



## National Library Week 2026: Find Your Joy!



Celebrate National Library Week with us from April 19-25! This year, the theme is “Find Your Joy”, a celebration of all the imagination, creativity, and joy that libraries bring to our lives each and every day. Visiting our library offers you the opportunity to explore new worlds, ideas, and ways of belonging, from borrowing books to joining clubs or participating in social activities.

The joy that sparks you at the library is up to you to discover — but our Reference Assistants have the unique perspective of witnessing moments of joy and excitement on a daily basis. Sometimes it’s as simple as the moment a child discovers something new, or when a recommendation really resonates with a patron. Other times, it’s moments where community members feel a sense of belonging, understanding, comfort, and connection.

“Over the summer during Art in the Park, I was working the kids craft table and a little girl and her mom walked by. We invited them over, but they seemed timid and didn’t give much of a response,” shared Joey Courtney, a Reference Assistant at PDL. “Then I heard them speaking Spanish, so I began speaking Spanish too, and their faces lit up, and they came over as I explained the craft. It was really sweet and a great reminder that in learning new languages I get the opportunity to connect with people.”

Melissa Henderson, also a Reference Assistant at our library, shared a moment where a mother explained how to complete a word search to her daughter. Watching her discover how to find words on her own and smiling as she did so made Melissa’s day. Another time, she assisted a patron with updating her resume, “I had to show her how to use some of the software and formatting, as well as how to implement information from the job description for the jobs she was applying for.” A while later, the patron came back and found Melissa, “She was pleased to tell me that she got the job! That was a joyful moment for sure.”

Staff member Veronica Schendel, said that her joy comes from recommendations she gives and receives, “It sparks joy when I can recommend materials to a patron that they might not have known about and then hear back from them about how much they enjoyed them,” she added, “In the same vein, I love to hear about great books from our patrons that I don’t know about. It’s a two-way relationship.”

**Library joy is all around us — and all of your moments of joy are memorable to us. Spark your library joy by signing up today for a library card to begin experiencing all the possibilities and resources that your local library has to offer.**

### SAVE THE DATE: GRAND REOPENING CELEBRATION

Please allow us to reintroduce ourselves! After a year of renovations, we are back and ready to show you all the updates PDL has to offer. **Join us on May 16th and May 17th for a Grand Reopening Celebration at the library with exciting activities for everyone to enjoy.** Partake in a mini-golf course spanning the entire library to get acquainted with our updated spaces. Enjoy delicious food from local food trucks, prizes, and more!



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## Programs

### BARK: BE A READING KID!

Monday, Mar. 2 | 6-7:30pm  
Monday, Apr. 6 | 6-7:30pm

At this paw-some program, children are paired with therapy dogs for 15-minute reading sessions, encouraging them to grow their reading skills. Slots are first-come, first-serve beginning 15 minutes before the program begins. **Age group:** Kids 5-12 and their families.

### KIDS RPG CLUB

Thursdays (Mar. 5, Apr. 2, May 7)  
6:30-7:30pm

Hey kids! Want to learn a role-playing game? Amazing Tales is a great way to start. Create a character and go on an adventure all in one hour. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 9-12.

### PROJECT PENPAL

Sign-up week is Mar 8-14

Have you ever wanted a pen pal? Join us in writing letters to our local homebound friends. Write three letters over six months and get three letters in return! Delivery facilitated by the library. **Age group:** 8-12.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### POKEMON TRAINERS CLUB

Thursday, Mar. 12 | 6:30-7:30pm

Bring some Pokemon cards to trade or just share your love for this fun and popular game. **Age group:** 5-12.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### YOUTH MARCH READING CHALLENGE

Celebrate National Reading Month with a fun reading (or listening) challenge. Drop by the Youth Desk and pick up your "Challenge Sheet" starting March 1. There will be a small prize for every weekly challenge and a **FREE BOOK** if you complete all challenges. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 2-12.

### REGISTER FOR EVENTS TODAY!

Go to [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org) and click on "Events" to access the calendar and find your event. Click on any event and fill out its registration form. You can also call 734-453-0750, option 5 or register for the event in person.

### LEGO CLUB

Tuesdays (Mar. 17, Apr. 21, May 19) | 4:30-6pm

Drop-in Lego Club is great fun for all types of Lego aficionados! Each month will have a special creation theme that is STEAM-related, but open Lego building is also encouraged. All Legos are provided by the library. **Age group:** Kids 5-12 and their families.

### DONUTS & WRITING CLUB

Thursdays (Mar. 19, Apr. 23, May 28) | 6:30-7:30pm

Come for encouragement, to play writing games, or just to eat donuts. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 9-12.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### TALKING HANDS ASL CLUB

Saturdays (Mar. 21, Apr. 18, May 16) | 10:30-11:30am

Join with other members of the community for an hour of practicing American Sign Language (ASL). We will have games, books, puzzles, coloring pages, and other resources. **Age group:** All ages.

### BECOME A READ-A-LOUD ROCKSTAR

Thursday, Mar. 26 | 6-7pm

Are you jealous of a librarian's storytime? Come learn our secrets! We will introduce you to techniques that we use to engage children, select the best storytime books, and make you confident at storytime anywhere! Bring your kids for an activity while you learn. **Age group:** Adults and families.

### LEGO MARATHON

Friday, Apr. 3 | 11am-4pm

Join us for a Lego Marathon! We will have Legos out from 11am-4pm. For every hour in the room, you get a raffle ticket toward a Lego prize. With hourly themes and Lego movies, it's sure to be a riot! **Age group:** All ages.



### SUPER SPRINGTIME CRAFTAPALOOZA

Tuesday, Mar. 31 | 1-4pm

Spring into the new season! Families and kids of all ages can enjoy a bevy of crafty activities and materials to brighten up this slushy month. **Age group:** Kids 5-12 and their families.

### MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU

Monday, May 4 | 4:30-6pm

Celebrate all things Star Wars at the library. We will have card/board games, skill games, trivia, and more. Fun for the whole family. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 4-12.



### NEIGHBORHOOD WALK

Monday, May 18 | 9-11:30am

Join Miss Nicole for a Neighborhood Walk! We'll visit a local neighborhood park for some play and social time. Meet outside the library at 9am. Check the calendar for more information. See you there!

### PETTING ZOO AT THE MARKET

Saturday, May 23 | 9:30-11:30am

Kids are invited to visit with a menagerie of animals — chickens, bunnies, goats, and more — when the library welcomes a petting zoo to the Plymouth Farmers Market next to Kellogg Park.

## Book Clubs

### PIZZA & PAGES

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



Pizza & Pages is a fun book club for kids with pizza, activities, and lively discussions. The first five registrants keep a free book; others get library copies. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

Wednesday, Mar. 25 | 6-7pm | Ages 9-12

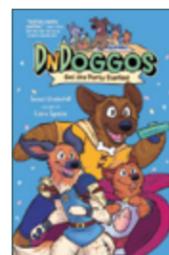
Pick up books at the Youth Desk starting Feb. 25.

**March pick:** *The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise* by Dan Gemeinhart.

Tuesday, May 26th | 6:30-7:30pm | Ages 8-12

Pick up books at the Youth Desk starting Apr. 26.

**May pick:** *Blood in the Water* by Tiffany D. Jackson



### GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB

Thursday, Apr. 9 | 5-6pm

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

Read and discuss a graphic novel with a group! This event is held at **State of Comics** in downtown Plymouth. The first five registrants keep a free book; others get library copies. Pick up books at the Youth Desk starting Mar. 12. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 8-12.

**April's pick is:** *DnDoggos: Get the Party Started* by Scott Underhill.



### BOOKWORMS BOOK CLUB!

Wednesday, May 20  
6:30-7:15pm

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

Beginning readers will receive a list of books in a series. Your child will then be able to meet up with other kids to talk about what they read, do a craft, and play a game. Begin registering Apr. 22. Sponsored by Friends of the PDL. **Age group:** 5-8.

**May's Book Series:** Any Dr. Seuss reader.

## Storytimes

### PLAY AND LEARN STORYTIME

**Tuesdays (Feb. 17 to Mar. 24)**  
10:30-11:15am

**Thursdays (May 7 to May 28)**  
10:30-11:15am

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes that encourage development of early literacy skills. This storytime is perfect for children who prefer a cozy atmosphere. **Recommended age group:** Kids 2-5 and their families.



### MELLOW MOVERS STORYTIME

**Mondays (Mar. 2, Apr. 6, May 4)**  
10:30-11am

A low-sensory storytime for young children and their caregivers seeking a calmer environment. **Age group:** Kids 2-5 and their families.

### SUPER-SIZED STORYTIME

**Wednesdays (Mar. 4 to May 27)**  
10:30-11am in the Dunning Room

Experience the magic of Super-Sized Storytime! Join our librarians in the Dunning Room every Wednesday for an engaging half-hour of reading, dancing, crafting, and bubbles, all while learning valuable early literacy skills. We hope to see you there! **Age group:** Kids 2-5 and their families.



### SATURDAY STORYTIME

**Saturday, Mar. 7**  
10:30-11:30am

Enjoy a fun family storytime in a weekend time slot! Families can expect stories, songs, and lots of laughter while helping their little ones boost early literacy and fine motor skills. **Age group:** Kids 2-5 and their families.

### MESSY PLAY

**Fridays (Mar. 20, Apr. 17, May 15)** 10:30-11:30am

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 fun and playful way. Feel free to drop in. Please dress for the mess. **Age Group:** 0-4.

### BABYTIME

**Mondays (Mar. 23, Apr. 27)**  
10:30-11:15am

**Fridays (Mar. 13, Apr. 10, May 8)**  
10:30-11:15am

Babytime is a 15-minute story, song, and rhyme time, followed by a 30-minute playtime. This program is only for babies and their caregivers. No older siblings please. **Age group:** Babies 6 to 24 months and their caregivers.

### PUPPET EXTRAVAGANZA STORYTIME

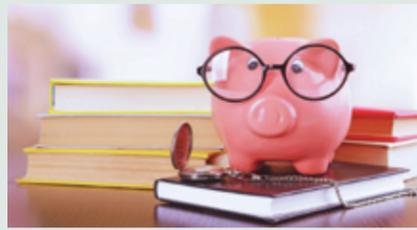
**Monday, Mar. 30**  
10:30-11:15am

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes featuring puppets on a stage! **Age group:** 2-5 and their families.

### SMART MONEY MI KIDS READ! STORYTIME

**Saturday, Apr. 4 | 10:30-11am**

Celebrate Smart Money Michigan Kids Read with a special storytime! There will be stories, songs, and rhymes, all with the theme of "Money". You will also receive a free book and activities to take home. **Stay after to get some hands-on experience with "Earn It!", "Save It!", "Give It!", and "Spend It!".** **Age group:** Kids 4-8 and their families.



### STUFFIE SLEEPOVER

**Thursday, Apr. 30 | 7-7:30pm**

Join us for a very special storytime that will include stories, songs, and rhymes that children and their favorite stuffie can enjoy together. The stuffies then "sleep over" at the library. What adventures will they have? Attend the Breakfast Storytime to find out! **Age group:** 2-5 and their families.



### BREAKFAST STORYTIME

**Saturday, May 2 | 10:30-11am**

Kids can reunite with their stuffie for a Breakfast Storytime and see a slideshow showing all the adventures they went on in the library. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 2-5 and their families.



## The Power of Play

### INTRODUCING A NEW SPACE FOR CHILDREN TO LEARN THROUGH PLAY

Last year, we began a holistic renovation of our library to give our patrons a more accessible, creative, and comfortable space. We've updated furniture, re-carpeted our floors, and added new seating options for both collaborative and independent experiences.

We are about to finish renovations on our Youth Level, which includes a revamped layout for our collections and a new play space designed to encourage play-based learning and foster creativity. We made these changes with patrons, children, and families in mind. While library resources like books are excellent educational tools for children, research shows that young children actually learn best through play.

"Play creates the foundation and framework for academic success, social wellbeing, and emotional health," shared Lauren Baker, Plymouth District Library's Youth and Teen Services Coordinator. With play, she said, "children explore more, practice new skills, and learn to make sense of their experiences."

The research supporting the power of play in children is what led to the introduction of the Messy Play program back in 2023. "We set up different stations for children to explore, and it is very child-led. Parents are encouraged to supervise their child, but let them feel the shaving cream or find bugs in sand." Baker added, "We

also have non-messy stations like using toddler-size tweezers to pick up pom-poms," activating and improving their fine motor skills.

"We have space for people to meet and sometimes, we are the first place that parents feel comfortable taking their kids to meet other kids or engage in social time," said Nicole Munson, one of PDL's Youth Librarians. "I've had parents come back to me and say that they made friends with another caregiver at storytime, and they did an apple picking day with their kids," she added, "I like to think that play isn't just for kids, and that play involves the caregivers as well."

Not only are play and social environments important, but situating one within the library creates even richer everyday learning experiences. Now, children can visit the library for an interactive play space surrounded by print resources. Thus, allowing them to grow their vocabularies, immerse themselves in vibrant stories, strengthen their reading skills, and connect with characters and images as they play.

**With the introduction of our new Youth Play Space, we hope to promote deeper engagement and longer visits, and most importantly, an environment where children and their caregivers feel comfortable to play, learn, and grow.**

## EVENTS FOR ALL AGES

### SUSTAINABILITY: IT MATTERS AND IT'S DO-ABLE!

**Wednesday, Mar. 4 | 7-8pm**

Join Natalie Jakub from Green Living Science as she talks about sustainability. What is it? Why does it matter? How can you make a difference? **Age group:** Adults and families.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### COLORING FOR ALL AGES

**Saturdays (Mar. 28, Apr. 11, May 30) | 2-4pm**

Listen to some relaxing music while you enjoy an afternoon of coloring! We will have coloring pages and utensils to suit all ages and skill levels. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

### P-CCS MENTAL HEALTH & WELLNESS FAIR

**Saturday, Apr. 25 | 10am-2pm**

PDL will once again participate in this fun and valuable event put on by P-CCS. Enjoy some fresh spring air in Kellogg Park and learn about terrific resources our area has to offer for healthy families.

### CRAFT & HOBBY SWAP

**Sunday, May 31 | 10am-2pm**

From May 1st-30th, drop off your gently used craft and hobby supplies at the Readers' Advisory Desk and receive a voucher. On May 31st, swap your voucher for a shopping bag and shop the organized donations!

## Programs

### IN THE GARDEN WITH THE DIA

Wednesday, Mar. 4 | 2-3pm

Join us as a presenter from the Detroit Institute of Arts helps us explore the hidden meanings behind images of flowers, plants, and gardens which are featured in some of our favorite works of art.

### OSCARS PREVIEW

Thursday, Mar. 5 | 7-8:30pm

Film enthusiast and video producer, Greg Black, discusses the year in film through the lens of 10 best picture nominees at the Oscars. Trailers are screened for each film and provide insight, opinions, and trivia. Something for both casual viewers and cinephiles. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### FormalSHARE: DRESS & SUIT EVENT

Saturday, March 7 | 10:30am-4pm

More details on page 7. **Age group:** Adults and Teens.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### MEET THE AUTHOR

MEGAN SCHIKORA

Wednesday, Mar. 11  
7-8:30pm

Join author Megan Schikora

in conversation with Ellen Elliott. Megan will read from her new book, *A Woman in Pink*, and copies will be available for purchase and signing, courtesy of Elephant Ear Books.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### ADULT BATTLE OF THE BOOKS

Saturday, Mar. 14 | 2-4pm

Build a team and compete against your neighbors in this bookish trivia battle, hosted in collaboration with the Northville District Library! Teams of 3-5 people will read five assigned titles and then battle one another to answer questions from the book list.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### USS INDIANAPOLIS: A MICHIGAN CONNECTION

Wednesday, Mar. 25 | 7-8pm

Presented by Barry Levine. The 1945 sinking of the USS Indianapolis was the worst at-sea loss in U.S. Naval history. Miraculously, 316 survived a harrowing ordeal in the Pacific Ocean and many challenges after their rescue. This presentation will share this story, including what happened to some of the Michigan survivors. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### ART AS POWER

AESTHETICS AND EXPRESSION DURING THE HOLOCAUST

Tuesday, Mar. 31 | 6-7pm

Explore how Holocaust victims and survivors used art to resist Nazi oppression, preserve dignity, and convey powerful messages of humanity. Featuring works created during and after the Holocaust, this program reflects on their meaning for today. Presented by the Zekelman Holocaust Center. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

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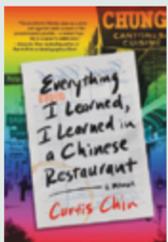


### RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

Thursday, Mar. 26 | 10am-4pm  
Friday, May 29 | 10am-4pm

You are invited to sign-up to donate to the Red Cross blood supply. To sign up, visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (use sponsor code: plylibrary) or call **1-800-RED-CROSS**. **Age group:** Adults and Teens.

## Book Clubs



### GREAT MICHIGAN READ BOOK DISCUSSION

Tuesday, Apr. 21 | 7-8pm

Join one of our librarians for a discussion of the 2026 Great Michigan Read book: *Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant* by Curtis Chin.

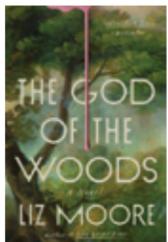


### ARMCHAIR TRAVELERS

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

Saturday, May 2 | 2-3pm

Each session, we take an international novel as a jumping-off point to cultural exploration, engaging in the sights, sounds, and tastes of a new region. Read the book beforehand, or just show up! This session's book is *A Broken People's Playlist* by Chimeka Garricks. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.



### CONTEMPORARY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Tuesdays (Mar. 10, Apr. 14, May 12) | 7:30-8:30pm

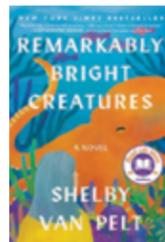
This group meets in person and via Zoom. Each month, the current title is available at the Readers' Advisory desk.

**March:** *God of the Woods* by Liz Moore

**April:** *The Fox Wife* by Yangsze Choo

**May:** *The Wedding People* by Alison Espach

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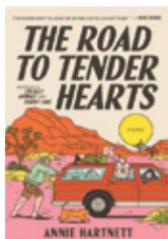


### PAGE BY PAGE: INTERMEDIATE ELL BOOK CLUB

Wednesdays | 1-2pm

The Page by Page Book Club meets on Zoom. 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. Our next book will be *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### BOOKS ON TAP

3rd Wednesdays (Mar. 18, Apr. 15, May 20) | 7-8pm

Meetings take place at Arbor Brewing Plymouth Taproom. Pick up the current month's selection at the library. New members are always welcome!

**March:** *The Light Eaters* by Zoe Schlanger

**April:** *The Road to Tender Hearts* by Annie Hartnett

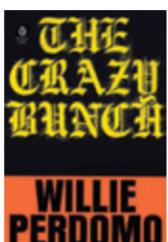
**May:** *More Than I Love My Life* by David Grossman



### SILENT BOOK CLUB

Tuesdays (Mar. 24, Apr. 28, May 26) | 7-8:30pm

Silent Book Club is a gathering of readers. Read silently for an hour, and then, if you would like, come together to talk about books. No assigned reading.



### POPCORN & POETRY

3rd Thursdays (Mar. 19, Apr 16, May 21) | 6:30-7:30pm

Join for a thoughtful, lively discussion, and popcorn to snack on! Pick up your book from Readers' Advisory desk and dive into the world of poetry.

**March:** *In A Time of Distance* by Alexander McCall Smith

**April:** *Real Phonies and Genuine Fakes* by Nicki Beer

**May:** *The Crazy Bunch* by Willie Perdomo

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### BROWN BAG BOOKS

Wednesdays (Mar. 25, Apr. 22, May 27) | 12-1pm

This book discussion group is always open to new members. Book are available at the Readers' Advisory desk during the month preceding the discussion. Volunteers from among the group lead the discussion, with background materials supplied by the librarian. Titles for upcoming months include:

**March:** *Hula* by Jasmin Iolani Hakes

**April:** *Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant* by Curtis Chin

**May:** *The Swimmers* by Julie Otsuka.

## FAKE NEWS AND MISINFORMATION

Wednesday, Apr. 22 | 2-3pm

Why is fake news such a big deal, who creates digital misinformation, and how does all this junk spread around? Join us to learn about these "alternative facts", how to identify them, and how to best protect yourself online.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## HISTORY OF THE CHRIS-CRAFT BOAT COMPANY

Wednesday, Apr. 22 | 7-8:30pm

Presented by Gary Cornillie. Learn the remarkable story of the Chris Craft Boat Company, established around the turn of the century in Algonac, Michigan. The founder of the company, Chris Columbus Smith, was to pleasure motor boats what Henry Ford was to motor cars.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## CHANNEL YOUR INNER TEA MASTER

A HANDS-ON TEA MIXING PARTY!

Wednesday, Apr. 29 | 6:30-8:30pm

Mix, match, and sip your way to the perfect cup! Create your own custom tea blends at our tea mixing party. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## DETROIT DURING WORLD WAR II: THE ARSENAL OF DEMOCRACY

Saturday, May 9 | 1-2:30pm

This presentation by Gary Cornillie will explore how local industries, workers, and communities mobilized to support the Allied Forces During World War II and reshape Detroit's future.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## MEDICARE

REGISTRATION REQUESTED FOR ALL MEDICARE PROGRAMS



### THE BASICS OF MEDICARE

Monday, Mar. 16 | 1-4pm

This session will cover the basics of Medicare, Medicare Supplement Insurance, and Medicare Advantage Plans. Presented by The Senior Alliance. To schedule a one-on-one appointment after the presentation, please contact The Senior Alliance at 734-727-2067.



### MEDICARE 101: THE BASICS OF MEDICARE

Thursday, Mar. 26 | 7-8pm

This session will cover the basics of Medicare: Part A and Part B; Part D Prescription Drug Coverage; Medicare Supplement Insurance, and Medicare Advantage Plans. Presented by The Senior Alliance.



### MEDICARE OPEN DISCUSSION

Thursday, Apr. 16 | 1-3pm

Hosted by retired U.S. Medicare Certified Unique ID Code Counselor. Join us for an open discussion about all things Medicare: enrollment, annual review, Medigap vs. Advantage, protecting your medical records, and being proactive vs. reactive.

## STORY SHARE CAFE: MY GROWING UP GARDEN

Wednesday, May 13  
10:30-11:30am

What good is a story if it's not shared? Join us to enjoy reminiscing with others over a cup of java. Our format is casual, kind conversation, and library staff will be on hand to help move things along as needed. The topic for our meet-up will be: My Growing Up Garden.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## THE WIZARD OF MENLO PARK: THOMAS EDISON REENACTMENT

Wednesday, May 13 | 7-8:30pm

Mike Woloszyk appears as Edison himself! Explore, with photographs and videos, interesting details of Edison's childhood in Milan, Ohio and Port Huron, Michigan, his first inventions, the "War of the Currents" with Tesla, and his friendship with Henry Ford. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## HEALTHY LIVING FOR YOUR BRAIN AND BODY

Wednesday, May 20 | 2-3pm

Join the Alzheimer's Association and learn what research has shown about lifestyle choices that may help keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Discover practical changes you can make for healthy aging.

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## SPICE CLUB

Thursday, May 21 | 6:30-7:30pm

Join us for a potluck where we appreciate different cultures through spices. The spice this month is **sesame**. Spices are first-come, first-served and can be picked up beginning May 1st. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



## KEEPING YOUR MONEY SAFE & AVOIDING SCAMS

Wednesday, May 27 | 7-8pm

Join Rick Bloom and special guest Matthew L. Stentz, the Assistant Special Agent in Charge (ASAC) at Homeland Security Investigations. Learn how to spot the warning signs, protect your personal information, and keep your hard-earned money safe!

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



## RJ SPANGLER BAND

Saturday, May 30 | 2-3pm in the Wilcox Amphitheater

Enjoy our first outdoor concert of the season: the RJ Spangler Band! Sponsored by the Jazz Foundation of America.

## WHAT'S BLOOMING: GARDEN HIGHLIGHTS



### SEED STARTING FOR BEGINNERS

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

Thursday, Apr. 9 | 2-3:30pm

Join Lindsey Kerr, Consumer Horticulture Educator at MSU Extension, for a seed-starting workshop. Learn about growing conditions and supplies needed to grow strong plants. Get your hands dirty and take home some newly planted seeds.



### HOUSEPLANT SWAP

Saturday, Apr. 11 | 11am-1pm

Celebrate the re-launch of **PDL Seed Library's propagation station** with a houseplant swap! Donate houseplants that are taking up too much space in your home, or come grab new-to-you plants to add a bit of greenery to your life. Donations accepted April 4th-10th.

## ON THE RADAR...

### ANNUAL AUTHOR VISIT: RUTA SEPETYS

Tuesday, June 2  
7pm at the Penn Theatre

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### AUTHOR VISIT BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 19 | 7-8pm

Join one of our librarians for a discussion of Ruth Septy's *Between Shades of Gray* in preparation for her June 2 visit.

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# ADULTS

## Series

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELL) CONVERSATION GROUP

**Mondays | 10-11:30am**

Do you want to practice your spoken English? Come to our informal and friendly group meetings led by Native English speakers from the library and the Community Literary Council. Register online to receive the link for the Zoom group, or just drop-in to the in-person group.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### ADULT CRAFT MEETUPS

Drop in with your current project and hang out with other crafters. All makers are welcome!

#### HOOK & NEEDLE CRAFT SOCIAL GROUP

**Tuesdays | 10:30am-12:30pm**

#### CRAFT BUFFET

**Thursdays (Mar. 5, Apr. 2, May 7) 6-8pm**

### WRITING GROUP

**1st and 3rd Tuesdays 1:30-3:30pm**

Join this meetup of adult writers who share their work and provide each other support and feedback. Group meets both in-person and on Zoom. New members are always welcome.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### DOWNLOADS & STREAMING

DEMYSTIFYING LIBBY & HOOPLA

**Wednesday, Mar. 11 | 3-4pm**  
**Sunday, Apr. 19 | 10:30-11:30am**  
**Wednesday, May 6 | 7-8:30pm**

Did you know your public library card is the key to thousands of free eBooks and audiobooks? Join us for a hands-on session where you'll learn to instantly access titles on your phone, tablet, or Kindle! Bring your device. Register now and start your next great read for free!

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### SPRING COMPUTER CLASSES

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

#### MARCH

**Computer Basics 1** - Monday, Mar. 9 | 7-8:30pm  
**Computer Basics 2** - Monday, Mar. 16 | 7-8:30pm  
**Intro to Canva** - Thursday, Mar. 12 | 1:30-3pm

#### APRIL

**Computer Basics 1** - Wednesday, Apr. 8 | 11am-12:30pm  
**Computer Basics 2** - Wednesday, Apr. 15 | 11am-12:30pm  
**Intro to Canva** - Saturday, Apr. 18 | 10:30am-12pm

#### MAY

**Computer Basics 1** - Monday, May 11 | 7-8:30pm  
**Computer Basics 2** - Monday, May 18 | 7-8:30pm  
**Intro to Canva** - Tuesday, May 19 | 6:30-8pm



### LIVING WELL WITH LOW VISION

**Tuesdays (Mar. 3, Apr. 7, May 5) | 10:30am-12pm**

This monthly info session is open to anyone for whom glasses are no longer sufficient. Sessions are both social and informative and usually feature a guest speaker. Companions are welcome. Tokens for Plymouth Senior Transportation provided upon request. Registration invited, but not required.

### REGISTER FOR EVENTS TODAY!

Go to [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org) and click on "Events" to access the calendar and find your event. Click on any event and fill out its registration form. You can also call 734-453-0750, option 5 or register for the event in person.

# GAME MEETUPS



### SCRABBLE SUNDAYS

**1st Sundays | 2-4pm**

Get your wordy brain fired up and test your wits against other neighborhood Scrabble lovers. Sets are provided. Multiple tables will be in play and the room is shared with mahjong play. **Age group:** Teens and Adults.



### AMERICAN MAHJONG

**1st Sundays | 2-4pm**  
**3rd Wednesdays | 6:30-8:30pm**

Meet up with other players for American Mahjong. Sets are provided, but you must bring your own copy of the current Standard Hands and Rules Card. This meetup is for play only, and is not instructional. **Age group:** Adults.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### EUCHRE NIGHT

**2nd Tuesdays 6:30-8:30pm**

Drop in for some friendly Midwestern competition! Bring a partner or come on your own; play is round-robin so you'll meet new folks. Competition level is casual and no instruction is provided. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** Adults and Teens.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### BOARD GAME AFTERNOON

**3rd Saturdays | 1-4pm**

Spend a fun afternoon at the library with tabletop board and card games. We'll provide lots of games and teach on request. **Age group:** Adults, Teens, and Youth Grades 6+.



### CHESS

**1st Tuesdays | 6-8pm**

Casual chess players are invited to drop in for a game. Sets are provided, but if you have a standard/tournament chess set you would like to bring you are certainly welcome to do so. **Age group:** Adults, Teens, & Youth Grades 6+.



### JIGSAW PUZZLE COMPETITION!

**Sunday, Mar. 22 2-4pm**

Grab your family and friends and put your puzzle skills to the test! Form a team of up to 6 people and race against others to complete the same puzzle within a 2-hour time limit. The fastest team wins! Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



### TRIVIA NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

**Wednesday, Apr. 8 6:30-8:45pm**

Here's your chance to test your knowledge and have some fun! Drop in alone or with friends to answer questions from a wide range of categories — math, science, history, current events, and more. No registration required! Sponsored by Friends of PDL.



### BOOK BINGO

**Saturday, Apr. 25 2-3pm**

We're offering a lively game of bingo inspired by books you can find at the library. Join us in the outdoor amphitheater for fun and prizes.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### AMERICAN MAHJONG INSTRUCTION: 4-WEEK SERIES

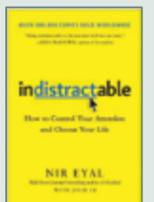
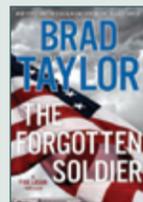
**Mondays (Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23) Afternoons 2:30-4pm | Evenings 6:30-8pm**

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

Sign up for this four-week series to learn how to play American Mahjong through instruction and group practice. See details on the event calendar regarding the official Standard Hands and Rules card needed for play. **Age group:** Adults and Teens.

### LIBRARY SPEAKERS CONSORTIUM

Enjoy live interviews with bestselling authors and thought leaders. To register for upcoming talks or to enjoy previously recorded ones, visit: [library.org/plymouthlibrary](http://library.org/plymouthlibrary).



**Mar. 11 @ 2pm**  
Michelle Carr

**Apr. 2 @ 2pm**  
Valerie Neal

**May 7 @ 7pm**  
Marjan Kamali

**Mar. 12 @ 7pm**  
Kate Quinn

**Apr. 14 @ 7pm**  
Brad Taylor

**May 14 @ 2pm**  
Patrick Porter & Ruchika Sikri

**Mar. 24 @ 2pm**  
Shoshana Walter & Barbara Kingsolver

**Apr. 16 @ 2pm**  
Alex Hutchinson

**May 19 @ 2pm**  
Nir Eyal

## Programs

### TEEN TAKE & MAKES KITS

Visit us on the first of every month for a new Take and Make kit! Each kit contains the materials to create a fun craft or experience at home. Available on a first-come, first-serve basis in the Teen Lounge while supplies last. Sponsored by Friends of PDL. Upcoming kits below:

**March:** Rainbow Keychains

**April:** Candy Sushi

**May:** Onigiri Plush



### NHS TUTORING

**Tuesdays 6-8pm**

**Saturdays 1-3pm**

NHS tutors will be in the Teen Lounge twice each week to help with homework! Check

our website's event calendar for a complete list of dates.

### TEEN DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

**2nd and 4th Mondays | 6-9pm**

Join us for Dungeons and Dragons at State of Comics! Premade characters will be provided, but feel free to bring your own!

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### TEEN VOLUNTEER MEET-UP

**Meet-Ups: Tuesdays (Mar. 3, Apr. 7, May 5) | 6-7pm**

**Shelf Reading Training: Mondays (Mar. 16, Apr. 20, May 18) | 7-8pm**

Interested in getting involved in the library, earning service hours, and making a difference in the community? Join us for our monthly Teen Volunteer Meet-Up, or sign up for a Shelf Reading Training! Whether you're new to volunteering or already helping out, this is a great way to stay connected, ask questions, and find meaningful ways to give back. Registration required for Shelf Reading Trainings.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### TEEN INCLUSIVE SOCIAL CIRCLE

**Monday, Apr. 6 | 6-7pm**

Come spend some relaxed time with friends — old and new! Teen Social Circle is a laid-back, drop-in hangout where teens can chat, play games, and enjoy a comfortable space together. There's no agenda and no pressure — just a chance to unwind, be yourself, and connect with others in a positive environment. Registration optional.

### BLT - BOARD OF LIBRARY TEENS

**Saturday, Apr. 11 | 12-1pm**

Join our Board of Library Teens, and you can share ideas for programs, plan library projects, play games, and more — all while munching on some delicious PIZZA! Despite all the fun you'll be having, attendance can even be counted as a volunteer hour! Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### TASTE TEST: INTERNATIONAL CANDY

**Thursday, Apr. 16 | 7:15-8pm**

Who doesn't like food? Drop by to help us rank this season's snack theme: international candy! We'll have totally free and unique candies sourced from all over the world. Whether you're a foodie looking to explore new flavors or just a teenager who wants free food, we're sure you'll find something delicious. Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

### LIVE-ACTION AMONG US

**Saturday, May 9 | 6-8pm**

Join us after hours for a live-action game of Among Us! Crewmates will complete simple tasks around the library, but keep an eye out for any sus behavior — imposters are among us! Sponsored by Friends of PDL. **Age group:** 5th-12th grade.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

## BOOKS & BITES

**Wednesdays (Mar. 18, Apr. 15, May 20)  
7-8pm**

Join us monthly to discuss a great YA read! The first five registrants get a free-to-keep copy of the book, and if that isn't enticing enough, there will be snacks!



**MARCH:** *Shadow and Bone* by Leigh Bardugo

**APRIL:** *Angelica and the Bear Prince* by Trung Le Nguyen

**MAY:** *Kill Creatures* by Rory Power

Sponsored by Friends of PDL.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED

### FormalSHARE - DRESS AND SUIT EVENT

**Saturday, March 7 | Timed Entry 10:30am-4pm**

Donate gently used items (clean and on hangers) through Friday, March 6. Shop our collection of donations on March 7 and combat the high costs of dressing up for the upcoming prom, wedding and graduation seasons! **Age Group:** Teen and Adult.

REGISTRATION REQUESTED



## OUR LATEST FAVES



*Verity Vox and the Curse of Foxfire*  
by Don Martin



*They Bloom at Night*  
by Trang Thanh Tran



*Jojo's Bizarre Adventure: Part 7, Steel Ball Run, Volume 1*  
by Hirohiko Araki



*Life Lessons With Uramichi Onisan. 1*  
by Gaku Kuze

Find your next favorite book  
in the Teen Lounge.

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**Friends of PDL welcomes your donation of quality, resellable books and invites you to consider serving on the Friends' Board** (not to be confused with the elected Library Board of Trustees.)

To learn more about donating books or applying for a Friends Board position, visit the Friends of PDL website at [friends.plymouthlibrary.org](https://www.friends.plymouthlibrary.org).

# Sharing is Caring: Mutual Aid at the Library



When you think of your local library and what it has to offer, you may think of simply borrowing books or using a study room to read or work quietly. What you might not realize is that library resources go beyond books and shared spaces; we are a hub for community tools and mutual aid all year long. Our goal is to share things that community members may need through collections, donations, and free resources, always made readily available to patrons and visitors of the library.

**Mutual aid is the process of voluntarily offering resources, skills, tips, and items that other individuals are in need of. It's a community effort — and requires that we know what people need and how to get it to them.**

The library partners with local organizations to host critical giving opportunities such as blood drives, food collections and more to build resources for community members. We also host swap events throughout the year for puzzles, formal wear, crafts, costumes, and toys to aid the community in moving no-longer-needed items to those who can put them to use. As a library, our role is to provide the space to hold these events and invite others to take part. As residents, your role lies in the sharing you do by donating, showing up, and spreading the word.

Each growing season, we relaunch our Seed Library — a resource on the Upper Level of PDL with free seeds collected from local gardens, planting tips, and a place to share gardening stories. This has allowed seasoned gardeners and beginners alike to

access free seeds that over time become bred to thrive in the soil of our community.

Last year, we launched our “Check Out an Expert” program, an opportunity to pair experts in the community with neighbors looking to learn more about specific topics. Patrons can schedule one-on-one meetings with self-proclaimed experts in a variety of topics and fields, including technology, art, gardening, and workforce development.

This Spring, we're looking forward to launching a Little Free Pantry outside the library. Similar to a Little Free Library, the Little Free Pantry will be a resource to community members in need of nonperishable food items. We will be holding a donation drive in May to launch this new small-but-mighty resource. In the future, we will be working with local groups to adopt the pantry for about a month at a time, keeping it stocked and refreshed regularly.

“I believe the library should be a public commons where all different kinds of community needs are met — the need for books and information, certainly, but also the need for belonging, for fun, and now, even for food,” shared Lily Wiest, one of our Adult Services Librarians. “I’m very proud to work for a library that recognizes gaps in our community infrastructure and works to fill those needs however we can.”

**The world is a little brighter when we share with others, especially our neighbors. We're so excited to bring this new resource to you, and to continue promoting sharing in our community.**

## SUMMER READING SPONSORS NEEDED

Plymouth District Library is so grateful for the many sponsors that support strong summer reading in our community each year. If your local business would consider being a part of this important effort by providing a reward coupon for our Summer Reading Program this year, **please email [hpacheco@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:hpacheco@plymouthlibrary.org)** and we will share program details.



## LIBRARY FUN IN YOUR SUBDIVISION THIS SUMMER

Last summer PDL enjoyed bringing Popsicles in the Park to several neighborhood parks. For 2026, we'd like to head out to the subdivisions and want your input on where we should visit. If your subdivision has a common area that allows for events and you'd like to be considered for a fun summer visit from your library, **email [hpacheco@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:hpacheco@plymouthlibrary.org) by March 31.**

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

April 19-25 is National Volunteer Week and we'd like to take this opportunity to thank the many adult and teen volunteers who help our library thrive. Last year, community members gave more than 3000 hours (!) of their time and talent to support PDL. **We are so grateful!**



## JOIN THE COMMUNITY JOURNALISM CLUB

**Tuesdays (Mar. 10, Mar. 24, Apr. 14, Apr. 28, May 12, May 26) | 6-8pm**

The Community Journalism Club gathers regularly to create a community-led newspaper for Plymouth. Each month, we'll come together to plan, write, edit, design, and publish content for both print and online. We'd love for you to join us! Questions? Contact us at: **[info@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:info@plymouthlibrary.org)**.



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### 2026 Hours

Monday - Thursday 10am - 9pm  
Friday - Sunday 10am - 5pm

### Spring Closings

Apr. 5 - Easter  
May 25 - Memorial Day

### Board Meetings

Tuesdays (Mar. 17, Apr. 21, and May 19) | 7-8:30pm.

### Questions or comments?

We love to hear from you!  
Email [info@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:info@plymouthlibrary.org)  
or phone 734-453-0750 option 1

### Visit us online:

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### Special assistance:

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services, who are planning to attend library programs or meetings, notify: Shauna Anderson, Library Director 734-453-0750, ext. 218. Reasonable advance notice is required.

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## SEED LIBRARY

Both beginning and experienced gardeners can make use of PDL's Seed Library! Donate extra seeds from your garden, or take new seeds and add to your greenspace. **New seeds arrive March 15th.** Send pictures of your flourishing garden to **[marketing@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:marketing@plymouthlibrary.org)**.