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'Lightning Thief' author free book signing | Free cool treats: Baskin Robbins, TCBY, Carvel | Big salon deal

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"The Lightning Thief" author gives free talk

My fourth grade niece stayed up late and woke up early to read "**Percy Jackson and The Lightning Thief.**" And when the movie came out, she was full of excitement, as were many other children her age. As she fancies herself a writer, she would be delighted to **meet the author of the popular Percy Jackson and the Olympians series, Rick Riordan.** Hosted by Emory's Carlos Museum and Decatur's Little Shop of Stories, he'll be at the Glenn Auditorium on May 7 to discuss his new series, The Kane Chronicles. The first book in the series, The Red Pyramid, will be available in stores May 4. The event is free and doors open at 6 p.m.

The Atlanta community is invited to the **Bookshop or the Little Shop of Stories** on the square in Decatur before the close of business on May 4 to enter a raffle to **win a tour of the Carlos Museum with Riordan** and special reserved seating at the talk. Names will be drawn on May 5 and winners will be notified by phone or email. The tour will take place on May 7 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. No purchase is necessary to enter. Also, he will sign his new book for those who've purchased it from one of these shops and has a receipt.

Free TCBY for Moms

Does Mom love frozen yogurt? TCBY is treating moms on Mother's Day to a **free cup or cone.** The offer is good at participating stores on Sunday, May 9.

Other ice cream freebies

Let this be your reminder of two other ice cream freebies this week. On **Wednesday, April 28, get a scoop of**