

## **Public Meeting Notice and Agenda**

PERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

will hold a meeting on

**Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 8 a.m.**

**THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON**

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of June 8, 2023 Meeting Minutes
4. Approval of Financial Statements: Gift Fund Claims and City of Perry Library Line Items
5. Unfinished Business
  - a. Library Director Search
6. New Business
7. Board Education
8. Librarian Report
9. Open Forum
10. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting is on August 10, 2023 at 8 a.m.
11. Adjourn

The Perry Public Library Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, June 8, 2023, at 8 a.m.  
Note: This meeting was held in-person at the Perry Public Library.

Board members Kendall Rathje, Margaret Ruggle, and Heather Karolus were present. Library Director Mary Murphy and Deputy Library Director Misty VonBehren were also present.

Library Board member Kendall Rathje called the meeting to order.

Agenda – Margaret Ruggle moved to approve the agenda with Heather Karolus seconding the motion. MCU.

Minutes – Heather Karolus moved to approve the amended minutes from the May 11, 2023, meeting and Margaret Ruggle seconded the motion. MCU.

Financial Statements – Gift Fund receipts and payments were presented with receipts totaling \$5,478.95 and checks #6441- #6463, totaling \$7,508.04. The City of Perry Library Fund Status Report was reviewed. Heather Karolus moved to approve the financial reports with Margaret Ruggle seconding the motion. MCU.

**Unfinished Business:**

Director Search – The position was posted on June 1, 2023 and will close on June 30, 2023.

**New Business:**

Perry Public Library Foundation Request – Margaret Ruggle moved to ask the Perry Public Library Foundation for the remaining \$9,800 of FY23 funding and request that the entire \$35,000 of FY24 funding be allocated equally each month of FY24 ( $\$35,000 / 12 = \$2916$  each month) with Heather Karolus seconding. MCU.

**Librarian's Report**

The 2023 KidsFest was well attended, we estimate that the total attendance was 750-800. We have received a lot of positive feedback about this event.

The BEAM Projector was installed last week and is being used in children's programming.

Summer Reading is off to great start with 373 registering for the children's program, 61 for teen program, and 90 for the adult program.

**June events:**

**Adult Summer Library Program – June 1 to July 31**

This summer, visit the Perry Public Library and receive your passport to fun! Adult patrons 18+ are invited to join us as we celebrate community, reading, and our favorite brews with "Books and Brews" this summer. Signing up is free and patrons can earn passport stamps by completing activities such as reading, volunteering, attending events, and even learning a new language! Every two stamps earn something special – three special prizes, then entries into your choice of one of three grand prize

baskets. These grand prize baskets include awesome prizes, with many items from local businesses. Plus, we'll have events at some of your favorite community businesses, including the new Books and Brews, Casa de Oro, the Perry Perk, the Proletariat, and the Tin Pig! Registration begins May 22. For more information or to register, go to [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), visit the library, or call the library for more information at 515-465-3569.

#### All Together Now: Children's Summer Library Program – June 1 to July 28

This year's Summer Library Reading Program theme is All Together Now! Get ready for a fun-filled summer of making new friends, spreading kindness, learning how to help your community, and earning prizes in new and fun ways! We have lots of activities and programs planned, as well as special field trips! New this year, children will log not only their reading, but activities including family time, donating items, helping others, and more! Each age group will meet weekly and will have different logs to fill out to earn prizes. Age groups are divided into: Wee Wonders (birth to 2 years old); 3 to 5 years old; COMPLETED kindergarten to 2nd grade; and COMPLETED 3rd to 5th grade. Families should register each child in their separate age group, but may attend whichever program they feel most comfortable. Grand prizes include a Kindle Fire, STEM package, and tickets behind home plate to an Iowa Cubs game! Our grand finale will be a family picnic! Registration begins May 22. Register in-person, online at [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), or at KidsFest!

#### Teen Summer Library Program – June 1 to July 28

This year's Teen Summer Library Reading Program theme is All Together Now! Activities are planned on Friday afternoons at 3:00 pm throughout June and July, including paint your own squishy, make friendship bracelets, a *Stranger Things* Escape Room, Meme-A-Book, and a blindfolded *Survivor*-style team challenge! There will also be two Movie Mondays, June 19, and July 17, at 3:00 pm. Earn scratch tickets by attending programs, checking out books, writing book reviews, or donating clothing or supplies for the animal shelter. Each scratch ticket is worth a prize, including a free book, a full-size candy bar, a gift card, a water bottle, or your choice from a prize box, AND is also a grand prize entry! Grand prizes include a Kindle Fire tablet, Nintendo Switch Lite, or a gift card of your choice! Our grand finale will be a Zombie Attack after hours at the library. Registration begins May 22. Register in-person, online at [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), or at KidsFest! Pamphlets handed out at school also have QR codes that link to the registration page on our website!

#### Wee Wonders Summer Library Program for Babies Through Age 2 – June 1 to July 27

The Wee Wonders Summer Library Program for babies through age 2 and their adults caregivers meets on Tuesdays through June and July from 10:15 am to 11:00 am. We read board books, sing lots of songs, do lapsits, scarf and shaker activities, sensory play and so much more! We will meet June 6, June 13, June 27, July 11, July 18, and July 25. This is an excellent way to encourage early literacy skills and make new friends! Registration is required and log sheets will be available to earn prizes all summer long. A special grand prize tailored to children under age 3 is also available. This is a free event and no registration is required. Registration begins May 22. For more information, visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), call 515-465-3569, or ask a librarian.

#### Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Presents: Rocks and Minerals Exhibit – June 1 – July 15

Visit the Carnegie Library in June to expand your knowledge about rocks, minerals, and gems and what can be found in our area. The Rocks and Minerals Exhibit will allow visitors to see different rocks, minerals, and gems in both refined and unrefined forms. They'll also be able to see, touch, and notice the differences that collectors and/or enthusiasts want or look for. Visit the Carnegie Library Museum in June and July to view this free exhibit. Summer hours are closed Monday, Tuesday-Wednesday 10:00 am

to 4:00 pm, Thursday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, and Friday-Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. For questions, call 515-465-7713 or visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us).

#### June Grab and Go Adult Craft – Patriotic Fabric Pinwheel Craft Kit

June's Grab and Go Adult Craft will prepare you for an awesome July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration! Grab a kit and make a red, white, and blue pinwheel to hold at the parade and decorate your home. Beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>, adult patrons can bring home a Free DIY Patriotic Fabric Pinwheel Craft Kit from the Perry Public Library. This craft kit includes materials and instructions for making fabric pinwheel. This June Craft is free, courtesy of the Perry Public Library, and available while supplies last. For questions, visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us) or call 515-465-3569.

#### June Fresh Conversations with Aging Resources of Central Iowa: Bone Health - June 7

Fresh Conversations is a free nutrition and physical education program for ages 60+. The program offers practical tips and sensible solutions to everyday problems that get in the way of doing what most people want to do: eat well and live well! Fresh Conversations is also an opportunity to connect with other adults for a friendly group discussion. We will meet in June to discuss bone health and the benefits of calcium and vitamin D, plus try a tasty recipe on Wednesday, June 7 from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm in the Perry Public Library Community Room. This is a monthly, free event for ages 60+ and no registration is required. For more information, call the library at 515-465-3569 or visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us).

#### Chess at the Library – June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Local Chess Instructor David Oliveira is partnering with the Perry Public Library to teach, mentor, and play chess with players of all ages and experience levels. Whether you are new to chess or looking for a challenging game, mark your Thursday evenings in June for Chess Instruction and Walk-in at the Library. Students, grades K-12, will meet from 4:30 to 5:30 pm, in the library Board Room. Chess players of all ages are then welcome to meet from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, also in the Board Room, for instruction or competition. David Oliveira leads the group meetings and offers chess instruction by individual appointments as part of the library program. Call the library for more information or to arrange a time at 515-465-3569.

#### KidsFest 2023 – June 3

Join us for the annual Perry Public Library KidsFest! This is an exciting, family-friendly, budget-friendly event to kick-off the Summer Library Program on Saturday, June 3 from 10:30 am to 1:30 pm. We offer many age-appropriate activities for children like the Foam Blaster, creating bubbles, science-based discover stations, balloon twister, family photos, dunk tank, interactive cone game, and a petting zoo. The Perry Volunteer Fire Department will cook pork loin sandwiches and hot dogs. HyVee donates the hamburger and hotdog buns and Fareway donates the bottles of water. Also included in the lunch are a bag of chips and a cookie. The Fire Department sells lunch for \$1 and is a fundraiser for them. This event is free and no registration is required.

#### Crafternoons – No June Meeting

The Library Community Room will be filled with KidsFest activities on June 3, so the next Crafternoon will be held on July 1.

#### Books and Brews Pairing at the Proletariat (Summer Adult Library Program Event) – June 6

We are kicking off our Adult Summer Reading Program with a special event at Perry's The Proletariat! Our host will be pairing brews with books, helping readers create the ideal literary match. Join us on Tuesday, June 6, from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at 1213 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Perry. The Proletariat will provide samples of brews for participants who are 21+ to test the pairings and additional items can be purchased. The library will be on hand to offer book suggestions, sign individuals up for library cards,

and stamp Summer Library Passports! This event is free and open to adult patrons 21 and over. No registration is required. For more information, call the Mindy Farmer, the Adult Services Librarian, at 515-465-3569 or visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us).

**We Have Issues (YA Book Club for Everyone): *All the Rage* by Courtney Summers – June 7**  
Adults and teens are invited to join our We Have Issues (Young Adult Book Club for Everyone) to discuss *All the Rage* by Courtney Summers. This is a book that Angie Manfredi, Head of Youth Services, Los Alamos County Library System, calls "A YA game changer along the lines of Laurie Halse Anderson's *Speak*...this is a work of great power and resonance and I believe it can give a new generation of teen girls a voice." The club will meet at 6:00 pm, on Wednesday, June 7, in the Library Community Room. Interested adults and teens may join the group at any time, but registration is required. Books are available at the library for registrants. Register online at [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), in person, or call the library for more information at 515-465-3569.

**3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 1: Friendship – June 7**  
In the first week of the program, we will read excerpts from *The Wild Robot*, do a blindfolded "Buddy Walk," and make beaded friendship bracelets! This group will meet on Wednesday, June 7 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

**K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 1: Friendship – June 8**  
In our first week of the program, we will read and sing about friendship, play a game about friendship, and make friendship bead bracelets! This group will meet on Thursday, June 8 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

**3-5-Year-Olds Summer Library Program Week 1: Friendship – June 9**  
In the first week of summer programming for 3-5-year-olds, we will focus on friendships and how to be a good friend! We will read, sing songs, and play games about being friends. Plus, we'll make paper bag puppet friends! This group will meet from 10:15 am to 11:00 am on Friday, June 9 in the Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

**Paint Your Own Squishy for Teens – June 9**  
Teens are invited to paint their own squishy, a stress ball shaped like an animal or object. Snacks will be provided. Come hang out with your friends on Friday, June 9 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Library Community Room! This is a free event and no registration is required.

**Kid's Movie Monday – June 12**  
Each month during Summer Library Program, we will host a Movie Monday afternoon for kids ages 6 to 11 to come in and watch a movie and have some snacks. June's Movie Monday will take place in the Library Community Room on June 12 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The June movie will be a popular film starring a swashbuckling cat! Come cool off and enjoy a family movie! This is a free event and no registration is required.

**3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 2: Kindness – June 14**  
This week we'll read excerpts from *Dork Diaries: Tales from a Not-So-Friendly Frenemy* and *Stand Up for Yourself and Your Friends*, and we'll read *Cool Bean*. We'll also make bookmarks with positive phrases on them and hide them in books around the library to make someone else's day! This group will meet on Wednesday, June 14 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### Toby Kid Friendship Adventures – June 15

Local entertainer and comedian Toby Kid presents, "Friendship Adventures," an entertaining program that "spins a cacophony of high merriment...that will have kids singing, dancing, and clapping along." Learn how making new friends makes us better in this laugh-out-loud way to teach social skills. Join us Thursday, June 15, from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm in the Library Community Room for this Summer Library Program event. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### 3-5-Year-Olds Summer Library Program Week 2: Kindness – June 16

This week we will read about being kind, sing songs, play a kindness game, and learn about "wrinkled hearts," and make finger paintings to give to local senior communities. This group will meet from 10:15 am to 11:00 am on Friday, June 16 in the Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### Friends and Friendship Bracelets for Teens – June 16

Teens can create their own multicolor threaded friendship bracelets on Friday, June 16 in the Library Community Room from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. This is a fun opportunity to enjoy snacks and hang out with friends, while making a wearable craft. Teens are invited to make their own multicolor threaded friendship bracelets. Snacks will be provided. Come hang out with your friends! This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### Teen Movie Monday – June 19

Teens are invited to cool off at the library and enjoy a free movie and delicious snacks! A popular movie will be shown on the big screen in the Library Community Room on Monday, June 19 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Another Movie Monday will be held July 17 at 3 pm.

#### Monthly Book Club: *Two Old Broads: Stuff You Need to Know That You Didn't Know You Needed to Know* by Dr. M.E. Hecht – June 20

The meeting will be held at 1:00 pm, Tuesday, June 20, at the Carnegie Library Museum. Members will discuss *Two Old Broads: Stuff You Need to Know That You Didn't Know You Needed to Know* by Dr. M.E. Hecht, a laugh-out-loud, lively conversation about growing old with no apologies. This special Summer Library Program Books & Brews Event will also feature a special treat from the local Scooter's Coffee for attendees! Everyone interested is invited to join the discussion, but registration is required. Register online at [www.perry.lib.us](http://www.perry.lib.us), by phone at 515-465-3569, or in person. Books are available at the library for participants for a small fee. For more information, call Library Director and discussion leader Mary Murphy at 515-465-3569.

#### ISU Insect Zoo Presents: The Songs of Bugs – June 20

The Summer Library Program fun continues with the Iowa State University Insect Zoo on Tuesday, June 20 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the Library Community Room! Join the ISU Insect Zoo for a performance reading, followed by a hands-on, walk-through animal display of over 100 living arthropods! Follow "Unia, The Cricket Who Lost His Song," as he travels to find if others like him have lost their song too. Along the way, Unia encounters some multi-legged friends who sing and learns how they use their song. Unia, and listeners, will hear the actual songs of many arthropods during this performance. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 3: Community/Helping Others – June 21

This week we will read *Change Sings* and *We're better together: a kindness and community activity book*, make a "Thanks a Latte" craft to give to someone you appreciate, and do small jobs around the library to

help. This group will meet on Wednesday, June 21 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 2: Kindness – June 22

This week we will read books and sing songs about being kind, play a kindness game and learn about "wrinkled hearts," and make cards to give to senior community residents. This group will meet on Thursday, June 22 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### *Stranger Things* Escape Room for Teens – June 23

Dare to enter the *Stranger Things* Escape Room, where demogorgons and Vecna haunt your every move! Can you solve the clues that Dustin left behind or will you be trapped in the Upside Down? Teens will work in teams to escape in this free event happening Friday, June 23 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Library Community Room. No registration is required.

#### Secret Book Swap at the Perry Perk During Sip & Shop – June 23

Our Books and Brews Summer Library Events continue Friday, June 23. This time, we're meeting up at The Perry Perk for some free hors d'oeuvres provided by the Perry Public Library and an exciting Secret Book Swap! Come early starting at 4:00 pm to purchase and enjoy your favorite Perk drink, browse The Backwards Boutique, and peruse mystery book descriptions. Afterwards, we'll gather for a fun Yankee Swap starting at 6:00 pm, where we'll open, steal, and swap books until everyone goes home with a new (to them) book! To participate, please bring a gently used or new wrapped book and tape a notecard to the front with answers to the following: 1. You'll love this book if you love (insert book or author here) and 2. I loved this book because... This event is free and open to adult patrons 18 and over. No registration is required.

#### 3-5-Year-Olds Summer Library Program Week 3: Community/Working Together – June 23

This week we will read about our neighbors and how we can all work together, sing songs, play with the library's parachute, and make paper hand wreaths with all our hands on them! This group will meet from 10:15 am to 11:00 am on Friday, June 23 in the Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### June Craft Club: Patriotic Paper Lanterns and 3-D Cards - June 26

The June Club is pleased to welcome special guest Kathy Miller! Kathy, Friends of the Library President, will share her card-making expertise and teach participants how to make paper lanterns and 3-D cards. June Craft Club meets on Wednesday, June 26, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Library Community Room. Come learn how to make Patriotic Paper Lanterns and a 3-D, pop-out Independence Day card in preparation for July 4<sup>th</sup>! All are welcome, but space is limited and registration is required. A \$5 materials fee is due at the time of registration to reserve your spot. Please register by Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. For questions, call 515-465-3569. To register, visit the library.

#### Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled Presents: When Story Time Comes to You! – June 27

All ages are welcome to a special visit from the Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled! Join us on Tuesday, June 27 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm in the Library Community Room, where special guest Denise Bean, Youth Services Librarian for the Iowa Library for the Blind and Print Disabled, will read "Six Dots: A Story of Young Louis Braille," by Jen Bryant. Participants will receive Braille alphabet cards; secret code bookmarks, with their own name in Braille; and tactile coloring pages. This storytime will help your child get a better understanding of how similar we each can be, although we may do things a little differently. This event is free and open to the public.

3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 4: Animals Working Together – June 28

This week we will read about how animals help each other and work together, watch the library's ant farm in motion, and make ants out of spoons. We will also talk about the upcoming field trip to the Voas Nature Center on July 5. This group will meet on Wednesday, June 28 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 3: Animals Working Together – June 29

This week we will read about how animals help each other, sing songs, watch the library's ant farm in motion, and make ants out of spoons! We will also talk about the upcoming field trip to the Voas Nature Center on July 5. This group will meet on Thursday, June 29 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

3-5-Year-Olds Summer Library Program Week 4: Animals Working Together – June 30

This week we will read about how animals help each other, sing songs, watch the library's ant farm in motion, and make fingerprint ants! We will also talk about the upcoming field trip to the Voas Nature Center on July 5. This group will meet from 10:15 am to 11:00 am on Friday, June 30 in the Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required. For more information, visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), call 515-465-3569, or ask a librarian.

Meme-a-Book for Teens – June 30

Come make memes out of books! Laura, The Youth Services Librarian, will provide pictures of book covers and it's up to you to turn them into memes! We'll also play *What Do You Meme Family* and have snacks! This teen activity is from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Friday, June 30. This is a free event and no registration is required.

The next normally scheduled meeting is on Thursday July 13, 2023, at 8 a.m. in the library's Community Room (aka the large meeting room). The public is always welcome.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Mary K. Murphy, Library Director



# Register Report

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Date	Num	Description	Category	Amount
<b>BALANCE 6/2/2023</b>				<b>12,998.45</b>
6/5/2023	DEP	Deposit	Donation Income	30.00
6/5/2023	DEP	S Deposit	Donation Income	20.00
			Gifts And Memorials	5.40
6/12/2023	DEP	Deposit	Donation Income	6.10
6/21/2023	DEP	Deposit	NAYAX Reimbursement	13.87
6/26/2023	DEP	S Deposit	Room Maintenance	25.00
			Donation Income	68.76
			Gifts And Memorials	40.00
6/26/2023	DEP	Deposit	Donation Income	20.00
6/30/2023	DEP	Deposit	PPLF	9,800.00
6/30/2023	DEP	Deposit	PPLF	2,900.00
7/3/2023	DEP	Deposit	Donation Income	45.80
7/3/2023	6464	S Wells Fargo Visa	Materials:Videos	-91.95
			Materials:Adults	-14.99
			Materials:Adults	-13.79
			Materials:Adult All Other	-39.99
			Programming	-1,624.22
			Marketing Services	-25.47
			Professional Development	-399.00
7/3/2023	6465	S Wells Fargo Visa	Marketing Services	-60.75
			Programming	-41.94
7/3/2023	6466	Wells Fargo Visa	Programming	-26.98
7/3/2023	6467	Raccoon Valley Ra...	Marketing Services	-534.06
7/3/2023	6468	City Of Perry	Credit Debit Card Reven...	-166.60
7/3/2023	6469	Ben's Five And Dime	Programming	-166.76
7/3/2023	6470	Spring Valley Farms	Programming	-315.00
7/3/2023	6471	The Perry News	Director Search	-100.00
7/3/2023	Print	S Fareway	KidsFest 2023	-9.98
			KidsFest 2023	-71.37
			KidsFest 2023	-80.85
7/3/2023	6475	Laura Pieper	Outreach Mileage	-6.96
7/3/2023	6477	Ethan Winey	Outreach Mileage	-227.80
7/5/2023	6472	Void		0.00
7/5/2023	6473	Void		0.00
7/5/2023	6474	Void		0.00
7/5/2023	6478	Tyler Sorber	Programming	-800.00
7/5/2023	6479	Tyler Sorber	Programming	-700.00
7/5/2023	6480	Kathy Miller	Programming	-33.39
<b>6/3/2023 - 7/6/2023</b>				<b>7,423.08</b>
<b>BALANCE 7/6/2023</b>				<b>20,421.53</b>
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>				<b>12,974.93</b>
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>				<b>-5,551.85</b>
<b>NET TOTAL</b>				<b>7,423.08</b>

Banking Summary  
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Category	6/3/2023- 7/6/2023
<b>INCOME</b>	
Donation Income	190.66
Gifts And Memorials	45.40
NAYAX Reimbursement	13.87
PPLF	12,700.00
Room Maintenance	25.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>12,974.93</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Uncategorized	0.00
Credit Debit Card Revenue to City Hall	166.60
Director Search	100.00
KidsFest 2023	162.20
Marketing Services	620.28
Materials	
Adult All Other	39.99
Adults	28.78
Videos	91.95
<b>TOTAL Materials</b>	<b>160.72</b>
Outreach Mileage	234.76
Professional Development	399.00
Programming	3,708.29
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>5,551.85</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>7,423.08</b>

**CITY OF PERRY**  
**Perry Public Library and Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum**  
**FUND STAUS REPORT**  
**July 7, 2023**

<b>Account Number</b>	<b>Account Title</b>	<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>YTD Balance</b>	<b>Pct Expended</b>
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>				
001-410-6010	WAGES	\$224,496.00	\$224,496.00	0%
001-410-6020	WAGES - PT	\$65,000.00	\$65,000.00	0%
001-410-6240	TRAVEL AND CONFERENCE	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0%
001-410-6310	REPAIR & MAINTENANCE BLDG	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0%
001-410-6371	UTILITIES	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00	0%
001-410-6373	TELEPHONE	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	0%
001-410-6408	INSURANCE TORT/GENERAL	\$8,538.00	\$8,538.00	0%
001-410-6413	CONTRACT SERVICES	\$16,000.00	\$16,000.00	0%
001-410-6490	CONSULTANT & PROFESSIONAL	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	0%
001-410-6506	OFFICE SUPPLY	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	0%
001-410-6508	POSTAGE & SHIPPING	\$500.00	\$500.00	0%
<b>BENEFIT FUND</b>				
112-410-6110	SOCIAL SECURITY	\$17,949.00	\$17,949.00	0%
112-410-6130	IPERS	\$24,192.00	\$24,192.00	0%
112-410-6150	PREMIUMS HEALTH INSURANCE	\$74,746.00	\$74,746.00	0%
112-410-6152	PREMIUMS/LIFE/DISABILITY	\$1,404.00	\$1,404.00	0%
112-410-6154	PREMIUMS/DENTAL/VISION	\$3,041.00	\$3,041.00	0%
112-410-6155	ADMIN. FEES FOR SELF FUNDED	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
112-410-6160	WORKERS COMPENSATION	\$461.00	\$461.00	0%
<b>CAPITAL FUNDS</b>				
121-410-6725	CAP OUTLAY-OFFICE EQUIP	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	0%
121-410-6750	CAP OUTLAY - BUILDINGS	\$34,000.00	\$34,000.00	0%
121-410-6770	CAP OUTLAY - LIBRARY	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	0%
<b>GIFT FUND</b>				
167-410-6520	MISCELLANEOUS	\$45,000.00	\$45,000.00	0%
167-410-6770	CAPITAL/BOOKS	\$25,200.00	\$25,200.00	0%
<b>HH at CLM</b>				
178-410-6020	WAGES - PART TIME	\$25,694.00	\$25,694.00	0%
178-410-6110	FICA	\$1,966.00	\$1,966.00	0%
178-410-6120	MEDICARE	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
178-410-6130	IPERS	\$2,426.00	\$2,426.00	0%
178-410-6310	BUILDING REPAIR/MAINT	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	0%
178-410-6371	UTILITIES	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	0%
178-410-6373	TELEPHONE/COMMUNICATIONS	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	0%
178-410-6408	INSURANCE	\$6,285.00	\$6,285.00	0%
<b>LIBRARY TOTAL</b>		<b>\$692,498.00</b>	<b>\$692,498.00</b>	<b>0%</b>

**Review of statistics**

The new reading chairs for the Toddler section and South Atrium have been ordered. We received the Dallas County Foundation grant for \$9,770. Our City of Perry Capital requests will pay the balance of the cost of the chairs.

An IDPH Community 5210 Grant was approved for the following projects:

- Iowa State University Extension and Outreach \$400 - Gardening w/ Children.
- Fareway \$1,110 - PACES taste testing.
- Amazon \$1,559.40 - Walking Club - Fitnus Watches
- Amazon \$109.96 - PACES Demonstration Station
- Eyeclick \$8,500.00 - Beam Projector
- Hulgan \$7,999 - Bottle Fillers
- Wiese Park Improvements Bid Award - \$4600

An Iowa STEM grant application was filled out and submitted on February 28, 2023 for STEM components (an \$8,500 value) to be used in STEM programming. We received notification on Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> that we will receive this supply of STEM components in the Fall of 2023. The Youth services Librarian will be going for training in August.

**Programming:****Adult Summer Library Program – Through July 31**

This summer, visit the Perry Public Library and receive your passport to fun! Adult patrons 18+ are invited to join us as we celebrate community, reading, and our favorite brews with “Books and Brews” this summer. Signing up is free and patrons can earn passport stamps by completing activities such as reading, volunteering, attending events, and even learning a new language! Every two stamps earn something special – three special prizes, then entries into your choice of one of three grand prize baskets. These grand prize baskets include awesome prizes, with many items from local businesses. Plus, we’ll have events at some of your favorite community businesses, including the new Books and Brews, Casa de Oro, the Perry Perk, the Proletariat, and the Tin Pig! Registration continues throughout July.

**All Together Now: Children’s Summer Library Program – Through July 27**

This year’s Summer Library Reading Program theme is All Together Now! Get ready for a fun-filled summer of making new friends, spreading kindness, learning how to help your community, and earning prizes in new and fun ways! We have lots of activities and programs planned, as well as special field trips! New this year, children will log not only their reading, but activities including family time, donating items, helping others, and more! Each age group will meet weekly and will have different logs to fill out to earn prizes. Age groups are divided into: Wee Wonders (birth to 2 years old); 3 to 5 years old; COMPLETED kindergarten to 2nd grade; and COMPLETED 3rd to 5th grade. Families should register each child in their separate age group, but may attend whichever program they feel most comfortable. Grand prizes include a Kindle Fire, STEM package, and tickets behind home plate to an Iowa Cubs game! Our grand finale will

be a family picnic! Registration continues throughout July. Log sheet prizes must be claimed by 12:00 pm on Thursday, July 27.

### **Teen Summer Library Program – Through July 28**

This year's Teen Summer Library Reading Program theme is All Together Now! Activities are planned on Friday afternoons at 3:00 pm throughout June and July, including paint your own squishy, make friendship bracelets, a *Stranger Things* Escape Room, Meme-A-Book, and a blindfolded *Survivor*-style team challenge! There will also be a second Movie Monday July 17, at 3:00 pm. Earn scratch tickets by attending programs, writing book reviews, or donating clothing or supplies for the animal shelter. Each scratch ticket is worth a prize, including a free book, a full-size candy bar, a gift card, a water bottle, or your choice from a prize box. Teens can also earn grand prize entries. Grand prizes include a Kindle Fire tablet, Nintendo Switch Lite, or a gift card of your choice! Our grand finale will be a Zombie Attack after hours at the library. Registration continues throughout July. Scratch ticket prizes must be claimed by 12:00 pm on Friday, July 28.

### **Wee Wonders Summer Library Program for Babies Through Age 2 – Through July 27**

The Wee Wonders Summer Library Program for babies through age 2 and their adults caregivers meets on Tuesdays in July from 10:15 am to 11:00 am. We read board books, sing lots of songs, do lapsits, scarf and shaker activities, sensory play, and so much more! We will meet July 11, July 18, and July 25. This is an excellent way to encourage early literacy skills and make new friends! Registration is required and log sheets will be available to earn prizes all summer long. A special grand prize tailored to children under age 3 is also available. This is a free event and no registration is required.

### **Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Presents: Rocks and Minerals Exhibit – June 1 – July 15**

Visit the Carnegie Library in June to expand your knowledge about rocks, minerals, and gems and what can be found in our area. The Rocks and Minerals Exhibit will allow visitors to see different rocks, minerals, and gems in both refined and unrefined forms. They'll also be able to see, touch, and notice the differences that collectors and/or enthusiasts want or look for. Visit the Carnegie Library Museum in June and July to view this free exhibit. Summer hours are as follows: Sunday-Monday closed, Tuesday-Wednesday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Thursday 10:00 am to 7:00 pm, and Friday-Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

### **July Grab and Go Adult Craft – Free DIY Just Beachy Wreath Kit**

Welcome summer to your house with a Just Beachy Wreath! Grab a kit to make a lovely beach-themed wreath to decorate your door for the season. Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, adult patrons can bring home a Free DIY Just Beachy Wreath Craft Kit from the Perry Public Library. This craft kit includes materials and instructions for making one wreath. This July Craft is free, courtesy of the Perry Public Library, and available while supplies last.

### **Special Holiday Hours – July 4**

The Perry Public Library will be closed on Tuesday, July 4 in honor of Independence Day. We will open again at 10:00 am on Wednesday, July 5.

### **July Fresh Conversations with Aging Resources of Central Iowa: Prediabetes – July 5**

Fresh Conversations is a free nutrition and physical education program for ages 60+. The program offers practical tips and sensible solutions to everyday problems that get in the way of doing what most people want to do: eat well and live well! Fresh Conversations is also an opportunity to connect with other

adults for a friendly group discussion. We will meet in July to discuss prediabetes, plus try a tasty recipe on Wednesday, July 5 from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm in the Perry Public Library Community Room. This is a monthly, free event held the first Wednesday of each month for ages 60+ and no registration is required.

#### **Chess at the Library – July 6, 13, 20, 27**

Local Chess Instructor David Oliveira is partnering with the Perry Public Library to teach, mentor, and play chess with players of all ages and experience levels. Whether you are new to chess or looking for a challenging game, mark your Thursday evenings in July for Chess Instruction and Walk-in at the Library. Students, grades K-12, will meet from 4:30 to 5:30 pm, in the library Board Room. Chess players of all ages are then welcome to meet from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, also in the Board Room, for instruction or competition. David Oliveira leads the group meetings and also offers chess instruction by individual appointments as part of the library program.

#### **We Have Issues (YA Book Club for Everyone): *Sadie* by Courtney Summers – July 3**

We Have Issues: A YA Book Club for Everyone is a fun, laid back book club where we enjoy the often-dramatic world of YA literature. We don't take ourselves too seriously and you don't have to get be teen/young adult to come. Our club is moving to Mondays beginning with our July 3<sup>rd</sup> meet-up from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Library Community Room. The July selection is *Sadie* by Courtney Summers, a book for anyone who loves a good murder mystery, as well as a podcast investigation of the case. Interested adults and teens may join the group at any time, but registration is required. Books are available at the library for a small fee for registrants. Register online at [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), in person, or call the library for more information at 515-465-3569.

#### **All Ages Field Trip to Voas Nature Area – July 5**

Join us at the Voas Nature Area on Wednesday, July 5 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. All ages are invited to explore the wildflowers and learn about how animals, like ants and bees, work together. This is a fun way to learn about nature as part of our summer library program theme, All Together Now. Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to the Voas Nature Area at 315 Baker St., Minburn, IA 50167. We will meet you there at 10:00 am for an engaging, fun-filled field trip. This is a free event and no registration is required. For more information, visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), call 515-465-3569, or ask a librarian.

#### **Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Presents: A Conversation With...Dennis Parker, Rock Expert – July 6**

Come discover more about rocks and minerals from local expert Dennis Parker at our July "A Conversation With..." event! Parker will help future rock collectors learn about rocks available in the local Voas Nature Area, the state of Iowa, the Midwest, and throughout the United States. Visit our Rocks and Minerals exhibit, then mark your calendars for this free, all-ages event at the Carnegie Library Museum Main Reading Room on Thursday, July 6, from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### **K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 4: Community – July 6**

Come spread kindness like confetti for our week 4 meet-up! We will read all about our neighbors and play Community Helpers Bingo. Kid will also color Kindness Cards to share some joy with residents of local senior communities. This group will meet on Thursday, July 6 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room.

#### **3-5-Year-Olds Summer Library Program Week 5: Animal Adoption – July 7**

How would you like to adopt your own small, stuffed animal cat or dog and read them a story? Join us for week 5 to read about animal adoption and adopt your own! This group will meet from 10:15 am to 11:00 am on Friday, July 7 in the Community Room. A registration form will be available with Miss Laura at Children's Summer Library Events or through email to [lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us](mailto:lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us). Registration is required by June 21.

#### **Teen Kindness Challenge – July 7**

Teens are invited to embrace kindness on July 7 by making self-affirmation jars, plus bookmarks and cards with positive phrases to hide in books around the library. You'll also create your own Field Guide to Your Life, which is an easy, fun way to create a memoir. Come hang out with your friends on Friday, July 7 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Library Community Room! This is a free event for teens who recently completed 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades and no registration is required.

#### **Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Presents: A Conversation With...Dennis Parker, Rock Expert – July 8**

Come discover more about rocks and minerals from local expert Dennis Parker at our July "A Conversation With..." event! Parker will help future rock collectors learn about rocks available in the local Voas Nature Area, the state of Iowa, the Midwest, and throughout the United States. Visit our Rocks and Minerals exhibit, then mark your calendars for this free, all-ages event at the Carnegie Library Museum Main Reading Room on Saturday, July 8 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### **Kid's Movie Monday – July 10**

Each month during Summer Library Program, we will host a Movie Monday afternoon for kids ages 6 to 11 to come in, cool off, watch a movie and have some snacks. June's Movie Monday will take place in the Library Community Room on July 10 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The June movie will be a popular film kids are sure to enjoy. Come cool off and enjoy a family movie! This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### **Quarterly Classics Book Club: *Main Street* by Sinclair Lewis – July 11**

All are invited to join the Quarterly Classics Book Club for discussions of traditional and modern classics. The Quarterly Classics Book Club will meet Tuesday, July 11 at the Carnegie Library Museum from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm to discuss *Main Street* by Nobel Prize winning author Sinclair Lewis. *Main Street*, first published to immediate acclaim in 1920, is a satirical story of an idealistic young woman's attempts to reform her small town. Anyone interested may join the group at any time, but registration is required. Books are available at the library for registrants for a small fee. Register online at [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), in person, or call the library for more information at 515-465-3569.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 5: Animal Adoption – July 12**

This week, come read about animal adoptions and decorate dog bandanas to give to animals in need at the Raccoon Valley Pet Rescue. We will also talk about collecting donations for our field trip to the shelter on July 19. This group will meet on Wednesday, July 12 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

#### **K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 5: Animal Adoption – July 13**

How would you like to adopt your own small, stuffed animal cat or dog and read them a story? Join us for week 5 to read about animal adoption and adopt your own! This group will meet on Thursday, July 13 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room. This is a free event and registration is



required by June 21 in order for a child to get their own stuffed animal. A registration form will be available with Miss Laura at Children's Summer Library Events or through email to [lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us](mailto:lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us). For more information, visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), call 515-465-3569, or email [lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us](mailto:lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us).

### **Healthy Steps Food Outreach Giveaway at the Farmers Market – July 13**

The Perry Public Library will be giving away one-pound packages of green beans at the Perry Farmers Market on July 13, 2023 starting at 4 p.m. It is first come, first served with the green beans.

### **3-5-Year-Olds Summer Library Program Week 6: Kindness Toward Yourself – July 14**

Discover what it means to be mindful alongside the internet-famous pug Noodle and his "Bones/No Bones" motto! This group will meet from 10:15 am to 11:00 am on Friday, July 14 in the Community Room. This is a free event and no registration is required.

### **Teen Survivor Challenge – July 14**

Do you have what it takes to conquer our Teen Survivor Challenge? On Friday, July 14 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm, teams will navigate an obstacle course blindfolded. One team member will guide the others using only their voice to see which team can conquer the challenge first! This is a free event for teens who recently completed 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades and no registration is required.

### **Adult Summer Library Game Night at the Tin Pig – July 14**

Round up your friends and family for a Game Night at the Tin Pig on Friday, July 14, starting at 6:30 pm! This Adult Summer Library Program Game Night will have an exciting selection of games for you to try and enjoy. We'll provide the games and a selection of appetizers; you bring the players. Join us at the Tin Pig at 1201 2nd St., Perry. For more information, visit [www.perry.lib.ia.us](http://www.perry.lib.ia.us), ask a librarian, or call 515-465-3569.

### **Teen Movie Monday – July 17**

Teens are invited to cool off at the library and enjoy a free movie and delicious snacks! July is teen's choice and their pick will be shown on the big screen in the Library Community Room on Monday, July 17 from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. This is a free event for teens who recently completed 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades and no registration is required.

### **Monthly Book Club: *The Hearts Invisible Furies* by John Boyne – July 18**

July's Monthly Book Club will read and discuss *The Heart's Invisible Furies*, a novel by the acclaimed author of *The Boy in the Striped Pajamas*. Join the discussion on Tuesday, July 18, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm at the new Century Farms Books and Brews, which opens July 1. This month, the group will read a "sweeping, heartfelt saga about the course of one man's life, beginning and ending in post-war Ireland." Everyone interested is invited to join the discussion, but registration is required. Register online at [www.perry.lib.us](http://www.perry.lib.us), by phone at 515-465-3569, or in person. Books are available at the library for participants for a small fee.

### **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 6: Field Trip to Raccoon River Pet Rescue – July 19**

Mark your calendars for a special time and location for our weekly meet-up! This group will meet on Wednesday, July 19 from 2:00 pm to 2:30 pm at Raccoon Valley Pet Rescue. We will tour the shelter and learn about volunteer opportunities. Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to Raccoon Valley Pet Rescue at 14360 Ivy Place in Perry. We will meet you there at 2:00 pm and the tour will last until to 2:30 pm. This is a free event and registration is required by July 12. A registration form will be available with Miss Laura at Children's Summer Library Events or through email to [lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us](mailto:lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us).



### **Teen Field Trip to Raccoon River Pet Rescue – July 19**

Who can resist a tour with dogs and cats? Teens will meet at this special date and time to tour the Raccoon River Pet Rescue and learn about available volunteer opportunities. Participants will be responsible for their own transportation to the Rescue at 14360 Ivy Place in Perry. We will meet you there at 2:30 pm and the tour will last until 3:00 pm. This is a free event for teens who recently completed 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades and registration is required by July 12. Registration forms will be available with Miss Laura at Teen Summer Library Events or through email to [lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us](mailto:lpieper@perry.lib.ia.us).

### **K-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 6: Kindness Toward Yourself – July 20**

Discover what it means to be mindful alongside the internet-famous pug Noodle and his “Bones/No Bones” motto! This week, we will read and learn with Noodle and make a Coping Wheel for kids to use when they are overwhelmed or anxious. This group will meet on Thursday, June 20 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room.

### **Teen Tie-Dye Fun – July 21**

Add a splash of color to your wardrobe with our teen tie-dye activity! Teens are invited to make tie-dye gear, such as bandanas and scrunchies, at the Library on Friday, July 21 from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. This is a free activity for teens who recently completed 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades and no registration is required.

### **Family Tie-Dye Sidewalk Chalk Fun – July 21**

Nothing says “summer fun” like filling the sidewalks with vibrant, colorful sidewalk chalk drawings! Families are invited to enjoy some tie-dye sidewalk chalk fun together on Friday, July 21 from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm! Come fill the library sidewalks with positive messages and colorful drawings to spread community cheer. This is a free activity and no registration is required.

### **Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum Presents: A Southern Belle Tea – July 24**

Dust off your best hats and come join us for a Southern Belle themed tea at the Carnegie Library Museum! We will dine on three small courses, including sandwiches, scones, and cake. The tea will be held on Monday, July 24, from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Space is limited. Tickets can be purchased at the Carnegie Library or the Perry Public Library for \$15 beginning June 16. Contact Trista Cohea at the Carnegie with questions at 515-465-7713.

### **Adult Summer Library Poetry on the Patio – July 25**

Bring a poem - your own or a favorite poet's - to share at Poetry on the Patio at the Proletariat! Join us on Tuesday, July 25 from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm to enjoy poetry in the summer evening air. This Adult Summer Library Program event will be held outside on the patio at the Proletariat at 1213 2nd St, Perry. Participants are invited to read an original or favorite poem and discover new poetry as audience members. This is a free event for adults.

### **3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Library Program Week 7: Mindfulness – July 26**

Discover what it means to be mindful alongside the internet-famous pug Noodle and his “Bones/No Bones” motto! This week, we will read and learn with Noodle, then play a gratitude game with craft sticks. Last, we’ll make our own self-affirmation jars to bring home! This group will meet on Wednesday, June 26 from 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm in the Library Community Room.

### **Latino Fest 2023 – July 26**

The Perry Public Library is sponsoring the Balloon Twister at Perry's Latino Fest 2023. In addition, we will be carrying on the tradition of giving away a book to each child. It is a fun-filled day starting with a parade at 10 am along with children's activities, music, dancing, and food. We will be there from 10 am to 5 pm.

#### **Children's Library Program Picnic Finale at Pattee Park – July 27**

The Grand Finale of the Children's Library is a can't-miss event, with activities, outdoor games, and a scavenger hunt! The library will provide hot dogs, chips, and a treat for each participant. Plus, Miss Laura will announce the four Children's Grand Prize winners and distribute their prizes. Mark your calendars for family fun Thursday, July 27 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at Pattee Park!

#### **Teen Summer Finale: After-Hours Zombie Battle – July 28**

Rogue scientists have set up a lab inside the library and – you guessed it – the tests got out of control and now the library is overrun with zombies! We challenge teens to come to the library after hours on Friday, July 28 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Arrive as either a scientist ready to battle the hordes or one of the zombies hungry for brains. Use your smarts to find the fail-safe and shut down the lab – or become one of the infected! Grand prizes will be awarded and there will be snacks and more games! Scientists and zombies must arrive before 6:00 pm because the doors will lock and no late participants will be admitted.

#### **Paper Crafting with Kathy – July 29**

Join paper crafting enthusiast Kathy Miller for a series of monthly how-to workshops featuring different paper crafting techniques and creative designs for making greeting cards. The craft series will be held the last Saturday of each month. We will meet July 29 in the Library Community Room from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. July's workshop will focus on creating Christmas Cards with specialty paper from The Echo Park Paper Company. There is a \$5 materials fee for the program and payment is required for registration. Registration closes July 22. All materials will be provided, but participants are welcome to bring their own supplies.

#### **Crafternoons – July 29**

Are you looking for a quiet, community space to craft? Then, we have the perfect Saturday event for you! The Perry Public Library welcomes crafters and do-it-yourselfers to our dedicated makerspace – now moved to the last Saturday of each month. You bring your ideas and supplies and we'll supply the crafting space. Saturday Crafternoons last from 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the Library Community Room and offer a free community space to work on projects in a comfortable environment. Plan your next work session for Saturday, July 29, at the library. Tables are available on a first come, first served basis, and everyone is invited.

#### **July Craft Club: Tattooed Recipe Boxes – July 31**

Gather a favorite recipe or two and join us for an all-new Craft Club in July! This month, participants will use special "tattoo" paper to decorate their own recipe boxes. Everyone is also encouraged to swap recipes and help fill the new boxes with culinary favorites. The July Craft Club will meet on Monday, July 31 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. All are welcome, but space is limited and registration is required. A \$5 materials fee is due at the time of registration to reserve your spot. Please register by Wednesday, July 26.