



FRIENDS FEATURES

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Lititz Public Library

Fall 2025

Dear Friends,

As the season of gratitude and giving approaches, I find myself reflecting on just how much the Lititz Public Library means to this community – and how much that meaning grows because of you.

For more than 90 years, the Lititz Public Library has been a place where people of all ages come to learn, to connect, and to be inspired. This past year, we have seen that spirit come alive in remarkable ways: storytimes filled to capacity, book clubs that spark new friendships, and programs that bring neighbors together.

Now, we have an opportunity to take that energy even further. Our Capital Campaign is underway and with your help, we will raise \$1.5 million to expand and enhance our library's facilities. This project will create a larger children's area for growing families, add flexible meeting and study spaces for students and tutors, and improve accessibility for everyone who walks through our doors.

The response so far has been inspiring. We have seen generosity, excitement, and genuine pride from those who believe – as we do – that a great town deserves a great library. Every contribution, every volunteer hour, and every kind word has brought us one step closer to realizing this vision.

On behalf of our staff, volunteers, and board, I thank you for your continued support and belief in the power of the Lititz Public Library. Together, we are building a space that will continue to educate, inspire, and connect our community for generations to come.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Carolyn Reiste | Executive Director



Fall Fest Capital Campaign Kick-Off



Adult Programming Fun!



Children's Programming Fun!

"Color Our World" - Summer Reading 2025

Over 1,500 participants enjoyed a variety of 40 colorful programs at the Lititz Public Library this summer! Summer Reading kicked off with a Touch-a-Truck event where families could visit a fire truck, police car, school bus and more! Creative children and youth experimented with pottery, paintings, tie-dye, chemistry and robotics. Presenters included Phredd Ukulele One Man Band, Raven Ridge Wildlife, Railroad Museum of PA, and Lancaster Science Factory. This summer 965 children from birth to age 19 completed a summer reading log and earned fun prizes!



Backyard Storytime Costume Party

On Friday, October 31 the library hosted a Backyard Storytime Costume Party! Over 100 participants attended, many dressed in a costume. Books about spiders and pumpkins were shared and children enjoyed singing fall songs. Following storytime, families were invited to walk down Kissel Hill Road to the Halloween display to trick-or-treat. Thank you to library patrons, Phillip and Megan Hearne, who invited us to partner with them for this fun event!



LEGO Club

Local high school senior, Ethan Rineer, is volunteering to share his love of LEGO with elementary aged children at the library. The monthly LEGO program tackles a variety of themes such as symmetry, stability and simple machines. Capping off each lesson is a healthy amount of free-build time. The program is open to 12 children ages 6-10 years old. Lego Club meets in the storytime room at the Lititz Public Library on the third Saturday of each month September through May from 10:00 - 11:00am.



Parachute Play

During the month of December, parachute play classes will meet at the library. The session runs for three weeks from December 1 through December 18. On Mondays and Tuesdays, children ages 3 - 5 years old can attend "Parachute Play." Toddlers, ages 1 - 2, and their caregivers can participate in "Little Parachute" classes on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Parachute games encourage cooperative play, following directions, and motor skills coordination.



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Model of the new additions to the library!

