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THIS SATURDAY
SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY'S 100th ANNIVERSARY
GALA

This April the Springfield Public Library marks its one hundredth anniversary, starting with a community gala, **Saturday, April 12th from noon-3:00.**

All citizens are invited to the Springfield Public Library 100th Birthday Bash. Here to welcome them will be Mayor Leiken surrounded by Charlie Brown, Portland's extraordinarily funny and fantastic juggler, Clifford the Big Red Dog, and Pig from *If You Give a Pig a Pancake*. There will also be music from the Springfield High School Jazz Ensemble and the Old Time Music Players. Children's activities taking place during the open house will include balloon twisting fun by "Tied in Knots" and a musical book walk awarding books for prizes. Of course birthday cake will be served!

What: 100th Anniversary of the Springfield Public Library

When: Throughout April but with an emphasis on Gala Community event: Saturday, April 12th

Where: Springfield Public Library

Visuals and Interviews: Media members are encouraged to arrive for the 1 p.m. kickoff ceremony

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Come and wish the Springfield Public Library a Happy 100th birthday at this fantastic afternoon of celebration. Here is the time line for activities that day:

- *Springfield High School Jazz Ensemble (12:00-1:00 pm)
- *Mayor Sid Leiken, Interim Library Director Debbie Steinman-Welcome (1:00 pm)
- *Charlie Brown, Portland Juggler Extraordinaire and a Comic too (1:15 pm)
- *Old-Time Music Players (2:15-3:00 pm)
- *Birthday cake, Clifford the Big Red Dog, Pig and “Tied in Knots” Balloon Twisting Fun, a musical book walk for children with book prizes and historical displays in the library and the City Gallery. (12:00-3:00 pm)

Other events through out the month:

*Tuesday, April 22, 7:00 pm, Wildish Theatre 630 Main Street - Award winning mystery and science fiction author, Kate Wilhelm, will give a reading and share remarks about her writing. Among her numerous awards are the Hugo and Nebula, the Kurt Lasswitz Award from Germany, and the Prix Apollo from France. Her work has been translated into more than a dozen languages.

*Monday, April 28, 5:00-7:00 pm, in the library - Dia de los Ninos! Join our celebration of the Day of the Child, recognizing the International Rights of Children with music, games and refreshments for the whole family.

Pictures available of Clifford and children, also of 1908 library or of children in black and white from the fifties.