Celebrate Ohio County Public Library Week, April 25 to May 1



The Ohio County Public Library in Wheeling will celebrate "Ohio County Public Library Week" ("OCPL Week") from Saturday, April 25 through Friday, May 1.

"We hope to increase public awareness of all the great things available for free at the Ohio County Public Library," said Director Dottie Thomas. "This will include things like free downloadable e-books, music, magazines, and movies, as well as free meeting rooms for the public to use, home delivery of library materials to homebound patrons, Story Times and Toddler Times for children, and Lunch with Books and People's University programs for adults."

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The library's Annual Book Sale will take place that week except for Sunday, April 26. The book sale hours will be Saturday, April 25: 9 AM to 4:30 PM; Monday, April 27 through Wednesday, April 29: 9 AM to 8:30 PM; Thursday,

April 30: 9 AM to 4:30 PM; and Friday, May 1: 10 AM to 4:30 PM.

OCPL Week will also be a Fine Free Week, allowing patrons to return overdue books with no penalty. "We hope all patrons with long overdue books will return them free of charge during this week," said Thomas. "Patrons can either return the books inside the library or drop them into the book drop located in the library's driveway near the garage door. Either method will result in the fines being removed from the patrons' cards."

OCPL Week will also feature special displays, programs, interactive games, and prizes for both children and adults. One of the games will be a "Shelfie" creativity contest on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. A "Shelfie" is a "Selfie" photograph using books or a bookshelf at the library. To participate, stop by the Ohio County Public Library between April 25 and May 1, take your "Shelfie" and post it on the library's Facebook page at facebook.com/ohiocountylibrary, Twitter page at twitter.com/ocplibrary, or Instagram page at instagram.com/ohiocountypubliclibrary. The post that gets the most "Likes" (plus "Favorites" on Twitter) will win a new Kindle Fire. In addition to most creative, all patrons who post a Shelfie will be entered into a drawing for a new Kindle Fire. Check out the Library's Facebook, Twitter or Instagram pages for examples of Shelfies.

The Children's Department will host a puppet show by the Pittsburgh Puppet Works on Thursday April 30 at 10 am and a Family Movie on Thursday evening at 6:00 pm. Refreshments will be provided. Call the library for details.

Adult programs will include the Wheeling Film Society's Conversation about Woody Allen's romantic comedy, Purple Rose of Cairo at Lunch With Books on Tuesday, April 28 at noon. John Whitehead, film professor at Wheeling Jesuit University, will lead the discussion. Patrons can see the film for free at Oglebay Institute's Towngate Cinema on Friday, April 24 at 7 PM.

Then at 7 PM on Tuesday, April 28, The People's University at the library will examine the successes, failures and questionable character of General Phil Sheridan, focusing on his involvement in the closing days of the Civil War. The instructor will be nationally renowned Civil War cavalry expert Eric J. Wittenberg from Columbus, Ohio.

Check back regularly at www.ohiocountylibrary.org for news and details about OCPL Week.