February 2022 News



Perry Public Library

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Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Offers Historical Perspectives

Unique Collections

The Carnegie Library Museum reopened in January and once again offers visitors and locals a beautiful space to explore local history and several unique collections. The building houses the Carnegie Library's original 1000 books, as well as collections highlighting travel, Midwestern migration, bibles

Classic Fiction, Nonfiction

and religion, ancient libraries, "banned" books, cookbooks, and best sellers. Popular children's books, westerns, romance novels, mysteries, science fiction, and fantasy favorites can also be found on the shelves. Stop in and revisit this local treasure!





Library Programs

Book Discussion Events Monthly Book Club

The Perry Public Library Monthly Book Club will meet at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 15, in the library Community Room. The February selected title is *Bet the Farm* by Beth Hoffman. Join Library Director Mary Murphy for the book discussion, and plan to return next month to meet Beth at a free Author/Book Talk, at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, March 6. Ms. Hoffman left a successful career in San Francisco to help her husband run a family farm in 2019. *Bet the Farm* highlights the daily struggle of beginning farmers. Come hear her story!

Mystery Book Club Events

The virtual Mystery Book Club will hold its February Zoom book discussion with Library Director Mary Murphy on Tuesday, February 22, at 7:00 p.m. The selected title is *The Department of Rare Books and Special Collections* by Eva Jurczyk. The virtual Author Talk with Eva Jurczyk will be at 6:00 p.m. CT, Wednesday, February 23. Both events are free, but registration is required. Books are available at the library for Mystery Book Club registrants. Register online at: http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), by phone: 515-465-3569, or in person at the library. Everyone is invited to participate in these free events!

Winter Reading Programs Just Like Summer Only Cooler!



Winter Reading Programs will continue at Perry Public Library until February 28. It's not too late to sign up for the Adult, Teen, or Children's Winter Reading Programs! Read with us this month, and earn incentive prizes and chances in the Grand Prize Drawings. Find your next great read from our online catalog (hint: use NoveList!) or ask a librarian for help. See what's trending in downloadable ebooks and audiobooks from Bridges/Overdrive or hoopla, too! Download the free Libby and hoopla APPs and give them a try. We have what you are looking for, and it's all free!

2022 All Iowa Reads Discussion Event

Perry Public Library announces the 2022 All Iowa Reads community-wide book discussion, scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 19, in the library Community Room. The selected title is *The Butterfly Effect* by Rachel Mans McKenny. The annual *All Iowa Reads* event is an opportunity for people in the same community to gather together to discuss a single book with an Iowa or Midwest connection. This year's event will be led by guest facilitator George Minot of Iowa City. This is a free event, and everyone is invited to participate. Books will be available to check out or to purchase for a nominal price at the library for interested readers. For more information about the *All Iowa Reads* program, visit the website: https://www.iowacenterforthebook.org/air/home.

Saturday Storytimes

Saturday Storytimes will continue at Perry Public Library in February, from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m., in the library Community Room. Saturday 12 and 26 are bilingual events! Join us on Saturdays for stories *and more*. They're free and no registration is needed. For more information, call the library: 515-465-3569.

Seeking Volunteers: Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum

Interested volunteers are invited to a meeting at 6:00 p.m., February 17, at the Carnegie Library Museum. Find out how you can support this historical treasure!

Valentine's Day Book-to-Film Favorites

Are you planning a special evening with your Valentine? Consider a movie night! The library has many book-to-film romance favorites available on DVD. Ask a librarian for help!

Some fan favorites:



A Walk to Remember The Time Traveler's Wife The Bridges of Madison County The Notebook The Vow





Library Programs

Take Your Child to the Library Day

Perry Public Library will celebrate national Take Your Child to the Library Day, Saturday, February 19. Join us for Saturday Storytime, from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m., in the Community Room, register for a prizedrawing, and take home a treat bag! This is a day to celebrate all that libraries offer to communities. We encourage families to get a free library card for each child and make reading a daily habit! It's easy! Show photo ID and proof of address and fill out a short application. (Parents apply for minor children.) Check out a variety of books, audiobooks, DVDs, music CDs, downloadable books/movies & TV shows/music, and so much more!



Craft Club: Shamrock Wreath

The Perry Public Library Craft Club will meet at 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 28, in the library Community Room. The featured craft will be a Shamrock Wreath. All interested crafters are invited to join Hunter Martin for this fun event, but registration and a \$5 materials fee are required. Sign up and pay your fee by Monday, February 21 to guarantee your materials. Participants may register online at http://www.perry.lib.ia.us, by phone: 515-465-3569, or sign up in person at the library.



Library Closed for Presidents Day Perry Public Library will be closed on Monday, February 21, for the Presidents Day holiday. Patrons are reminded that the book drops are always open, and our virtual library is 24/7!

> **Coming in March: Spring Break Programs!**

Chess Instruction/Open Play

The library will continue to offer the walk-in Chess program at the library in February. Instruction and Open Play is scheduled for 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, in the library Community Room. Everyone is invited to drop in and find a partner or learn to play the game with instructor David Oliveira. Arrangements can be made to accommodate your schedule. Call the library for more information.



February 2022 **Staff Recommended Reading**



Project Hail Mary by Andy Weir The Sorority Murder by Allison Brennan My Darling Husband by Kimberly Belle The Stranger in the Mirror by Liv Constantine Murder Games: A Thriller by James Patterson Bring On the Blessings by Beverly Jenkins Grit: The Power and Passion of Perseverance by Angela Duckworth Heartstopper series by Alice Oseman

I Know You Remember by Jennifer Donaldson Hey, Kiddo by Jarrett Krosoczka The Monastic Heart: 50 Simple Practices for a Contemplative and Fulfilling Life by Joan Chittister

Stranger in the Lake by Kimberly Belle A Carnival of Snackery: Diaries (2003-2020) by David Sedaris Never Look Back by Alison Gaylin

BRR (Bike Ride to Rippey)



The annual BRR (Bike Ride to Rippey) will take place on Saturday, February 5. The library will be open, but patrons are reminded that parking near the library could be an issue that day. Did you know that we have a drive-up book drop located in the parking area between Railroad Street and First Street? The book drops are always open!



Chess for Everyone: Beginners and Beyond

Chess Instruction/Open Play Wednesdays: 4:30-5:30 p.m. Perry Public Library Community Room

- Meet David Oliveira and learn /review the game of Chess: the board, the basics, the pieces
- Watch demonstrations of moves & strategies
- Enjoy refreshments and socialize with other Chess enthusiasts at this weekly series
- Arrange for Chess instruction by appointment or meet to play Chess socially at the library
- Interested adults & young people welcome!



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"Take Your Child to the Library Day" Saturday, February 19

Come and celebrate with us!

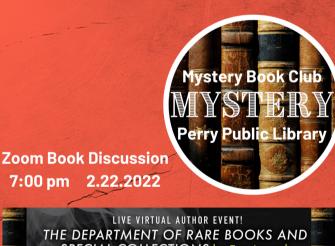
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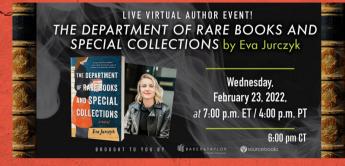


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Books and ebooks available. Registration Required.

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