



THE ITHACA YOUTH BUREAU

HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER

July 2023

Upcoming Events

- Spots are still available for some summer recreation programs including open pottery studio, theater camp, and cardboard art studio.
- Ithaca Bike Rental is open! Scroll down for details.
- Cass Park Pool is open! Scroll down for details.
- Cass Park Rink is open for rollerskating! Skate sessions are on Friday nights through the summer. Check out the schedule on [our web site](#). We hope to see you out there!



From the director's desk

Dear Family and Friends,
We made it! Summertime is here and we can't be more excited. Staff and lifeguards are hired and trained, and we look forward to seeing your children in programs and at the pool. Camps will soon open, our academic support programs are visiting historic sites and colleges, teens are preparing for their first jobs at businesses around Tompkins County and our BBBS program kicks off their adventure week. Ithaca Bike Rental is open for summer hours and a variety of bikes for rental.

We will celebrate the Youth Bureau's 75th year of serving the community and Cass Park Pool's 50th season. Please join us on August 5 for discounted swimming all day long, a cake and ice cream party, music and roller skating. Beginning in August be sure to walk the Cayuga Waterfront Trail to experience our history walk by the decades. You will find pictures from each decade with a QR code linking you to a short video. I have had loads of fun going through photos and history all winter; our staff has compiled an informative look at how the YB got started and served our community over the years. I look forward to seeing you at programs, on the field, or by the pool. Enjoy your summer and be

safe!

~ Liz Klohmann, IYB Director

Celebrate IYB's 75th Birthday!!

Share your story to help us document 75 years of the Youth Bureau

The Ithaca Youth Bureau focuses on Building a Foundation for a Lifetime. We've seen youth participate in programs and grow up to send their children to YB programs and activities. Each month, we'll share stories from former staff, program participants, and volunteers from the past seven decades.



If you are a Youth Bureau alumnus and would like to share your favorite YB memories, [please fill out this short questionnaire](#).

Check out Alumni Features [here!](#)

The Perfect Summer Flavor



Thanks to Purity Ice Cream for creating a limited-edition 75th IY-Birthday flavor! Savor vanilla ice cream with raspberry swirl, blueberries, and rainbow sprinkles, the IYB's birthday flavor.

When you order this flavor, Purity Ice Cream will donate \$.50 for every item they make in our birthday flavor. It's delicious and supports the IYB!

IPLAY Bingo promotes IYB events!

The Youth Bureau put a twist on the beloved game of Bingo.

Each month this summer, IYB will launch a new Bingo card that the community can use to help them participate in YB-related activities around Ithaca.

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How old will Cass Park Pool be this year? -----	Play at the children's garden	What year was the IYB DEI vision adopted? -----	Travel by the IYB building	Spot the osprey in Stewart Park
Make a fairy garden by the shores of Cayuga Lake	Walk the trails in the Bird Sanctuary	Follow us on Facebook	Talk to YB staff about why they love their job	Play at the Stewart Park playground
What does CDP stand for? -----	Have a cookout in Cass Park		Draw the lake while sitting on the water's edge	When was the Youth Bureau established? -----
Join a program or class at IYB	Rent a bike from Ithaca Bike Rental	Go down the Cass Park pool's waterslide	Get a copy of our "I-PLAY" informational cards	What does YCA stand for? -----
Swim at Cass Park	Find the IYB living couch	Rent a book from the IYB Library	Walk the Cass Park loop	Ride the carousel at Stewart Park

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Email: _____

There are a variety of activities, and each card has at least one row, column, or diagonal that is completely free and inclusive for people of all abilities. Turn in your bingo card at the YB for a chance to win prizes.

Congratulations to our May winners, who were announced during the Ithaca Festival Parade!

- Mylo Giroux-Wells won a \$50 Instant Replay gift card
- Dana Dorfman won an Ithaca Bike Rental pass for a family of four for one hour
- Neela Chatterjee won a 10-visit punch card to Cass Park Pool

Want to play? Find [instructions](#) on how to play IPLAY Bingo and download [the July card](#).

Let's go swimming!

Cass Park Pool is open for its 50th season!

Hours will be 1 to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 12:30 to 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays.

Get all of the details at <https://www.casspark.org/pool.html> employment web site.



Save the date: IYB's birthday party!

Celebrate the YB's 75th birthday with cake, swimming, and roller skating.

When: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. August 5.

Where: Cass Park.

What: Discounted admission to [Cass Park Pool](#) throughout the day. And a [Cass Rink roller skating party](#) in the evening.

Get ready to ride!

The Ithaca Bike Rental is open for the season!

We offer the best bicycles and accessories



possible for rent at a competitive price. Enjoy Fuji Crosstowns, an adult comfort bike that are a joy to ride anywhere with 7 or 21 speeds. The kids will have fun and look good on our Diamondback BMX style rides or Treks.

If you are looking for a comfortable, more stable ride, we have Torker Adult Trikes and Recumbent Trikes available. Our bikes are the perfect transport to the Farmers Market or to take a self guided tour of the Ithaca Commons.

This year, we will also be offering waterfront bike tours with our experienced staff! Quality child seats are available, as well as a Burley child trailers. Or try out our bicycle built for two.

You can find all of the details at www.ithacabikerental.com. We hope to see you this biking season!

FIYB: Friends of the Ithaca Youth Bureau

Help support our youth's futures!

We are reaching out to you to ask you to make a gift to the Friends of the Ithaca Youth Bureau at friendsiyb.org in honor of the IYB's 75th birthday!

While FIYB was formed just a dozen years ago, the Ithaca Youth Bureau celebrates its 75th birthday this year (and the Cass Park facilities opened for the 50th season).



Please consider making a gift of \$75 (or a multiple of \$75) honoring the IYB's 75th Birthday!

Support from individuals, businesses and organizations helps to ensure our community's children and youth have access to safe and healthy recreational and youth development opportunities. Friends of the IYB has been serving as a channel for generous and caring community members to assist meeting the increasing needs of area families and the sponsoring municipalities.

Gifts can be made online or by check. In addition, we can accept gifts of stocks and securities.

Contact friendsiyb@gmail.com for details. THANK YOU!





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