



PLYMOUTH DISTRICT LIBRARY

PDL Is Here for You

by Shauna Anderson, Director

THERE IS VALUE IN SHARING WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS.

That is the original spirit that captivated our community when they turned a small library station in Mrs. Griffith's home in 1923 into a community-supported endeavor that has lasted over a century. This generosity is a hallmark of the Plymouth community and it echoes throughout all that we do— whether we are sharing books or board games, magnifiers or telescopes, laptops or meeting rooms, information or support. We provide the highest level of service to everyone, knowing that it is our responsibility to make these shared resources available to all who need them.

In an historic year, celebrating 100 years of library service in the Plymouth community, we face significant challenges to the values that make this library what it is. Concerning trends such as the erosion of civility, a growing lack

of trust in institutions, and a battle over the content of certain books have shoved the library into the crosshairs of a culture in crisis and impacted the library as a whole and our individual staff members in unfortunate ways. I'd like to take this opportunity to clarify what we stand for as your public library and how we live that out every day.

WE TRUST THAT YOU KNOW BEST WHAT YOU OR YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS NEED.

You have a right to seek and receive information from all points of view without government interference. We take this responsibility seriously and resist all attempts to censor library resources. The ability to think for oneself is critical to exercising the freedoms that our democracy promises.

We practice a deep respect for the dignity of all people, knowing that any attempt to silence certain perspectives is an inherent risk to everyone. Removing books from

library shelves is a slippery slope to government overreach and stifles our country's commitment to freedom of expression.

This fall, you can look forward to an event put on by the Friends of the both Canton and Plymouth libraries. "Literacy Liberty for All" is a community Q & A event scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 19 at 7pm at the Penn Theatre. It will feature a strong panel of experts giving their insights and answering attendee questions regarding the first amendment as it relates to libraries. Details are at friends.plymouthlibrary.org/meetings. Also coming this fall is Banned Book Week, October 1-7, which celebrates intellectual freedom. (See information at right.)

If there are items that are not in our collection that you feel would be an asset to this community, we encourage your input. Send us a message on our website or stop in to chat with a librarian at our public

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BANNED BOOKS WEEK 2023: OCTOBER 1-7

Celebrate Banned Books Week by reading your favorite banned or challenged title! Banned Books Week is an annual celebration of intellectual freedom, the First Amendment, and our ability to freely choose what to read. By highlighting books that have been banned or challenged in the United States during the preceding year, Banned Books Week focuses our attention on the importance of free and open access to information and literature. Fortunately, not many challenged books become banned books - thanks in large part to the efforts of groups such as the American Library Association, booksellers, teachers, librarians, and parents who value open access to information and all viewpoints. For more information on Banned Books Week please visit the American Library Association website at www.ala.org.

Honoring Our Veterans

The library will once again welcome our community to honor their veteran loved ones in photo. Non-returnable pictures can be dropped off to the library or emailed to info@plymouthlibrary.org. The display will be up all November.

Library of Things Continues to Expand

PDL's Library of Things is a collection of non-media items that patrons can borrow. Many folks know that we loan magnifying glasses and chromebook computers with hotspots. But did you know the collection also includes STEAM exploration kits for

kids, telescopes, a microscope, a projector and screen, and a GoPro camera. Most recently, we have begun loaning board games for all skill levels. All of these items can be found near the main level Readers' Advisory desk. Loan parameters vary.

In addition to these items for loan, our Library of Things also includes our seed library and plant propagation station on the upper level. Fall harvest season is a great time to save your seeds to share with your neighbors! Information on seed saving is available at the library.

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FOR THE FAMILY

VISIT US AT FALL FEST!

Stop by and say "hi" to library staff on **Sept 8-10** at our Fall Fest booth in Kellogg Park. Make a custom mini-button to wear or to share. Plus, don't miss stories at our booth from 9-11 Saturday, Sept 9 and magician and comedian Cameron Zvara on the Kellogg Park stage at 12pm on Saturday.

TUTORING @ PDL

NHS tutors will be in the Teen Zone to help with homework! Check our website events calendar for dates and times. Can't make it to see the NHS tutors? Visit BrainFuse HelpNow for live tutoring, 2pm-11pm daily. Find HelpNow on our website by clicking Services, then Teens.

KIDS COSTUME SWAP

Saturday, September 16 from 10am-2pm

Do you have kids costumes in good shape that are unwanted or outgrown? Join in our first-ever kids' costumes swap! Drop off your clean, quality costume contributions on September 13, 14 or 15 and receive a voucher in return (limit five.) On Saturday, Sept



16, come redeem your voucher(s) for new-to-you costumes. The swap will be open to voucher holders only for the first two hours, then open to the public for the final two hours. Leftover costumes will be donated.

SHELTER PET CAFÉ

Saturday, November 4 from 1-4pm

What's better than adorable cats and dogs? Adorable cats and dogs at the LIBRARY, of course! In the style of a cat café, register to reserve a time slot for you or your family to meet the current residents of the Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue (FMAR)! There will be no on-site adoptions, but if you are interested in a pet, you may schedule an appointment with FMAR for a later date. All minors must be accompanied by an adult. Register in person at the Main Level Help Desk or by calling 734-453-0750, option 4.



BOARD GAME AFTERNOON FOR ADULTS, TEENS & KIDS 11+

Sunday, November 12 from 1-4pm

Spend a fun afternoon at the library with tabletop board and card games for adults, teens, and kids over 10! We'll provide the 2023 Origins Award fan favorite game, Flamecraft, as well as 15+ other games including Quirkle, Forbidden Island, Ticket to Ride, and Scrabble, or bring your own.



ADULT PROGRAMS

GLASSES, AND TUMBLERS, AND MUGS, OH MY!

Sunday, September 17 at 2:30pm

Explore the art of creating personalized sublimated mugs, etched glasses, and etched powder-coated tumblers. During this hands-on event, you will have access to our Cricut equipment and a variety of materials to bring your designs to life. You will leave the event with a newfound appreciation for the art of personalized gift-making, and a beautiful, customized mug, glass, or tumbler to take home with you.

ADULT CRAFT: DROP SPINDLE SPINNING

Tuesday, September 19 at 10:30am

Learn to spin your own yarn using a drop spindle. Drop spinning is an ancient craft that uses simple materials to make a spindle that spins sheep's wool or other fibers into yarn. Instructor Carol Ullmann will teach you how to draft fibers and begin to spin them into yarn. A limited number of drop spindles, as well as fiber, will be available for use during the class.

SECRETS OF HOLY CHILDHOOD AND ITS SURVIVORS

Sunday, September 24 at 1:00pm

Discover the resilience of the Indigenous children who were stripped of their culture and heritage at Holy Childhood boarding school in Harbor Springs, until it was closed in 1983. The Emmy-award winning documentary "Secrets of Holy Childhood" will be shown, followed by a panel discussion featuring Tribal Elders who were featured in the film. The rich heritage and traditions of the Odawa Tribe, and their continued healing from this intergenerational trauma, will be explored.

THE GREAT BRITISH BAKING TOUR

Wednesday, September 27 at 7pm (Zoom)

Join UK travel/relocation consultant and former UK resident Claire Evans for a delightful culinary tour of the UK inspired by "The Great British Baking Show" television series, aired on PBS and Netflix. Learn about making a proper cup of tea, regional specialties, their origins, and the particular parts of the UK they hail from. She'll translate the trickiest parts of British recipes for Americans so you can try them in your own kitchen. Pick up useful travel tips as well, just in case you'd like to create your own tour!

FRANKLIN AND ELEANOR ROOSEVELT: AN INTERACTIVE PRESENTATION

Wednesday, October 4 at 7pm

Go back to 1944 and interact with these two historic figures in this presentation with seasoned actors portraying Franklin and Eleanor. Learn about their family, their rise in politics and their contributions to society. The presentation is authentic and presented with a keen sense of humor.



ESTATE PLANNING 101: LEAVING A FINANCIAL LEGACY & PROTECTING THOSE YOU LOVE

Thursday, October 12 at 7pm (in-person & Zoom)

Estate planning can be a complex process and often feels overwhelming. In this session, we will review the various legal documents that are necessary to protect your assets and make things easier for your family as you age. Estate planning is for everyone, especially new parents. This session is perfect for anyone looking to learn about the process and what is involved in setting up an Estate Plan of your own. Presented by Jonathan Goldberg of Bloom Advisors.

HOME SOLAR 101

Saturday, October 21 at 1pm

Join us as we learn more about home solar panels! This presentation will cover the basics: the history of solar panels, how they reduce your carbon footprint, the pros and cons of installation, and more. Presented by The Green Panel of Brighton.

LIVE CONCERT: "MUSICAL TREASURES: HIDDEN GEMS FROM AMERICAN COMPOSERS"

Sunday, October 29 at 2pm

Kelly and Darryl Roenicke, a husband-and-wife violin and piano duo, perform classical music that includes works from many American composers including Amy Beach, William Grant Still, Gershwin, Florence Price, David Baker, and more. Drop in; no registration necessary.



SUSTAINABILITY AND UPCYCLING

Thursday, November 2 at 7pm

At ISAIC (Industrial Sewing and Innovation Center), sustainability is a priority. This presentation will introduce and educate you on the effect the fashion industry has had on the environment as well as learning what you can do to help. We will discuss ISAIC sustainability mission as well as some techniques that you can incorporate into your own wardrobe to showcase your own style and make your clothes last longer.

DIGITAL DESIGN FOR THE LAB

Sunday, November 5 at 2pm

In this hands-on workshop, we will dive into the fascinating world of digital design and explore the tools in our Lab and techniques frequently used. Discover how to transform your concepts into reality by creating files for machines like Cricut, Glowforge, and our Brother embroidery machine.

LOCAL IMPACT ALLIANCE LUNCH & LEARN:

FIREARM SAFETY

Wednesday, November 8 at 11:30am

Firearm injury and death has become a persistent public health crisis in the United States. Dr. Laura Seewald from the University of Michigan's Institute for Firearm Injury Prevention will speak on the magnitude of this problem and offer a framework for developing solutions and reducing injury. For everyone, including responsible, law-abiding firearm owners.

PBS AMERICAN EXPERIENCE FILM SERIES

JFK: LIKE NO OTHER

Part 1: Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30pm
Part 2: Thursday, November 9 at 6:30pm

Join us as we commemorate the 60th anniversary of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy with a showing of the two-part PBS docuseries "American Experience - JFK: Like No Other." Please register on our event calendar.

LET'S TALK RETIREMENT!

MANAGING YOUR PORTFOLIO & INCOME NEEDS

Thursday, November 16 at 7pm (Zoom)

How do you know when it is "safe" to retire? Will your portfolio fill the gap between your Social Security, pension and living expenses? How do you ensure that once you can retire you can stay retired? In this seminar we will review the key considerations in determining if you are financially prepared to retire and address social security, pension, and portfolio income strategies. Presented by Scott Whyte of Bloom Advisors.

MONTHLY MEETUPS

ADULT CRAFT MEETUPS

Calling all craft enthusiasts! Bring your current project and hang out with other crafters. There's no pressure to arrive "on time" or stay the full time. Drop in; no registration needed. All makers are welcome!

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Meets the first Thursday of each month from 10:30am-12:30pm

HOOK & NEEDLE

Meets the second & fourth Tuesdays of each month from 10:30am-12:30pm

ELL LANGUAGE LEARNERS

ELL Conversation Groups

Do you want to practice your spoken English? Come to our informal and friendly group meetings held **every Monday morning 10-11:30am**. One group meets on Zoom and the other meets in person. Native English speakers from the library and the Community Literacy Council lead both groups. Register online to receive the link for the Zoom group, or just drop in to the in-person group.

Page by Page Intermediate ELL Book Club

The Page by Page book club meets on Zoom **every Wednesday from 1-2pm**. Before each meeting, participants read an assigned number of chapters from the current book. During the meetings, they discuss the book with each other and our volunteer tutors. Register online to receive the link, and visit <https://plymouthlibrary.org/read/book-clubs/page-by-page/> to find the name of our current book.

COUNTDOWN CALENDARS

PERSONALIZE YOUR HOLIDAY CALENDAR WITH DAILY SURPRISES

Sunday, November 19 at 2pm

Join us for a delightful programming event where you can unleash your creativity and personalize your very own holiday countdown calendar.

Whether you cherish the tradition of Advent calendars, the eight days of Hanukkah, the seven days of Kwanzaa, the countdown to New Year's, or even the anticipation of your upcoming birthday, we've got you covered! No matter the occasion you're eager to celebrate, our countdown calendars will help you mark the days in a uniquely personalized way. Adults only, please.

THE END OF THE TRAIL: A LIFE WELL SPENT WALKING IN THE WOODS AND SLEEPING ON THE GROUND

Wednesday, November 29 at 7pm

In the winter of 1983-84, the guidebook *Isle Royale National Park: Foot Trails & Water Routes*, was released and quickly became known as the "backpacker's bible." This winter the book will reach its 40th year of continuous publication in various editions.

Join author Jim DuFresne in celebrating this remarkable little book with a presentation that begins with him arriving in Juneau Alaska as the new sports editor and then highlighting the best wilderness adventures of his long career, taking you into the wilds of New Zealand, Alaska, and of course Isle Royale.

CHESS CLUB

Interested in learning to play chess or want to find someone to play with over a board? Plymouth Library Chess Club is back and looking for chess players **6th grade to adult** who are interested in casual chess. Drop in for a game on the 1st Tuesday of the month from 6-8pm. Sets are provided, but if you have a standard/tournament chess set you would like to bring you are certainly welcome to do so.

MEDICARE PROGRAMS

PDL is pleased to offer the following programs presented by MMAP: Medicare, Medicaid Assistance Program from The Senior Alliance.

YOUR INITIAL ENROLLMENT INTO MEDICARE

Wednesday, September 13 at 7pm

This session will provoke thought and educate you on the timing and steps to be taken on your Initial Medicare Enrollment. Statistically, your retirement health care is on average a twenty-year journey. This first step of when to start your benefits and what type of coverage is available will be explained by MMAP Certified Medicare Counselors.

MEDICARE 101:

THE BASICS OF MEDICARE

Monday, September 25 at 1pm

Wind your way through the Medicare maze with our Certified MMAP Counselors. This session will cover the basics of Medicare, when to start your benefits, and how to change them along the way to meet your needs as you age. Are you looking for assistance paying your \$170/month premium for Part B? Want to save money on your prescription drug costs? We can help!

MEDICARE ANNUAL OPEN ENROLLMENT REVIEW PROCESS

Wednesday, October 11 at 7pm

There are multiple review periods, and each annual open review timeline covers different coverage types: Medicare, Medigap/ Supplement, Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan, and Medicare Advantage Plans. This session will educate you on the timeline review process applicable to you.

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT

Wednesday, November 29. Drop in between 11AM-3pm

Meet with TSA/MMAP Certified Medicare Counselors to review your individual Medicare coverage and eligibility. Discuss your options for Original Medicare, Medicare Advantage, and Part D prescription drug plans. Questions about enrollment, eligibility, switching plans, creditable coverage, and late-enrollment penalties can also be addressed.

MEDICARE PART D

This year, in lieu of weekly one-on-one sessions provided by the library during open enrollment season, we have developed a relationship with MMAP/The Senior Alliance to provide that service. Appointments can be made at 734-727-2067 or by email to mmapvmail@thesenioralliance.org. Annual Open Enrollment sessions will be held at:

Canton Senior Center, 10am-1pm on 10/17

Livonia Senior Center, 12-4pm on 10/18 and 11/15

Northville Community Center, 1:30pm to 3:30pm on 10/31

Plymouth District Library, 11:00am to 3:00pm on 11/29

ONLINE AUTHOR TALKS

Enjoy live interviews with bestselling authors and thought leaders. To register for an upcoming talk or enjoy one previously recorded, visit library.org/plymouthlibrary.

September 7 at 7pm



Lydia Bastianich
Life, Love, Family & Food

September 20 at 2pm



Adam Alter
How to Get Unstuck When It Matters Most

September 27 at 8pm



Amor Towles
On Writing Three International Best Sellers

October 10 at 4pm



Rick Steves
European Travel Tips and Tools

October 26 at 7pm



John Irving
A Lifetime of Writing

November 1 at 8pm



John Stamos
Hollywood, Home, Heart & Healing

November 9 at 2pm



Tiffany Aliche, the "Budgetnista"
Get Good with Money and Reach Your Financial Goals

November 16 at 4pm



Joy Harjo
Why She Writes

November 30 at 3pm



Naomi Alderman
Power of Women in Science Fiction

ADULT BOOKCLUBS

Contemporary Books Discussion Group

This group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm at the library. Volunteers from among the group lead the discussion, with background materials supplied by the librarian. Each month the current title is available at the help desk on the main level. New members are always welcome! For more information, e-mail info@plymouthlibrary.org.



September 12
The Personal Librarian
by Marie Benedict



October 10
The Children on the Hill
by Jennifer McMahon



November 14
Everything Sad is Untrue
by Daniel Nayeri

Books On Tap

This book club meets monthly at 7pm to talk books, socialize, and kick back with a beverage. Meetings take place at Arbor Brewing Plymouth Taproom. Books for the current month's selection may be obtained from the reader's advisory desk on the main level of the Library. New members are always welcome!



September 20
The Measure
by Nikki Erlick



October 18
Leech
by Hiron Ennes



November 15
One Two Three
by Laurie Frankel

Brown Bag Books

This Library book discussion group meets at noon on the fourth Wednesday of each month and is always open to new members. Books are available at the Readers' Advisory desk during the month preceding the discussion. This program is currently a hybrid program, meeting in person AND online. If you are interested in attending via Zoom, please email Tim Sherman at tsherman@plymouthlibrary.org for Zoom link and login information. Titles for upcoming months are:



September 27
The Nickel Boys
by Colson Whitehead



October 25
Nineteen Eighty-Four
by George Orwell



November 22
Firekeeper's Daughter
by Angeline Boulley

TEEN PROGRAMS & BOOKCLUBS

MY COLLEGE PLANNING TEAM

Teens and parents: interested in learning more about covering the costs of college? Register in advance on our website events calendar for a Zoom webinar with My College Planning Team!

A PARENT'S GUIDE ON HOW TO PAY FOR COLLEGE WEBINAR

Wednesday, September 6 at 7pm

This workshop will introduce the various financial aid options and focus on some of the biggest college planning mistakes families should avoid. It will also reveal unique techniques to reduce the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) with the new FAFSA rules that can save thousands on college costs.

SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS & LOANS WEBINAR

Monday, November 6 at 7pm

This workshop will uncover the best college cost-reduction strategies and reveal little-known asset, borrowing, and savings methods. Learn insider information on scholarships, grants, and loans to help make your college planning both successful and affordable.

TEEN VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Tuesdays, September 5, October 3, November 7 at 6pm

Join our teen volunteers to have fun providing service to our community. There are a variety of ways you can help - either virtually or in-person.

- Share reviews of your favorite books, videogames, music, and shows in the Teen e-newsletter.
- Learn about opportunities to volunteer in the library.
- Collaborate with other volunteers on planning and implementing a library-related service project.

To find out more, visit our [Volunteers page at \[plymouthlibrary.org/volunteers/\]\(http://volunteers@plymouthlibrary.org\)](http://volunteers@plymouthlibrary.org) or come to one of our Teen Volunteer Leadership meetings.

PAINT LIKE BOB ROSS

Thursday, September 21 from 6-8pm

Join us for a workshop led by Ted Simpson, a Certified Ross Instructor, and learn to paint just like Bob Ross—happy little trees and all! Ted will teach you the basics of oil painting in a two-hour workshop during which you will create your own beautiful landscape painting. No experience required and all supplies included. Please register on our event calendar for this in-person program; space will be limited!

CHESS CLASS

**Saturdays at 3pm:
September 30, October 14 & 28,
and November 11 & 25**

Interested in sharpening your chess skills? Join us for convenient and casual classes at the Plymouth District Library! This class welcomes participants of all ages and skill levels. Through this class, players will have the opportunity to deepen their chess understanding, refine their skills, and meet new chess friends in the community!

No need to register, just drop in!

BLT - BOARD OF LIBRARY TEENS

Saturday, October 14 from 1-2 pm

Join our Board of Library Teens, and you can share ideas for teen programs, discuss books, plan library projects, play games, and more - all while munching on some delicious snacks! Despite all the fun you'll definitely be having, meeting attendance can even be counted as volunteer hours! Please register on our event calendar for this in-person program.

BOOKS & BITES

Wednesday, October 18 from 7-8pm

Join us to discuss a great YA read! All registrants get a free copy of the book, and if that isn't enticing enough, there will be snacks! This time we will be reading the thrilling mystery *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson. Please register on our event calendar for this in-person program.

STUFFED ANIMAL TAXIDERMISTRY

Tuesday, October 24 from 7-8pm

Heads will roll...literally! Get in the Halloween spirit by creating your very own stuffed animal taxidermy.



We'll paint and decorate mounts for these previously-loved animals before we pull out the scissors and get cutting! The library will provide plenty of stuffies to taxidermy, but feel free to bring your own! Please register on our event calendar for this in-person program.

NUTRITION FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Saturday, November 11 at 11am in the Storytime Room

Come learn about how your dietary choices can either enhance your physical performance or hold you back from being a better athlete! Registered Dietitian Elyse Huskey will review the importance of proper fueling and the risks of underfueling, specific nutrient goals for an athlete, the content and timing of pre-, during and post-exercise meals, and more. This talk is for any teen or young adult who is physically active, including those involved in sports, those training for an event, or those who simply live active lifestyles. Please register on our events calendar for this in-person program.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2 Library Closed
3 Library Closed	4 Library Closed	5 Family Storytime 10:30 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Writing Group 1:30 Teen Vol. Leaders 6:00 Chess Club Drop-In 6-8:00	6 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 How to Pay for College Webinar 7:00	7 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30 Yoga Storytime 6:00 WIP Adult Crafting 6:00	8 Babytime 10:30	9 Cameron Zvara on the Fall Fest Kellogg Park Main Stage 12:00
10 Library Closed	11 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 Teen Virtual D&D 6:00	12 Family Storytime 10:30 Hook & Needle 10:30 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Graphic Novel Club 6:30 Contemporary Books 7:30	13 Computer Basics 1 11:30 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Cricut for Kids 6:30 Your Initial Enrollment into Medicare 7:00	14 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30	15 Messy Play 10:30	16 Kids Costume Swap 10-2 EonSTEM Robotics & Coding 2:00
17 Glasses, Tumblers & Mugs, Oh My! 2:30	18 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 B.A.R.K. 6:00-7:30 Teen Vol. Training 7:00	19 Family Storytime 10:30 Drop Spindle Spinning 10:30 Intro to MS Word 11:00 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Writing Group 1:30 Friends' Literacy Liberty 7:00 Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30	20 Computer Basics 2 11:00 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Books on Tap 7:00	21 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30 Teen Paint Like Bob Ross 6:00	22	23
24 Secrets of Holy Childhood & Its Survivors 1:00	25 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 Babytime 10:30 Medicare 101 1:00 Teen Virtual D&D 6:00	26 Family Storytime 10:30 Hook & Needle 10:30 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Family Storytime 7:00	27 Brown Bag Books 12:00 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Great British Baking Tour 7:00 Zoom	28 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30	29 Red Cross Blood Drive 10-4	30 Storytime for Families with Special Needs 10:30 Chess Class 3:00

OCTOBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 ELL Conversation Group 10:00	3 Family Storytime 10:30 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Writing Group 1:30 Teen Vol. Leaders 6:00 Chess Club Drop-in 6-8:00	4 Computer Basics 1 11:00 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Franklin & Eleanor Roosevelt 7:00	5 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30 Yoga Storytime 6:00 WIP Crafting 6:00	6	7 B.A.R.K. 2-3:30
8 Spooktacular Creations, Ages 4-6 2:00	9 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 Teen Virtual D&D 6:00	10 Family Storytime 10:30 Hook & Needle 10:30 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Contemporary Books 7:30	11 Computer Basics 2 11:00 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Coding for Kids 6:30 Medicare Annual Open Enrollment Review 7:00	12 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30 Teen Haunted House Design 6:00 Page Turners 6:30 Estate Planning 101 7:00	13 Babytime 10:30	14 BLT Board of Library Teens 1:00 Chess Class 3:00
15 Spooktacular Creations, Ages 7-12 2:00 Get to Know Your Muslim Neighbor 2-4:00	16 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 Teen Vol. Training 7:00	17 Writing Group 1:30 Board of Trustees Mtg 7:30	18 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Books & Bites 7:00 Books on Tap 7:00	19 Halloween Costume Workshop 5-7:00	20 Messy Play 10:30	21 ASL Storytime 10:30 Home Solar 101 1:00
22 PumpkinPalooza in DTP 11:30-2:30	23 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 Teen Virtual D&D 6:00	24 Hook & Needle 10:30 Teen Stuffed Animal Taxidermy 7:00	25 Brown Bag Books 12:00 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 Bookworms 6:30	26 Spooky Games for Kids 5-12 3:00 Intro to Canva 6:30	27	28 Storytime for Families with Special Needs 10:30 Perla Garcia Mystery Solvers 1:00 Chess Class 3:00

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 Kelly & Darryl Roenicke Piano & Violin 2:00	30 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 Babytime 10:30 Spooky Evening Storytime 7:00	31	1 Getting the Most Out of Gmail 11:00 Page by Page Book Club 1:00	2 Mindfulness Storytime 6:00 W.I.P. Crafting 6:00 Sustainability & Upcycling 7:00	3	4 Saturday Storytime 10:30 Shelter Pet Cafe 1:00
5 Digital Design for the Lab 2:00	6 ELL Conversation Group 10:00 PDL VEBA Comm 5:30 Scholarships, Grants & Loans Webinar 7:00	7 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Family Storytime 11:30 Writing Group 1:30 Teen Vol. Leaders 6:00 Chess Club Drop-in 6-8:00	8 Family Storytime 10:30 Computer Basics 1 11:00 Kdg. Ready Storytime 11:30 Firearm Safety 11:30 Page by Page Book Club 1:00 JFK: Part 1 6:30	9 JFK: Part 2 6:30	10 Babytime 10:30	11 Nutrition for Physical Activity 11:00 B.A.R.K. 2-3:30 Chess Class 3:00
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FAMILY STORYTIMES (AGES 2-5)

Storytime will include a mix of books, songs, and activities for children ages 2-5 with their families.

September-October Series
Tuesdays at 10:30am
September 5 - October 10
Thursdays at 11:30am
September 7 - October 12
 Caregiver must accompany children.

November-December Series
Tuesdays at 11:30am
November 7 - December 12
Wednesdays at 10:30am
November 8 - December 13
 Caregiver must accompany children.

TODDLER STORYTIMES (AGES 2-3.5, NO SIBLINGS)

Storytime will include a mix of books, songs, and activities for children ages 2-3.5 with their caregiver; no siblings. (Please refer to Family Storytime.)

September-October Series
Thursdays at 10:30am
September 7 - October 12
 Caregiver must accompany children.

November-December Series
Tuesdays at 10:30am
November 7 - December 12
 Caregiver must accompany children.

KINDERGARTEN READINESS STORYTIME (AGES 4-5, NO SIBLINGS OR CAREGIVER)

Storytime will include a mix of books, songs, and activities for children ages 4-5; kids will attend alone to help prepare for a classroom setting. Caregiver must remain on the Youth lower level.

September-October Series
Tuesdays at 11:30
September 5 - October 10
 Caregiver must remain on the lower level while the child is in the program.

November-December Series
Wednesdays at 11:30
November 8 - December 13
 Caregiver must remain on the lower level while the child is in the program.

YOGA STORYTIMES (AGES 3-6)

Thursday, September 7 at 6pm
Thursday, October 5 at 6pm

Join us for Yoga Storytime! Ms. Jessica will read a book and then go through some fun and easy yoga poses that match up with the story. Yoga improves balance, strength, endurance, and aerobic capacity in children. Incorporating yoga in storytime keeps children engaged with the story in a creative way. **Both children and adults should bring a yoga mat or towel; all will be participating.** Registration begins two weeks ahead of each session.



BABYTIMES

Babytime is a 15-minute story, song and rhyme time, followed by a 30-minute playtime. This program is for babies ages 6 to 24 months old and their caregivers. Only the caregiver and baby may attend. No older siblings please.

Mondays at 10:30am
September 25, October 30, November 27

Fridays at 10:30am
September 8, October 13, November 10

Registration is not required.

EVENING STORYTIMES

Monday, September 26 at 7pm
Tuesday, October 30 at 7pm

Join us for Evening Storytime! There will be books, songs, and activities for ages 2-5 with their families!

STORYTIME FOR FAMILIES WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Saturdays at 10:30am
September 30
October 28 (Wear costumes if you'd like!)
November 25

Join us for a storytime designed especially for families with special needs! Ms. Jessica has planned a storytime including a core language board, stories, and songs with different sensory needs in mind. Storytime for Families with Special Needs is for children with all types of developmental disabilities who are at the preschool level of development, regardless of their chronological age. The program will be followed by a period of open play with toys provided by the Library.

This program takes place on the last Saturday of each month from 10:30-11:15am with registration opening two weeks ahead of each date. Register online from our events calendar, in person, or call us at 734-453-0750, option 5.



ASL (AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE) STORYTIME

Saturday, October 21 at 10:30am
 Join Miss Dana for a storytime about ASL (American Sign Language). There will be books, songs and activities designed to help children ages 4 to 7 learn more about ASL. A special guest will sign the books being read. No registration required.

SPOOKY STORYTIME (AGES 2-5)

Monday, October 30 at 7pm

This evening's storytime will focus on stories of a spooky (not scary!) variety to celebrate the Halloween season! Stories will be geared for ages 2-5, but younger and older siblings are welcome. Costumes or dressing up in spooky swag is encouraged, and registration is not required.

MINDFULNESS STORYTIME

Thursday, November 2 at 6pm

Join Miss Dana for a relaxing and mindful storytime. There will be books, songs and activities designed to help children ages 4 to 7 deal with their worries. No registration is required.

SATURDAY STORYTIME

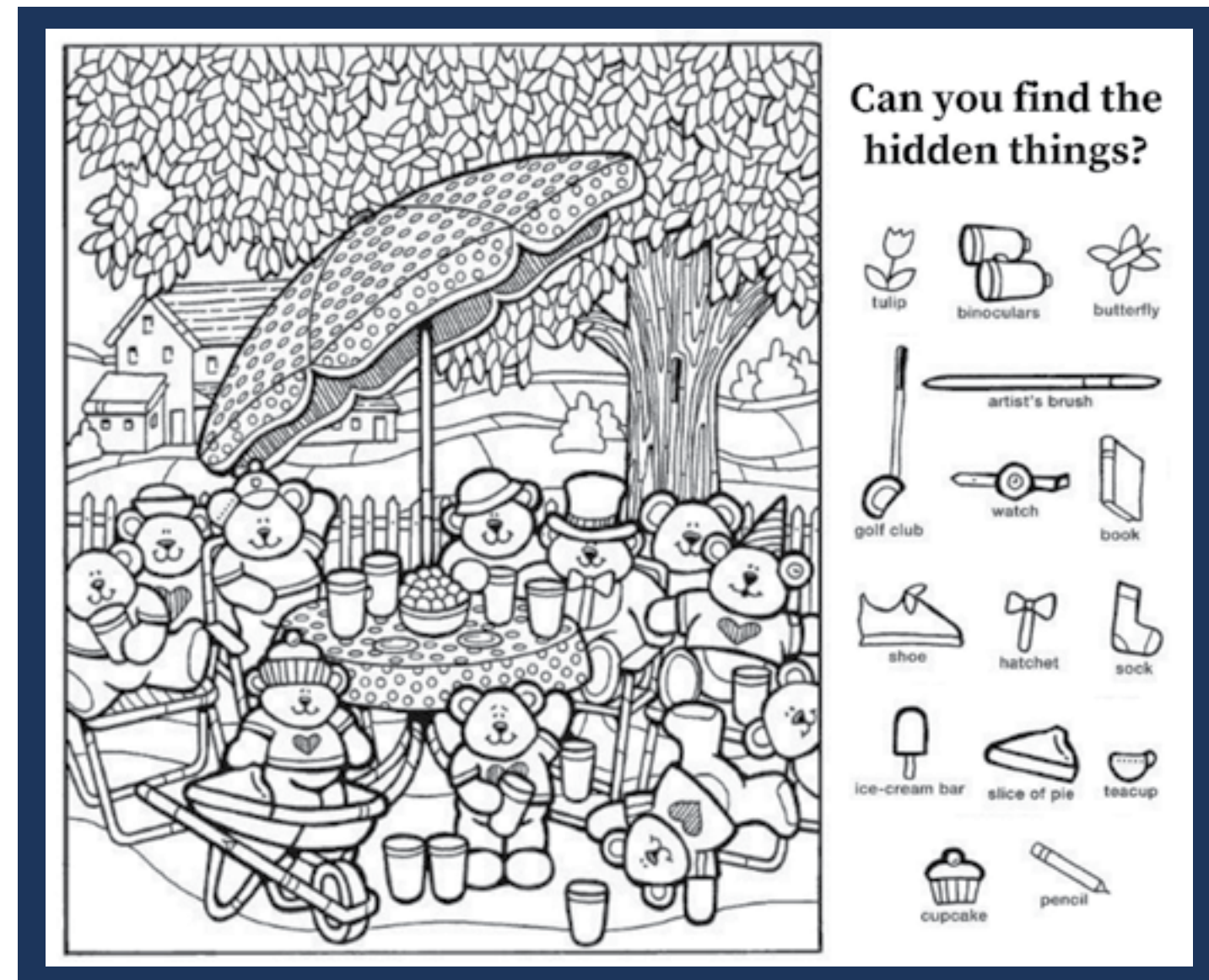
Saturday, November 4 at 10:30am

Saturday Family Storytime for children 2-5 years with their families. Storytime will include a mix of books, songs, and activities for children ages 2-5 with their families. Registration not required.

CYBER SMARTS STORYTIME (AGES 6-9)

Monday, November 20 at 4:30pm

This special storytime will focus on different kinds of Cyber Smarts, from computer literacy to cyber security. Kids will learn from a cybersecurity professional about how to have fun and stay safe online, while listening to engaging stories and participating in themed activities. No registration is required.



PDL PRESENTS: CAMERON ZVARA!

Saturday, September 9 at 12pm
on the Main Stage @ Kellogg Park

Join the Plymouth District Library in welcoming Cameron Zvara onstage at Kellogg Park during Plymouth Fall Festival. Cameron has been wowing audiences for over 15 years! His comedy and magic show is fun for all ages!



In case of inclement weather, the performance will be held at the Library.

GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB FOR AGES 9-13

This program is focused on reading & discussing graphic novels. Once you've registered online, come to the Youth desk and we will give you a free copy of the book to read! Then, join us in the Storytime Room on the meetup date, to talk about the book, play games and do some crafts related to the story.



September 12 at 6:30pm
Just Roll With It by Veronica Agarwal & Lee Durfey-Lavoie
 Registration is open.



November 14 at 6:30pm
Invisible by Christina Diaz Gonzalez
 Registration begins October 17.

Because space is limited, please be respectful and cancel in a timely manner if you can't make it so that someone else can enjoy the program.

CRICUT FOR KIDS (AGES 9-12)

Wednesday, September 13 at 6:30pm
 Join us for some Cricut fun and become a designer! You'll learn to use the Cricut Design Space to create a ready-to-transfer vinyl sticker. With your new skills, you can come back later to make projects like cards, t-shirts and more! Registration begins September 1.

MESSY PLAY (AGES 0-4)

Friday, September 15
Friday, October 20
Friday, November 17
10:30am-11:30am
 Children are naturally curious and learn best when they actively engage with their environment and use all their senses! They will learn about different textures and materials in a way they learn best. This is a drop in activity for ages 0-4, please dress for mess.

EONSTEM ROBOTICS & CODING

Saturday, September 16 from 2-4pm

Join us in welcoming the EonSTEM Academy for this amazing tech program! This event is designed for kids who have a keen interest in coding and robotics. It will feature a diverse range of robots, such as Wonder, RoboMaster, LEGO, VEX, and small educational drones. Kids will have the opportunity to learn how to code and operate these robots in an engaging and interactive manner, making it a fun experience for all.

EonSTEM is an innovative educational platform offering a variety of high-quality and in demand coding, AI, and robotics programs dedicated to creating equal digital opportunity for all kids. This program is open to kids ages 6-14. **Drop in anytime from 2-4 pm in the Storytime Room.** No registration is required.

B.A.R.K. THERAPY DOGS

B.A.R.K. is a social reading program focused on children's learning, where kids in grades 1-6 are paired with a trained therapy dog for a 15-minute reading session.

The team at Paws & Effect provide support while the child gets supervised reading practice here at the Library, helping to develop vocabulary, increase understanding, fluency, and confidence. We will have one session each month in September, October and November. **Time slots are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis beginning 15 minutes before each program date.** Available dates are listed below:

Monday, September 18, 6-7:30pm
Saturday, October 7, 2-3:30pm
Saturday, November 11, 2-3:30pm

SPOOKTACULAR CREATIONS: DESIGN YOUR OWN JACK-O-LANTERN OR GHOST

Get ready to bring your imagination to life by designing your very own wooden Jack-O-Lantern or ghost! Choose from a variety of spooky features to customize your one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Using wooden pieces as our canvas, we will embark on a fun-filled journey of painting and assembling our ghoulish projects.

Due to the paint used in this workshop, we recommend wearing clothes that can tolerate stains and splatters.
Ages 4-6 - October 8 at 2pm
 You and your child will discover the joy of crafting unique Halloween-themed creations together.
Ages 7-12 - October 15 at 2pm
 Crafters will work with guidance and support of our instructors.



SCRATCH CODING FOR KIDS AGES 9-12

Join us for some programming fun and explore the basics of block-based coding! You'll learn a little about computer science while you create a cool project with code. No computer science experience needed!

Wednesday, October 11 at 6:30pm
 Registration begins October 1.

Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30pm
 Registration begins November 1.

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB FOR AGES 9-13

Join us for our middle grade book club! Kids ages 9-13 will receive a complimentary copy of the book to keep. We'll meet to discuss what we've read over PIZZA and do a craft together. This club meets at 6:30 p.m. and is limited to 12 kids.

Register online from our events calendar, in person, or call us at 734-453-0750, option 5. Books will be available at the Youth help desk after registering.



October 12 at 6:30pm
Ophie's Ghosts by Justina Ireland
 Registration begins September 12.

HALLOWEEN COSTUME WORKSHOP

Thursday, October 19 from 5-7pm
 Are you struggling with creating the perfect homemade Halloween costumes for yourself or your family? Creative PDL staff members are here to help in The Lab, ready to brainstorm, build, and bring to life your Halloween costume dreams! You can bring your own supplies or make use of some provided materials (while supplies last) as well as the tools found in The Lab, such as our 3-D Printer, Cricut, and sewing machines. All ages are welcome and no registration is required.

PUMPKIN PALOOZA IN DTP

Sunday, October 22
11:30am-2:30pm
 Join us on the streets of downtown Plymouth for trick-or-treating and fun costumes! The Library will have a booth. What costumes will we wear? This family event does not require registration.

BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB

This book club is for beginning readers ages 5-8. You will receive a bag containing a list of books in the series that kids can read, as well as some fun activities. Your child will then be able to meet up with other kids to talk about the books they read, do a craft and play a game.

October's book series will be *Fly Guy* by Ted Arnold.
Wednesday, October 25 at 6:30pm
 Registration begins September 27. Bags will be available for registered participants starting October 4.



SPOOKY GAMES FOR KIDS!

Thursday October 26 from 3-7pm
 Join us in the storytime room for spooky fun. We will have our entire collection of silly/scary card, dice and board games for you to play. No registration required.

PERLA GARCIA MYSTERY SOLVERS

Saturday, October 28 at 1pm
 Do you have what it takes to be a mystery solver like Perla Garcia? Join author Rodolfo Alvarado for this special book club for 6-9 year olds! Mr. Alvarado will read to us from one of his Perla Garcia mysteries and then we'll work together to see if we can solve a mystery in the Library, just like Perla would!
 Participants will receive a copy of *Perla Garcia and the Mystery of the Missing Photograph* by Rodolfo Alvarado!
 Register online from our Events Calendar, in person, or call us at 734-453-0750, option 5.



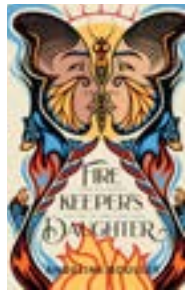
BUILDING FUN! Friday, November 24 from 10am-4pm

Need something fun to do after Thanksgiving? Come to the Library and use our building games and toys to make something cool and creative! This program is open to all ages, but parents of the very young should plan to stay and help. No registration required.

The Great Michigan Read 2022-23



Plymouth patrons will once again join hundreds of communities across the state participating in the Great Michigan Read 2023-24 by reading Angeline Boulley's *The Firekeeper's Daughter*!



As a biracial, unenrolled tribal member and the product of a scandal, Daunis Fontaine has never quite fit in—both in her hometown and on the nearby Ojibwe reservation. When her family is struck by tragedy, Daunis puts her dreams on hold to care for her fragile mother. The only bright spot is meeting

Jamie, the charming new recruit on her brother's hockey team. After Daunis witnesses a shocking murder that thrusts her into a criminal investigation, she agrees to go undercover. But the deceptions—and deaths—keep piling up and soon the threat strikes too close to home. How far will she go to protect her community if it means tearing apart the only world she's ever known?

The Great Michigan Read aims to connect Michiganders by deepening readers' understanding of our state, our society, and our humanity. Presented by Michigan Humanities and supported by national, statewide, and local partners, including the National Endowment for the Humanities, The Meijer Foundation, Library of Michigan, Image Creative Group, and BiblioBoard. Laborers' International Union of North America, MSU Federal Credit Union, and Library of Michigan.

READ WITH US - JOIN THE CONVERSATION:

Copies of the book and Reader's Guides will be available at the library's main level Reader's Advisory desk, with programming held throughout the 2023-2024 year. Below are Great Michigan Read programs for Fall:

SECRETS OF HOLY CHILDHOOD AND ITS SURVIVORS

Sunday, September 24 at 1:00pm

Discover the resilience of the Indigenous children who were stripped of their culture and heritage at Holy Childhood boarding school in Harbor Springs, until it was closed in 1983. The Emmy-award winning documentary "Secrets of Holy Childhood" will be shown, followed by a panel discussion featuring Tribal Elders who were featured in the film. The rich heritage and traditions of the Odawa Tribe, and their continued healing from this intergenerational trauma, will be explored.

WIN A FREE COPY OF THE FIREKEEPER'S DAUGHTER BY ANGELINE BOULLEY!

We have 8 free copies to give away to kick off Native American Heritage Month. **Enter to win starting November 1** at the Reader's Advisory Desk on the main level of the library. Winners will be picked December 1! *one entry per person

BROWN BAG BOOKS

Wednesday, November 22 at 12pm

Join the Brown Bag Books group while we read this year's Great Michigan Read, *The Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley!

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service desks. Fill out comment cards and be on the lookout for our regular community surveys that help us learn more about how we can best serve your needs.

READING IS A FUNDAMENTAL SKILL.

Spending time in print-rich environments, such as libraries, is one of the most effective ways to encourage the growth of reading skills for people of all ages. One's grasp of reading can either limit future opportunities or set one on a path of achievement and learning that can last a lifetime.

We exist to ensure that—regardless of your background, your socioeconomic status, your educational attainment— you can continue learning and growing in ways that propel you toward your goals.

Our summer reading program this year kept over 1,600 individuals reading throughout the summer—limiting learning loss during months spent away from school. This community boasts one of the highest per-capita checkout rates in the region, demonstrating the strong culture of reading that this library has helped to produce in the Plymouth community. We connect early readers with teen volunteers who help them grow their reading skills over the summer, so they are in a better position to kickstart the school year in the fall. From our longstanding book clubs to storytime series, we ensure that people across the age spectrum are supported in the personal growth that reading provides.

If you want to get more involved with all the ways in which we support reading, reach out to learn

more about volunteering at PDL or with the Friends of Plymouth District Library.

WORKING TOGETHER MAKES US ALL STRONGER.

Our community has been strengthened over the years by a strong collaborative atmosphere and commitment to the greater good. Service clubs like Rotary, Kiwanis, Optimists, and Elks have acted as long standing convening spaces for shared action, and the library is working to enhance our participation in meeting community needs with these groups and others. We are hosting a conversation group this fall, alongside the Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit, to work on how we strengthen our collaborations and create a stronger sense of community for those who live, work, and go to school here.

This past year, PDL has partnered with non-profits, such as Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency and Journey to Housing to address growing issues surrounding homelessness and economic insecurity. We have maintained a longstanding commitment to supporting the Penn Theatre and working together on educational community programming. MDHHS and Wayne County Health Department have both used the library as a platform for distribution of free health and wellness resources. Other partners such as the Red Cross and United Way are regular fixtures at the library, helping collect necessary items to support our wider region.

If there is a community cause that you feel would benefit from public participation, please reach out

to discuss what role the library can play with the resources we have available. Our presence in Plymouth has always stood as a testament to the value of sharing, and we continue to grow in that role every day.

FROM THE FRIENDS RE: THE USED BOOK SALE

As many of you know, The Friends of Plymouth District Library has an ongoing book and media sale. Most of our materials range from 25 cents to a dollar. Starting this fall, we are increasing our prices. Adult hardcover books will be two dollars and paperbacks will be one dollar. Children's books will range from 25 cents to a dollar.

We have not had a price increase in over twenty years and think this is still a bargain! All of our proceeds support library needs and library programs. (Notice the events marked with a star throughout the newsletter!)

We welcome both your monetary donations and book donations. We especially need CURRENT fiction (published within the last seven years) and children's books. Books should be clean and without odors. Sorry but we cannot accept magazines, VHS tapes, textbooks or encyclopedias. Please help us support the library!

For more information on the Friends, visit our website at friends.plymouthlibrary.org



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Sunday 1pm - 5pm
Monday - Thursday 10am - 9pm
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Sept 2-4 - Labor Day
Sept 10 - Fall Fest
Nov 22 - Library Closes at 6pm
Nov 23 - Thanksgiving

Questions or comments?

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