

Chess: Game of Kings

by *Tim Sherman, Adult Services Librarian*

Chess Club at the Plymouth District Library has been going strong for over a decade now, albeit with a hiatus during 2020-21. We started in the fall of 2012 after patrons showed interest and asked if the library could support a chess club and provide a place for folks to play. The chess world has changed quite a bit in that decade, and more people are playing chess than ever before thanks to the prevalence of online chess. However, most agree that playing over a board while sitting across from your opponent really has no substitute. We provide tournament boards, pieces, and clocks, and you are always welcome to bring your own standard set if you would prefer. Games are casual and there is always a wide range of skillsets - from beginners to tournament players. We also take time each meeting to work through tactical chess puzzles online as a group. Anyone from 6th grade to adult is welcome at chess; whether you have always wanted to learn to play, have only played online, or are looking to get back into a game you loved. We play on the first Tuesday of each month from 6-8pm.

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- Join our team! The library is currently accepting applications for [Marketing & Visual Design Specialist](#) and [Library Intern](#). We also are accepting proposals for contracted [Social Work Services](#). Use links for details and deadlines.
- **Holiday Hours:** Wed, Nov 22 10am-6pm | Thurs, Nov 23 closed | Fri, Nov 24 10am-5pm
- **Blood Drive:** To sign up to donate on Thursday, December 21, visit [RedCrossBlood.org](#) and use code **plylibrary** or phone **1-800-RED-CROSS**.
- **United Way Hats for the Homeless Drive:** Accepting donations to a box in the lobby through mid-December. For details on the (new) items requested, visit [plymouthunitedway.org](#).
- **Hook & Needle** crafting meetup now meets **weekly**, each Tuesday from 10:30am-12:30pm. All adults are welcome!

Upcoming Events



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 at the park as the "backpacker's bible." This winter the book will reach its 40th year of continuous publication. Join author, Jim DuFresne in celebrating this remarkable little book. [Read More & Register](#)

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Building Fun

Friday, November 24 from 10am-4pm

Come play and create with all our building toys and games. We will have a marble maze, domino rally, LEGO bricks and more. No registration required. [Read More](#)

102nd Division Preparing for War, 1943-1944

Tuesday, December 5 at 7pm

In 1940, the U.S. passed "The Selective Training and Service Act of 1940," which was the first peacetime conscription in U.S. history. This talk follows one Michigan man from the time he was drafted until his unit was sent to fight in the European war. His letters to his wife, almost one a day, became a diary of his time in the Army. The talk is illustrated with photos, diagrams and maps and concludes with a brief summary and a few photos of his time in Europe. [Read More & Register](#)

Holiday Magic in the Lab: Cards for Hospitalized Kids

Saturday, December 2 from 1-3pm

Join us in spreading joy and hope by supporting Cards for Hospitalized Kids (CFHK), a nonprofit charity that distributes uplifting, handmade cards to Children's Hospitals and Ronald McDonald Houses in all 50 states. Use our extensive collection of tools and papercrafting supplies. This is a drop-in event for all ages. [Read More](#)

The Great Detroit: Film Showing and Discussion

Wednesday, December 6 at 6:30pm

Presented by Anthony Brogdon, documentary producer. Learn how and why Detroit was founded, how Detroit became a manufacturing powerhouse, the history of Motown, Eastern Market: America's largest food market, showcase of Detroit's riverfront, parks, business districts and neighborhoods, and ending with the plans for a brighter future. 75 minutes run time. [Read More & Register](#)

