

Teen Read Week 2009

Teen Read Week 2009 will be celebrated Oct. 18-24! This year's theme is Read Beyond Reality @ your library, which encourages teens to read something out of this world, just for the fun of it. Teen Read Week is an initiative of the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA).

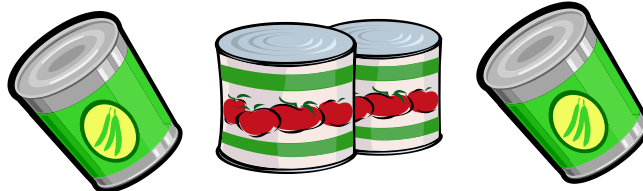
Why is it important to celebrate? For a lot of reasons! Teens have so many options for entertainment, so it's important to remind them to spend time reading for pleasure: it's free, fun, and can be done anywhere! Research shows that teens who read for fun have better test scores and are more likely to succeed in the workforce. (Information from the American Library Association Teen Read Week Website)



In conjunction with Teen Read Week, the St. Johns Public Library will be having a teen (ages 11-17) **Read-a-thon on Thursday, 22 October from 5:30 to 7:00**. Bring the book you are reading, a bean-bag chair or a pillow, a snack to share, and your own drink. We will munch and read in celebration of teens and reading itself.



Because the St. Johns Public Library Council of Teen Readers is also sponsoring Read to Feed Others (pledge a non-perishable food item for every book a participating teen reads in the month of October) at this time, please bring a non-perishable food item to the read-a-thon.



We hope to see you there, and we hope that you will enjoy reading no matter your age.