



Perry Public Library Newsletter

October-November 2017

Perry Public Library Hours

Monday	10:00-8:00
Tuesday	10:00-8:00
Wednesday	10:00-8:00
Thursday	10:00-8:00
Friday	10:00-6:00
Saturday	10:00-5:00
Between Labor Day and Memorial Day:	
Sunday	1:00-4:00

October-November 2017 Library Events

- Tues., Oct. 10 Quarterly Classics Book Club Meeting 7:00 pm*
- Tues., Oct. 10 *Autumn Leaves Family Event* 6:30 pm
- Fri. Oct. 13 *Bizarre Burial Beliefs & Customs* 6:30 pm
- Sat., Oct. 14 *Paper Shredding Event* 10:00-Noon
- Tues., Oct. 17 Monthly Book Club Meeting 1:00 pm**
- Thurs., Oct. 19 *Dallas Co. Reads 1 Book Meet /Greet Reception* 5:30⁺
- Thurs., Oct. 19 *Dallas Co. Reads 1 Book with Dan Gable* 7:00 pm★
- Fri., Oct. 20 *Friends of the Library Book Sale* 10:00-4:00
- Sat., Oct. 21 *Friends of the Library Book Sale* 10:00-2:00
- Mon., Oct. 23 Home Maintenance 101: *Solar Energy for the Home* 6:30 pm
- Fri., Oct. 27 Teen *After Hours Event* 6:00-10:00 pm
- Mon., Oct. 30 LLL Coffee: *Storyteller Jane Traver: Ghost Stories* 9:00 am
- Mon., Oct. 30 Halloween *Spooktacular* 4:00-6:00
- Fri., Nov. 10 **Closed for Veterans Day Holiday**
- Nov. 11-12 *Art on the Prairie* 10:00-5:00 /10:00-4:00
- Wed., Nov. 1 **Winter Reading Program Begins for All Ages!**
- Tues., Nov. 21 Monthly Book Club Meeting 1:00 pm**
- Nov. 23-24 **Closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday**

*Carnegie Library Museum *Hotel Pattee
 ★Perry Performing Arts Center **Clarion Room



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The library will be Closed Friday, November 10, for the Veterans Day Holiday.

The library will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 23-24, for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



Mary Krisko, Human Sciences Specialist from ISU Extension & Outreach was our guest at the August Lifelong Learners Coffee and brought us up to date on food preservation science and safety.

September Dallas County Reads 1 Book Event
 Thank you to all who participated in the September 18 *Dallas County Reads 1 Book* event with Donald Harstadt. We enjoyed talking with him in Granger!



Bizarre Burial Beliefs & Customs Program
 The library will host **Chad Lewis** of *Unexplained Research* for a free program on **Friday, October 13, at 6:30 p.m.**, called *Bizarre Burial Beliefs and Customs*.

Chad Lewis is a paranormal researcher for *Unexplained Research* and co-author of the *Road Guide to Haunted Locations* book series. He has journeyed around the world in search of the paranormal and brings more than 18 years of research experience to his presentations. He has been featured in hundreds of radio interviews, TV appearances, and newspaper articles. Everyone is invited to attend this event. No registration needed!

Solar Eclipse Watch



The library was the place to be to view the solar eclipse on August 21. We had enough safety glasses to share with over two hundred people and saw periodic glimpses of the eclipse through the cloud cover. A fun event!

Book Discussions



Quarterly Classics Book Club

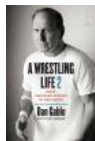
The October meeting of the Perry Public Library Quarterly Classics Book Club will be held **Tuesday, October 10, at 7:00 p.m., at the Carnegie Library Museum**, upstairs by the fireplace. The selected title

for discussion is ***Look Homeward, Angel: A Story of the Buried Life*** by **Thomas Wolfe**. Books are available at the library, and all interested readers are invited to join the group and participate in the discussion. Call Jill at the library for more information: 515-465-3569.

Monthly Book Club October/November Meetings

The **October meeting** of the **Monthly Book Club** will be held **Tuesday, October 17, at 1:00 p.m.**, in the **Clarion Room** of the Security Bank Building, 1102 Willis Avenue. The group will discuss nonfiction title ***Hillbilly Elegy: A Memoir of a Family and Culture in Crisis*** by **J. D. Vance**.

The **November meeting** will be **Tuesday, November 21, also at 1:00 p.m.**, in the **Clarion Room**, and the selected title is ***All the Light We Cannot See*** by **Anthony Doerr**. Books are available at the library for discussion participants, and everyone is invited to join the group. Newcomers are welcome! For more information, call discussion leader **Mary Murphy** at the library: 515-465-3569.



Dallas County Reads 1 Book with Dan Gable
Plan to attend the second ***Dallas County Reads 1 Book*** event for 2017, featuring: ***A Wrestling Life 2*** with author **Dan Gable**. A

free book talk will be held in the **Perry Performing Arts Center**, at **7:00 p.m.**, **Thursday, October 19**, followed by a book-signing. Books are available at the library for \$10, or you may purchase one from **Beaverdale Books** at their price on the night of the event. Prior to the book talk, a ticketed **Meet & Greet Reception** is scheduled for **5:30-6:30 p.m.**, at **Hotel Pattee**, for anyone who would like to meet Dan. Tickets for the reception are on sale at the participating Dallas County libraries for \$12, *while they last*. Everyone is invited to attend this free event! For more information, call the library.

Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale



The Friends of the Perry Public Library will hold a book sale, **Friday and Saturday, October 21-22**, in the library large meeting room, from **10:00 to 4:00 on Friday**, and **10:00 to 2:00 on Saturday**. A variety of books, audio books, movies, music, and more will be sold at bargain prices. First come, first served! Don't miss this semi-

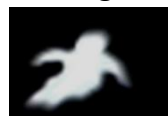
annual sale. All proceeds benefit Perry Public Library's programs and services.

Home Maintenance 101: *Solar Energy for the Home*



The ***Home Maintenance 101*** program series concludes at the library with a final installment this month. A partnership between Habitat for Humanity and ISU Extension & Outreach, the series is designed to help homeowners maintain their properties with easy, do-it-yourself fixes. The October program is **Monday, October 23, at 6:30 p.m.**, and covers the topic of ***Solar Energy for the Home***. Everyone is welcome to attend this free program!

Lifelong Learners Coffee - Jane Traver: *Ghost Stories*



Join us for the October ***Lifelong Learners at the Library Coffee***, at **9:00 a.m.**, **Monday, October 30**, in the **library large meeting room**. We welcome popular storyteller Jane Traver back to town for a special *spooky* seasonal event! Come for coffee and conversation, and hear spine-tingling ghost stories masterfully told by a seasoned performer. This is a free, fun event for adults, and everyone is welcome! For more information call the library: 515-465-3569.



Teen After Hours Event

Teens (6th through 12th grade) are invited to a special "after hours" event at the library, from **6:00 to 10:00 p.m.**, on **Friday, October 27**. Join Misty after library closing hours to socialize, play video games, watch a movie, use the computers, snack, or just hang out at this *teens only* event. **Please arrive at 6:00 p.m. sharp - before the doors lock!** For more information, call Misty: 515-465-3569. **Note:** teens must be picked up by 10:00 p.m.!



Children's Programs

Fall Storytime Sessions Continue

I Dig Adventure @ the Library fall Storytime sessions continue through **November 14/15/16** for the **Toddlers, Four and Fives/Families**, and the **Wee Wonders** groups. Call Suzanne Kestel at the library to sign up and participate or for more information, 515-465-3569. All Storytime sessions are free, but registration is required so we have materials for all!



Halloween Costume Swap

Due to a successful effort last year, the library will hold another children's **Halloween Costume Swap** this October, from **Monday, October 2, to Monday, October 25**. The public is invited to bring gently used children's costumes (clean and in good condition!) to the library to swap for new-to-you costumes your kids can use. This is a great way to recycle outgrown, perfectly good Halloween costumes you don't know what to do with! Swap out one costume for each costume you donate - while they last! For details, call Suzanne Kestel at the library: 515-465-3569.



Autumn Leaves Family Storytime

The library will host a special fall Storytime event on **Tuesday, October 10, at 6:30 p.m.**, in the library large meeting room. **Autumn Leaves Family Storytime** is designed for children ages 4-8 and their families, but *everyone* is welcome to attend. We will go on a nature walk, create a leaf "rubbing" and a sticker scene, and enjoy a snack. Come and celebrate the changing seasons with your family at this free event! For more information, call Suzanne at the library: 515-465-3569.



Halloween Spooktacular

The library will participate in the 2017 Perry Area Chamber of Commerce **Halloween Spooktacular**, scheduled for **4:00 to 6:00 p.m., Monday, October 30**. The librarians will be in costume to greet trick-or-treaters who visit the library during these hours and hand out treats. This is a great opportunity to enjoy Halloween in a safe, family-friendly way. Come and see the library ladies and show them your costumes!



After School Snack Program a Success!

The children's afternoon snack program that Perry Library began last year continues for the 2017-18 school year. Many young patrons are taking advantage of this opportunity to enjoy a nutritious snack at the library, from 3:30-4:15 each weekday (2:30-3:15 on *early dismissal Wednesdays*). A variety of healthy snacks are served, and the children are supervised by a staff member. All preschool and school-aged children are invited to join us for our daily snack.

Art on the Prairie 2017 at the Library

The library will be one of several locations for **Art on the Prairie 2017**, slated for **Saturday and Sunday, November 11-12**. The library will be open to the public from **10-5:00 on Saturday**, and from **10:00-4:00 on Sunday**, and will exhibit Perry Schools student art, as well as local artists' works. In addition, we will offer a drop-in art station where visitors of all ages may participate in a mosaic art sticker activity. Over 100 Iowa artists, poets, and musicians will showcase their talents in Perry's downtown Cultural and Historic District during the eighth annual Art on the Prairie festival. To learn more, visit the website: <http://www.artontheprairie.org>



Paper Shredding Event at the Library

The library will host a document shredding event for the public on **Saturday morning, October 14, from 10:00 to noon**, in the south parking area of the library. If you have documents to shred, you may bring them during those hours for on-site shredding, facilitated by *The Shredder*, of Des Moines. Clean out your old files and dispose of outdated records! Protect personal information, and discard your documents in a safe, secure way. There is no charge to you for the service, which is sponsored by Perry Public Library and the City of Perry.



Snow Days

Winter is approaching, and hazardous road conditions may occasionally lead to program cancellations at the library. When the weather turns stormy, tune in to KDLS radio or listen to the local television stations for updates about delays or cancellations. **When Perry Schools announces late starts or cancellations, the library will also cancel scheduled programs for that day and evening.**

Winter Reading Programs to Start November 1



Perry Library will again offer winter reading programs for children, teens, and adults, beginning November 1. Small prizes will be given as reading incentives, as well as grand prizes, to encourage readers of all ages to keep reading during the winter months. The program runs through February. You may register at the library or online at our website beginning November 1. Everyone is invited to participate!