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***February School Vacation Week Activities
at the Worcester Public Library***

Worcester, MA – The Worcester Public Library has a variety of special events and programs planned for school vacation week at the Main Library, from Sunday, February 14 to Saturday, February 20.

In addition to the regularly scheduled programs, the Youth Services Librarians will host special performances and programs by some of the best children's entertainers in the area, with a Cinderella theme for all the little ones.

The *Tanglewood Marionettes* will be a very special guest at the library on Wednesday, February 17. They will be performing their production of "**Cinderella**" at 2 p.m. Set in the eighteenth century, and featuring a dozen lavishly costumed marionettes, this production is the Tanglewood Marionettes' showpiece. The story unfolds as the pages of a giant book open to reveal each beautifully painted setting. This family event is not to be missed, and is sponsored by the Friends of the Worcester Public Library.

On Thursday, February 18 at 1 p.m. join us for a screening of Rodgers & Hammerstein's classic fairytale "**Cinderella**" featuring an all-star, multi-racial cast. Stick around, at 3 p.m. children from the Goddard School of Science and Technology and Woodland Academy take part in a children's performance based on the stories, "How Frog Went to Heaven" and "The Adventures of Mouse Deer," presented by "**In Our Own Voices**," from the Latino Education Institute at Worcester State University.

The fun continues on Friday, February 19 with **"A Visit from Cinderella"** from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Come meet Cinderella, listen to her tell her story and sing beautifully. She'll also show you how to bow and dance in a kid-friendly ballroom style circle. Be sure to bring your camera! Princesses and Princes are welcome to dress up to meet this fairytale character come to life! This magical visit is sponsored by the Friends of the Worcester Public Library.

There's so much more going on during the week, including a book club for chocoholics, a screening of "Willie Wonka & the Chocolate Factory," a visit from a certified pet therapy dog, and games of all kinds. Be sure to stop by for Beauty Basics, a program where you can learn to make your own beauty products, as well as Poetry with Pizza, legos, knitting, and the always exciting Science Saturdays – this month learn about George Crum and his invention of the potato chip in celebration of Black History Month.

Mark your calendars and be sure to join us the following Friday, February 26 at 4 p.m. for African Drumming, where you can learn about West African Drumming and have fun making noise. This exciting event is also sponsored by the Friends of the Worcester Public Library.

For more information on the Worcester Public Library and a complete list of events and programs visit www.mywpl.org. For more information on School Vacation Week at the Worcester Public Library contact Linnea Sheldon, Community Relations and Communications Manager, at 508-799-1654 or lsheldon@mywpl.org.

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