

## **Peters Township Library Report - October 2021**

## **Programming**

We had plenty of spooky in-person and virtual programs on offer in October. This was the first month we brought back in-person Makerspace programs, and we had 14 patrons stop in to create Halloween mugs and luminaria using the Makerspace equipment. Keep an eye out for more upcoming fall- and winter-themed Makerspace DIY programs! Adult patrons could also attend a virtual program hosted by Haunted Pittsburgh. Almost 200 people viewed this ghost tour of Pittsburgh and surrounding areas via the live Zoom program and recorded YouTube video.

We adjusted our typical fall youth programming to safely bring our youngest library users back to inperson programs. Instead of one large Halloween storytime and parade, we held four programs throughout the week with limited registration. Lego Night, WQED Night, Chess Club, book groups, and all teen programs have also been meeting regularly in-person. We had plenty of fall-themed programming for the whole family as well, including a Halloweentown outdoor movie and a pumpkin painting party. The library is still offering pre-recorded storytimes for patrons who prefer virtual programming, and we plan on offering virtual programming permanently.

For our Hallow-Read Challenge on Beanstack, we had 113 active participants across all age groups who read almost 109,000 minutes! Readers could earn badges by logging minutes, attending library programs, leaving book reviews, or completing fall-themed activities. Anyone who completed these activities and logged their reading received tickets to enter to win one of six prizes from the library. Congratulations to our winners!

## **Novel November**

The Library Foundation's fourth annual Novel November featuring New York Times bestselling author Taylor Jenkins Reid was a huge success and a sellout! 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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