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**Come together @ your library: celebrate National Library Week at the
Clermont County Public Library, April 15-21**

(BATAVIA, OHIO) – It's National Library Week - a time to celebrate the contributions of libraries, librarians and library workers in schools, campuses and communities nationwide - and the perfect time for our community to come together @ your library.

The Clermont County Public Library (CCPL) is celebrating National Library Week by asking children and teens in Grades 5-12 to put their creative writing skills to work on a Tall Tale essay titled "Why My Library Materials are Overdue". The CCPL Youth Services staff will judge the essays based on originality of thought, grammar and spelling, and the quality of writing. The author of the winning tale will receive a \$50 U.S. Savings Bond and have the tale published on CCPL's website. Each Tall Tale submission must be typed for readability and include the author's name, grade, and phone number at the top of the page. Submission can be dropped off at any one of CCPL's ten branch locations. The deadline for entries is 5:30 p.m., Saturday, April 21, 2007.

As part of this annual event, the Clermont County Public Library will also be hosting the following programs:

- "If You Give a Pig a ..." Character Visit – Celebrate with a special visit with the Pig from Laura Numeroff's books. Dates and times for the Pig will be: 7:00 p.m., Monday, April 16 at the Williamsburg Branch Library; 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 17 at the Bethel Branch Library (734-2619); 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 17 at the Goshen Branch Library (722-1221); 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 18 at the Batavia Branch Library (732-2128); 10:00 & 11:00 a.m., Thursday, April 19 at the Union Township Branch Library (528-1744); 10:00 a.m., Saturday, April 21 at the New Richmond

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Branch Library (553-0570); and 2:00 p.m., Saturday, April 21 at the Milford-Miami Township Branch Library (248-0700).

- “Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs” – Participants will hear Judi Barrett’s book *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs* and then make sculptures with mashed potatoes at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, April 21 at the Union Township Branch Library (528-1744).

“Everyday, libraries in big cities and small towns, colleges and universities, in schools and in businesses help transform their communities,” says Leslie Massey, director of the Clermont County Public Library. “At our library, people of all backgrounds can come together for community meetings, lectures and programs, to do research with the assistance of a trained professional, to get a job or to find homework help. Throughout 2007, CCPL is bringing our community and surrounding communities together with thoughts of food. Food related programs and events are happening at all CCPL locations and the finale of this project will be in August. The Amelia Branch Library will be the sight for the Smithsonian Exhibit, Key Ingredients: America by Food. The exhibit is traveling to 150 rural communities across the U.S. through 2008 and the Clermont County Public Library, with the help of the Ohio Humanities Council, was chosen as one of the exhibition’s stops.”

National Library Week is a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA) and libraries across the country each April since 1958.

For more information, visit or call any branch of the Clermont County Public Library or check out the library’s website at www.clermontlibrary.org

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