

SIOUX CITY | SEPTEMBER 18-20 | 2024

STRONGER
TOGETHER
ANNUAL CONFERENCE & EXHIBIT

Public Libraries: Catalysts for Civic Renewal

Tyler Hahn, Cherokee Public Library
Jennie Garner, North Liberty Public Library
Sam Helmick, Iowa City Public Library

♥ Handouts and presentations are available in the event app. ♥

Introductions



Jennie Garner
Library Director



Tyler Hahn
Library Director



Sam Helmick
Community & Access
Coordinator

National Advocacy

- Funding - Institute of Museums and Library Services
- Broadband Initiatives - ALA Policy Corps
- Federal Sustainability Initiatives

Statewide Opportunities

- Liaison to the State of Iowa Library/Dept. of Admin. Services
- Prioritizing Advocacy Efforts – ILOC/ILA Lobby Blocks
- Coalition Building

Regional Opportunities

- County Legislative Receptions
- Platforming County Board of Supervisor Talking Points
- Communication & Collaboration



Building Relationships

- Economic Development
- Partnerships and collaboration
- Information hubs
- Building civic infrastructure and social capital
- Trust

Going Local: Cherokee



Cherokee IA Chamber of Commerce

November 21, 2023 · 🌐

It was a jam-packed day last week for Leadership Cherokee County! This month's focus was on education and our speakers did not disappoint while opening our eyes to all the opportunities that exist to become a life-long learner in our area.

We started the day with a tour of [Cherokee Public Library](#) and the hidden gem of Cherokee Area Archives. Next, we had a fun, behind the scenes tour of Cherokee Elementary and Cherokee Middle schools. The Instructional Coaches from [Cherokee Schools](#) were generous to spend an hour at [North Star Community Credit Union](#)'s conference room sharing details about their professional role, school leadership, and the connections in the community.

Loughlin stated that flood cleanup is moving in the right direction. Loughlin and Tyler Hahn have been working on completing a FEMA assessment worksheet for Emergency Management. Street Department will be cleaning up the remaining garbage piles in the flooded area. Parks Department has a lot of clean up to do in the parks and campgrounds, we are going to need bids to repair Spring Lake Drive, the lower campground, and the Yacht Club.



Going Local: Iowa City

BOOK BIKE SCHEDULE IOWA CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY 2024



ROUTE A
(First Wednesday of each month.)

10-10:25 AM	New Pioneer Co-op
10:30-10:55 AM	North Market Park
11-11:25 AM	Laundromania
11:30-11:55 AM	Chauncey Swan Park

ROUTE B
(Third Wednesday of each month.)

10-10:25 AM	Cadence Academy Preschool
10:30-10:55 AM	World of Bikes
11-11:25 AM	Oak Grove Park
11:30-11:55 AM	College Green Park




Scan here to learn more about the ICPL Book Bike!



SATURDAY MARCH 25
NOON-3 PM
ICPL MEETING ROOM A

CELEBRATING THE
#fREADom to Read

Books unite us!



Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy entertainment, arts & crafts, games, the ICPL Bookmobile, and other activities!

PARTIES IN THE Park
Thursdays | 6:30-8pm

June 3 - Riverfront Crossings Park
June 10 - Pheasant Hill Park
June 17 - Scott Park
June 24 - Frauenholtz-Miller Park



IOWA CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Parks & Recreation
CITY OF IOWA CITY



Going Local: North Liberty



Success Stories

- Collaborating and capitalizing on work with your libraries
- Challenges



Questions/Discussion

Continue the Conversation...

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