Meet Molly!
Plum Library’s very own American Girl Historical doll that you can take home with you!

Molly is an American girl who grew up in the 1940s during World War II. When you borrow Molly, you can read her story in the book that is included in the kit. You may check her out for 1 week. Pairing history with play, American Girl dolls aim to help foster a love of reading and to pique the curiosity in young minds about the past through fictional characters not all that unlike the children who are reading their stories. American Girl Historic dolls, their books, and lessons are aimed at children ages 8 and up.

How can I take Molly home with me?
Anyone with a valid library card may borrow Molly for one week at a time. Molly may not be renewed. Molly must be picked up and returned to Plum Borough Community Library during our hours of operation. She may NOT be placed in the book drop. If Molly is already at home with another library friend, we will be happy to place a hold on Molly for you when she is returned. You’ll be notified when she is ready to come to your house! Caregivers over the age of 18 MUST sign an agreement form before Molly can leave the library.

What can I do with Molly at my house?
Have fun!! Molly comes with a book, a bed, a brush, and information about Pittsburgh in the 1940s. She really wants you to read her story, play with her, and
write about all of your adventures together in her journal. Her journal travels with her everywhere that she goes, so all of her new friends can see what all she has done when she was with you! Write about how much you like playing with her, what you think about her story, or even just draw a picture of you and Molly doing something fun! Molly loves all sorts of adventures, but please be sure to keep her away from water, take care of her belongings, and keep her neat and clean.

Although she may only stay with you for one week, the library has many of Molly’s other stories available for you to read and enjoy. Ask a librarian to help you find them!

**What happens if I return Molly late?**
Molly may stay at your house for one week. When she is returned late, you will be charged 50 cents per day. If Molly is damaged or her kit is lost, a full replacement charge of $175 will be assessed. Any minor damages or lost materials will be handled on a case-by-case basis with the children’s librarian. We know you will treat Molly as if she is one of your own dolls and that you’ll do a wonderful job of keeping her safe and clean while she is with you!

**Will Plum have more American Girl historic dolls in the future?**
Yes!! Plum Library is part of an American Girl collection pilot program in Allegheny County, and we will be receiving additional dolls in the near future. Some of these dolls you will be allowed to take home, others have to stay in the library. We’ll keep you posted when they arrive!

*Plum Library is proud to be part of this pilot program with the Allegheny County Library Association. We welcome any donations of new or gently-used American Girl historical dolls, clothing and books to help us build future kits. Any suitable donations can be dropped off at our circulation desk. If you do not have a doll but are still interested in donating, funding is needed for carrying cases, maintenance, and administrative costs, as well as ensuring a wide diversity of new dolls. Donations of any amount are accepted. To donate, make checks payable to “ACLA American Girl Collection” and drop them off at the library, or through the program’s Crowdrise site.*