of all ages. Enlist in Mr. Lincoln's Army, make butter, play games and craft all while learning about the Civil War. Sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Historical Society. For more information go to www.mahoninghistory.org or contact Traci Manning, Curator of Education at 330-743-2589.

Live! At the Morley: Don Burns Orchestra

Wednesday, August 6 • 7:00 p.m. • Judge Morley Performing Arts Pavilion - Wick Recreation Area, Mill Creek MetroParks, 1861 McCollum Road, Youngstown, Ohio

Experience live music by Don Burns Orchestra. Fun for all ages! Genre: Original Music of the Famous Big Bands. Sponsored by the Mill Creek MetroParks. For more information <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/venue/judge-leo-p-morley-pavilion/> or contact 330-702-3000.

Salem Summer Concert Series: Salem Quaker City Band

Wednesday, August 6 • 7:00 p.m. • Waterworth Memorial Park, Orashan Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem, Ohio

The historic Salem Quaker Band provides Salem and surrounding areas with the big band sound and experience. Sponsored by the City of Salem. For more information call 330-332-5512.

Summer Family Farm Tours

Thursdays, August 7, 14 & 21 • 10:00 – 11:15 a.m. • MetroParks Farm, 7574 Columbiana-Canfield Road, Canfield, Ohio

Take a guided tractor wagon ride and tour of the barns to learn about the animals. Playroom time is also included. Space is limited. Picnic tables are available. After your morning at the farm, extend your visit with a ride on the MetroParks Bikeway or a self-guided hike on the Mindy Henning Memorial Trail. For more information go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/places/metroparks-farm/> or call 330-533-7572.

Bear Creek Hike

Saturday, August 9 • 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. • Wick Recreation Area, 1861 McCollum Road, Youngstown, Ohio

Explore with us as we walk along and within the waters of Bear Creek. Wear old shoes and clothing you can get wet and dirty. Moderate rating, up to 2 miles. For more information go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/visit/places/mill-creek-park/wick-recreation-area/> or call 330-740-7114.

Let's Go Creekin'!

Sunday, August 10 • 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. • Laurel Hills Lane off of Herbert Road, Canfield, Ohio

The 154-acre woodland named Sawmill Creek Preserve helps to filter water entering Meander Reservoir. Wear shoes and clothing that can get wet as we walk along and within the clean water of Sawmill Creek. For more information call Ford Nature Center at 330-740-7107 or go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/event/lets-go-creekin/>.

Salem Summer Concert Series: Youngstown Saxon Band

Sunday, August 10 • 6:00 p.m. • Waterworth Memorial Park, Orashan Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem, Ohio

The Youngstown Saxon Band is a brass band playing traditional music of the Saxon culture from a century ago. Spanning from modern day German to Romania under the direction of John Krauss. Sponsored by the City of Salem. For more information call 330-332-5512.



Movie Night at the Covelli - Captain Phillips

Monday, August 11 • Dusk • Covelli Centre, 220 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio

The true story of Captain Richard Phillips (played by Tom Hanks) and the 2009 hijacking by Somali pirates of the US-flagged MV Maersk Alabama that was the first American cargo ship to be hijacked in two hundred years. Courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. For more information about Movie Nights at the Covelli go to <http://www.covellcentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.

Hands-On-History Open House: The Magic of Music & Movies

Wednesday, August 13 • 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. • Tyler Mahoning Valley History Center, 325 West Federal Street, Downtown Youngstown, Ohio

The Magic of Music and Movies provides free interactive programs for visitors of all ages. Experience the entertainment of yesteryear, and even make some of your own. Sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Historical Society. For more information www.mahoninghistory.org or contact Traci Manning, Curator of Education at 330-743-2589.

Live! at the Morley: The River's Own

Wednesday, August 13 • 7:00 p.m. • Judge Morley Performing Arts Pavilion - Wick Recreation Area, Mill Creek MetroParks, 1861 McCollum Road, Youngstown, Ohio

Experience live music by The River's Own. Fun for all ages! Genre: Country Rock-n-Roll. Sponsored by the Mill Creek MetroParks. For more information <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/venue/judge-leo-p-morley-pavilion/> or call 330-740-7114 or 330-702-3000.

23rd Annual Brier Hill Italian Festival – (4 days)

Thursday, August 14 & Friday, August 15 • 4:00 p.m. – Midnight • Saturday, August 16 & Sunday, August 17 • Noon to Midnight • Brier Hill Cultural Center, formerly St. Casimirs Church, Calvin & Victoria Streets, Youngstown, Ohio

"The Spirit of the Old Italian Neighborhood", "Back Home Where It All Began"; the longest continuously running Italian Fest in the city of Youngstown! There will be games, food, table vendors, live Italian music, crowning of the Man of the Year, hot peppers and wine tasting competitions. For more information and schedule of events for this 4-day event, call Claire Maluso, Event Co-Chair at 330-286-3584.

Summer Nights with Dr. Alton Merrell & Impact

Thursday, August 14 • 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. • Warren Community Amphitheater, 321 Mahoning Avenue NW, Warren, Ohio

The instrumental and vocal ensemble, Dr. Alton Merrell and Impact, combines diverse musical styles of jazz, gospel, funk, and rhythm and blues. For more information contact Kisha Jackson, Warren City Event Planner, 330-841-2609 or kjackson@warren.org.

Struthers Concert Series

Thursday, August 14 • 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. • Yellow Creek Park, 19 ½ Lowellville Road, Struthers, Ohio

Al-Ray Combo. Lawn seating. For more information visit <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/event/struthers-concert-series-5/> or call 330-755-7275.

Birding the Sanctuary

Saturday, August 16 • 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. • Yellow Creek Park, 19 ½ Lowellville Road, Struthers, Ohio

Jeff Harvey of Wild Birds Unlimited will lead this walk. Bring binoculars & boots. Register at Ford Nature Center by 8/15. For more information call 330-740-7107.

Movie Under the Stars

**Saturday, August 16 • 8:00 – 10:30 p.m. • MetroParks Farm,
7564 Columbiana-Canfield Road, Canfield, Ohio**

Bring your own blanket or chair, and join us for an outside movie feature that begins at dark when we use the Barn Door as our movie screen. Popcorn and drinks will be available for purchase or bring your own snacks. Facility opens at 8 pm for pre-movie activities; barns are open late to visit with the animals. In the event of rain, movie will be shown inside. For more information call 330-533-7572 <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/event/movie-stars/>.

Digital Scavenger Hunt

**Sunday, August 17 • 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Ford Nature Center, 840 Old Furnace Road,
Youngstown, Ohio**



After our winter, don't you love summer? Let's search for the warmest season's hidden secrets. Check in at Ford Nature Center for a list of nature objects to track down and document with a camera or phone. For more information call Ford Nature Center at 330-740-7107 or visit <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/event/summer-digital-scavenger-hunt/>.

Salem Summer Concert Series: Backbeat

**Sunday, August 17 • 6:00 p.m. • Waterworth Memorial Park, Orashan
Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem, Ohio**

Come and enjoy an evening of Jazz, Swing and Latin music with Backbeat. Sponsored by the City of Salem. For more information call 330-332-5512.

Summer Band Concert with W.D. Packard Concert Band

**Sunday, August 17 • 7:30 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning
Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio**

This is an outdoor performance in the South Lawn Band Shell. In the event of inclement weather, the concert will move into the Packard Music Hall. This event is underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information call 330-841-2919.



Greatest Scramble with Host Jason Kokrak, PGA Tour Pro

**Monday, August 18 • 1:00 p.m. • The Lake Club,
1140 Paulin Road, Poland, Ohio**

PGA Tour player Jason Kokrak will play again, and he expects to be joined by 3 Tour pals. We also plan for 2012 U.S. Open competitor Dennis Miller and several pro circuit players to play. The Greatest Scramble Challenge generated \$22,000 in charity in its first year. For more information about the Greatest Scramble, visit vindy.com/golf or email Todd Franko at tfranko@vindy.com.

Movie Night at the Covelli Centre - The Butler

Monday, August 18 • Dusk • Covelli Centre, 220 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio

Cecil Gaines, played by Forest Whitaker, serves eight presidents during his tenure as a butler at the White House. The civil rights movement, Vietnam and other major events affect this man's life, family and American society. Courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. For more information go to <http://www.covelliacentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.

Live! at the Morley: Easy Street

Wednesday, August 20 • 7:00 p.m. • Judge Morley Performing Arts Pavilion - Wick Recreation Area, Mill Creek MetroParks, 1861 McCollum Road, Youngstown, Ohio

Experience live music by Easy Street. Genre: "Broadway and Popular Standards." Fun for all ages! Sponsored by the Mill Creek MetroParks. For more information go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/venue/judge-leo-p-morley-pavilion/> or call 330-740-7114.

Bites and Bits of History: "Dining on the Town" with Tom Welsh

Thursday, August 21 • Noon • Tyler Mahoning Valley History Center, 325 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio

Join us during your lunch hour and learn about the city's restaurant industry, moving from 1945 to the present; beginning with a description of postwar downtown Youngstown, including the Mural Room, Raver's, the Italian Restaurant and Jay's Lunch. Welsh will describe the manner in which trends contributed to the decline of the city's restaurant industry, but he will also call attention to establishments that have served as symbols of continuity in changing neighborhoods. The presentation will feature rare images of classic dining spots, many of which are stored in the MVHS permanent collection. Sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Historical Society. For more information go to www.mahoninghistory.org or contact Traci Manning, Curator of Education at 330-743-2589.

5th Annual Greatest Golfer of the Valley 2014

Friday, August 22 through Sunday, August 24 • All Day

54 hole stroke play event at three different golf courses. Golfers compete against players in their division. Locations vary by divisions. 320 Valley golfers in 2013 can't be wrong! Compete across eight divisions, 54 holes and three days. Venerable Mill Creek Golf Course serves as the kickoff, with second day-play at Trumbull, Youngstown, Tippecanoe and Oak Tree golf courses. Then it's "Sunday at the Lake (Club)," or, as four years of golfers have called it, "Championship Sunday." The event is free and open to the public as spectators; however, anyone desiring to enter the competition must secure information, rules and online registration at vindy.com/golf. For more information email Todd Franko at tfranko@vindy.com.



International Student Coffee Hour

Friday, August 22 • 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. • YWCA Lobby • Corner of Phelps Street and Rayen Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

The International Student Coffee Hour will be held every Friday beginning August 22. Sponsored by the YSU Center for International Studies and Programs (CISP). For more information contact CISP at 330-941-2336.

Salem Summer Concert Series: Abbey Road

Friday, August 22 • 6:00 p.m. • Waterworth Memorial Park, Orashan Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem, Ohio

“Abbey Road” has provided the ultimate Beatles tribute show for over THREE DECADES. Originally formed in Northeast Ohio in 1983, “Abbey Road” is rated in the top five Beatles Tribute bands in the world. “Abbey Road” performs with the same guitars, Vox amplifiers and drums that the Fab Four used in their concerts and has five costume changes from Ed Sullivan to Sgt. Pepper. “Abbey Road” continues to sell out concerts because of their passion for the music! For more information call 330-332-5512.

The Arab American Festival

Saturday, August 23 • 10:00 a.m. – Midnight • West Federal Plaza between Phelps and Hazel Streets, Youngstown, Ohio

This is an exciting and fun-filled cultural event highlighting Arab American traditions. There will be food, live music, dance, Market Bazaar, Arab Nations’ tent and children’s activities. For more information contact Amer Adi at 330-509-0791.

Men’s Garden Club Horticulture Show

Saturday, August 23 & Sunday, August 24 • 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. • Fellows Riverside Gardens, 123 McKinley Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

Admire summer’s bounty of flowers and vegetables at this show from Men’s Garden Club. For more information call 330-740-7116.

Traveling Naturalist

Sunday, August 24 • 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. • Lily Pond, Mill Creek Park (off McCollum Road, Westside), Youngstown, Ohio

A naturalist will be stationed at the Lily Pond. Stop by to chat about the Pond’s wildlife and its upcoming improvements. For more information go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/event/traveling-naturalist-2/>.

Salem Summer Concert Series: River City Jazz Band

Sunday, August 24 • 6:00 p.m. • Waterworth Memorial Park, Orashan Memorial Civic Center Band Shell, 866 Sunset Blvd., Salem, Ohio

River City Jazz Band preforms vintage Dixieland jazz and the music of the early jazz greats like Jelly Roll Morton, King Oliver and Louis Armstrong. Sponsored by the City of Salem. For more information call 330-332-5512.

Movie Night at the Covelli Centre - Planes

Monday, August 25 • Dusk • Covelli Centre, 220 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio

Planes is a Disney animated movie featuring a crop-dusting plane with a fear of heights that lives his dream of competing in a famous around-the-world aerial race. Courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. For more information go to <http://www.covelliacentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.

Stroller Walk: Lily Pond

Wednesday, August 27 • 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. • Mill Creek Park (off McCollum Road, Westside), Youngstown, Ohio

Learn to connect yourself and your child to nature. This guided walk around the Lily Pond will focus on observing and learning about "Herps," especially the turtles and frogs normally found there. Specially designed for children in strollers with their caregivers. For more information call Fellows Riverside Gardens at 330-740-7116.

International Welcome Picnic

Sunday, August 24 • 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. • Wick Park (5th Avenue, Park Avenue, Elm Street and Broadway), Youngstown, Ohio

Sponsored by the YSU Center for International Studies And Programs (CISP). For more information contact CISP at 330-941-2336.

SEPTEMBER 2014

National Hispanic Heritage Month

(September 15 – October 15)

National Hispanic Heritage Month honors the culture, heritage and contributions of Hispanic Americans each year. The event began in 1968 when Congress deemed the week including September 15 and 16 National Hispanic Heritage Week to celebrate the contributions and achievements of the diverse cultures within the Hispanic community. The dates were chosen to commemorate two key historic events: Independence Day, honoring the formal signing of the Act of Independence for Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua (September 15, 1821), and Mexico's Independence Day, which denotes the beginning of the struggle against Spanish control (September 16, 1810). It was not until 1988 that the event was expanded to month-long period, which includes El Dia de la Raza on October 12, which celebrates the influences of the people who came after Christopher Columbus and the multicultural, multiethnic society that evolved as a result; Chile's Independence Day on September 18 (El Dieciocho); and Belize's Independence Day on September 21. Each year a different theme for the month is selected, and a poster is created to reflect that theme (source: <http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Opening Doors: Contemporary African American Surgeons

Monday, September 1 through October 11 • Traveling Exhibit, Atrium of Cushwa Hall, Youngstown State University

This exhibit celebrates the contributions of African American academic surgeons to medicine and medical education. It tells the stories of four pioneering African American surgeons and educators who exemplify excellence in their fields and believe in continuing the journey of excellence through the education and mentoring younger physicians and surgeons. They are Dr. Alexa Canady, Dr. Claude Organ, Jr., Dr. Rosalyn Scott and Dr. LaSalle Leffall, Jr. The exhibit also provides a glimpse into the stories of those who came before them and those that continue the tradition today. Traveling exhibit from the National Library of Medicine, History of Medicine Division.

Movie Night at the Covelli Centre - Captain America

Monday, September 8 • Dusk • Covelli Centre, 220 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio

After being deemed unfit for military service, Steve Rogers volunteers for a top secret research project that turns him into Captain America, a superhero dedicated to defending USA ideals. Courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. For more information go to <http://www.covellcentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.



Walmart Career Fair Cookout

Thursday, September 11 • 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

• Kilcawley Center, Fountain/Core (Inclement weather, Chestnut Room), Youngstown State University

In order to better serve and raise awareness and talent from the community, Walmart is pleased to sponsor an atmosphere of diversity and inclusion at YSU. Free food samples will be provided along with free giveaways. The event will have three informational rotations: "Careers at Walmart," "The Culture at Walmart" and "Charitable Efforts" made by Walmart. Come on down and join us at the Walmart Career Fair Cookout. This event is sponsored by Walmart through YSU's Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. For more information contact DMA at 330-941-3370 or email clevy@ysu.edu.

Band Concert with the W.D. Packard Concert Band

Sunday, September 14 • 3:00 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning Ave, N.W., Warren, Ohio

This event is a part of the Fall Concert Series underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information call 330-841-2919.



Movie Night at the Covelli Centre - Hunger Games: Catching Fire

Monday, September 15 • Dusk • Covelli Centre, 220 E. Front Street, Youngstown, Ohio

The film begins as Katniss Everdeen has returned home safe after winning the 74th Annual Hunger Games along with fellow tribute Peeta Mellark. Winning means that they must turn around and leave their families and close friends, embarking on a “Victor’s Tour” of the districts. Along the way Katniss senses that a rebellion is simmering, but the Capitol is still very much in control as President Snow prepares the 75th Annual Hunger Games (The Quarter Quell) - a competition that could change Panem forever. Courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. For more information go to <http://www.covelliacentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.

The James and Coralie Centofanti Symposium

Wednesday, September 17 • 7:30 p.m. • Stambaugh Auditorium, 1000 5th Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

The symposium will focus on returning veterans who have been deployed in combat situations. The guest speaker is Staff Sergeant Salvatore Giunta, who served in Afghanistan and Iraq, and who was the first living Medal of Honor recipient since the Vietnam War. His theme will incorporate the importance of valor, teamwork, sacrifice and leadership.



Sal Giunta grew up in Cedar Rapids and Hiawatha, Iowa. At age 17, while working in a Subway sandwich shop, he decided to enlist in the Army and subsequently joined the Army in November 2003. He attended Infantry One Station Unit Training and the Basic Airborne Course at Fort Benning, Georgia, before being assigned to the 173rd Airborne Brigade Combat Team in Vicenza, Italy, on May 24, 2004. Promoted to the rank of Staff Sergeant in 2009, Giunta completed two combat tours to Afghanistan totaling 27 months of deployment. In October 25, 2007, while conducting a patrol as team leader, Giunta and his team were navigating through the treacherous terrain of Afghanistan’s Korengal Valley when they were ambushed by a well-armed and well-coordinated insurgent force. While under heavy enemy fire, Giunta immediately sprinted towards cover and engaged the enemy. Seeing that his squad leader had fallen and believing that he had been injured, Giunta exposed himself to withering enemy fire and raced towards his squad leader, helped him to cover and administered medical aid. Attempting to reach additional wounded fellow soldiers who were separated from the squad, Giunta and his team encountered a barrage of enemy fire that forced them to the ground. The team continued forward and upon reaching the wounded soldiers, Giunta realized that another soldier was still separated from the element. Giunta then advanced forward on his own initiative. As he crested the top of a hill, he observed two insurgents carrying away an American soldier. He immediately engaged the enemy, killing one and wounding the other. Upon reaching the wounded soldier, he began to provide medical aid, as his squad caught up and provided security. For his extraordinary gallantry, unrivalled courage and selfless leadership in action on October 25, 2007, Giunta was awarded the Medal of Honor by President Barack Obama in a White House ceremony on November 16, 2010. Staff Sergeant Giunta was the first living recipient of the Medal of Honor for service in Iraq or Afghanistan, the first living service member to be awarded the Medal of Honor since the Vietnam War and the eighth service member to receive the nation’s highest military decoration for valor in Iraq and Afghanistan. His other military decorations include the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal

with oak leaf cluster, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, two Army Good Conduct Medals and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal to name a few.

The symposium is sponsored by the James and Coralie Centofanti Center for Health and Welfare of Vulnerable Populations in the Bitonte College of Health and Human Services and the Centofanti Charitable Trust.

Although this event is free to the public, all attendees will need a ticket for admission. Tickets will be available at Youngstown State University, Kilcawley Center Information Desk. For more information contact Bitonte College of Health and Human Services at 330-941-3320.

Bites and Bits of History – “1914-2014: A Century of Steelmaking in Brier Hill” with Rick Rowlands

Thursday, September 18 • Noon • Tyler Mahoning Valley History Center, 325 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio

From the discovery of coal at the Tod Estate in the 1840s through the heyday of Youngstown Sheet and Tube’s Brier Hill Works, and the construction of Vallourec Star’s mini mill, Brier Hill has played an important part in America’s steel industry. Explore the history of iron and steelmaking in Brier Hill and discuss how Vallourec’s new investments are merely a continuation of the valley’s dominance in the Oil Country Tubular Goods market over the past century. Sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Historical Society. For more information go to www.mahoninghistory.org or contact Traci Manning, Curator of Education at 330-743-2589.

Fall Skywatch

Friday, September 19 & Saturday, September 20 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The night sky changes with the seasons, and so does our Skywatch program. This traditional lecture-based program deals with locating different planets and constellations, constellation lore and current space events. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

This is Our Sky

Saturdays, September 20 & 27 • 1:00 & 2:30 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

Luna the moth introduces young astronomers to the sky and observing. Designed for third grade but appropriate for pre-school through fourth grade, the program is an introduction to all the wonderful things about Earth, the moon, the planets, constellations, and more. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

Stained Glass Concert – Old North Church

Sunday, September 21 • 7:00 p.m. • Old North Church, 7105 Herbert Road, Canfield, Ohio

Join us for a concert by the Youngstown Symphony Orchestra and Randall Craig Fleisher. All are welcome. Dress casually. Concert Series underwritten in part by the Charles W. and Sarah J. Syak Foundation. For more information call 330-744-0264.

Mahoning County ECHHO College Fair

Thursday, September 25 • 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. • OCCHA Inc., 3660 Shirley Road, Youngstown, Ohio

The 2014 Annual Educators and Community Helping Hispanics Onward (ECHHO) College Fair is for underrepresented high school students and their parents to learn about the college preparation process and the Hispanic/Latino Book Scholarships available to those who qualify. Co-sponsored by YSU's Office of Admissions, OCCHA, and ECHHO. For more information contact Maggie McClendon at 330-941-3243 or visit: www.echho.org.

OCTOBER 2014

National Disability Awareness Month

Congress, with the aim of helping veterans with disabilities, designated the first week of October as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week in 1945. Seventeen years later, the word "physically" was removed from the phrase in order to recognize the needs and contributions of individuals with all types of disabilities. In the 1970s, a shift in disability public policy led to further emendation. For the first time, it was viewed as discriminatory to exclude or segregate people because of a disability, and activists were fighting strongly for legal revisions. As a result, the U.S. saw changes such as the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act in 1990 and the designation, by presidential proclamation, of a full month to increase public awareness of those with disabilities and appreciate the capabilities of the 30 million people in the U.S. of working-age who are disabled. Various programs throughout the month headed by The Office of Disability Employment Policy emphasize specific employment barriers that still need to be addressed and eliminated (source: www.diversitycentral.com).

Nonviolence Week

On July 11, 2013 Governor Kasich signed Senate Bill Number 38 creating Nonviolence Week in Ohio. This bill was proposed by Mahoning Valley *Sojourn to the Past* students, which is a small group of Youngstown high school students, who in 2009, after experiencing a life changing journey called *Sojourn to the Past*, decided to have a Nonviolence Week in the Youngstown City Schools. In 2010, Mayor Jay Williams declared the first week in October to be Nonviolence Week in the city. In 2011, the *Sojourn* students petitioned the Youngstown City Council, the Youngstown school board and the Youngstown State University trustees, asking each of them to pass a resolution making the first week in October Nonviolence Week permanently, and they all did. The Mahoning County commissioners passed a similar resolution in the fall of 2012. In January 2013, at the request of *Sojourn* students, Senator Joe Schiavoni introduced the Nonviolence Week bill in the Ohio Senate. In May, two *Sojourn* students testified for the bill before the Ohio House of Representatives committee. The House of Representatives passed the bill in June, sending it on to the governor for his signature. *Sojourn* students were in Columbus on June 11, 2013 to witness Governor Kasich signing the bill into law.

4th Annual Nonviolence Parade & Rally

Sunday, October 5 • 3:00 p.m. • Wood & Phelps Streets, Youngstown, Ohio

The Fourth Annual Nonviolence Parade/Rally will be the opening event for Nonviolence Week (October 5-11). The parade will begin on the corner of Wood and Phelps Streets. The rally will follow immediately after the parade. All are welcome to participate in the parade by emailing Penny Wells for a registration form at pennywells@sbcglobal.net. Sponsored by Mahoning Valley Sojourn to the Past, Youngstown City Schools, the City of Youngstown, YSU Office of Student Diversity, YWCA, and the Boys and Girls Club. For more information contact Penny Wells at 788-0545.



Nonviolence Art Contest Display

October 5-11 • Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County, 305 Wick, Youngstown, Ohio

Artwork from the nonviolence art contest will be displayed at the Public Library of Youngstown & Mahoning County during Nonviolence Week. For more information on Library hours call 330-740-6086 or go to <http://www.libraryvisit.org/Main.aspx>.

Nightlights 3.0

Fridays, October 10, 17 & 24 and Saturdays, October 11, 18 & 25 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The Ward Beecher Planetarium's spooky and spectacular annual Halloween show continues to evolve. What will we stir up in our cauldron for audiences this year? Great for all ages, although younger kids might be afraid of the loud music and darkness. On the night of Halloween, we'll ramp up the fun for Nightlights-Spooktacular and invite the audience to come in costume. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

59th Anniversary Band Concert

Sunday, October 12 • 3:00 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio

The 59th Anniversary Band Concert is part of the Fall Concert Series. This event is underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information call 330-841-2919.

Bites and Bits of History - "The Pivotal Right, A History of the Women's Suffrage Movement" with Traci Manning

Thursday, October 16 • Noon • Tyler Mahoning Valley History Center, 325 West Federal Street, Youngstown, Ohio

Learn about the brave and outspoken women who fought to gain voting rights in the 19th and early 20th centuries. Their struggle, persecution and prosecution are set against the backdrop of national history and the greater Civil Rights Movement. Sponsored by the Mahoning Valley Historical Society. For more information visit www.mahoninghistory.org or contact Traci Manning, Curator of Education at 330-743-2589.

Sweetest Day Dance Concert with The Big Band Sound of Packard

Thursday, October 16 • 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall,
1703 Mahoning Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio

Music will be performed by “The Big Band Sound of Packard.” This concert is part of the Fall Concert Series underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information call 330-841-2919.

Stained Glass Concert – Temple El Emeth

Sunday, October 19 • 2:00 p.m. • Temple El Emeth, 3970 Logan Way,
Youngstown, Ohio

Join us for a concert by the Youngstown Symphony Orchestra and Randall Craig Fleisher. All are welcome. Dress casually. Concert Series underwritten in part by the Charles W. and Sarah J. Syak Foundation. For more information contact 330-744-0264.

Om Shalom Trio Concert

Sunday, October 19 • 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. • DeBartolo Stadium Club,
Stambaugh Stadium, 577 Fifth Avenue, Youngstown State University

Om Shalom Trio will present an evening concert in conjunction with the Conference: Jewish Music and Jewish Identity on the Youngstown State University Campus. *Om Shalom* is a group of award-winning World Music artists. They draw on rhythmic and melodic aspects from their Far Eastern and Middle Eastern roots to create a fusion of Indian Classical and Jewish Folk. Although this event is free to the public, all attendees will need a ticket for admission. Tickets will be available at Youngstown State University, Kilcawley Center Information Desk. This event is co-sponsored by the Department of Judaic and Holocaust Studies and the Dana School of Music. For more information contact Randall Goldberg at regoldberg@ysu.edu or 330-941-1841.



NOVEMBER 2014

National Native American Heritage Month/ National American Indian Heritage Month

In response to an effort by many to gain a day of recognition for the great influence American Indians have had upon the U.S., Congress designated a week of October to celebrate Native American Awareness Week in 1976. Yearly legislation was enacted to continue the tradition until August of 1990, when President Bush approved the designation of November as National American Indian Heritage Month. Each year a similar proclamation is issued. President Clinton noted in 1996, "Throughout our history, American Indian and Alaska Native peoples have been an integral part of the American character. Against all odds, America's first peoples have endured, and they remain a vital cultural, political, social, and moral presence." November is an appropriate month for the celebration because it is traditionally a time when many American Indians hold fall harvest and world-renewal ceremonies, powwows, dances and various feasts. The holiday recognizes hundreds of different tribes and approximately 250 languages, and celebrates the history, tradition, and values of American Indians. National American Indian Heritage Month serves as a reminder of the positive effect native peoples have had on the cultural development and growth of the U.S., as well as the struggles and challenges they have faced (source: www.diversitycentral.com). Similar proclamations, under variants on the name (including "Native American Heritage Month" and "National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month") have been issued each year since 1994 (source: <http://nativeamericanheritagemonth.gov>).

Veterans Day

Originally by proclamation, President Woodrow Wilson declared November 11, 1919, as the first commemoration of the Armistice that ended hostilities of World War I on the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918. Officially signed into law on May 13, 1938, making the 11th of November in each year a legal holiday—a day to be dedicated to the cause of world peace and to be thereafter celebrated and known as "Armistice Day." In the post World War II era, during the presidency of Dwight D. Eisenhower, Armistice Day was changed to Veterans Day on June 1, 1954. This was done as to include the significant veteran population that returned from World War II and Korea. This has continued through today. This preserves the historical significance of November 11th and provides a day of thanks to veterans of all past conflicts and to those who are currently serving today home and abroad (source: <http://www1.va.gov/opa/vetsday/vetdayhistory.asp>).

To all who have served and to those who are currently serving, thank you!

Back to the Moon for Good

Saturdays, November 1, 15 & 22 and Fridays, November 7, 14 & 21 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

Back to the Moon for Good, narrated by Tim Allen, chronicles teams around the world competing for the largest incentivized prize in history. To win the \$30 million Google Lunar X-Prize, a team must land a robotic spacecraft on the Moon, navigate 500 meters over the lunar surface, and send video, images and data back to Earth. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.



Veterans Day Remembrance

Sunday, November 9 • 3:00 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio

The Veterans Day Remembrance Concert is part of the Fall Concert Series and is underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information call 330-841-2919.

Olde Fashioned Christmas at the Mill

Saturday - Sunday, November 29-30 • 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. • Mill Creek MetroParks, 980 Canfield Road, Youngstown, Ohio

Lanterman's Mill will be decked out in holiday finery for this special two-day event. You can taste chestnuts roasted over an open fire, give Santa your wish list, purchase unique gifts and watch artisans demonstrate crafts like weaving, pottery and woodcarving. There will be musical entertainment throughout the day. Bring a hat, scarf or pair of mittens for the "Giving Tree." A Youngstown tradition! Presented by WFMJ/WBCCB. For more information call 330-740-7115.

DECEMBER 2014

Diversity Leadership Recognition Nomination Announcement

The purpose of the diversity leadership recognition is to acknowledge, celebrate and embrace diversity at YSU and in the community/region. The program recognizes that we all share a common goal of educating the leaders of tomorrow. To nominate someone for an award in Community Leadership, Campus Leadership or Student Leader of Tomorrow go to <http://web.yosu.edu/dma/> and click [Nominations](#), then select the appropriate nomination form. ***All nominations must be completed and posted online by Friday, January 9, 2015, at 5 p.m.*** Sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. For more information go to our website or call DMA at 330-941-3370.

Salem Christmas Parade & Christmas Open House

Saturday, December 6 • 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Open House) • 1:00 p.m. (Parade) • Downtown Salem, Ohio

Enjoy the annual Salem Christmas parade, as local bands, churches, organizations, clowns, floats and of course Santa Claus will help celebrate the holiday season. Sponsored by the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information www.salemohiochamber.org or call 330-337-3473.

The Little Star that Could

Saturday, December 6 • 1:00 & 2:30 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

Once upon a time, a little star was born. During his search to find a planet to take care of, Little Star meets other kinds of stars in the galaxy. He also learns that being completely average can be special. This program features animation and artwork by YSU alumnus Joe Tucciarone. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

Christmas Band Concert

Sunday, December 7 • 2:00 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio

Join Santa, Mrs. Claus and dancers for the Christmas Band Concert. This event is part of the Fall Concert Series underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information contact 330-841-2919.

Big Band Jingle Bells Swing

Friday, December 12 • 7:30 p.m. • W.D. Packard Music Hall, 1703 Mahoning Avenue, N.W., Warren, Ohio

Join us with the “Big Band Sound of Packard” & Helen Welch. This event is part of the Fall Concert Series underwritten in part by the W.D. Packard Trust. For more information contact 330-841-2919.

Holiday Lights

Fridays, December 12 & 19 & Saturdays, December 13 & 20 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The Ward Beecher Planetarium’s annual Holiday program combines lights, music and visual effects with the wonders of the winter season and outer space. Content changes from year to year as we unwrap new titles and visuals. Suitable for all ages. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

Stained Glass Concert – St. Luke Roman Catholic Church

Sunday, December 14 • 3:00 p.m. • St. Luke Roman Catholic Church, 5235 South Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

Join us for a concert by the Youngstown Symphony Orchestra and Randall Craig Fleisher. All are welcome. Dress casually. Concert Series underwritten in part by the Charles W. and Sarah J. Syak Foundation. For more information contact 330-744-0264.

First Night

Wednesday, December 31 • 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30 & 9:00 p.m.
• Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The Ward Beecher Planetarium helps Youngstown's First Night usher in the New Year with light and music videos. The content changes every year, so you won't be starting the New Year with something old. Shows every ½ hour starting at 6 p.m. and ending at 9 p.m. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.



JANUARY 2015

Diversity Leadership Recognition Nomination Deadline Announcement

Friday, January 9, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. Deadline

This is the deadline for all nominations for a Diversity Leadership Award in Community Leadership, Campus Leadership or Student Leader of Tomorrow. Go to <http://web.yosu.edu/dma/> and click [Nominations](#), then select the appropriate nomination form. Sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. Awards will be given at the Annual Diversity Leadership Recognition Celebration on Friday, March 27, 2015. This event is sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. For more information contact Cheryl Levy at 330-941-3370 or email clevy@ysu.edu.

See the last page of the Series for an advertisement announcing our special guest speaker/artist and platinum sponsor.

Winter Skywatch

Friday, January 16 & Saturday, January 17 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The night sky changes with the seasons, and so does our Skywatch Program. This traditional lecture-based program deals with locating different planets and constellations, constellation lore, and current space events. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

Dawoud Bey's Picturing People Exhibit

Thursday, January 22 through March 7, 2015 • McDonough Museum of Art, Youngstown State University

Since 1975, Chicago-based photographer, Dawoud Bey, has developed a body of work distinguished for its commitment portraiture as a means for understanding contemporary social circumstances. Ranging from chance street encounters to studio portraits, Bey has investigated a range of methods to find increased engagement with his subjects and the resulting candor and expression such images convey. The exhibition was curated by the Renaissance Society and presents career survey of Bey's work, including a new chapter of Strangers/Community featuring portraits of individuals from Hyde Park, Chicago, home to both the University of Chicago and the artist. For more information contact Leslie Brothers at the McDonough Museum of Art at 330-941-1400 or labrothers@ysu.edu.

Community Action Poverty Simulation

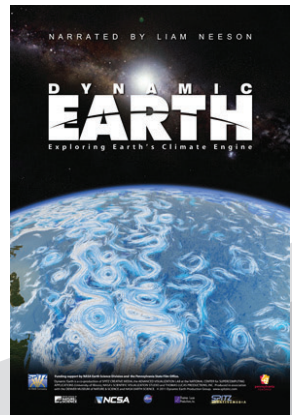
Friday, January 30 • 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. • Kilcawley Center, Chestnut Room, Youngstown State University

This Poverty Simulation is for community agencies, licensed social workers and counselors, and community members serving families who reside in poverty. During the simulation, participants gain an understanding of the challenges faced by those residing in poverty through role-playing the lives of low-income families, from single parents trying to care for their children to citizens trying to maintain their self-sufficiency on Social Security. The task of each family is to provide food, shelter and other basic necessities during the simulation while interacting with various community resources. Licensed Social Workers and Counselors can receive three hours FREE continuing education hours for this workshop. Registration is limited. Sponsored by the Coralie Centofanti Center for Health and Welfare of Vulnerable Populations. If you are interested in attending, please contact Dr. Sherri Harper Woods at 330-984-1888 or raphehealsmbs@aol.com.

Dynamic Earth

Friday, January 30 & Saturday, January 31 • 8:00 p.m. (See website for Dynamic Earth dates/times in February) • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The Earth is a living, dynamic planet. How did it get that way? What happens if our global climate changes? Narrated by Liam Neeson, the program takes you above Earth to look at how our atmosphere moves, below the ocean to see how currents move and how the carbon chain begins, and to Venus, the perfect example of a climate system gone wrong. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.



FEBRUARY 2015

African American History Month

In 1926, Dr. Carter G. Woodson instituted the first week-long celebration to raise awareness of African Americans' contributions to history. Prior to this time, little information could be found regarding African American history. Important achievements were left out of history books, and there was a general misconception that African Americans had made little contribution to U.S. society or history. 50 years later, the week became a month, and today February is celebrated as African American History Month. The month of February was chosen because it celebrates the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass, both of whom dramatically affected the lives of African Americans. Frederick Douglass (1817-1895) was a writer, lecturer, editor and civil rights activist who escaped slavery at age 21 and went on to campaign for the abolition of slavery, establish a newspaper and hold the office of Minister to Haiti. He was a major voice in the anti-slavery/civil rights movement of his time. Abraham Lincoln (born February 12, 1809), as the sixteenth president of the United States, issued the Emancipation Proclamation on January 1, 1863, thereby declaring that all slaves within the Confederacy would be permanently free. Each year, the Association for the Study of African American Life and History, founded by Dr. Woodson, sets the theme for the month (<http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Firefall

Friday, February 27 & Saturday, February 28 • 8:00 p.m.

(See website for Firefall dates/times in March) • **Ward Beecher Planetarium,
Youngstown State University**



Throughout Earth's violent history, impacts from comets and asteroids have mercilessly shaped its surface. The ancient barrage continues today; from harmless meteors – those brilliant streaks in the night sky, to mountain-sized boulders wandering perilously close to Earth. Terrifying and majestic, these invaders from space are capable of utter destruction yet they have delivered life-giving water and most of the organic materials necessary for life. For more information call

the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

MARCH 2015

National Women's History Month

National Women's History Month was established by presidential proclamation in order to draw attention to and improve the focus on women in historical studies. It began in New York City on March 8, 1857, when female textile workers marched in protest of unfair working conditions and unequal rights for women. It was one of the first organized strikes by working women, during which they called for a shorter work day and decent wages. Also on March 8, in 1908, women workers in the needle trades marched through New York City's Lower East Side to protest child labor, sweatshop working conditions, and demand women's suffrage. Beginning in 1910, March 8 became annually observed as International Women's Day. Women's History Week was instituted in 1978 in an effort to begin adding women's history into educational curricula. In 1987, the National Women's History Project successfully petitioned Congress to include all of March as a celebration of the economic, political and social contributions of women (<http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Diversity of Scholarship

**Thursday, March 19 • 6:00 p.m. • Kilcawley Center, Jones Room,
Youngstown State University**

Everyday on the campus of Youngstown State University, students and faculty are engaged in scholarly activity. A diverse group of presenters will discuss their scholarly activity and the role it has played in their university experience. Come be inspired by what they have to share. Sponsored by the School of Graduate Studies and Research. For more information contact Dr. Sal Sanders at 330-941-3091.

APRIL 2015

Stars

**Fridays, April 10, 17 & 24 and Saturday, April 11 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher
Planetarium, Youngstown State University**

New stars are created every day, and each one of them has a story to tell. Some simply fade away while others are destroyed in powerful explosions. Whether they are old and faint or young and radiant, they all release energy which powers the entire universe. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

Stained Glass Concert – St. Edward's Church

**Sunday, April 19 • 3:00 p.m. • St. Edward's Church St. Vincent DePaul,
240 Tod Lane, Youngstown, Ohio**

Join us for a concert by the Youngstown Symphony Orchestra and Randall Craig Fleisher. All are welcome. Dress casually. Concert Series underwritten in part by the Charles W. and Sarah J. Syak Foundation. For more information contact 330-744-0264.

MAY 2015

Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month

The roots of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month can be traced back to 1976, when Jeanie Jew, president of the Organization of Chinese American Women, contacted government officials in response to the lack of Asian Pacific representation in the U.S. bicentennial celebrations that same year. The observance began in 1979 as Asian Heritage Week, established by congressional proclamation. In May 1990, the holiday was expanded further when President George Bush signed a proclamation making it month-long for that year. On October 23, 1992, Bush signed legislation designating May of every year Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month. The month of May was chosen to commemorate two significant events in history: the immigration of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States on May 7, 1843, and the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869 (Golden Spike Day). The diversity and common experiences of the many ethnic groups are celebrated during Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with numerous community festivals as well as government-sponsored activities (<http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Older Americans Month

Older Americans Month got its start in 1963 as a result of a meeting between President John F. Kennedy and the National Council of Senior Citizens when May was designated as "Senior Citizens Month." At that time about 17 million Americans had reached their 65th birthday, about one-third of older Americans lived in poverty, and the number of programs to address their needs were minimal. In 1980, President Jimmy Carter designated Senior Citizens Month as "Older Americans Month." Today, Older Americans Month is celebrated each May to honor and recognize older Americans for the contributions they make to our families, communities and society. The Administration for Community Living, a division of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, issues a theme for Older Americans Month (<http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Jewish-American Heritage Month

A national month of recognition of the more than 350-year history of Jewish contributions to American culture, to acknowledge the achievements of American Jews in fields ranging from sports and arts and entertainment to medicine, business, science, government, and military service. Celebrate Jewish Americans who have helped weave the fabric of American history, culture and society (source: <http://www.jewishamericanheritagemonth.us>). Jewish-American Heritage Month was proclaimed by President George W. Bush on April 20, 2006. The President said, "We celebrate the rich history of the Jewish people in America and honor the great contributions they have made to our country" (<http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Spring Skywatch

Friday, May 1 & Saturday, May 2 • 8:00 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University

The night sky changes with the seasons, and so does our Skywatch Program. This traditional lecture-based program deals with locating different planets and constellations, constellation lore and current space events. For more information call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

Skywatchers of Africa

Fridays, May 8, 15 & 22 and Saturdays, May 9, 16 & 23 • 8:00 p.m.
• Ward Beecher Planetarium, Youngstown State University



For thousands of years, Africans have used their knowledge of the sky to build their societies, shape their spiritual lives and meet their physical needs for survival. Skywatchers of Africa highlights the diversity of African astronomy, examines cultural uses of the sky that developed throughout history, and celebrates our shared human experience. For more information or to schedule a field trip, call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit our wbplanetarium.org.

The Reading of the Names

Friday, May 15, 2015 • 11:00 a.m. • Veterans Plaza, Between Beeghly Center & Andrews Wellness Center, Youngstown State University

An annual ceremony where the names are read of military service members tied to the university either as a student, faculty or staff. These individuals paid the ultimate price defending our country and preserving freedom. Their names will be read with solemnity and given the appropriate honors. Sponsored by the Office of Veterans Affairs. For more information, contact Mr. Rick Williams at 330-941-2503.

Armed Forces Day

Saturday, May 16 – Day of Recognition!

President Harry S. Truman led the effort to establish a single holiday for citizens to come together and thank our military members for their patriotic service in support of our country. On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force Days. The single day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under the Department of Defense (source: <http://www.defense.gov/afd/>).

Space Shapes

Saturdays, May 16, 23 • 1:00 & 2:30 p.m. • Ward Beecher Planetarium,
Youngstown State University

This program is for the little ones! Is the Earth round like a ball, or flat like a pancake? That's what *Space Shapes* is all about. An excellent introduction to the planetarium for the pre-school set (ages 2 – 5); includes a hands-on exploration of all kinds of shapes. For more information or to schedule a field trip, call the Department of Physics & Astronomy at 330-941-3616 or 330-941-3619 or the Information Line at 330-941-1370, or visit wbplanetarium.org.

JUNE 2015

LGBT Pride Month

"In recent years, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) individuals did not have a specific month during which to celebrate and commemorate Pride Days in the United States. On June 11, 1999, President Clinton issued a proclamation designating June as Gay and Lesbian Pride Month. In the spirit of honoring equality and freedom, the president said, "I encourage all Americans to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities that celebrate our diversity, and to remember throughout the year the gay and lesbian Americans whose many and varied contributions have enriched our national life." The most significant June event in GLBT history was the Stonewall Inn Rebellion, a three-day protest in 1969 in New York City's Greenwich Village during which patrons protested against unfair police discrimination and harassment. It marked the first time the gay community joined together to fight for its civil rights, earning national attention and gaining a foothold in the struggle for equality. This month is dedicated to appreciating the contributions and significance of the GLBT community, and applauding gay, lesbian, bisexual, transsexual, and transgender pride" (<http://www.diversitycentral.com>).

Movie Nights at the Covelli Begin for Summer 2015

Enjoy your summer nights outside with free movie showings on the Covelli Centre lawn, courtesy of the City of Youngstown, the Covelli Centre, and Touch the Moon Candy Saloon. Movies will start at dusk. Special Note: This is an outdoor event. CANCELLATION POLICY: If it is necessary for a showing to be postponed due to weather conditions, it will be rescheduled for the following day. For more information on 2015 Movie Nights at the Covelli go to <http://www.covellencentre.com/outdoor-movie-series>.

Mill Creek MetroParks 2015

For free Events and Programs for summer 2015, go to <http://www.millcreekmetroparks.org/events/>.



JULY 2015

Summer Festival of the Arts

Friday & Saturday, July 11 & 12 • At and around Youngstown State University

For 17 years, the *YSU Summer Festival of the Arts* has brought hundreds of local, regional and national artists to the area, offered up a tantalizing array of ethnic foods and displays, showcased numerous performance groups, and encouraged cultural and civic organizations to engage with the community. More information is available at www.ysu.edu/sfa or contacting Lori Factor at lafactor@ysu.edu or 330-941-2307.

All events are free and open to the public. Persons who, because of a special need or condition, would like to request an accommodation for an event on the campus of Youngstown State University should contact the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs at 330-941-3370 as soon as possible, but no later than 5 business days before the event so appropriate arrangements can be made.



If you would like to have your events considered for the 2015-2016 Community Diversity Series, please contact the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs at 330-941-3370 or email your inquiries to clevy@ysu.edu.

All information for events must be submitted by Monday, June 1, 2015.

Announcement

Diversity Leadership Recognition Nominations

To nominate a Community, Campus or Student Leader for a Diversity Leadership Award visit <http://web.ysu.edu/dma>. Click **Nominations** and select category: Campus, Community or Leader of Tomorrow. Deadline Friday, January 9, 2015 at 5 p.m. Sponsored by the Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs. For more information contact DMA at 330-941-3370 or clevy@ysu.edu.

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