

**CITY OF SAINT PETER, MINNESOTA  
AGENDA AND NOTICE OF MEETING**

**Regular Meeting of the Saint Peter Public Library Advisory Board  
Tuesday, January 11, 2022  
5:30 p.m.**

**St. Peter Community Center Governor's Room #300**

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- IV. OATH OF OFFICE**
- V. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**
- VI. REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN**
  - A. Reports - 2021
  - B. Winter Plans
- VII. OLD BUSINESS**
  - A. Friends of the Library Update
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS**
  - A. Library Survey  
<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/1f3Ovli/PublicLibrarySurvey>
  - B. Meeting Dates 2022
- IX. OTHER BUSINESS**
- X. ADJOURN**

Director of Recreation & Leisure Services  
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# Saint Peter Library 2021

- **4,402** new items were added to our catalog in 2021
- **100,649** items were checked out from our library. This number is close to our pre-pandemic yearly number of checkouts.
- **2,984** active library card holders and we issued **796** new library cards in 2021.

**6,997** items were requested to borrow from TDS libraries by St.Peter patrons through Encore (patron online card catalog)

St. Peter loaned out **619** items to MNLink libraries.

St.Peter borrowed **716** items from member MNLink Libraries.

The TDS region checked out **1,088,212** items in 2021. (908,000 in 2020)

## Digital Library

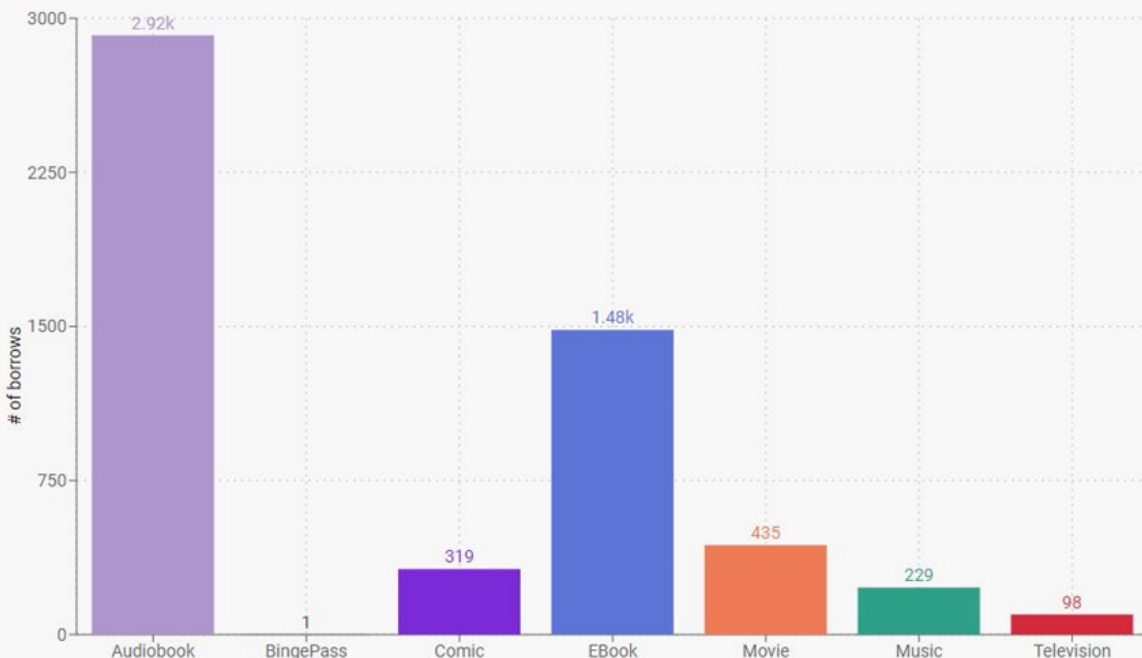
**6,341** eBooks and eAudiobooks were borrowed through Overdrive (3,542 ebooks, 2,799 Audiobooks)  
**526** Mobile patrons (patrons have library cards for the sole access of Overdrive)

**7,936** eBooks, eAudiobooks, music, movies and comic books borrowed through Hoopla (graph below)

### Unique Titles Borrowed

This report shows, by format, the number of **Instant** titles that were borrowed at least once on hoopla for your library during a given period of time.

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## Technology

**6,645** Chromebox sessions were used on 7 patron computers

**25,324** wifi sessions used (a session is considered anytime a device connects to the library wifi)

## December 2021 Library Report

### **December 2021 Report**

- 7,772 checkouts
- 459 new items added to the catalog
- 37 new library card registrations
- 2559 active card holders
- 291 Overdrive eBooks borrowed
- 255 Overdrive Audiobooks borrowed
- 441 items were requested through Encore (patron online card catalog)
- 294 Chromebox sessions used
- 2203 wifi sessions used

The library was closed Thursday and Friday December 24 & 25.

Closed December 31.

### **Programming and Events**

#### **Adult**

- Holiday Open House / Music Series / Sweet Treats - Maud Hixson (with Senior Center) Dec. 8. 55 attending

#### **Children**

- 1000 Books Before Kindergarten continues: 66 kids (299 books given away to date)
- 1 Book / 1000 Books Event for Head Start: 31 children received free books and a school readiness backpack after a special storytime. This was made possible by the Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation
- Booking with a Buddy 12/18/21: 1 attendees (+1 volunteers)
- Special Storytime
  - Dec. 8 - River Valley Dance - Virtual: 15 views
  - Dec. 22 - Holiday Storytime - 6 children, 2 adults
- 2 weekly Public Storytimes, 7 children, 2 adults

#### **Teen/Young Adult**

- VolunTeens:
  - 12/18/21 Booking with a Buddy - 1 volunteer
  - 1 teens - 1 hour
- AniManga Club:  
12/2/21- 7  
12/16/21-7

#### **Outreach**

- ECFE Monthly Visit: Morning Classes: 19 Afternoon Classes: 42
- Headstart: 4 visits, 77 children
- Kids Corner and SPCCC: 3 visits, 37 children
- MRCI: Roughly 15 patrons visit each week
- MNVED Students: Roughly 10 students each week
- Lutheran School Visit 2x: 15 students each time
- Your Next Stack Subscription Service: 2



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Please take a few minutes to answer the short survey questions below.

The answers submitted in this survey will be completely anonymous. No identifying personal information will be collected.

**\* 1. Which of these Saint Peter Public Library services do you feel are of value to you? (check all that apply)**

- Borrowing books
- Borrowing audio books on CD
- Borrowing DVDs
- Borrowing eBooks and or eAudio books
- In-person technology help
- Library eNewsletter
- Library materials delivered to the homebound or senior residences
- Meeting rooms for public use
- Online programs (via Facebook Live)
- Reading/Listening suggestions from staff in person
- Reading/Listening suggestions from staff online (via newsletter, wowbrary or social media)
- Programs for adults (including but not limited to, arts, authors, genealogy, music, technology and writing)
- Programs for children/teens
- Storytimes
- Summer Reading Program
- Study Space
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Bookmobile (summer months)
- Farmers Market Outreach
- Early Childhood Preschool and Childcare Library Visits
- Other

**\* 2. What library services did you use during the pandemic? (check all that apply)**

- Computer use by appointment
- Pick-up window
- eBooks and/or AudioBooks
- Take and Make Kits
- Mobile wifi hotspot
- Online storytimes (via Facebook or youTube)

- Online programs other than Facebook (Zoom, GoTo Meet, etc.)
- Questions answered via email, social media or phone
- Research and reference and/or other online resources
- Other

**How frequently are you likely to use the following library services? Please round up to select the answer that best represents your response.**

**\* 3. Contact us via email.**

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Never

**\* 4. Get in-person or phone assistance for reference questions, research or book recommendations.**

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Never

**\* 5. Get in-person or phone assistance for online resources, technology or other equipment (copier, mobile printing, printer, etc.)**

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Never

**\* 6. Go to the library**

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Never

**\* 7. Use/follow library social media (Facebook, Instagram, YouTube)**

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Never

**\* 8. Use the library catalog or website**

- Daily
- Weekly
- Monthly
- Yearly
- Never

**\* 9. What are the biggest barriers to using the library either in-person or online**

- Transportation
- Technology Resources
- Language
- Mobility
- Accessibility
- Open Hours
- Other

**\* 10. Do you live in Nicollet County?**

- Yes
- No

**\* 11. Do you live within the city limits of St. Peter?**

- Yes
- No

**\* 12. Do you have a library card?**

- Yes
- No

**\* 13. When did you last visit the library?**

- Today
- Within the past week
- Within the past month
- Within the past year
- It's been years since I've been to the library
- I've never visited the library

**\* 14. What is your age?**

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65-74
- 75+

**\* 15. What is your household yearly income?**

- Less than \$25,000
- \$25,000 to \$34,999
- \$35,000 to \$49,999
- \$50,000 to 74,999
- \$75,000 to 149,999
- \$100,000 to \$149,999
- \$150,000 or more

**16. How would you describe your gender identity? (optional)**

0/50

**\* 17. Which of the following best describes you?**

- Asian or Pacific Islander
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native American
- White or Caucasian
- Multiracial or Biracial
- A race/ethnicity not listed here

**\* 18. Do you think the library meets the needs of our diverse community?**

- Yes
- No

**Please share any additional comments or feedback:**

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Submit Survey