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Cinci Freedom (left) relaxes with a friend.

Cinci Freedom: A Cow's Story at the Delhi Township Branch October 26

Author Gary Franke and illustrator Eric Franke will tell the story of the cow that captured the imagination and love of the city of Cincinnati when they present *Cinci Freedom: A Cow's Story at the Delhi Township Branch Library*, 5095 Foley Road, on Thursday, October 26, 7:00 p.m.

The saga began on February 15, 2002 when the cow, sensing it's impending doom, bolted

from Ken Meyer Meats in Camp Washington and traveled to Clifton's Mt. Storm Park, ripping up lawns and stopping traffic along the way. After 11 days on the run, the cow was finally captured and taken to Denny Dower's farm in Miamitown. On March 27, well-known New York artist Peter Max agreed to donate \$180,000 in paintings to the SPCA to auction off in return for the runaway-now-caught cow.

Mr. Franke, a Hyde Park attorney, wrote his first children's book *Cinci Freedom: A Cow's Story*, based on the bovine's experiences, illustrated by his cousin Eric Franke. Franke said he wrote the book not just to tell an enjoyable story but also to raise animal awareness and acknowledge the dedication of those who are involved with the SPCA. Proceeds from the book will go to the organization.

Books will be available for purchase through the Library's Friends' Shop, with a book signing to follow.

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