



Call to Volunteers - We Need Experts

Do you have expertise in a particular field that you'd like to share with your community? Join us as a volunteer for our "Check Out an Expert" program at the library!

This exciting initiative allows community members to "check out" local experts for one-on-one sessions when it works for your schedule. Whether it's gardening, cooking, coding, art, or any other skill, we want to connect our patrons with knowledgeable individuals who can offer guidance, advice, and support. Share your passion, build connections with neighbors, and gain valuable experience in teaching and mentoring.

If you are interested in getting involved, email: humanresources@plymouthlibrary.org. Orientations are scheduled for Wednesday, February 5 at 1pm, Friday, February 7 at 10:30am and Wednesday, February 12 at 6pm.



Trade Career Spotlight: Clean Energy

Curious about a career in the skilled trades or ready to learn first steps? This monthly series of programs gives you an inside look and a chance to ask questions of people doing the work. This month's focus is on **clean energy**, from wind to solar to energy efficiency modification.

According to a recent post by the MI Dept of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, clean energy jobs are growing at nearly *TWICE* the pace of overall employment in our state!

This program is sponsored by [CECU's Relentless Care Foundation](#). Scheduled presenters include: Michael McDowell, Wind Coordinator at MIAT and Karl Hercula, Vice President of Field Operations at Michigan Solar Solutions

DATE and TIME: Thursday January 23 | 7-8 pm - [register today!](#)

Next Month's Topic: February 27 - Cosmetology



Exciting News for Movie Lovers!

You can now place holds on our latest DVDs! Be among the first to enjoy your favorite new releases as soon as they hit our shelves. When your hold is ready, you'll have the movie for an entire week—plenty of time to enjoy it. **Don't miss out—start browsing and reserving today!**

Need something to watch tonight? You're in luck! We still have one-day checkout copies of new movies available on our shelves for you to grab and enjoy right away.

Our Community



FormalSHARE DOANTIONS: Prom, wedding and graduation seasons are just around the corner and homecoming will be here before we know it. Our first-ever FormalSHARE event will help combat the high cost of dressing up. **Donate:** Donations of gently used formal or semi-formal dresses, suits, dress shirts & sport coats may be dropped off (clean and on hangers please) any time through Mar. 14. Special occasion shoes and accessories are also welcome. **March 15 :** Register to come select one new-to-you dress, suit or sport coat for upcoming special occasions. Timed-entry will ensure a pleasant browsing experience for all. Note: Local students with established family need may be invited to shop a pre-sale. [Registration required.](#) Age Group: Teen and Adult.

Well Wayne Station: PDL has partnered with Wayne County Department of Health, Human, and Veterans Services and Wayne State University to host a [Well Wayne Station](#) outside the library. The Station provides low barrier access to the anti-overdose medication naloxone (Narcan®) as well as fentanyl and xylazine test strips. Additional information regarding the Well Wayne initiative and the safe, life-saving resources it's providing is available in the library lobby.

Seats & Feets: During January, PDL will welcome donations of new socks and underwear to benefit the Plymouth Canton Community Schools' clothing bank. This "Seats & Feets" collection is sponsored by the Plymouth Democratic Club. Look for the collection box in the lobby.

AARP TaxAide Signup: Seniors - This is your opportunity to sign up for tax preparation assistance from AARP. Drop in any time from 10am-12pm on January 25; library volunteers will help you reserve a TaxAide appointment & give you important forms from AARP. TaxAide appointments at PDL will once again be on Fridays (only) from February through April 15. Spots are LIMITED, so don't wait to signup.

CLOSING: Plymouth District Library will be closed on Monday, February 17, for Staff Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, February 18, at 10am. E-resources and our catalog remain available 24/7.



Book List Highlight: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

This week, we honor the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., a transformative leader of the civil rights movement. As part of our celebration and commitment to understanding his work, we invite you to explore our [Civic Zone Initiative](#)—a space dedicated to engaging and informing the community on civic topics. Additionally, discover our [curated booklist featuring titles about Martin Luther King, Jr., the civil rights movement](#), and the people and events that shaped this pivotal era in history.



Author Spotlight: Jean Kwok

In our latest Author Spotlight, we feature the acclaimed Jean Kwok, whose novels illuminate themes of identity, family, and resilience. Known for her deeply personal storytelling and richly drawn characters, Jean's works resonate with readers around the globe. Discover her journey, the inspiration behind her stories, and why her books are a must-read for fans of heartfelt and thought-provoking fiction. Explore the spotlight here: [Jean Kwok Author Spotlight](#). (Photo credit: Image from [Jean Kwok website](#))

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