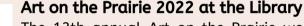


# **Perry Public Library News**





The 12th annual Art on the Prairie weekend is scheduled for Saturday, November 12 (10:00 to 5:00 p.m.), and Sunday, November 13 (10:00 to 4:00 p.m.). Perry Public Library, as well as the Carnegie Library Museum, will be designated venues for visual and performance art through-out the weekend. The Art on the Prairie festival has become a

signature event for Perry and a favorite of families, art-lovers, and visitors from all over the Midwest. Come and admire a variety of handmade items from multiple art mediums, enjoy free performances, and shop for unique gift items at this family-friendly event. Admission - and window shopping - are free at all the venues. Plan a fun weekend, and join us at the library for art and more!

# Festival of Trees 2022

The Festival of Trees is back for its eighth year, and it's time to celebrate in person again! From November 22 to January 8, the Carnegie Library Museum will transform into a merry wonderland, with beautifully decorated themed trees and festive displays installed by individuals, businesses, and organizations, all designed to put us in the holiday spirit. Enjoy the magical atmosphere all season at this free event, and join us for special open hours at the museum during the Perry Lighted Parade, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Friday, November 25, to help us kick off our holiday celebration! For more information, call the Carnegie Library Museum: 515-465-7713.

# **Veterans Day Closings**

Perry Public Library and Carnegie Library Museum will be closed Friday, November 11, for Veterans Day.

# Thanksgiving Closings

Perry Public Library and the Carnegie Library Museum will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 24 and 25, for the Thanksgiving holiday. (Please note special open hours at the museum: 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., Friday, November 25, for the Festival of Trees kick-off.)



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#### Friends of the Library Quilt Raffle

The Friends of the Perry Public Library 2022 Quilt Raffle is underway and will continue until December 17. Two beautiful quilts were donated by the Perry Piecemakers Quilt Guild, and they will be on display during Art on the Prairie (November 12-13) and during the Festival of Trees. Tickets are on sale now at the library for \$1 each or 6 for \$5, all proceeds to benefit Perry Public Library programming. Thank you for supporting our fundraisers!

#### Carnegie Library Museum Quilt Raffle

The annual Carnegie Library Museum Quilt Raffle is underway and will continue until Saturday, December 17. Local quilter Linda Andorf has generously donated two holiday quilts and one holiday wallhanging for the raffle. Come and view the quilts or purchase tickets (\$1 each /6 tickets for \$5) at the Carnegie Library Museum. All proceeds directly benefit the museum. The festive quilts will be on display there through December 16, including Art on the Prairie weekend (November 12-13). They may also be viewed at the Winter Markets (November 19 and December 17), from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in the Perry Public Library Community Room. Come and see these works of art! For more information, call the Carnegie Library Museum: 515-465-7713.

#### Never Too Old for YA Book Club

The Perry Public Library *Never Too Old for YA* Book Club will hold its November book discussion at 6:00 p.m., on Wednesday, November 2, in the library Community Room. The selected discussion book is *A Good Girl's Guide to Murder* by Holly Jackson. Anyone interested may join the group at any time, but registration is required. Books are available at the library for registrants. Register online: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us, in person, or call the library for more information: 515-465-3569.

# Saturday Storytimes

Join Perry Public Library staff for Saturday Storytimes in the library Community Room at 10:15 a.m., November 5 and 19. Enjoy stories, activities, and more at the free sessions. No registration is needed. Due to Art on the Prairie at the library (Saturday-Sunday, November 12-13), no Storytime is scheduled that weekend, but we hope you will join us at the library for Art on the Prairie, a family-friendly event! There is no Storytime on Saturday, November 26, due to Thanksgiving break.

#### Mystery Book Club: The Guest House

The Perry Public Library Mystery Book Club will meet at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 1, in-person, in the library Community Room. The November selected title is *The Guest House* by Robin Morgan Bentley. Interested readers are invited to join discussion leader Mary Murphy for a book discussion each month. Books are available at the library, and newcomers are always welcome! Register online: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us, in person, or call the library: 515-465-3569.

#### Chess at the Library

Chess instruction and walk-in Chess will continue to be offered at the library this November on Thursday afternoons. Students in grades K-12 will meet from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the library Board Room, and Chess players of all ages are welcome to meet from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., in the same room, for instruction or competition. Instructor is David Oliveira, who also offers individually scheduled appointments. Call the library to arrange a time: 515-465-3569. Please note there is no Chess on November 24, as the library will be closed for Thanksgiving.

#### Saturday Crafternoon

Join us on the first Saturday of each month for Saturday Crafternoon, from 12:00 to 4:30 p.m., in the library Community Room. We provide a dedicated makerspace for crafters and do-it-yourselfers to work on projects in a comfortable environment. Plan your next work session for Saturday, November 5, at the library. Tables are available on a first come, first served basis, and everyone is invited. No reservations, no charge!

# Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Presents: Carnegie Libraries in Iowa

The public is invited to attend a free program called *Carnegie Libraries in Iowa*, the second installment in a Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum series that focuses on Carnegie libraries and their impact on Iowa communities. Come and hear Professor Shana Stuart, at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, November 10, at the Carnegie Library Museum. Her interesting program illuminates the history of Carnegie libraries in our state and their contributions to our cities and towns. No registration is needed for any of the programs in this series. Everyone is welcome. for more information, call the Carnegie Library Museum: 515-465-7713.

#### Happy Fall, Y'All Family Party

Perry Public Library is planning a family fall celebration party called *Happy Fall, Yall,* from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., on Monday, November 7, in the library Community Room. Join Miss Suzanne and go on a "Leaf Hunt", play games, create two make-and-take crafts, enjoy a snack, and take home a goodie bag! This is a free program, but registration is required. Register online, at the library, or call the library to sign up: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us /515-465-3569.

#### Monthly Book Club

The Perry Public Library Monthly Book Club will meet at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 15, in the library Community Room. The selected title for the month is *American Dirt* by Jeanine Cummins. Everyone interested is invited to join the discussion, but registration is required. Register online (http://www.perry.lib.us), by phone: 515-465-3569, or in person. Books are available at the library for participants. For more information, call Mary Murphy: 515-465-3569.

#### Cooking Time Storytime Unit

Toddlers (ages 18 months to 3 years) and preschool children (ages 4 to 5) and their caregivers are invited to join Miss Suzanne in the kitchen for a four-week Storytime unit called *Cooking Time*, which begins Tuesday and Wednesday, November 15 and 16, for two age groups. The Toddler Time group meets Tuesdays, from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m., in the library Community Room, and the Fun for 4s and 5s group meets on Wednesdays, at the same time and place. We will talk about safety in the kitchen, nutrition, and cooking procedures, as we prepare simple snacks. Each child receives a free apron! Register for the free sessions online (http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), email Suzanne Kestel (skestel@perry.lib.ia.us), or call the library (515-465-3569), to sign up.

#### Craft Club: Fleece Tie Blankets

The Perry Public Library Craft Club will meet for their November event at 6:00 p.m., November 28, in the library Community Room. The featured craft is *Fleece Tie Blankets* from pre-cut holiday-themed kits. All interested crafters are invited to join Hunter Martin for the monthly Craft Club, but you must register and pay the \$5 materials fee by the deadline to guarantee your supplies. The November deadline is Monday, November 21.

#### Fall Craft: Holiday Garland & Cinnamon Ornaments

Join Trista at Perry Public Library for a familyfriendly fall craft, at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, November 19. We will make holiday garlands and cinnamon ornaments. All supplies are provided, and no registration is needed for this free event. Everyone is welcome! For more information, call the library: 515-465-3569.

# November 2022 Staff Recommended Reading

Dream with Little Angels by Michael Hiebert Stalking Jack the Ripper by Kerri Maniscalco The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd The Lady in Gold by Anne Marie O'Conner The Patient's Secret by Loreth Ann White The Red Pyramid by Rick Riordan Doing Harm by Kelly Parsons A Good Girl's Guide to Murder by Holly Jackson The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

#### 2023 Quarterly Classics Book Club

The Quarterly Classics Book Club will continue to meet in 2023, on the second Tuesdays of January, April, July, and October. The group meets at the Carnegie Library Museum, and retired librarian Jill Cook will continue as discussion leader this year. For more information, call the library: 515-465-3569.

#### 2023 Discussion Titles

January - An American Tragedy by Theodore Dreiser April - 1984 by George Orwell July - Main Street by Sinclair Lewis October - Diary of a Nobody by George & Wendy Grossman



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