Get Ready for Winterfest!

Winterfest is coming! On the weekends of Feb. 5-7 and Feb. 12-14, Grand Valley will come alive with all sorts of winter-themed games, food, contests, and fun. From snowball fights to hot chocolate bars, there will be plenty of (safe) activities for everyone to enjoy during this chilly season. You'll even have a chance to pick up a free succulent! Tell your friends and make your way to Winterfest.

Black History Month Spotlight: Huey P. Newton

This Black History Month, we'll be highlighting some historical Black figures who have played a significant role in shaping and influencing our country. Huey P. Newton (1942-1989) was an activist and co-founder of the Black Panther Party, a civil rights organization aimed at promoting Black Power and increasing equal treatment for Black Americans in the late 1960s to early 1970s. Newton and the Black Panthers advocated for increased community involvement, a decrease in police brutality and mistreatment by public officials, and investment in Black communities. The Black Panther Party was heavily influenced by Malcolm X and his philosophy of "by any means necessary" as a way to achieve equality. Although controversial, Newton proved that no measures are too drastic when advocating for equal rights.

Upcoming Events

Thursday (2/4)
- YBIB Informational & Interview Day - 6:30 p.m.
- Speed Connecting: Sustainability Organizations - 8 p.m.
- Unwind from the Grind: Traveling - 8 p.m.

Friday (2/5)
- Winterfest - All Day
- Snowman Contest (Winterfest) - All Day
- Sweet Words, Sweet Treats - 10 a.m.
- Hot Cocoa Bomb Making (Winterfest) from 12 - 5 p.m.
- Knit n' Sip (Winterfest) from 12 - 5 p.m.
- Live Music with The Whales (Winterfest) from 12 - 5 p.m.
- Better or Worse (Black History Month) - 1 p.m.
- Hot Chocolate Bar (Winterfest) from 1 - 5 p.m.
- Queer & Trans 101: A Virtual Training For Allies - 1 p.m.
- Luminos Alumni - 6 p.m.
- Friday Night Movie Series: Happy Feet - 9 p.m.

Saturday (2/6)
- Winterfest - All Day
- Women's Basketball vs Ferris State University - 1 p.m.
- Live Music with the Whale from 1 - 5 p.m.
- Belay Lessons - 3 p.m.
- Saturday Night Trivia Series - 6 p.m.

Sunday (2/7)
- Winterfest - All Day
- Snowman Contest - All Day (ends at 5 p.m.)
- Super Bowl Sunday Viewing Party from 6 - 8:30 p.m.
- Coloring Craft (Winterfest) from 5 - 8 p.m.