

Peters Township Library Report - December 2022

Programming

We were very excited to offer Home for the Holidays baskets again this year for the third time. We assembled 56 baskets for 92 children and 100 adults. These bags included holiday snacks, hot chocolate packs, holiday books and movies, and craft activities.

Ten teen volunteers participated in our first Sweets and Service event. On a Saturday afternoon, they handcrafted over 30 encouragement cards and baked more than 100 cookies for our local Meals on Wheels recipients! Our teen volunteers have put in more than 500 hours at the library this year, and we greatly appreciate all they do to support our operations.

Although we don't offer our weekly storytime programs in December, the Youth Services Department was still very busy. Popular holiday programs like Elf on the Shelf, Edible Holiday Treats, and Family Ornament Night returned once again, and registration filled very quickly. We were happy to visit the CRC to be part of the second annual Holiday Kick-Off, where we offered holiday crafts and a free book for every child.

More than 80 people attended a Puzzle Swap in December, where they could bring in old jigsaw puzzles and receive tickets to pick out new-to-them puzzles. Thank you to our volunteer Shelli, who loves coordinating the Puzzle Swaps each year! Adults also enjoyed programs on the basics of tarot reading, British holiday traditions, and a behind the scenes tour of the PTPL Archives.

2023 A to Z Reading Challenge

Can you read your way through the alphabet this year? Join the library on Beanstack and read with us in this year-long reading challenge where you read a book with a title that starts with each letter of the alphabet. (Or contains it, for some tricky letters!) The challenge is complete when you have read a book for every letter and another that contains numbers – 27 in total! Each month, our top readers (youth and adult) will earn prizes from the library for participating in this challenge. Check the library's website for book recommendations and head to ptlibrary.beanstack.org to register for the A to Z challenge.