



## **Peters Township Library Report – September 2024**

### **Read Local Eat Local**

September 7<sup>th</sup> marked the fifth Read Local Eat Local author showcase at the library. This event was generously funded by The Peters Township Library Foundation, who helped purchase the tents, tables, and additional entertainment fees for the event. This event features local writers, illustrators, and food trucks in a unique festival celebrating authors. 21 authors and three food trucks headlined this year's event, with over 400 visitors purchasing books, meeting authors, grabbing lunch, and enjoying the local talent. We were so pleased to continue growing this great community event and got wonderful feedback from the community.

We also received very positive feedback from our participating authors, including this from B.A. Colella: *"This is the most professional and well-attended author event in Western PA, by far! Great job to the entire staff, well done!"*

### **WCCF – A Day of Giving**

Thank you to everyone who supported The Peters Township Library Foundation during WCCF's Day of Giving on September 19. Thanks to 95 generous donors, The Foundation raised \$11,145! This amount does not include the bonus pool funds from WCCF that will eventually be added. These funds will go towards supporting Read Local Eat Local, new Makerspace technology, and this year's Novel November event featuring best-selling author Patrick Radden Keefe. Thank you to all who donated – we are grateful for your support!

### **Animal Fair**

After a two year hiatus, the Animal Fair returned to the library in September. This event brought together 11 animal organizations from the surrounding area, including South Hills Pet Rescue, Canine Companions, Rabbit Wranglers, Pleasant Valley Vet, Fix Ur Cat, and Wheek Care Guinea Pig Rescue. Organization representatives provided information, showed demonstrations, and brought along some furry friends to meet. Children in attendance could earn a free book from the Youth Services Department by presenting a stamp card at each table. More than 250 people attended this great event!

### **American Archives Month**

October is American Archives Month – join us to celebrate all the PTPL Archives has to offer! We will host a series of events designed to engage the public with our historical collections. From October 1-12, visitors can participate in lobby displays and games, including a scavenger hunt. A highlight of the celebration will be the Local History Trivia Night on October 3 from 6 to 7 p.m. Check out the most recent edition of In Peters magazine for more information about the PTPL Archives and our archival initiatives.