

May 2022 News



Perry Public Library

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1101 Willis Avenue

515-465-3569



The library food recovery fridge is stocked with perishables.



Rescued breads, bananas, & more are available free to anyone.



Join the monthly Craft Club for creative camaraderie!

Enabling Our Community to Thrive by Offering Lifelong Opportunities to Connect, Learn, and Create

Coming Soon: *Oceans of Possibilities* KidsFest 2022

Everyone is invited to join Perry Public Library staff for KidsFest 2022, the official *Oceans of Possibilities* Summer Library Programs kick-off, Saturday, June 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Perry Public Library. Bring the whole family to enjoy kid-friendly games, crafts, bubbles, petting zoo, foam cannon, balloon animals, water table boat float, dunk tank, fire engines, and more! \$1 lunches will be offered by the Perry Volunteer Fire Department, and all the fun is free! Come for Kids Fest, participate in the Adult, Teen, and Children's Summer Library Programs, and discover *Oceans of Possibilities* while reading, attending programs, and earning prizes with us this summer! Register online at: <http://www.perry.lib.ia.us>, call: 515-465-3569, or visit the library in person to sign up. Special thanks to the following sponsors for their support:

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May 2022 Programming Highlights



Butterfly Encounter with Absolute Science

Perry Public Library will host *Butterfly Encounter*, a free program from Absolute Science, at 10:15 a.m., Wednesday, May 4, on the library grounds. Interact with live butterflies in the Butterfly Encounter Tent, explore the Life Cycle of the Butterfly, and learn all about these fascinating creatures at this family-friendly event. Everyone is invited to enjoy this unique and educational experience! No registration needed.

Princess Di, Gone but Still Kicking! Musical at Perry Public Library

Perry Public Library is the location for a free performance of the one-act musical *Princess Di, Gone but Still Kicking!*, at 2:00 p.m., Monday, May 9, in the library Community Room. Performer, writer, and producer of the one-woman musical is Jillann Gabrielle, of Crystal Lake, Illinois, who performs her original works in the Greater Chicago area and Midwest theaters, libraries, public and private venues. She currently offers four musicals, three featuring popular figures from the Golden Age of Hollywood and this unique program about the "People's Princess". Registration is required, and space is limited, so don't wait to book your seats! Call the library: 515-465-3569 to register or for more information.



HH@CLM Program: Living History Farms Presents Tea Parties Past and Present

Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum will offer a Third Sunday program, at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, May 15. The featured program is *Living History Farms Presents Tea Parties Past and Present*. Everyone is welcome to attend this free event and learn about the history of tea - where it came from and how it evolved into one of our most popular drinks. No registration is needed. For more information, call the Carnegie Library Museum: 515-465-7713.

HH@CLM Program: Re-awakening History by Telling Our Stories Series

The State Historical Society of Iowa, Inc. and Iowa Arts Council are funding a monthly program series offered by Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum, from March to August 2022, called *Re-Awakening History by Telling Our Own Stories*. The May event will feature the topic *Work* with Library Director and Hometown Heritage Board Member Mary Murphy, and the presentation will take place at 6:00 P.M., Tuesday, May 24, at the Towncraft Building, 1122 Willis Avenue, Perry, and the Paley Arches, in Soumas Court. Everyone is invited to come and learn about our local history at these free programs. No registration is needed.

May 2022 Craft Club

The Perry Public Library Craft Club will meet at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 31, in the library Community Room. The featured project is a *Painted Mason Jar Candle*. Interested crafters are invited to join Hunter each month to create and converse in our comfortable space. Registration and a \$5 materials fee are required by the deadline, Wednesday, May 25, to reserve craft materials for the May meeting, but everyone is welcome at this free event. Register online: <http://www.perry.lib.ia.us>, call the library: 515-465-3569, or visit the library in person to sign up.

Chess Continues at Perry Public Library in May

Chess instruction and walk-in Chess will continue at the library in May, on Wednesdays and Saturdays, with a dedicated hour for students in Grades K-12th, from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., on Wednesdays, in the library Community Room. Walk-in Chess for all ages is scheduled for 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Wednesdays, in the Community Room, as well as on Saturdays, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., in the library Board Room. Anyone interested is invited to play Chess at the library during scheduled times or to schedule individual appointments with instructor David Oliveira. This is a free program, and no registration is needed. Call the library for more information: 515-465-3569.

May Book Club Events



Never Too Old for YA Book Club

The *Never Too Old for YA Book Club* will hold its first meeting at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 4, in the Perry Public Library Community Room. The book club will meet monthly and will read a variety of old and new titles selected from the Young Adult genre. The featured book for May is *What I Carry* by Jennifer Longo, which is also the 2022 *All Iowa Reads* Young Adult selected title. All adult and teen readers of Young Adult books are invited to participate in the monthly book discussions, but registration is required. Register online: <https://www.perry.lib.ia.us/services/book-clubs/never-too-old-ya-book-club> or in person at the library. Books are available at the library for participants, including downloadable ebooks and audiobooks from Bridges/Overdrive and audiobooks from hoopla for library cardholders. For more information, call the library: 515-465-3569.

Monthly Book Club Meeting

Perry Public Library Monthly Book Club will meet at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 17, in the library Community Room. The selected title for May is *The Sweetness of Water* by Nathan Harris. All interested readers are invited to join the group for any of the monthly discussions. For more information, call Library Director and discussion leader Mary Murphy: 515-46-3569.

Mystery Book Club Virtual Events

Interested mystery readers are invited to join the virtual Mystery Book Club for the May 2022 events. There are three featured title this month: *The Silenced Woman* by Frederick Weisel, *The Bone Keeper* by Luca Veste, and *Random Road* by Thomas Kies. The books are available at the library for registered participants to purchase or to check out. The Zoom book discussion with Library Director Mary Murphy will be held Monday, May 23, at 7:00 p.m., and the virtual Author Talk with the featured writers will take place Wednesday, May 25, at 6:00 p.m., CT. Both events are free, but registration is required. Register online at <http://www.perry.lib.ia.us>, call the library: 515-465-3569, or visit the library in person.

Saturday Storytimes

Saturday Storytimes continue in May at Perry Public Library, May 7, 14, 21, and 28, at 10:15 a.m. Join us for stories, pre-literacy activities, and crafts at these free events. The May 14 and 28 Storytimes are bilingual. No registration is needed. For more information, call the library: 515-465-3569.

***Oceans of Possibilities* 2022 Summer Library Program Registration**

Children of all ages, teens, and adults are invited to register for the 2022 *Oceans of Possibilities* Summer Library Programs beginning Monday, May 23, at Perry Public Library. Read books and experience an ocean of fun and educational programs this summer, earning prizes along the way! *Water* you doing this summer? Come and *sea* for yourself how we *shell-a-brate* the *oceans of possibilities* at our library! Summer programs run through July 28. Save the date: June 4 is the Kids Fest summer library programs kick-off!



Jason Levan talks to the Storytime kids during a visit to Perry Greenhouse & Supply

Memorial Day Closings



Perry Public Library and Carnegie Library Museum will be closed Sunday, May 29, and Monday, May 30, for the Memorial Day Holiday. Summer hours will begin Tuesday, May 31, for both buildings, which means they are closed on Sundays until Fall and Winter hours resume after Labor Day, 2022.



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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 & Memorial Day:
Sunday 1:00-4:00

Phone: 515-465-3569
FAX: 515-465-9881
Email: info@perry.lib.ia.us

More than Books!

Adults & Teens **Never Too Old For YA Book Club** *NEW Book Club*

First Meeting: Wednesday, May 4
6:00pm Library Community Room

What I Carry
by Jennifer Longo

May 4th

Books Now Available

For more information or to register contact the library

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You are invited to a **Butterfly Encounter**

Experience the opportunity to interact with butterflies in the Butterfly Encounter Tent

Learn about butterflies as you explore the Hands on Butterfly Life Cycle area.

Wednesday May 4th
10:15am-11:15am
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Princess Diana
Gone, but still kicking!

An original solo musical based on the life of Princess Diana written, directed, and starring Jillann Gabrielle

Perry Public Library
May 9, 2022
2 p.m.
Call to reserve your seat.
515-465-3569

Saturday Storytimes
Perry Public Library Community Room
10:15 - 11:00 am

Sessions in English: May 7, 21
Bilingual Sessions: May 14, 28

Stories, songs, crafts, & age appropriate activities!
For children ages 2-5 & Families

Free events!
No registration needed!

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HOMETOWN HERITAGE AT THE CARNEGIE LIBRARY MUSEUM

LIVING HISTORY FARMS PRESENTS: TEA PARTIES PAST AND PRESENT

MAY 15, 2022 AT 2 PM

WHERE TEA CAME FROM HOW IT BECAME POPULAR

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Walk-in Chess/Open Play

K-12th: 4:30-5:30 pm, Wednesdays
All Ages: 5:30 - 6:30 pm, Wednesdays
(Perry Public Library Community Room)
All Ages: 2:00-3:30 p.m., Saturdays
(Library Board Room)

- Walk-in to play Chess at the library
- Schedule a game / arrange for instruction by appointment
- Adults & young people welcome!
- Free library program!

Free Program Series!

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Mystery Book Club
MYSTERY
Perry Public Library

Zoom Book Discussion
7:00 pm 5.23.2022

Virtual Author Talk
6:00 pm CT 5.25.2022

LIVE VIRTUAL AUTHOR EVENT!
THE SILENCED WOMEN by Frederick Wisel,
THE BONE KEEPER by Luca Veste, and RANDOM ROAD by Thomas Kies

Wednesday, May 25, 2022
at 7:00 p.m. ET / 4:00 p.m. PT
6:00 pm CT

Join Library Director Mary Murphy for these free events.
Books and ebooks available. Registration Required.
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Oceans of Possibilities

2022 Summer Library Programs at Perry Public Library
May 23-July 28

Children (Infants-5th Grade)
Teens (6th-12th Grade)
Adults

Read Books!
Attend Programs!
Earn Prizes!

Register online, by phone or in person at the library starting May 23!

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Oceans of Possibilities
KIDSFEST 2022

FREE EVENT FOR FAMILIES
SATURDAY, JUNE 4
10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

\$1 Lunches
Perry Volunteer Fire Department

Games
Foam Cannon
Photos
Fire Engines
Crafts
Bubbles
Balloon Animals
Water Table
Boat Float
Dunk Tank
Petting Zoo

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