PERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

January 2022 News



Perry Public Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 10:00am-8:00pm Friday 10:00am-6:00pm Saturday 10:00am-5:00pm Sunday 1:00-4:00pm

Carnegie Library Museum Hours

Monday - Closed Tuesday-Wednesday 10:00am-4:00pm Thursday 10:00am-7:00pm Friday-Saturday 10:00am-4:00pm Sunday 1:00-4:00pm









CARNEGIE LIBRARY MUSEUM RE-OPENS

New Partnership Supports Return to Open Hours

The Carnegie Library Museum is scheduled to re-open to the public on **Tuesday, January 4, 2022**, through a partnership agreement between **Hometown Heritage**, the City of Perry, and Perry Public Library. Hometown Heritage, a local organization founded to serve Perry and its surrounding communities, formerly leased the building from the city and facilitated open hours with a volunteer staff. Its mission is to encourage Perry's cultural and economic growth by preserving local history, supporting the arts, and celebrating life in small town lowa with free events and access to its collections. The Hometown Heritage partnership with the City of Perry and the Perry Public Library will support the Carnegie Library Museum re-opening with four part-time staff positions, allowing for the building to be open six days per week, Tuesdays through Sundays. Open hours will be: 10:00 to 4:00 (Tuesdays, Wednesdays), 10:00 to 7:00 (Thursdays), 10:00 to 4:00 (Fridays, Saturdays), and 1:00 to 4:00 (Sundays).



New Little Library Distributes Board Books

Patrons who enter by the East door of the library will notice a colorful Little Library, installed at just the right height for little hands to reach! New in December, this Little Library is dedicated to distributing free board books to young children whose small hands are not yet ready to hold a regular paged book. The board books are new, and parents of babies and preschool children are invited to help their little ones take a book when they need one - to keep! Libraries take a leading role in encouraging parents to make pre-literacy activities a priority for their children, and reading as a family is an important first step. Books will be re-stocked as needed. Put a book into small hands today!

BOOK CLUB EVENTS

Quarterly Classics Book Club

The Perry Public Library **Quarterly Classics Book Club** will meet at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11,** at the **Carnegie Library Museum.** The selected title for discussion is *Nicholas Nickleby* **by Charles Dickens.** All interested readers are invited to join the group at any time, but registration is required. The 2022 selections are posted on our website (http://www.perry.lib.ia.us). Call Jill Cook at the library for more information: 515-465-3569, and make a resolution to read the classics with us this year!

Monthly Book Club

The Perry Public Library **Monthly Book Club** will meet at **1:00 p.m.**, on **Tuesday**, **January 18**, in the library Community Room. The January selected title is **The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas.** Anyone interested is invited to join the group at any time. Books are available at the library for participants. For more information, call Library Director Mary Murphy: 515-465-3569.

Mystery Book Club



The virtual **Mystery Book Club** will continue in 2022 with twice monthly events, including a **Zoom book discussion** with Library Director and discussion leader Mary Murphy, scheduled

for the last Tuesday of each month at **7:00 p.m.**, and a free online **Author Talk**, scheduled for the last Wednesday of each month, at **6:00 p.m., Central Time. Both events are free, but registration is required.** The selected title for the **January 25-26 events is** *True Crime Story* by Joseph Knox. Books are available at the library for Mystery Book Club registrants. Register online, by phone, or at the library: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us / 515-465-3569. All interested readers are invited to participate. Join us for one month - or all year long!

New Adults Book Club Coming Soon!

A new book club is being formed at the library for emerging or "new" adults! Watch for more information next month about meeting dates and times and plan to read a variety of engaging books selected just for you.

Winter Reading Programs Continue

It's not too late to participate in the 2021-22 Winter Reading Programs at Perry Public Library. Programs for adults, teens, and children (infants-5th grade) continue through February. Register online: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us or in person at the library. Earn incentive prizes, enter monthly prize-drawings, and earn chances for the grand prize drawings. Everyone is invited to read with us this winter. Just like summer reading only cooler!

January Staff Recommended Reading

Wish You Were Here by Jodi Piccoult *MoloKa'i* by Alan Brennert *The Stolen Hours* by Allen Eskens

The Year of Less: How I stopped shopping, gave away my belongings, and discovered life is worth more than anything you can buy in a store by Cait Flanders

The Collective by Alison Gaylin

hoopla BingePass

If you are not already using **hoopla** with your library card, you are missing out! And now, you have even more "borrows" with **BingePass!** With BingePass, get unlimited access to hoopla collections - such as The Great Courses Library - for <u>one</u> borrow! Currently, unlimited magazine check-outs are available for a single borrow, too! See what's new in hoopla and take advantage of your BingePass! It's never been easier - and it's free!

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Children's Winter Storytimes Continue

Children's Bundle Up Storytimes continue for two age groups in January. Join Miss Suzanne in the Perry Public Library Community Room for stories, songs, games, simple crafts, and ageappropriate activities with a fun winter theme. The Toddler Time group (18 months-3 years) meets on Tuesdays from 10:15 to 11:00, and the Fun for Fours and Fives group meets on Wednesdays at the same time. Storytimes are free, but registration is required. Register online at: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us, call: 515-465-3569, or visit the library to sign up.

Saturday Storytimes

Saturday Storytimes will be offered at Perry Public Library this January, from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m., January 8, 15, 22, and 29. Saturday Storytimes are free, and no registration is needed. Join us on Saturday mornings for stories and more! For more information, call the library: 515-465-3569.

Wee Wonders Recorded Storytimes

The library will continue to offer *Wee Wonders* recorded Storytimes for babies (infants to 18 months) and their caregivers during the winter months. The programs will feature age appropriate stories and activities, with early literacy as a key goal. Programs are free to all, but registration is required. For each program, participants receive a free book! Register from our website: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us or call Suzanne Kestel at the library for more information: 515-465-3569.

Storywalk[™]

The Storywalk™ at Wiese Park is ongoing - even during the winter months! A new story is installed periodically, and we encourage families to make the Storywalk™ a part of their exercise routine. It's fun, and it's free! Don't forget to check out the extra Challenge stations while you are there.

NoveList NoveList Plus

The library recently added a readers advisary tool to our virtual offerings, to assist patrons in finding reading material tailored to their individual needs. NoveList Plus is a comprehensive readers advisory resource for both fiction and nonfiction materials, and you can now access its content - free - from our website! To use NoveList Plus, click Services on our library home page (http://www.perry.lib.ia.us) then Reading Suggestions to find the link. Once there, you can search a number of different ways to find your next great read! Included content encompasses children's, tweens', young adult, and adult materials. You need not be an expert in searching to use NoveList. Give it a try! Ask a librarian for help.

Chess at the Library

Chess instruction, as well as open play, will continued to be offered at Perry Public Library on Wednesdays this January, at 4:30 p.m. in the library Community Room, or by appointment with instructor David Oliveira. Everyone is welcome to come and learn the game or find a worthy opponent to play at this free ongoing program. Call the library for more information: 515-465-3569.

Library of Things

Chess is not the only game available at the library. Come and see all we have in our Library of Things - available for you to check out! Many games appropriate for children, families, and adults are in our collection, but also a variety of other non-traditional items, ready for you to borrow. Perry Public Library is so much more than books! Browse our online catalog at: https://perryplia.booksys.net/opac/ppl/ **#menuHome** to see our offerings, and reserve them online from the comfort of your own home! Or, ask a librarian for assistance. We may have just what you are looking for!



Craft Club: String Art

The Perry Public Library Craft Club will meet at 6:00 p.m., Monday, January 31, in the library Community Room. The featured craft will be a String Art project, with a choice of double heart, cat, or dog paw pattern. All interested crafters are invited to participate in this in-person event, but registration and a \$5 materials fee are required by the Monday, January 24 deadline to reserve your materials. Register online from our website: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us, by phone: 515-465-3569, or stop in at the library.

Help for New Year's Resolutions

It's that time of year! You make resolutions... and try to keep them as long as possible. The library has self-help books of all kinds on the shelves, and we can help you meet your goals with a variety of recent and popular books. Some suggestions: *Joyful* by Ingrid Fetel Lee, *Keep Sharp* by Sanjay Gupta, The Year of Less by Cait Flanders, The Resilience Recipe by Muniya S. Khanna, Yoke: My Yoga of Self-Acceptance by Jessamyn Stanley, Solve Your Money Troubles by Amy Loftsgordon, Plan a Happy Life by Stephanie Fleming, Mind Diet for Beginners by Kelli McGrane, Unofficial Ancestry.com Workbook by Nancy Hendrickson, This is Your Mind on Plants by Michael Pollan. Browse our catalog to find the inspiration you need to help you succeed in the new year.

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