

News Release – One Book, OWWL Kids Returns to Encourage Family Literacy

(Monday, March 10, 2025) Canandaigua, NY — During March and April, libraries across Ontario, Wayne, Wyoming, and Livingston Counties will celebrate family literacy with the community read program: One Book, OWWL Kids. In its fourth year, the program will continue to highlight the importance of sharing books in early literacy development. Reading together develops vocabulary, nurtures a love for reading, and can strengthen family and community bonds.

This year's One Book, OWWL Kids title is *Going Places* by Peter and Paul Reynolds. In this colorful story for all ages, an up-coming go-cart race inspires imagination. Program developers Sarah Matthews, Children's Librarian at the Wadsworth Library in Geneseo, and Krystina Dippel, Assistant Director at Victor Farmington Library, choose *Going Places* to add creative thinking to this year's activities. The STEM elements encourage families to work together and interact with a book in a new, dynamic way.

The thirty-seven participating libraries will hold a special storytime that includes a read aloud of *Going Places*, and each family will receive a copy of the book to keep. To learn more and find a list of One Book, OWWL Kids events, visit owwl.org/onebook.

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The One Book, OWWL Kids program is sponsored by OWWL Library System's Coordinated Outreach Services. OWWL Library System, headquartered in Canandaigua, supports library services and the 42 libraries serving Ontario, Wayne, Wyoming, and Livingston Counties. Visit owwl.org to learn more.

News Media: For more information, contact OWWL Library System at 585-394-8260 x1106 or communications@owwl.org.



Sarah Matthews (Wadsworth Library) preparing to share Going Places, this year's One Book, OWWL Kids selection, with children and caregivers in Geneseo.