



On behalf of the library staff and our Board of Trustees, thank you for your continued support of the library. Whether you checked out a book in person, downloaded an e-book, checked out a Wi-Fi hotspot or laptop, attended an event--virtually or in-person, enjoyed our Story Walk, attended a story time, volunteered your time or made a donation to the library, your support has allowed us to continue to be a key resource for so many in our community.

We are thrilled to begin hosting in-person events again with many activities planned for the coming months. Please check our website www.lititzlibrary.org for the most up to date information on our programs and events.

I also am excited to share that the Board of Trustees recently updated the Library's Strategic Plan through 2025. The updated plan is available on our website and focuses on:

Promoting Lifelong Learning

Building Capacity

Increasing Public Access

Achieving Excellence

These areas build off of our previous strategic plan and are designed to ensure a high-performing, sustainable library for the future.

Thank you for continuing to make the Lititz Public Library a cornerstone of our community. And, if you are looking for an opportunity to get directly involved in the future of the library, we are always looking for additional committee and board members.

Scott Burky

President of the Library Board of Trustees

2022

Connecting to the Library through Programs

The library offers many fun and educational programs and classes throughout the year.

For the youngest patrons we have Storytime inside and in the backyard. Our Summer Reading Theme will be **Oceans of Possibilities!** Look for more information on special programs and reading challenges for kids and adults. This fall we will also be bringing back **Cruise into Kindergarten** and **PAWS to Read** and so much more!

For the young at heart, we offer a variety of ways to connect with one another through clubs and classes. Yoga, Tai Chi, wine tastings, educational classes, concerts, hobby clubs, and book clubs are just some of the ways patrons can connect with the library and their community.



books and films that highlight a particular genre, theme, or group of people. Our book and film displays allow us to curate materials and highlight them for our patrons. It is a fun and educational way to interact with books and media you may not have otherwise considered.

For example, during National Poetry month in April we highlighted some books of poetry from both our adult and youth collections. During February we highlighted African American authors and biographies. From our film collection we have highlighted Oscar winners, favorite musicals, film noir, and more! And you can always find fun and educational youth books highlighted for special seasons and holidays in the children's section of the library.



New Ways to Connect to your Library through Technology

The library has some new fun and educational ways to connect to the library.



For children we have new **Wonderbook** available to borrow. **Wonderbook** is audio + print bound together for literacy and fun! **Wonderbook** is a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside. Kids will press play to read along with their favorite books and then switch to learning mode for literacy learning and fun.

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The Lititz Public Library Board of
Trustees meets on the first
Monday evening of each month
at 7 p.m.



I continue to be amazed at the tremendous support the Lititz Public Library receives from this community. At the same time, my goal is that you see that investment and support returned to you in the work that library staff performs every day. The collections, building, or space are not ours – we do not own them. We are merely stewards of the collections, building, and space; we take care of them the best we can so the community can enjoy them.

Looking back over the past year, I'm pleased to share that so many of you were engaged with the library:

- * We had **188 story times that drew over 6,500 parents and children** to our patio and grounds;
- * Our uniquely engaging **story walks attracted more than 800 people**;
- * Over **1,200 kids signed up for the Summer Reading Program**, and we were able to give away 758 books to curious children this year.
- * We **held more than 500 programs, attended by 10,720 patrons** – youths to seniors - on topics ranging from concerts to tea, history to fountain pens.
- * E-books remained popular with over **40,000 accessed in 2021**.
- * **Our communities** (Lititz Borough, Warwick and Elizabeth Townships) **used more than 380,000 library resources in 2021, an increase of 22% over the previous year.**

Among 44 peer libraries across the nation, Lititz Public Library ranks 4th in visits, 1st in checkouts, 3rd in children's programs and 8th in program attendance.

In celebrating those rankings, we celebrate our staff and work that they do and the support of our community. We do more and achieve more as a team than as individuals, and you all are part of that team.

So, be proud! Proud of yourselves and proud of your library as we celebrate ourselves, our teams, and our