

# **Public Meeting Notice and Agenda**

**PERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

will hold a meeting on

**Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 8 a.m.**

**THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON**

**At the Perry Public Library**

1. Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of May 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes
4. Approval of Financial Statements: Gift Fund Claims and City of Perry Library Line Items
5. Unfinished Business:
6. New Business:
  - a. End of FY22
  - b. Director Review
7. Board Education:
8. Librarian Report:
9. Open Forum:
10. Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting is on Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 8 a.m.?
11. Adjourn

The Perry Public Library Board of Trustees met in regular session on Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 8 a.m. Note: This meeting was held in-person in the Board Room at the Perry Public Library.

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

Board President Mark Miller called the meeting to order.

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

Minutes – Kendall Rathje moved to approve the minutes from the April 14, 2022, meeting, and Rosa Gonzalez seconded the motion. MCU.

Financial Statements – Gift Fund receipts and payments were presented with receipts totaling \$3,406.05 and 17 checks, #6189 - #6204, totaling \$6,192.80. The City of Perry Library Fund Status Report was reviewed. Margaret Ruggle moved to approve the financial reports with Heather Karolus seconding the motion. MCU.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Health and Safety Policy – Heather Karolus moved to adopt the proposed Health and Safety Policy, with Kendall Rathje seconding the motion. MCU.

Board Education – Grants and programming were reviewed and discussed.

Librarian’s Report:

Mission:

Enabling our community to thrive  
by offering lifelong opportunities  
to connect, learn, and create.

Deputy Director Misty VonBehren presented a program on Mentoring at the Spring Iowa Small Library Association meeting held virtually on May 6, 2022.

The KidsFest (June 4) attractions have been booked: bubbles, foam cannon, balloon twister, dunk tank, and petting zoo. Activities are being planned: Rotary with their putting green, HH@CLM activities include quill writing, PPL is planning an activity to make boats and evaluate their floatability, a duck pond, and more. The Perry Volunteer Fire Department are grilling their signature pork tenderloins for sandwiches and hot dogs. I have donations of pork loins from Tyson, bottles of water from Fareway, and hamburger and hot dog buns coming from HyVee. We will be purchasing single serving bags of chips and single serving granola bars for the rest of lunch. Lunch is \$1 and will be a Perry Volunteer Fire Department fundraiser. They will receive all the proceeds from the lunch revenue. KDLS will be bringing one of their vans and broadcasting live from the event. HyVee is looking to bring their KidFit Motorhome to the event.

Director Murphy and Deputy Director VonBehren participated in an all-day offsite City of Perry Leadership meeting on May 4, 2022, based on the book "Traction" by Gino Wickman in which he presents an Entrepreneurial Operating System (EOS) that is practical method achieving business success. All Department and Assistant/Deputy Department Heads participated in the meeting. More than 135,000 companies use this EOS system.

Director Murphy and two Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum employees attended an all-day training on April 26, 2022, to become certified as tour guides. The training was sponsored by Iowa Tourism and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach.

Summer Reading Program registration will start on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. A bilingual flier will be sent out in the May water bill followed by PSAs to all media outlets along with social media blasts. The theme this year is "Oceans of Possibilities."

The Friends of the Perry Public Library partnered with Perry Greenhouse & Supply to hold a Spring Floral Basket Fundraiser. They have raised over \$750.

#### Grant Summary:

Bock Family Foundation, Inc., \$1200 awarded for KidsFest 2022

Farm Credit of America; \$1500 for milk and eggs for Library's Food Recovery/Outreach Program.

Farm Credit of America, \$2000 for Healthy Steps Program, Food Outreach at Farmer's Markets

#### MAY PROGRAMS AND EVENTS:

Chess instruction and walk-in Chess play will continue at the library in May on Wednesdays and Saturdays, with a dedicated hour for students in Grades K-12<sup>th</sup>, 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, also in the Community Room, as well as on Saturdays, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., in the library Board Room.

Perry Public Library hosted *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.

*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 group meets 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. 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.

The Library will be 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 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.

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.

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.

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 KidsFest summer library programs kick-off. Don't miss it!

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.

The State Historical Society of Iowa, Inc., Art on the Prairie, 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. Everyone is invited to come and learn about our local history at these free programs.

Perry Public Library and Carnegie Library Museum will be closed Sunday, May 29, and Monday, May 30, for the Memorial Day Holiday. Summer library 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, September 5.

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 Martin 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, but everyone is welcome at this free event.

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*! Special thanks to the following sponsors: Tyson, Hy-Vee, Fareway, Hometown Heritage @ the CLM, Perry Rotary, Perry Public Works, Perry Volunteer Fire Department, Perry Parks & Recreation, Bock Family Foundation, Inc., and the Friends of the Perry Public Library.

The next normally scheduled meeting is on Thursday, June 9, 2022, 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

## **Health & Safety Policy**

### **Safety Policy**

- a. It is the policy of the Library to make every effort to provide healthful and safe working conditions for all of its employees. The Library expects employees to follow certain rules of conduct that will protect the interests of the Library and safety of all employees and members of the public.
- b. The Library has adopted the City of Perry Safety Manual. Employees must read, maintain their knowledge, and follow the safety rules as described in the City of Perry Safety Manual at all times.

### **Employee Responsibilities, Reporting**

- a. Employees are responsible for conducting their work activities in a manner that is protective of their own health and safety, as well as that of other employees.
- b. Employees must immediately report every on-the-job accident, no matter how minor, to the organization (currently Company Nurse at 1-888-770-0928) designated by the City's workman's compensation insurance company, and to his or her supervisor or to the Director / Deputy Director.
- c. Employees shall immediately report to their supervisor or to the Director / Deputy Director any conditions that in their judgment may possibly threaten the health and safety of employees or the public.
- d. Employees are encouraged to make suggestions to their supervisor or the Director / Deputy Director of improvements that would make the Library work place safer or more healthful.

### **Weapons Policy**

- a. While at work, on Library property, or while performing Library business off Library premises, Library personnel shall not carry or possess any weapons.
- b. No weapons shall be transported, carried, or stored in any City-owned vehicle at any time when conducting Library business.
- c. For the purposes of this policy the term "weapons" includes all firearms (including pellet guns), fixed blade knives having a blade longer than 3 inches, and any object, device, or instrument which is intended to be used to inflict physical injury or death (e.g. martial arts devices, blowguns, cross bows, etc.).

## Violence in the Workplace

- a. The Library is committed to a safe, healthy, productive workplace for all employees. Our policy is to maintain a work environment which is free from intimidation, harassment, threats, and hostile or violent acts of any kind. To that end, the following conduct is prohibited:
  1. Threatening, intimidating, or hostile behavior of any kind directed towards any employee or director.
  2. Verbal or physical abuse of any employee or directors, including any form of assault.
  3. Vandalism, arson, or any other act against an employee or director and which is detrimental to the safety and welfare of such person or of their personal property, or of Library property.
- b. Violation of this policy may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination.
- c. **Managers and supervisors have a responsibility to report** any instance of inappropriate conduct (as defined above), or any concerns about potential violent behaviors or situations involving specific employees to their direct supervisor. This includes (i) any domestic relations situation which may involve a potential threat to the safety of the employee or others while at work or on duty; and (ii) any situation involving a customer, vendor, property owner, or other person with whom the Library may have a business relationship which may involve a potential threat to the safety of employee or directors regardless of whether at work or on duty. In addition, the incident may warrant immediate notification of the appropriate law enforcement agency.
- d. Employees who believe they have been subjected to, have observed, or have knowledge of any violation of this policy or of any potentially violent situation (including threats of violence) have a responsibility to report the behavior or incident immediately to their supervisor.
- e. Any employee who considers himself or herself to be in imminent danger of physical harm from any person should directly contact law enforcement officials immediately, and notify their supervisor.
- f. All complaints, notifications, and threats will be taken seriously and investigated promptly. Based on the outcome of the investigation, appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including termination, may be taken. Confidentiality will be maintained as appropriate.

## Register Report

5/4/2022 through 6/2/2022

Date	Num	Description	Category	Amount
<b>BALANCE 5/3/2022</b>				<b>34,558.48</b>
5/9/2022	DEP	Deposit	Donation Income	5.00
5/16/2022	DEP	S Deposit	Room Maintenance	25.00
			Donation Income	2.00
5/18/2022	6206	Void		0.00
5/25/2022	DEP	S Deposit	Gifts And Memorials	20.00
			Donation Income	41.30
5/31/2022	DEP	S Deposit	Gifts And Memorials	200.00
			Gifts And Memorials	50.00
			Donation Income	30.10
6/1/2022	DEP	Deposit	PPLF	2,100.00
6/1/2022	6207	S Wells Fargo Visa	Materials:Videos	-92.49
			Materials:Children's Books	-35.23
			Materials:Subscriptions	-17.98
			Materials:HotSpot	-340.91
			Materials:Adventure Pass	-125.00
			Programming	-1,677.43
			Marketing	-52.08
6/1/2022	6208	S Wells Fargo Visa	Programming	-485.11
6/1/2022	6209	Ingram Library Services	Materials	-543.92
6/1/2022	6214	City Of Perry	Marketing	-516.66
6/1/2022	6210	S Baker & Taylor	Materials	-141.45
			Materials	-157.17
			Materials	-209.74
			Materials	-135.60
6/1/2022	6211	Cengage Learning Inc / ...	Materials:Adults	-25.49
6/1/2022	6212	The Penworthy Compan...	Materials:Children's Books	-295.46
6/1/2022	6215	Ben's Five And Dime	Craft Supplies	-6.99
6/1/2022	6216	ASI Signage Innovations	Signage	-141.00
6/1/2022	6217	S Fareway	Programming	-128.75
			Farm Credit Grant Expense	-27.50
6/1/2022	6213	Grey House Publishing	Reference	-148.50
6/1/2022	6218	Paul Tavernier	Summer Library Program	-50.00
6/1/2022	6219	Megan Will	Summer Library Program	-50.00
6/1/2022	6220	Mikayla Oz	Ch SRP 2022	-350.00
6/1/2022	6221	Sue Brickner	Reimbursable Expenses	-28.77
6/1/2022	6222	S Misty VonBehren	Materials:Young Adult	-23.92
			Farm Credit Grant Expense	-52.75
6/1/2022	6229	Mary K. Murphy	Expense Reimbursement	-37.00
6/2/2022	6230	hoopla	Materials:Streaming	-575.05
6/2/2022	6231	Transparent Languages	Materials:e Reference	-300.00
<b>5/4/2022 - 6/2/2022</b>				<b>-4,298.55</b>
<b>BALANCE 6/2/2022</b>				<b>30,259.93</b>
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>				<b>2,473.40</b>
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>				<b>-6,771.95</b>
<b>NET TOTAL</b>				<b>-4,298.55</b>



## Banking Summary

5/4/2022 through 6/2/2022

Category	5/4/2022- 6/2/2022
<b>INCOME</b>	
Donation Income	78.40
Gifts And Memorials	270.00
PPLF	2,100.00
Room Maintenance	25.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>2,473.40</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Uncategorized	0.00
Ch SRP 2022	350.00
Craft Supplies	6.99
Expense Reimbursement	37.00
Farm Credit Grant Expense	80.25
Marketing	568.74
Materials	1,187.88
Adults	25.49
Adventure Pass	125.00
Children's Books	330.69
e Reference	300.00
HotSpot	340.91
Streaming	575.05
Subscriptions	17.98
Videos	92.49
Young Adult	23.92
<b>TOTAL Materials</b>	<b>3,019.41</b>
Programming	2,291.29
Reference	148.50
Reimbursable Expenses	28.77
Signage	141.00
Summer Library Program	100.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>6,771.95</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>-4,298.55</b>

**City of Perry**  
**Fund Status Report June 2, 2022**  
**Perry Public Library**

Account Title	Amended	Total Budget	YTD EXP	YTD Bal	Pct Expen ded	Fund Balances	Amended	Amended Fund Balance
<b>General Fund</b>								
WAGES		\$192,690.00	\$170,507.06	\$22,182.94	88%			
WAGES - PT		\$56,135.00	\$48,614.13	\$7,520.87	87%			
TRAVEL AND CONFERENCE		\$1,000.00	\$676.00	\$324.00	68%	\$324.00		
REPAIR & MAINTENANCE BLDG		\$1,000.00	\$612.27	\$387.73	61%	\$387.73		
UTILITIES	\$40,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$36,223.75	(\$4,223.75)	113%	(\$4,223.75)		
TELEPHONE		\$4,500.00	\$3,944.39	\$555.61	88%	\$555.61		
INSURANCE TORT/GENERAL		\$7,238.00	\$7,899.23	(\$661.23)	109%	(\$661.23)		
CONTRACT SERVICES		\$16,000.00	\$11,367.05	\$4,632.95	71%	\$4,632.95		
CONSULTANT & PROFESSIONAL		\$10,000.00	\$7,070.83	\$2,929.17	71%	\$2,929.17		
OFFICE SUPPLY		\$5,000.00	\$5,932.95	(\$932.95)	119%	(\$932.95)		
POSTAGE & SHIPPING		\$2,000.00	\$1,074.31	\$925.69	54%	\$925.69		
CAPITAL/BOOKS		\$0.00	\$316.40	(\$316.40)	0%	(\$316.40)		
						<b>\$3,620.82</b>	<b>\$8,000.00</b>	<b>\$11,620.82</b>
<b>Benefit Fund</b>								
SOCIAL SECURITY		\$19,035.00	\$15,727.72	\$3,307.28	83%			
IPERS		\$23,489.00	\$19,397.48	\$4,091.52	83%			
PREMIUMS HEALTH INSURANCE		\$68,252.00	\$68,193.29	\$58.71	100%			
PREMIUMS/LIFE/DISABILITY		\$1,087.00	\$1,118.55	(\$31.55)	103%			
WORKERS COMPENSATION		\$276.00	\$191.91	\$84.09	70%			
<b>Capital Fund</b>								
CAP OUTLAY-FURN/FIXTURES		\$15,345.00	\$14,389.17	\$955.83	94%	\$955.83		
CAP OUTLAY-OFFICE EQUIP		\$14,871.00	\$7,935.39	\$6,935.61	53%	\$6,935.61		
CAP OUTLAY - LIBRARY		\$40,000.00	\$41,605.97	(\$1,605.97)	104%	(\$1,605.97)		
CAPITAL/BUILDING	\$50,000.00	\$32,077.00	\$50,557.06	(\$18,480.06)	158%	(\$18,480.06)	\$17,923.00	\$5,728.41
						<b>(\$12,194.59)</b>		

**City of Perry**  
**Fund Status Report June 2, 2022**  
**Perry Public Library**

<b>Gift Fund</b>						
MISCELLANEOUS	\$45,000.00	\$35,981.60	\$9,018.40	80%		
CAPITAL/BOOKS	\$25,200.00	\$2,648.33	\$22,551.67	11%		
<b>HH Fund</b>						
WAGES - PART TIME	\$0.00	\$12,258.02	(\$12,258.02)	0%	(\$12,258.02)	
FICA	\$0.00	\$919.55	(\$919.55)	0%	(\$919.55)	
IPERS	\$0.00	\$657.77	(\$657.77)	0%	(\$657.77)	
BUILDING REPAIR/MAINT	\$0.00	\$3,017.72	(\$3,017.72)	0%	(\$3,017.72)	
<b>LIBRARY TOTAL</b>	<b>\$612,195.00</b>	<b>\$568,837.90</b>	<b>\$43,357.10</b>	<b>93%</b>		

## Board Overview

	FY 2020-2021	FY 2021-2022 Year to Date	Fiscal Year % Change	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	Last FY May
<b>Volumes Held at Start of Period</b>	106,485		<b>1.71%</b>	107,014	107,196	107,420	107,709	107,966	107,822	107,739	107,835	108,025	108,150	108,303	106,318
Electronic Music Circulation	382	390	<b>11.38%</b>	40	48	30	37	37	34	34	34	42	26	28	34
Electronic Audiobook Circulation	2,813	2,585	<b>0.25%</b>	325	261	228	223	224	192	200	181	235	205	311	287
Electronic Book Circulation	3,300	3,823	<b>26.38%</b>	354	258	238	269	217	284	408	411	419	432	533	271
Electronic Video Circulation	404	649	<b>75%</b>	59	59	41	40	49	51	59	73	45	97	76	32
Electronic Magazine Circulation				38	18	15	36	41	69	30	39			14	22
<b>Total Circulation</b>	<b>46,653</b>	<b>59,307</b>	<b>38.68%</b>	<b>4,847</b>	<b>4,590</b>	<b>4,872</b>	<b>5,901</b>	<b>5,427</b>	<b>5,455</b>	<b>5,221</b>	<b>5,237</b>	<b>6,478</b>	<b>5,709</b>	<b>5,570</b>	<b>4,114</b>
<b>Number of Borrowers at End of Period</b>	<b>5,292</b>		<b>5.71%</b>	<b>5,330</b>	<b>5,355</b>	<b>5,401</b>	<b>5,425</b>	<b>5,449</b>	<b>5,470</b>	<b>5,488</b>	<b>5,507</b>	<b>5,538</b>	<b>5,563</b>	<b>5,594</b>	<b>5,248</b>
PPL Door Count				3,501	3,625	3,852	3,652	4,898	3,596	3,179	3,940	4,437	4,121	4,532	
HH & Carnegie Door Count				0	0	0	0	0	0	49	133	146	185	88	
<b>Library Visits</b>	<b>9,534</b>	<b>43,934</b>	<b>402.71%</b>	<b>3,501</b>	<b>3,625</b>	<b>3,852</b>	<b>3,652</b>	<b>4,898</b>	<b>3,596</b>	<b>3,228</b>	<b>4,073</b>	<b>4,583</b>	<b>4,306</b>	<b>4,620</b>	<b>1,908</b>
<b>Total Number of Reference Questions</b>	<b>2,502</b>	<b>3,654</b>	<b>59.32%</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>286</b>
<b>Total Number of Programs</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>49.06%</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Total Number Attending Programs</b>	<b>4,806</b>	<b>6,705</b>	<b>52.20%</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>1,367</b>	<b>1,834</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>833</b>
<b>Annual Meeting Room Use</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>2845.45%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Public Computer Usage</b>	<b>3,577</b>	<b>11,191</b>	<b>241.30%</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>1,050</b>	<b>925</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>923</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>834</b>	<b>1,094</b>	<b>1,336</b>	<b>1,182</b>	<b>1,148</b>	<b>331</b>
<b>Wireless Computer Usage</b>	<b>2,765</b>	<b>6,476</b>	<b>155.51%</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>420</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>616</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>840</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>279</b>
<b>Pages Viewed Online Catalog</b>	<b>14,941</b>	<b>5,908</b>	<b>-56.86%</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>1,008</b>	<b>986</b>	<b>376</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>451</b>	<b>424</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>1,065</b>
<b>Unique Visitors to Online Catalog</b>	<b>1,831</b>	<b>1,006</b>	<b>-40.06%</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>112</b>
<b>Wowbrary users</b>	<b>2,127</b>		<b>3.48%</b>	<b>2,118</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>2,108</b>	<b>2,097</b>	<b>2,087</b>	<b>2,082</b>	<b>2,242</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>2,221</b>	<b>2,213</b>	<b>2,201</b>	<b>2,149</b>
<b>Wowbrary pages viewed</b>	<b>8,645</b>	<b>2,673</b>	<b>-66.27%</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>513</b>
<b>Wowbrary Click-Thru to Catalog</b>	<b>1,540</b>	<b>609</b>	<b>-56.86%</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>97</b>
<b>Hotspot Pending Reserves First of Month</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Hotspot Total Checkouts (Weekly)</b>	<b>150</b>			<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Reserved Hotspot Total Checkouts (Daily)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



Mission: Enabling our community to thrive by offering lifelong opportunities to connect, learn, and create.

The KidsFest 2022 Oceans of Possibilities includes bubbles, foam cannon, balloon twister, dunk tank, and petting zoo. Activities are being planned: Rotary with the putting green, HH@CLM activities include paper quilting, PPL is planning an activity to make boats and evaluate their floatability and a duck pond, and more. The Perry Volunteer Fire Department are grilling their signature pork tenderloins for sandwiches and hot dogs. Tyson has donated three boxes of pork loins, Fareway donated bottles of water, HyVee donated hamburger and hot dog buns, and Kwik Star is donating fruit. We will be purchasing single serving bags of chips and single serving granola bars for the rest of lunch. Lunch is \$1 and will be a Perry Volunteer Fire Department fundraiser. They will receive all the proceeds from the lunch revenue. KDLS will be bringing one of their vans and broadcasting live from the event.

Director Murphy and two Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum employees will be evaluated on their Guide skills on June 7, 2022. This evaluation follows the all-day training attended on April 26, 2022, to become certified as tour guides. Iowa Tourism and Iowa State University Extension and Outreach sponsors the training and certification.

Summer Reading Program registration started on Monday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. A bilingual flier was sent out in the May water bill followed by PSAs to all media outlets along with social media blasts. The theme this year is "Oceans of Possibilities."

**Active Grant Funding:**

Bock Family Foundation, Inc., \$1,200 awarded for KidsFest 2022

Farm Credit of America; \$1,500 for milk and eggs for Library's Food Recovery/Outreach Program.

Farm Credit of America, \$2,000 for Healthy Steps Program, Food Outreach at Farmer's Markets

Iowa Arts Council, \$16,500 for Reawakening History by Recording Our Own Stories

Iowa Arts Council, \$18,000 for wages to reopen Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum

SHSI, Inc and Arts Midwest, \$10,000 for Reawakening History by Telling Our Own Stories

**JUNE PSA:**



**June 2022 Programs and Events at the Perry Public Library  
And Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum**

The newly formed *Never Too Old for YA* Book Club will meet for their June book discussion at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 1, in the library Community Room. The selected title is *We Were Liars* by e. Lockhart.

***Oceans of Possibilities* Programs at Perry Public Library – June and July**

Adults, Teens, and Children are invited to join Perry Public Library staff and guests for in-person programming this June and July with our 2022 *Oceans of Possibilities* theme. Age-appropriate

entertainment, activities, songs, stories, crafts, and more are featured in our children's events in four age groups: Infants-2 years, 2-5-year-olds, K-2nd Graders, and 3rd-5th Graders. Special family events for all ages are also on the schedule! Children's program highlights include *Michael Albert's Modern Pop Art Experience*, *Magician Mikayla Oz*, the *ISU Insect Zoo*, a Fossil Dig at Voas Nature area, *Noah's Ark Stuffed Animal Workshop* (sea creatures), and a finale event with magician Rick Eugene. Teen programs are offered on Fridays at 2:00 p.m., in the library Community Room, and reading incentive prizes and chances in weekly and grand prize drawings can be earned this summer, as well. Weekly "Shipwrecked Survival Challenges" add to the excitement, earning teen participants scratch-off ticket chances for gift cards to local businesses. Adult programs include *Octopus (Zen) Gardens*, *Calm on the Beach Terrariums*, and *Creature Feature Fun Night*; and reading incentive prizes, as well as weekly and grand prize drawings, are program components again this year. Please note that registration is required for all three adult programs. For more information, visit: <http://www.perry.lib.ia.us> or call: 515-465-3569.

#### *Oceans of Possibilities KidsFest 2022 – June 4*

Everyone is invited to join Perry Public Library staff for KidsFest 2022, the *Oceans of Possibilities* Summer Library Programs kick-off event, Saturday, June 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Perry Public Library. Bring the family to enjoy 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 KidsFest - and then discover *Oceans of Possibilities* at our 2022 Summer Library Programs! Special thanks to the following sponsors: *Tyson, Hy-Vee, Fareway, Hometown Heritage @ the CLM, Perry Rotary, Perry Public Works, Perry Volunteer Fire Department, Perry Parks & Recreation, Bock Family Foundation, Inc., and the Friends of the Perry Public Library.*

Perry Public Library will extend fine forgiveness all day, Saturday, June 4 ONLY, to children and young people through age 18, as part of our Kidsfest celebration! If you've been away, *we want you back*, so please visit us on June 4, from 10:00 to 5:00, and get your fines erased! Please note that fees for lost or damaged materials must be excluded.

Join Miss Suzanne at Perry Public Library this June for in-person *Wee Wonders* Storytimes for babies, Tuesdays, June 7, 14, 21, and 28, from 10:15 to 11:00 a.m., in the library Community Room. Ocean themed, age-appropriate activities, songs, stories, and crafts with a pre-literacy focus will be included in the sessions, and each child receives a free board book each week!

Join Perry Public Library staff for an *Ocean of Possibilities* Adult Summer Library program with Master Gardeners from ISU Extension and Outreach. *Octopus gardens* (Zen or rock gardens) will be the focus of this interactive program. We will meet at 6:00 p.m., on Thursday, June 9, in the library Community Room. Come and learn how to simplify your outdoor spaces with an inviting fresh look, socialize, and take home a miniature Zen garden of your own!

Everyone is invited to attend the free Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum series, *A Conversation With....* to meet special guests and community leaders and learn more about them, their jobs, and their roles in the Perry community. Sara Cattanach, Perry Kwik Star Store Manager will be the featured guest for the June program, at 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 9, at the Carnegie Library Museum. Come and meet Sarah, who will talk about Kwik Star community collaborations and opportunities.

American Pop Artist and author Michael Albert is touring the Midwest this summer, and Perry Public Library will host the artist for his traveling pop art enrichment program, *Modern Pop Art Experience*, from 10:30-12:30, Saturday, June 11, in the library Community Room. During the family-friendly, multi-

generational event, participants will meet the artist, see examples of his art, including the “Cubist mosaic cereal box” collages for which he is well-known, experience a hands-on collage workshop, and create a unique piece of Pop Art. The workshop concludes with a free poster giveaway and signing for those in attendance.

Chess instruction and walk-in Chess will continue at the library this summer, for anyone wishing to learn the game or to meet with a partner. Instructor David Oliveira will be at the library on Saturdays in June, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m., in the library Board Room, and he will continue to offer scheduled times for individuals on a flexible basis.

Everyone is invited to attend a Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum program called *History of Entertainment in Perry*, at 2:00 p.m., Sunday, June 12, at the Carnegie Library Museum. The presenter is local history buff Larry Vodenik, who will share interesting facts, pictures, and anecdotes at this free program that takes a nostalgic look back at what we used to do for fun in Perry!

Magician Mikayla Oz will visit Perry Public Library and present a special Summer Library Program, at 3:30 p.m., on Tuesday, June 14, in the library Community Room. Mikayla Oz has been astonishing audiences across the Midwest for more than 10 years and provides a high energy, interactive magic show with audience participation, modern music, and hilarious comedy. You will see things appear, vanish, teleport, transform and even float, right in front of your eyes! Be inspired with an uplifting message encouraging you to be the best version of yourself and laugh along with us at this entertaining program.

The public is invited to attend the June program of the *Re-Awakening History by Telling Our Own Stories* series offered by Hometown Heritage at the Carnegie Library Museum and funded by The State Historical Society of Iowa, Inc. and Iowa Arts Council. The June program is titled *Loss and Hope* with guest speaker Dr. Pam Jenkins, professor Emeritus, University of New Orleans and Hometown Heritage Board Member. The program begins at 6:00 P.M., on Thursday, June 16, at the Carnegie Library Museum.

Saturday Storytimes continue this summer at Perry Public Library, at 10:15 a.m., June 18, and 25. Join us for stories, pre-literacy activities, and crafts at these free events. No registration needed. The June 25 Storytime is bilingual!

Perry Public Library will be closed on Monday, June 20, for a Staff Development Day. We thank you for your patience and remind our patrons that the book drops are always open!

The Perry Public Library Monthly Book Club will hold its June meeting at 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 21, at the Carnegie Library Museum. The selected title for discussion is *The Art of Gathering: How We Meet and Why It Matters* by Priya Parker.

Join us for a free *Oceans of Possibilities* Summer Library Program, at 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 27, in the Perry Public Library Meeting Room. *Bring Those Bugs Inside* with the Iowa State University Insect Zoo! Get up close and personal with 100 species of our multi-legged friends: beetles, millipedes, walking sticks, roaches, scorpions, tarantulas and more! Learn all about why these animals are important for our environment with the help of our knowledgeable Insect Zoo staff. Ask questions about the animals on display and get a chance to touch millipedes, beetles, walking sticks, and more.

Perry Public Library Craft Club will meet at 6:00 p.m., Monday, June 27, in the library Community Room, and the featured craft is *Painted Mandala Rocks*. Interested crafters are invited to join Hunter to create and converse in our comfortable space! Registration and a \$5 materials fee are required by the deadline, Wednesday, June 22, to reserve craft materials, but everyone is welcome at this free event.

The Perry Public Library virtual Mystery Book Club will meet in June for two events featuring selected title *The Texas Job* by Reavis Z. Wortham. The Zoom book discussion with Library Director Mary Murphy is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., on Monday, June 27, and the virtual Author Talk with Reavis Wortham will begin at 6:00 p.m. CT, on Wednesday, June 29.

Perry Public Library was recently awarded a \$1500 grant from Farm Credit of America to purchase milk and eggs for the library food recovery program. The library refrigerator is regularly stocked with recovered foods from local groceries and non-profit agencies, and the milk and eggs, to be purchased weekly, will be a welcome addition to the offerings. Recovered foods are available free to anyone, on a first-come, first-served basis, but please take only what you need, and share with your neighbors.