

Peters Township Library Report - June 2022

Oceans of Possibility

Our summer reading program has continued at full force, both in person and online through Beanstack. Through the end of June, we have 489 active readers and 650 total registrants. For the older age categories, participants have read more than 3,900 books. For our younger readers, they have spent more than 228,000 minutes reading! Participants also completed more than 2,000 activity badges, such as visiting us at the Farmer's Market or Community Day, reading outside, taking a walk in the park, and reading certain genres of books.

Our teens and tweens enjoyed their first program in the "Summer in a Jar" series, with 20 participants making a homemade layered strawberry shortcake. We have also continued with many of our regular programs throughout the summer, including Family Lego Night, Teen and Tween Writing Groups, Teen Choice and Tween Book Clubs, and Chess Club. Backyard Storytime returned at the end of June, with stories and crafts all about pirates.

Collection

Thanks to the MY Work Initiative volunteers working at the Township this summer, we were able to start a massive collection shifting project upstairs. Nonfiction and biographies have been moved to make for more intuitive browsing for patrons. We also created a new section for travel guides and travel DVDs. Throughout the summer, we will continue this project, by moving our books on CD, paperbacks, Great Courses, and book club kits.

Community Partners

On July 1, we partnered with Vitalant to host another blood drive at the library. As a result of this drive, Vitalant collected 36 blood products from individuals. These blood products will help critically ill newborn babies, patients being treated for cancer, those suffering from traumatic injuries, and many others. Thank you to everyone who registered for this event and generously donated blood.