



Peters Township Library Report – February 2024

Adult Services

The library hosted several large events for adults in February. The Army War College returned for the 18th consecutive year for a panel discussion with officers from Carlisle, Pennsylvania. This presentation is part of the Eisenhower Series College Program. Senior officers discussed security challenges at home and abroad and conducted a Q&A session at the end. 60 people attended the program live, and almost 90 watched the recorded video on YouTube afterwards.

Romancing the Reader was a huge hit, with almost 70 patrons in attendance. Eight local authors shared information about the craft and answered questions from the audience. The panel discussion was followed by light refreshments, book signings, and opportunities to purchase books from the authors.

Youth Services

Our winter session of storytimes concluded at the end of February. The Youth Services Department hosted six storytimes per week for eight weeks, including Toddler Tales, Bodies in Motion, Tiny Tunes, Preschool Storytime, Mother Goose, and Book Babies. More than 1,200 littles and caregivers attended storytime programs during the winter session. Spring session launches on March 25.

The Youth Services Department has hosted two sessions of a new Sensory Storytime, which is done in partnership with a local pediatric occupational therapist. Sensory Storytime is an inclusive, welcoming environment for children of all abilities. Caregivers are encouraged to ask questions about occupational therapy and sensory processing throughout the program. The library has received quite a bit of positive feedback about this new program, so it will continue on a monthly basis for the remainder of the school year. One of our mid-term strategic plan goals was to offer a sensory storytime so we are excited that this partnership program is working out so well.

Our last program of the month was a Teen Leap Day Party. We celebrated the odd, the unusual, and the memorable with this event. Teens enjoyed snacks, games, and creating a Leap Year time capsule. This program attracted teens that we don't usually see in attendance, so we hope to see these new faces at future programming.

Featured eResource - JobNow

The library has recently launched a brand new digital resource called JobNow. JobNow features carefully selected resources for all stages of the job search process including expert resume assistance, live interview preparation, career resources, and much more. Most online career tools provide "resume building" software or job-hunting strategies without one-to-one advice from a career coach. JobNow bridges the divide by connecting users with experienced career coaches and vast resources to assist them during all stages of the job search. All free with your Peters Township Library card! Visit the Resources tab at ptlibrary.org to check out this new resource.