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Play Chess Once a Month at Northville District Library with NDL Chess Sets

Northville, MI: Did you enjoy watching The Queen's Gambit on Netflix a few years ago? Or viewed movies that offered a cursory glance at the game of chess? Have you been curious about learning how to play but not sure where to learn or with whom to play? Drop into NDL Chess Club monthly on Monday evenings. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 19 from 7 - 8:30 PM. Registration is not required. Basic instruction will be offered to new players, as well as challenging studies for advanced players. Each club meeting will begin with a chess lesson followed by open play with chess sets provided by the Library. Adults of all skills are welcome and encouraged to join.

Not familiar with chess? It's a board game of strategy for two players. It is played on a checkered board with 64 squares arranged in an eight-by-eight grid. The two players are referred to as "white" and "black" and are in control of sixteen pieces: a king, a queen, two rooks, two knights, two bishops, and eight pawns. Chess traditionally begins with white making the first move and progresses until an opponent's king is checkmated.

There are officially governed chess competitions internationally held, with local tournaments as well, and time is measured and controlled for each move with a chess clock.

Additionally, Northville District Library cardholders can check out from our Library of Things one of two travel chess sets that contain everything you need to play. This particular item was made possible by a generous gift from the Friends of the Northville Library. Borrowers must be 18 years or older with a valid Northville library card. Once you've checked out the chess set, please ensure all contents are within the case and in good condition before returning the chess set directly to the Northville District Library. Please also refrain from placing the chess set in the bookdrop to prevent damage. Chess sets may be borrowed for 14 days at a time with no holds or renewals.

Be sure to check the Library's quarterly print newsletter, which you can pick up at the Library, and use our online event calendar to view a full listing of all upcoming Library events. To subscribe to the Library's enewsletters visit www.northvillelibrary.org>About>Enewsletter Signup.

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