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Celebrate Dr. Seuss' 100th Birthday with READ ACROSS AMERICA

• *I saw a giant eight miles tall...who took the cards 52 in all...And this is a story that no one can beat...I saw it all happen on Mulberry Street.*

These few words jotted down while on a long journey aboard a ship in 1936 launched the career of one of the most beloved children's authors, Theodor (Ted) Seuss Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss. The words became part of his first book *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*, published a year later. Seuss went on to write over 100 children's books in his whimsical style before he died in 1991.

To help celebrate Dr. Seuss's 100th birthday, children and their families can stop by the Cinergy Children's Museum in the Cincinnati Museum Center as children's librarians present stories, crafts, games and more on Saturday, March 6 from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. for **Read Across America: A Seussabration**. Any child showing their Library card at the Children's Museum will receive free admission. Children's librarians will also be on hand to take applications for those needing a card.

Read Across America is a literacy campaign sponsored by the National Education Association (NEA) calling for every child in every school and community to be in the company of a book. Each year the nationwide event is held near Dr. Seuss' March 2nd birthday, with adults and children celebrating reading in every imaginable way.

Ways to Have Fun:

Saturday, March 6:

- **Cinergy Children's Museum:** From 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., children will receive free admission with a Library Card and paying adult. Enjoy storytimes with children's librarians from the Public Library, crafts, games, and meet the Cat in the Hat. If you don't have a Library card, you can sign up at the Museum. Call (513) 369-4462 for details.
- **Main Library, 800 Vine Street:** *Super Saturday Seussabration* for children ages 6-12 at 2:00 p.m. in the Children's Learning Center. Stories and many other fun activities commemorating Dr. Seuss's 100th birthday and the books he wrote. Call (513) 369-6922.

Wednesday, March 3:

- **West End Branch Library, 805 Ezzard Charles Drive:** *Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!* for all ages, 3:00 p.m. Visit with the Cat in the Hat and participate in fun activities in Seussville. Information: (513) 369-6026.

Tuesday, March 2:

- **St. Bernard Branch Library, 4803 Tower Avenue:** *Dr. Seuss on the Loose!* for ages 3-up, 3:30 p.m. Enjoy Seuss games, crafts, and books. Information: (513) 369-4462.

✓ **Interpreter for the hearing impaired available upon request. Please call the ADA Coordinator at 369-4406 (TDD 369-4409) at least one week before program.**

✓ **Information about events at the Main Library and 41 branch libraries is available on the Internet site: www.CincinnatiLibrary.org.**