

Phoenixville

PUBLIC LIBRARY

2017-2018 Annual Report



MISSION

The Mission of the **Phoenixville Public Library** is to provide access to information and services that address the educational, cultural, and recreational needs of the community the Library serves.

This has been a truly fantastic year for the Phoenixville Public Library! From our summer children's programs, Adult Summer Reading program to Wine, Wit & Wisdom with author, Kathleen Barber, and her debut novel *Are You Sleeping?*, we truly have had a great year, and a big thank you to all those that attended our programs and events!

We continue to build a strong community by the work we do and by striving to offer Phoenixville and its residents' access to wonderful programs and events for people of all ages. Thank you for your continued support of the Phoenixville Public Library and being an integral part of our success. We can't wait to show you all the great things we will be offering in the year ahead!

Lara Lorenzi
Executive Director



LARA LORENZI EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

“The only thing you absolutely have to know is the location of the library.”

-Albert Einstein



2017-2018 STATISTICS

Operational info:

- Total number of Library visits: 130, 533

Collection and Circulation:

- Total circulation: 216,356
- Circulation of physical items: 197,178
- E-materials usage: 19,178
- Total number of items owned: 60,058
(physical items)

Volunteers:

- Volunteers: 65
- Volunteer hours: 2,196.45

Programs:

- Number of children's programs: 575; attendance at these programs: 15,886
- Number of teen programs: 85; attendance at these programs: 705
- Number of Adult programs: 369; attendance at these programs: 3,426

Computer Usage:

- Number of public computers with internet access: 25
- Number of internet sessions/uses: 17,070

● “We may sit in our library and yet be in all quarters of the earth.”

-John Lubbock

“Without libraries what have we? We have no past and no future.”

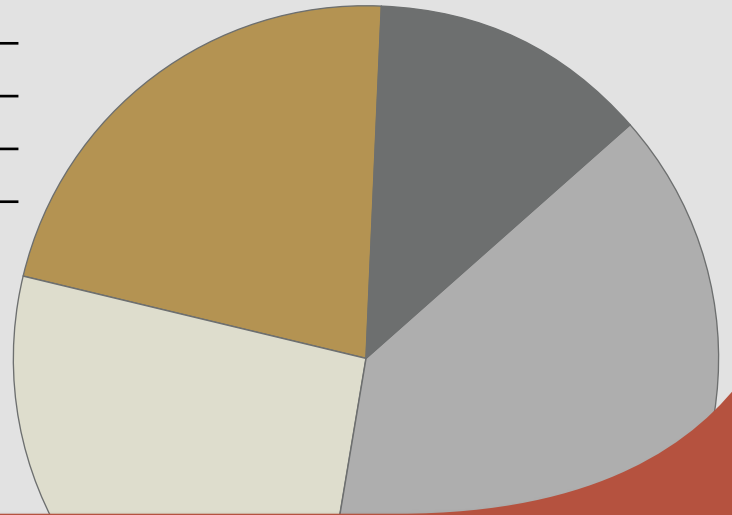
-Ray Bradbury



Phoenixville Public Library

FINANCIALS of 2017-2018

Total amount received	\$92,052.77
Annual Appeal	\$16,605.00
Civic Organizations	\$1,614.03
Donations	\$9,494.05
Grants	\$10,368.00
Restricted-Children	\$1,215.37
Restricted-General	\$2,183.08
Special Events	\$50,573.10



FINANCIAL OVERVIEWS



A NOVEL LUNCH 2018



A Novel Lunch was held on Thursday, April 12, 2018, where over 60 guests enjoyed a wonderful lunch and discussion with critically acclaimed author, Lisa See, at the Columbia Station in Phoenixville. Attendees loved listening to the stories of the famed author, her travels and family stories and the guests were delighted to be in attendance for this talk and to ask See questions as well.

See talked at length about the tea process and her travels in Asia and around the world and its ties to tea

and families and lineage. It was truly captivating. Lisa See was kind enough to personalize novels and take photos afterwards.

A Novel Lunch was a wonderful spring event for the Phoenixville Public Library Foundation! We could not have done it without the continued help and support of Towne Book Center & Café and the wonderful Lisa See.

It was a great afternoon for all in attendance.

WINE WIT & WISDOM 2017



Wine, Wit & Wisdom, the Library's largest fundraiser, was held on Thursday, November 2, 2017. This dinner and silent auction raised funds for the Library to better serve the community of Phoenixville. This event is paramount for the Phoenixville Public Library to grow and expand our services for the Phoenixville community we happily serve.

The evening was truly wonderful, complete with a wine pull, 3-course sit down dinner, silent auction and newcomer author, Kathleen Barber, with her debut novel, *Are You Sleeping?* We were so thrilled to have Kathleen as our guest speaker as she shared her story of podcast love, going from lawyer to author and her writing process. We were one of her first speaking engagements! And we are lucky we had her when we did, as Reese Witherspoon bought the rights to *Are You Sleeping?* and is set to be a TV series, starring actress, Octavia Spencer!

Over 150 guests enjoyed their time to bid, chat and dine, as well as hear Kathleen Barber and take home a signed copy of this acclaimed debut novel.

The continued support of this evening helps us continue to build a strong community by the work we do, those we serve and what we strive to offer Phoenixville, its residents and the surrounding communities.



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