Peters Township Library Report – September 2022

Dairy Bar program

The "Stories from the Archives" series continued with a program in September about the history of The Dairy Bar. Our program presenters, Margaret and Carrie, along with some guest speakers, discussed the property's origins as a blacksmith shop in the early 1900's through the realignment of the Valleybrook/McMurray intersection. Owned and operated by the Duckworth family for 64 years, their store was a beloved institution in the township. They shared precious memories from people who worked and shopped there, along with photographs documenting the many changes that occurred through the years. More than 125 people attended the live Zoom program, many tuning in from outside Pennsylvania! Another 453 have watched the YouTube recording of this program so far, in the week since it's been posted. We love to see so many people enjoy learning about Peters Township history.

WCCF – A Day of Giving

Thank you to everyone who supported The Library Foundation during WCCF's Day of Giving. Thanks to 89 generous donors, The Foundation raised $9,107! This amount does not include the bonus pool funds from WCCF that will eventually by added. These funds will go towards the consulting partnership with an archivist in the PTPL Archives, Beanstack and Zoom subscriptions to enhance our wide variety of digital program offerings, and this year's Novel November event featuring best-selling author Andy Weir. Thanks to all who donated – we are grateful for your support!

Youth Services fall session

September was a very exciting month for the Youth Services department, as we were able to offer our beloved, weekly storytimes for the first time since February 2020. Patron have been thrilled to have these programs back once again, and registrations fill up extremely quickly. Each week, we offer Toddler Tales, Bodies in Motion, Book Babies, Mother Goose Storytime, Tiny Tunes, and Preschool Storytime. These programs have also kept our play area busy before and after, which is so refreshing to see.