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PETERS TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC LIBRARY
OPENING BOOKS, DOORS AND MINDS

NEW LIBRARY HOURS

Monday through Thursday	9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Sundays	Noon to 4 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR ALL AGES



HALLOW-READ CHALLENGE

For all ages through Oct. 31

We began our Hallow-Read Challenge on the first day of fall, Wednesday, September 22. You still have time to join the challenge, which runs through October 31. Readers can begin working through activities and logging their

reading in the Beanstack App. All readers who complete fall-themed activities and log their reading will receive virtual tickets that they can enter to win prizes from the library – all through the Beanstack app. Download the Beanstack app or go to ptlibrary.beanstack.org to read with us.



SUPER ESCAPE ROOM

For Grades 5 and up

*Saturday, Oct. 2, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Conference Room, 2nd floor*

The Interplanetary Villain Association is going to release the secret identities of your favorite superheroes. The superheroes need your help to foil this dastardly plan. You and your team will have 30 minutes to infiltrate the I.V.A., locate the files in question, and

destroy them. Do you have what it takes to save our heroes? Call the Youth Services Desk at 724.941.9430 #3 to reserve your group's time slot. Groups must have a minimum of 4 people and a maximum of 10.



PUMPKIN PAINTING PARTY

For all ages

*Monday, Oct. 18, 7 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor*

Bring a pumpkin and use the provided supplies to decorate it. Ms. Sydney has the paint, stencils,

and inspiration ready for you! Listen to some spooky music as you chat with friends and create your one-of-a-kind pumpkin. Each individual must register to reserve their spot for this program. An adult must accompany children under the age of 13.



HALLOWEENTOWN MOVIE NIGHT

For all ages

Saturday, Oct. 23, 7 p.m.

*Halloweentown (1998) TV-PG,
84 minutes*

Calling all ghouls, witches, and werewolves - join us after hours at the library for a special showing of *Halloweentown!* Wear your costume and hang out with your fellow monsters at the library. The movie will start at 7 p.m., so arrive a few minutes early to grab some

popcorn and stake out your spot. We invite Halloween lovers of all ages, but an adult must accompany participants under 13. This event is after hours and outside. We will watch this movie in a marked-off area of the library parking lot. Bathrooms will be accessible during the program, but the rest of the library will be closed. We will have chairs for you, or you can bring your own or blankets if you like. We will cancel the movie night in inclement weather. If scheduling permits, a rain date will be announced. To reserve your spot, please register each individual and not family group.



MINI GOLF AT THE LIBRARY

For all ages

*Saturday, Nov. 13,
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

Mini Golf at the library is back! Register your family or group by calling the Youth Services Desk to reserve your tee time. We strongly recommend you make reservations as walk-ins cannot be guaranteed a

spot. An adult must accompany children in Grades 4 and under. Registration begins Monday, October 11. Call the Youth Services Desk to register at 724.941.9430 #3.

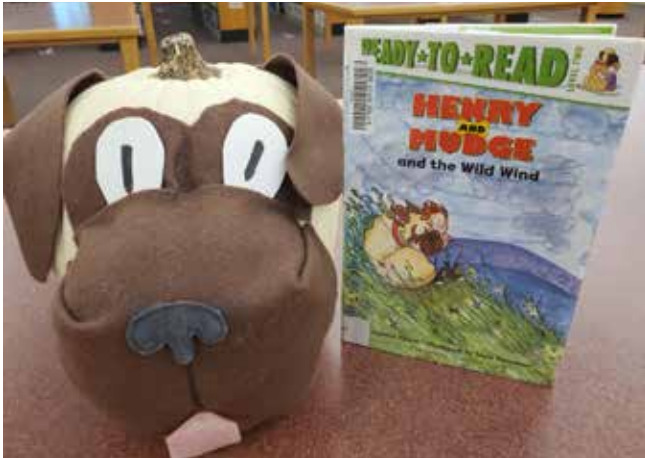


YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMMING

Visit the library events calendar at ptlibrary.org/events to register for a program or to reserve a program kit. Fall Session programs are already in progress and will run through November 12, 2021.

Special Events

PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST



For all ages

Oct. 1 through 27

Decorate a pumpkin to look like your favorite book character! Bring your pumpkin to the library by Friday, October 22, to be voted on by our patrons. Voting will take place from Saturday, October 23, through Tuesday, October 26. We will announce the winner of a gift card for their decorating efforts on Wednesday, October 27! Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. The first 24 patrons who register will receive a FREE pumpkin to get started. You can pick up your pumpkin beginning Friday, October 1.

HALLOWEEN STORYTIME AND PARADE



Halloween Past with Ms. Linda

For ages birth to 5 years

Oct. 25, Oct. 26, OR Oct. 27, 10:30 a.m.

Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

Join Ms. Linda, Ms. Shannon, and Ms. Patty for a fun (not frightful) Halloween story, craft, and a costume parade! Registration is

required at ptlibrary.org/events. Please register all children attending. To accommodate more families, you may only participate in one date. Limited to 15 children. No treats, please.

In-Person Fall Programming

PAWS FOR READING



For Pre-kindergarten and up

Saturdays, Oct. 9, Nov. 20, Dec. 11, 10 to 11:20 a.m.

Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

In partnership with Animal Friends, we are excited to host therapy dogs at the library. Register at the Youth Services desk for your 20-minute time slot to read to these furry friends. They are gentle and love to listen to you read. Space is limited so register today. Woof!

CHESS WITH A CHAMPION



2019 Chess with a Champion session

For Grades 1 to 6

Third Tuesday of the Month

Oct. 19, Nov. 16, and Dec. 21, 6:30 p.m.

Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

Mr. Pete, our local chess champion, is back and ready to share basic play techniques in person! Make your game even better!

A library staff member will be assisting Mr. Pete during each session. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. Limited to 10 participants per session.

NIGHT WITH WQED

*For all ages
Select Thursdays, 6:30 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor*

Oct. 21: Curious George Halloween
Get into the Halloween spirit with Curious George! Stories, crafts, and a special Halloween episode of the beloved PBS Kids series! No treats, please. Registration is required for each session. Limited to 15 children.

Nov. 11: Daniel Tiger Thank You Day
Learn about being thankful with your favorite neighbor, Daniel Tiger. Join us for stories and crafts, followed by a screening of Daniel Tiger, Thank You Day. Registration is required for each session. Limited to 15 children.

FAMILY LEGO NIGHT

*For the whole family
Fourth Monday of the Month
Oct. 25, Nov. 22, Dec. 27, 6:30 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor*

Visit Ms. Linda in the library and build Legos together as a family! We will share some challenges, and we will display your creations in the library following the event. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. Limited to 10 families.

Virtual Fall Programming

BEDTIME STORIES

*For ages 2 to 7
Monday through Thursday, 7 p.m.*

End your day with us with an evening bedtime story with Ms. Linda, Ms. Patty, Ms. Shannon, and Ms. Beth. We will share an adventure each week as we explore different themes. Videos will be posted on the PTPL Youth Services Facebook page at 7 p.m. or watch them when convenient for you on the library's YouTube channel.

- Oct. 4:** Apples
- Oct. 11:** Leaves
- Oct. 18:** Pumpkins
- Oct. 25:** Halloween
- Nov. 1:** Veterans / I Love USA
- Nov. 8:** Thankfulness

STEM SATURDAYS

*For grades 1 and up
Second Saturday of the Month, 10 a.m.*

Oct. 9: Balloon Monsters
Nov. 13: Balloon-Propelled Vehicles
Watch Ms. Linda's videos while joining in with your free STEM supplies. Register at ptlibrary.org/events to reserve a kit. Videos will be posted on the PTPL Youth Services Facebook page, or watch them when convenient for you on the library's YouTube channel. Only 24 kits for each session.

TINY TUNES MUSIC



*For toddlers and up
Second Monday of the Month, 2 p.m.*

Oct. 11: I love music puzzles
Nov. 8: Wind Chimes
Introduce your little ones to the world of music! These energetic programs feature playing and learning about music with Ms. Linda. Register at ptlibrary.org/events to reserve your kit that accompanies each program. You will receive directions via email to access the videos on the library's YouTube channel. Only 24 kits for each session.

BOOK BABIES

*For ages birth to 15 months
Tuesdays, Oct. 12 and Nov. 2, 11 a.m.*

Have fun with Ms. Patty and giggle with your precious baby from the comfort of your home! We will listen and dance together to your favorite childhood songs. Registration is required. Signup at ptlibrary.org/events. Only registered participants will receive directions via email to access the videos.



MOTHER GOOSE STORYTIME

*For ages 1 to 2 1/2 years
Tuesdays, Oct. 12 and Nov. 2, 11 a.m.*

Spend some quality time in your home with your little one. Sing along to fun tunes while working on fine and gross motor skills and direction, following with Ms. Patty's help. Registration is required. Signup at ptlibrary.org/events. Only registered participants will receive directions via email to access the videos.

Tweens and Teens In-Person Fall Programming

MAKER MONDAY

For Grades 4 to 6

Third Monday of the Month, 4 p.m. (Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 20)
Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

Maker spaces are collaborative spaces where students can gather, get creative with DIY projects, and invent new ones while sharing ideas. Join Ms. Linda and decompress after school by hanging out with friends in this student-led creative time. We will have snacks for those after-school hunger pangs. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. Limited to 10 participants.

TWEEN BOOK CLUB

Grades 4 to 6

Select Thursdays, 4 to 4:45 p.m.
Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

Ms. Linda will be meeting you in the library for this book discussion. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. The first five registrants get a free copy of the book. Limited 12 participants.



Oct. 28: *Ophie's Ghosts* by Justina Ireland
Ophelia Harrison used to live in a small house in the Georgia countryside. But that was before the night in November 1922 and the cruel act that took her home and her father from her. Which was the same night that Ophie learned she can see ghosts.



Nov. 18: *The One Thing You'd Save* by Linda Sue Park
If your house were on fire, what one thing would you save? Newbery Medalist Linda Sue Park explores different answers to this provocative question in linked poems that capture the diverse voices of a middle school class.

TEEN AFTER-HOURS MOVIE NIGHT

For Grades 7 to 12
Friday, Oct. 1, 7 to 9 p.m.
Library Parking Lot



Join Ms. Shannon outside the library for an after-hours event as we watch *The Addams Family* (1991, PG-13). Registration is required. This event is for teens only. Sorry, no younger siblings. We will be outside for this program. We will not schedule a rain date.

PTPL VOLUNTEEN BOARD

For Grades 7 and up
First Saturday of the Month, 11 a.m. (Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4) OR
First Thursday of the Month, 7 p.m. (Oct. 7, no meeting in Nov., Dec. 2)
Teen Room, 1st floor

We are now accepting teen volunteers. Meet with Ms. Shannon every month in the Teen Room to help plan events and prepare for library activities. Weekly and special volunteers are also needed.

Attendance at one monthly VolunTEEN Board meeting (either the first Thursday or the first Saturday) is required to serve as a library volunteer. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events.

TEEN SHADOW AND BONE BOOK CLUB

For Grades 7 to 12
Select Thursdays, 7 p.m.

Oct. 28: *Siege and Storm*
Nov. 18: *Ruin and Rising*
Dec. 16: *Six of Crows*



Join Ms. Shannon and your friends in the Teen Room to read or reread the books that inspired the popular Netflix series. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. The first five teens to register will receive a free copy of the book! Limited to 12 participants.

TEEN ONLY EXPLORE & MAKE

Grades 7 to 12, 3 to 4 p.m.
Teen Room, 1st floor

Nov. 2: *Needle-Felted Acorns*

Learn how to needle-felt with Ms. Beth. Needle-felting is a traditional handicraft that has been around for hundreds of years; felting is the process of using a unique barbed tool to repeatedly poke into loose wool to pull the fiber into itself and create a round, firm shape. At the end of this class, you will have your own beautiful, hand-crafted felted acorns in a variety of jewel tones to display at home! Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. Limited to 12 participants.

EXPLORE & MAKE TUESDAYS

Grades 7 to 12, 3 to 4 p.m.
Grades 4 to 6, 4 to 5 p.m.
Teen Room, 1st floor

Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. Limited to 12 participants.

Oct. 5: *Book Pumpkins*

Celebrate autumn with Ms. Beth in the Teen Room. We provide a used book for you to upcycle into a cute pumpkin decoration.

Oct. 19: *Candy Corn Button Art*

Create a work of art featuring a black frame, burlap background, and vibrant yellow, white, and orange buttons in a candy corn design. This project will make any room fall-tastic.

Nov. 16: *Pumpkin-Pie Garland*

This yummy pie-themed garland will get you in the Thanksgiving mood. Come ready to craft - Ms. Beth will have all supplies you need.

TWEEN/TEEN WRITING GROUP

Second Thursday of the Month, Oct. 14, Nov. 11
Grades 4 to 6, 4 to 5 p.m.
Grades 7 to 12, 7 to 8 p.m.
Teen Room, 1st floor

Do you create fantastic worlds inside your head? Maybe you scribble short stories or craft poems or love to journal? Whether you've been writing for years or always wanted to start but didn't know where, our brand-new PTPL writing group is for you! Join Ms. Beth to learn more about the craft of creative writing, discover writing resources, and find inspiration and community with a group of peer writers. Bring a pen or pencil and paper. Registration is required at ptlibrary.org/events. Limited to 12 participants.

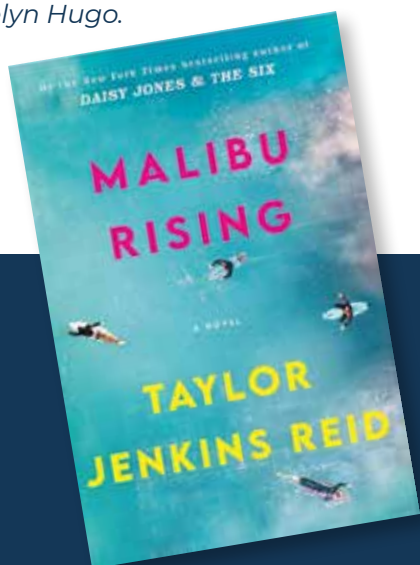
Purchase tickets online at ptlib.org/TJRTickets.



THE PETERS TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
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A NOVEL NOVEMBER WITH **TAYLOR JENKINS REID**

Reid's newest novel, *Malibu Rising*, is a New York Times bestseller, as are her previous novels, *Daisy Jones & The Six* and *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo*.



**Thursday, November 4, 2021
7:00 pm**

**Peters Township
High School Auditorium**

Adult tickets \$25

Student tickets \$5

VIP tickets \$60

Tickets go on sale **Friday, September 10**.

For tickets or more information, go to ptlibrary.org or visit the library.

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New York Times bestselling author and screenwriter Taylor Jenkins Reid writes historical novels that explore the complexities of love and life. Four of her novels, *Malibu Rising*, *Daisy Jones & The Six*, *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo*, and *One True Loves*, have been optioned for film and streaming adaptations. *Malibu Rising* is a #ReadwithJenna book club pick, and *Daisy Jones & The Six* was a Reese's Book Club selection. Taylor's other books include *One True Loves*, *Maybe in Another Life*, *After I Do*, and *Forever, Interrupted*.

For more information on Speaker, please visit www.prhspeakers.com

Book Sales by





PROGRAMS FOR ADULTS

Visit the library events calendar at ptlibrary.org/events to register for a program or to reserve a program kit.



Seeking Program Proposals!

Are you a knowledgeable speaker on a topic that our library community would be interested in? We'd love to hear from you!

To submit your suggestion, visit ptlibrary.org and search for "Program Proposal." Complete the online form. Program Proposals are reviewed by library staff and must meet specific criteria.

VIRTUAL COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID NIGHT

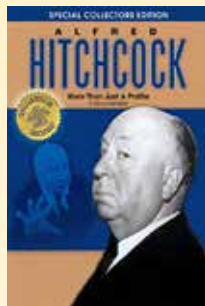
Monday, Oct. 4, 6:30 p.m.

Discover the ins and outs of paying for a college education at the library's annual College Financial Aid Night. You can watch this presentation from the comfort of your home virtually. Register for the webinar at ptlib.org/FAFSA. We invite high school parents and students to view the presentation by William Lindsey, Higher Education Access Partner from PHEAA. He will describe all federal and PA-state financial aid programs, scholarships, and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application processes. Other topics will include how colleges award aid to families and how financial aid deadline dates interface with the college admissions process. Lindsey will also explain loan rates and interest rates for students and parents. The 2022-2023 FAFSA form will be available on Oct. 1, 2021, at the official government site, fafsa.gov.

This Financial Literacy program is offered as part of the Pennsylvania Library Association's statewide initiative, PA Forward, to demonstrate that libraries can help citizens become informed consumers and guide individuals, small businesses, and other organizations to contribute to the economic vitality of their communities. Learn more at www.paforward.org.

MONDAY MOVIE NIGHTS

Join us on select Monday nights to enjoy a movie outside in the library parking lot. Bring your chair (or use one of ours), some snacks, and enjoy the evening's feature film. We will have a brief discussion of the movie after its conclusion. In case of inclement weather, we will move this program inside (if space is available.) If we need to cancel the program, you will receive an email if you registered to attend. Registration is required for each individual to reserve their spot. Limited to 40 participants.



Monday, Oct. 11, 7 p.m. *Alfred Hitchcock:*

More Than Just a Profile

2005, directed by Liam Dale, 61 minutes, Not Rated

No one comes close to the undisputed master of the macabre and suspense as Alfred Hitchcock. The rotund figure of the smiling, unassuming Englishman is as recognizable as his work, thanks in part to his remarkable cameo appearances and to having crafted such classics as *Psycho*, *The*

Birds, *Rear Window*, and *Dial M For Murder*. Hitchcock is a name that no one will soon forget. Follow in Hitchcock's footsteps, discover his early influences, and explore the darker side of this legendary genius who knew every trick in the filmmaker's book, turning tales of everyday folk into spine-chilling, psychological thrillers.

Monday, Nov. 15, 7 p.m. *The Great Ride*

2019, created by WQED, 57 minutes

This documentary explores one of America's most treasured biking destinations. *The Great Ride* consists of two connecting trails, the Great Allegheny Passage and the C&O Canal Towpath linking Pittsburgh to Washington, DC. Cyclists and hikers from all over the world enjoy 335 uninterrupted miles of breathtaking scenery and fascinating history. Viewers will follow the trail with a diverse group of cycling tour guides, each taking us through a different section of the trip.

VIRTUAL GHOST TOUR WITH HAUNTED PITTSBURGH

For all ages

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 7 p.m. via Zoom

Join us on Zoom as the 'curators of Pittsburgh's nightmares' take us on a virtual ghost tour of the Steel City and surrounding areas. This program will be available live via Zoom. Please register at ptlibrary.org/events to receive the Zoom invitation. If you do not have access to a computer or Zoom and want to attend this program, please contact Sydney Krawiec at 724.941.9430 ext. 3260.

ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

Friday, Oct. 15, 9 to 10 p.m.

Main Lobby



Let's do the Time Warp again with The Junior Chamber of Commerce Players! The JCCP will be sharing some history of the Rocky Horror Picture Show in Pittsburgh

then leading us through the highlights - and you can sing along too! Costumes are welcome (encouraged, in fact), but please do not bring prop items for the show. The performance starts at 9 p.m., so arrive a little early to say hi to the cast and get settled. This event is after hours, and regular library services will not be available. Rocky Horror Picture Show is rated R and has material that may not be appropriate for all age levels. Please

register each individual to reserve your spots for this after-hours performance! Limited to 50 participants.

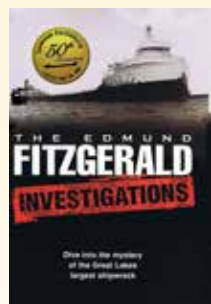
FLASHBACK '80S NIGHT

Wednesday, Oct. 20, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

Join us for a totally righteous evening of music, trivia, and fun. Big hair, spandex, and leg warmers are encouraged but make sure to keep it loose for our '80s workout! Local group fitness instructor Meghan Greenwood will lead us through '80s Mindful Movement, set to your favorite '80s hits. No experience or equipment is required, and this light exercise is appropriate for all abilities. Next, prove your worth by competing for prizes in '80s trivia, which will include two free tickets to Novel November with Taylor Jenkins Reid. Don't forget to stop by the photo booth for some rad polaroid pictures. Motor to the library with your friends for some fun to the max! This '80s Night is to help us get pumped for The Peters Township Library Foundation's Novel November with Taylor Jenkins Reid. Registration is required to attend. Limited to 25 participants.

THE EDMUND FITZGERALD INVESTIGATIONS



Tuesday, Nov. 9, 7 p.m. via Zoom

The mighty Fitz is the Great Lakes largest shipwreck, resting in two major pieces on the bottom of Lake Superior just over the Canadian border. It was lost in a killer storm in 1975, and its entire crew of 29 simply vanished into the waves around seven that evening. Shipwreck historian Ric Mixer is one of only a handful of people who have visited the wreck personally, diving 550 feet down in a tiny

submarine to explore the site for over an hour. With over 20 years of research, Mixer has collected one of the most extensive film archives of Fitzgerald-related material.

You will watch exclusive footage of the ship's construction near Detroit, along with interviews from the men who worked at the shipyard and other sailors who spent time on the Fitz before its sinking. This historical talk will be available live via Zoom. Please register at ptlibrary.org/events to receive the Zoom Invitation. If you do not have access to a computer or Zoom and want to attend this program, please contact Sydney Krawiec at 724.941.9430 ext. 3260

THE DISCOVERY OF A MASTERPIECE



Thursday, Nov. 18, 7 p.m. via Zoom

One of the most significant art finds in recent history was in a nondescript council chamber in New Jersey. A marble bust of

Napoleon sat on display for 85 years before a critical connection was made. The statue had been lost to the art world since the 1930s until Curator and Archivist Mallory Mortillaro cataloged the artwork housed inside the Hartley Dodge Memorial Building. After a year of research by Mortillaro, the Comite Auguste Rodin in Paris authenticated the piece as an official work by Auguste Rodin. Mallory will share the story of how a simple art cataloging project evolved into a search for a mysterious piece's provenance and became one of the most important art finds in recent history. A Q&A session will follow this presentation. This historical talk will be available live via Zoom. Please register at ptlibrary.org/events to receive the Zoom Invitation. If you do not have access to a computer or Zoom and want to attend this program, please contact Sydney Krawiec at 724.941.9430 ext. 3260.

MADDALENA TRAY REPLENISHMENT BLOOD DRIVE



Wednesday, Nov. 24, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Multi-Purpose Room, 1st floor

Maddalena Tray's entrance into the world in February 2017 came with several unforeseen complications. In addition to metabolic acidosis, a condition wherein the amount of acid in the blood is out of balance, Maddalena had possible brain

damage and acute liver and kidney failure. Maddalena received an extraordinary amount of blood the night she was born and more than 40 blood products during her 40-day stay in the neonatal intensive care unit. Today, Maddalena is doing well. She continues to see the nephrologist for her chronic kidney disease and may need a kidney transplant in the future. Her family is hosting their 5th annual replenishment drive and plan to do so every year. To make an appointment: Visit vitalant.org and click the "Log In" button. On the new window, choose Donor Login (previous donor) or New Donor (haven't donated with Vitalant before), search with group code Z0021026, or call 412.209.7000.

Library-Sponsored Clubs

We are excited to welcome our clubs back into the library building. **Advance registration is required to reserve your spot.** Register online at ptlibrary.org/events.

EVENING BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

Second Wednesday of the Month, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

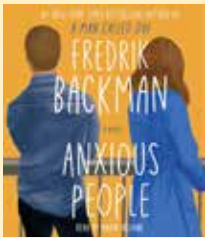
Reading Room, 2nd floor

This book club will meet in person and have a Zoom option if members wish to participate from home. Registration is required to attend in person and to receive the Zoom Link. Please call Sydney Krawiec at 724.941.9430 Ext. 3260 for more information.



Oct. 13: *The Winemaker's Wife* by Kristin Harmel

The author of the international bestseller *The Room on Rue Amélie* returns with a moving story set amid the champagne vineyards of France during the darkest days of World War II, perfect for fans of Heather Morris's *The Tattooist of Auschwitz*.

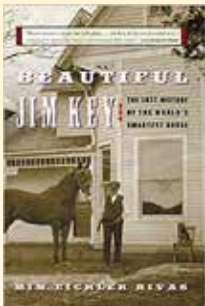


Nov. 10: *Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman
An instant #1 New York Times bestseller, the new novel from the author of *A Man Called Ove* is a “quirky, big-hearted novel....Wry, wise and often laugh-out-loud funny, it’s a wholly original story that delivers pure pleasure” (People).

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

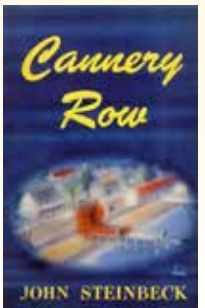
Third Wednesday of the Month, 1 to 2:30 p.m.
Reading Room, 2nd floor

This book club will meet in person and have a Zoom option if members wish to participate from home. Registration is required to attend in person and to receive the Zoom Link. Please call Sydney Krawiec at 724.941.9430 Ext. 3260 for more information.



Oct. 20: *Beautiful Jim Key: The Lost History of the World's Smartest Horse* by Mim Eichler Rivas
Beautiful Jim Key—the one-time ugly duckling of a scrub colt who became one of the most beloved heroes of the turn of the century—was adored not for his beauty and speed but rather for his remarkable abilities to read, write, spell, do mathematics, even debate politics. An incredible true saga of a truly exceptional

animal—and the no less extraordinary man who led him to greatness.



Nov. 17: *Cannery Row* by John Steinbeck
Published in 1945, *Cannery Row* focuses on the acceptance of life as it is: both the exuberance of community and the loneliness of the individual. Drawing on his memories of the actual inhabitants of Monterey, California, including longtime friend Ed Ricketts, Steinbeck interweaves the stories of Doc, Dora, Mack and his boys, Lee Chong, and the other characters in this world where only the fittest survive,

to create a novel that is at once one of his most humorous and poignant works.

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB FOR ADULTS

Last Tuesday of the Month, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Reading Room, 2nd floor

This book club will meet in person and have a Zoom option if members wish to participate from home. Registration is required to attend in person and to receive the Zoom Link. Please call Sydney Krawiec at 724.941.9430 Ext. 3260 for more information.



Oct. 26: *The Guest List* by Lucy Foley
A wedding celebration turns dark and deadly in this deliciously wicked and atmospheric thriller reminiscent of Agatha Christie from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Hunting Party*.

Nov. 30: *The Searcher* by Tanya French

Call for Club Volunteers!
We are currently looking for volunteers to help with our PTPL Sponsored Clubs. These clubs cover a variety of topics and interests. As a club leader, you would help with discussions or activities as necessary. We are currently looking for individuals to lead the following groups:

- Crafting/DIY Groups
- Crocheting/Knitting Groups
- Foreign Language Conversation Groups
- Movie Discussions

If you are interested in volunteering your time with PTPL Sponsored Clubs, please contact Sydney Krawiec at skrawiec@pt-library.org. Do you have another interest that you would like to run as a club? Please reach out to Sydney to suggest and volunteer for a new club.

COLORING & CLASSICS CLUB

Every Wednesday, 9:15 to 10:30 a.m.
Reading Room, 2nd floor

Take a break and spend some time coloring and listening to classics while sharing casual conversations.

NEW EVENING CROCHET CLUB

Second Thursday of the Month, 6 to 7 p.m.
Reading Room, 2nd floor

Bring your own projects or learn how to make new stitches. All levels of crocheters are welcome.

“ROOTS” GENEALOGY CLUB

Second Tuesday of the Month, 1 to 3 p.m.
Club Leader: Cathy Pigford
Reading Room, 2nd floor

Share resources, information, and methods for exploring your family’s history. All are welcome.

STAMP CLUB

Third Tuesday of the Month, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Club Leader: Richard Landa
Conference Room, 2nd floor

New members are always welcome to come share stamps and peruse the collections of other philatelists at our monthly meetings.

LENSHOOTERS PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB

Second Wednesday of the Month, 7:15 to 8:45 p.m.
Club Leader: Jim McNutt
Multi-purpose Room, 1st floor

All levels of experience are welcome to this monthly photography club. Share your photos with friends and learn from different techniques from various speakers.

WORLD WAR II DISCUSSION CLUB

Last Wednesday of the Month, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Club Leader: Michael Phillips
Reading Room, 2nd floor

A monthly discussion series featuring topics about World War II: new members are always welcome!

Computer Classes for Adults

All classes are free, and some are offered virtually via Zoom. IT/Reference Librarian Brandon Priddy will be your instructor for all sessions. Registration is required. The Zoom meeting invitation will be emailed to you one business day before the class. The staff member facilitating the event cannot provide live technical support during the virtual program. It is strongly encouraged you familiarize yourself with Zoom in advance of the program. For more in-depth instructions, please visit the Zoom support page at <https://support.zoom.us>.

GALES COURSES TOUR

Monday, Oct. 4, 11 a.m. via Zoom

Gale Courses offers dozens of free instructor-led classes on various software, business, and artistic topics. IT Librarian Brandon Priddy will explain how to enroll in a class and give a tour of the wide range of courses available. Limited to 15 participants.

3D PRINTING WORKSHOP

For adults and teens

Wednesday, Oct. 6, 7 p.m.

Makerspace area, 2nd floor

Learn the basics of how 3D printers work, see 3D printed objects, and discover how you can find or create your 3D designs. Registration required. Limited to 5 participants.

BORROWING EBOOKS WITH OVERDRIVE

Monday, Oct. 11, 11 a.m. via Zoom

Did you know the Library's OverDrive collection offers thousands of free eBooks and audiobooks? Learn how to borrow them and enjoy them on your device. Limited to 15 participants.

MAKE A MUG WORKSHOP

Wednesday, Oct. 13 OR Wednesday, Oct. 20, 7 p.m.

Makerspace area, 2nd floor

Learn how to design and produce your custom-designed Fall or Halloween-themed mug. Participants will get to take home one mug each. We are limiting this program to adult patrons only due to the equipment used. Limited to 4 participants.

HALLOWEEN CRAFTING WITH CREATIVEBUG

Monday, Oct. 18, 11 a.m. via Zoom

CreativeBug offers over 1,000 free online arts and crafts workshops. IT Librarian Brandon Priddy will demonstrate how to use this free resource and highlight some fun Halloween crafts. Registration is required to receive the Zoom meeting invitation. Limited to 15 participants.

STREAMING SPOOKY MOVIES WITH KANOPY

Monday, Oct. 25, 11 a.m. via Zoom

Library service Kanopy allows you to stream new and popular films, classics, and documentaries on your computer or device. IT/Reference Librarian Brandon Priddy will teach you how to access the service and spotlight some of the collection's Halloween highlights. Kanopy is free but does require a Peters Township library card number. Registration is required to receive the Zoom meeting invitation. Limited to 15 participants.

MAKE YOUR OWN HALLOWEEN LUMINARIA

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 7 p.m.

Makerspace area, 2nd floor

Visit our Maker Space and learn how to make a Halloween-themed glass luminaria perfect for decorating a walkway or home. A selection of pre-made designs will also be available to

make. We are limiting this program to adult patrons only due to the tools and materials used. Limited to 4 participants.

INTRO TO ONLINE GENEALOGY RESEARCH

Monday, Nov. 1, 11 a.m. via Zoom

Curious about where to start researching your family history? The library has several online genealogy resources that can help you with your search. IT Librarian Brandon Priddy will discuss how to use Ancestry Library, Heritage Quest, and Family Search. Limited to 15 participants.

INTRO TO MICROSOFT WORD

Wednesday, Nov. 3, 7 p.m.

Public computers, 2nd floor

You will learn the basics of operating Microsoft Word to compose written documents. Limited to 6 participants.

HOW TO USE FLIPSTER DIGITAL MAGAZINES

Monday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m. via Zoom

Library service Flipster allows access to dozens of popular magazines, such as TIME, Sports Illustrated, Rolling Stone, People, and more for free! Learn how to access Flipster and spotlight some of the collection's highlights. Limited to 15 participants. This service is available to PT Library cardholders only.

INTRO TO MICROSOFT EXCEL

Wednesday, Nov. 10, 7 p.m.

Public computers, 2nd floor

Learn the basics of operating Microsoft Excel to create spreadsheets. Attendees should have a basic knowledge of computer operation before attending this course. Limited to 6 participants.

LEARNING LANGUAGES WITH MANGO

Monday, Nov. 15, 11 a.m. via Zoom

Mango offers comprehensive lessons on over 70 world languages. You will learn how to create an account, navigate the Mango website and app, and start learning a new language! Limited to 15 participants.

MAKE A MUG WORKSHOP

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m.

Makerspace area, 2nd floor

Learn how to design and produce a custom-designed Fall or Thanksgiving-themed mug. Participants will get to take home one mug each. We are limiting this program to adult patrons only due to the equipment used. Limited to 4 participants.

THANKSGIVING CRAFTS WITH CREATIVEBUG

Monday, Nov. 22, 11 a.m. via Zoom

CreativeBug offers over 1,000 free online arts and crafts workshops. IT Librarian Brandon Priddy will demonstrate how to use this free resource and highlight some fun Thanksgiving crafts, like a fall leaf wreath, iced fall cookies, a sewn pie carrier, velvet pumpkins, and more. Limited to 15 participants.