

Peters Township Library Report - July 2021

Programming

Our summer reading program was in full swing this month! The library has offered an outdoor storytime each week to children and their families. The registration has been filling up almost instantly and the families are really enjoying these programs. We have also been utilizing our outdoor space to offer engaging programs for teens and tweens. During July, program participants created slime, folded a book animal, and dissected owl pellets.

The Youth Services staff was excited to partner with the Peters Township Extended School Year program for a special visit and storytime. 24 students had the opportunity to tour and learn about the library, listen to a story, and create a fun craft to take home.

The Adult Services department hosted a July program called "From Pittsburgh to the Moon," where Heinz History Center Archivist Emily Ruby presented on her work and research that went into the 2019 Columbia exhibit at the History Center. Emily shared a wealth of knowledge and dived into the pivotal role that Pittsburgh and southwestern PA played in the race to the moon. In the post-event survey, one participant commented, "I was surprised to learn about so many Pittsburgh connections to the moon landing." Another said, "The presenter was knowledgeable and interesting. The information was new to me even though I had seen the exhibit at the history museum."

Upcoming Events

Vitalant will be holding a blood drive from 9am to 3pm on Thursday, August 19th, in the multi-purpose room. Make an appointment at donateblood.centralbloodbank.org. You can use C594 when it asks for a group code. If you cannot schedule online, please call 412-209-7000. Appointments are recommended.

Summer Reading Extravaganza

The Washington County Library System's first summer reading extravaganza at Mingo Park was a huge success! Families from all over the county joined us at the end of July. Each library had its own table, for crafts, goodie bags, and other activities and giveaways. Almost 200 people stopped by the park to learn about our Washington County libraries, win a free book, enjoy a free snack from Salvation Army, and watch a magic show.

Library Survey

At the end of July, we sent out a short survey to patrons to get their opinion on our services, collections, and programs. We were blown away by all of the kind words the community shared about the library and our staff! Thank you to everybody who provided thoughtful responses about the direction the library should take while moving into the future.