



Peters Township Library Report – October 2025

Novel November

The Library Foundation's eighth annual Novel November featuring New York Times bestselling author S.A. Cosby was a huge success! More than 300 people were in attendance. A big thank you to all of the volunteers, committee members, and library employees whose time and dedication made this program possible. Thanks also to our sponsors, and those who helped make the event a success:

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The Foundation has already secured our author for next year's Novel November: Katherine Center, New York Times bestselling author of over a half a dozen books, including *How to Walk Away*, *The Bodyguard*, and *The Rom Commers*. Her books have made countless Best-Of lists and BookPage calls her "the reigning queen of comfort reads." Visit ptlib.org/katherinecenter to join the ticket waitlist for Thursday, November 5, 2026.

Through the Looking Glass

Patrons had a wonderful time at our Boos, Brews, and Books Halloween party on Saturday, October 18! This sold-out event hosted 150 participants who experienced scavenger hunts, puzzles, Living Garden floral arranging, Mad Hatter's tea blending, croquet, live music, and a touch of magic with Felix Riba Magic. Guests also enjoyed food and drinks from our vendors Franken-Fried Food Truck, J&D Cellars, and Altered Genius Brewing. This program was generously sponsored by the Peters Township Public Library Foundation. We look forward to hosting this program again next year!

Youth Outreach

The Youth Services Department offered an extensive lineup of library outreach in October. Linda represented the library at the township's annual Trunk-or-Treat event. Shannon and Sarah visited every Library class at McMurray Elementary during the week of October 6th, reaching 650 students. Linda visited Kid Biz Daycare for the first time and shared fall stories and songs. Sarah offered a two-part outreach program to St. John's Preschool teaching children about animal tracks and exploring a local creek. These programs had about 90 participants at each visit. Library staff spoke to more than 50 parents and teachers about library resources at PTA meetings, in-service days, and the new teacher induction training. Sarah presented to 260 9th grade students during their English classes at the end of the month. We are so appreciative of the opportunities for us to bring the library to the community!