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Message From The ILA President

Dear ILA Members:

It’s clear, sunny and six below as I look out my window on this winter morning. The New Year is here and soon ILA committees, subdivisions and roundtables will once again be a buzz with a flurry of projects, activities and opportunities for members.

The Executive Board met on Friday, January 13, 2012. Actions included, but were not limited to, approval of the 2012 ILA Budget, renewal of the ILA Office Manager contract and extension of the contract with Diversified Management Services.

As I’m writing this message, ILA staff members and volunteers are working hard to prepare for the launch of our new website. By the time you read this you will already have been sent new login information to access the member portions of the site. I hope that you are as pleased with the updated look and functionality of the site as I am. If you have any website related questions please contact Denise Ballesteros at the ILA office.

The Iowa Legislature is back in session and once again strong voices will be needed by all partners in library services to ensure that funding is available for our valued services. Legislative Day is Wednesday, March 7th. I encourage members to contact their representatives via e-mail if unable to attend events being held at the State Capitol. More information about Legislative Day can be found in this issue of the newsletter.

I look forward to the upcoming year and participating in the ILA organization offerings.

Lorraine Borowski
ILA President

Be sure to keep up with ILA Board actions by reviewing Executive Board Meeting Minutes, which can be found online at http://www.iowalibraryassociation.org/index.php/member-central-common-forms-2/127-ila-executive-board.
Mary Heinzman is the new Vice President/President Elect of the Iowa Library Association. She currently serves as the Executive Director of Information Resources at St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa.

Mary grew up in Waterloo, Iowa. She received her first library fine at age 5 when she mistakenly thought that she could keep all the books she checked out from the library! She attended the University of Iowa with thoughts of becoming an English teacher. But after working for a library service area office in Illinois for a couple of years after graduation, she realized she wanted to work in libraries. So she went back to school to earn her Master’s Degree in Library Science. Since then, she has worked in both public and academic libraries in Iowa and Illinois.

As the St. Ambrose University Library Director, she has seen many changes over the past five years. One of the biggest changes was the merger of the Information Technology Department with the Library to form the new Information Resources Department. Remodeling is currently underway to make room for the IT staff and servers in the Library, and they plan to move into the new space in May.

Mary recently served as a Member-at-Large on the Executive Board of the Iowa Library Association. She also volunteers her time with the Iowa Private Academic Libraries Board, the Iowa Chapter of ACRL, and the College Libraries Section of ACRL. In her spare time she likes to read (in print and on a Kindle), do needlework, play volleyball and softball, and play a very competitive game of Farkle!

Mary says, “In the next few years it will be very important for ALL libraries to tell their ‘stories’ – stories of how the library impacts its community, campus, businesses and its users. Legislators and others in government administration need to hear these stories because they demonstrate the value of the library. It’s not the number of books on the shelves that demonstrate value – it’s the impact on people!”

**ILA Call for Nominations**

The ILA Nominating Committee invites your participation! We are seeking names of members who are qualified to run for the following ILA officer positions:

- Vice President/President Elect of the Iowa Library Association. One person will be elected.
- Executive Board – Two board members will be elected from a slate of candidates.

In accordance with ILA Bylaws, the Nominating Committee’s selection of nominees “should be made with a view to achieving balanced representation of geographical areas and kinds of libraries. Commitment to the Association and to librarianship in general should outweigh all other considerations. A nominee must be a personal member in good standing of the Association.”

Please take a moment to reflect on those ILA colleagues who will make great leaders for the Association and send us their names. Self nominations are welcome and encouraged. All nominations are confidential. Please forward any names and brief qualifications to a member of the committee no later than Thursday, March 1st, 2012.

Heidi Lauritzen, Dan Chibnall, Jean Donham, and Susan Macken

Nominating Committee
ILA Wants You!

Yes, it is that time of year – time to renew your ILA membership. This year we began our renewal process by sending emails to all members in December. We followed that initial communication with a paper mailing in January and so far we’ve had a good response. For those of you that have already renewed your membership in ILA, we thank you! If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do. If you read this and you are not currently an ILA member, please seriously consider joining. We are a fun group with many great benefits for you!

As a member, be sure to take advantage of the benefits ILA provides. Grow your professional network, continue to learn about new trends in library services and products by attending the Annual Conference and/or Subdivision Workshops, and don’t forget that just by paying your dues you are supporting political advocacy efforts for the library profession throughout the state of Iowa.

To get the most out of your membership we encourage you to join one or more of the many Subdivisions within ILA. These groups focus on particular areas of library service and can be a great source of relevant information for you to utilize in your daily work.

To renew your membership (or join ILA) you can complete the online registration form on our website, www.iowalibraryassociation.org. Please note that a credit card payment is required for online registration. If you prefer, there is a downloadable form you can mail to the ILA office.

If you have any questions, please contact me at librldy@north-liberty.lib.ia.us or call 319-626-5701.

Dee Crowner
Membership Chair

2012 ILA Foundation Board

Appointed By ILA Executive Board
Barbara Corson
Iowa Library Services/State Library, Des Moines ‘14

Emily Weaver
Library Consultant, Perry ‘13

Wendy Street,
Pella Public Library ‘12

Elected By ILA Membership
Kay Runge,
Library Consultant, Des Moines ‘14

Mike Wright
University of Iowa, Iowa City ‘13

Linda Adams,
Fayette Public Library ‘12

Elected by IA Library Trustees Association
Karen Davidson
Northeast Iowa Community College, Calmar ‘13

Lois Blythe
Burlington Public Library ‘12

ILA Vice President
Mary Heizman,
St. Ambrose University, Davenport ‘12

ILA Office Manager
Denise Ballesteros

Exhibitors’ Group
Ken Jones
Jones Library Sales ‘13

Appointed By Iowa Comission On Libraries
Barbara Corson
Iowa Library Services/State Library, Des Moines ‘14

Members At Large
Marlys Lien
Council Bluffs Public Library ‘14

Sarah Clendineng
Fort Madison Public Library ‘13

Susan Moore
University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls ‘12

Tom Kessler
University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls ‘12

Tim Jones
Cedar Falls ‘12
2012 Subdivision Officers

**Community College Librarians Roundtable**
Chair, Candace Havely, Hawkeye Community College, Waterloo
Vice Chair, TBA
Secretary/Treasurer, Linda Nelson, Scott Community College, Bettendorf

**Government Documents Roundtable**
Chair, Brett Cloyd, University of Iowa, Iowa City
Vice Chair, Lynn Friesner, Council Bluffs Public Library
Secretary, Tom Keyser, Iowa Library Services, Des Moines

**Information Technology Forum**
Chair, Louise Alcorn, West Des Moines Public Library
Vice Chair, Lois Blythe, Burlington Public Library
Secretary, Brian Thompson, University of Iowa, Iowa City

**Iowa Association of School Librarians**
Chair, Becky Johnson, Jefferson High School, Cedar Rapids
Vice Chair, Susan Feuerbach, Camanche Middle School
Secretary, Tiffany Cooper, Creston Community Schools

**ILA/ACRL**
President, Rebecca Funke, DMACC, Ankeny
Vice President, Amy Paulus, University of Iowa, Iowa City
Secretary, Natalie Hutchinson, Central College, Pella

**Iowa Health Sciences Library Association**
Chair, Jen DeBerg, Univ of Iowa, Iowa City
Vice Chair, Megan Conley, Wartburg College, Waverly
Secretary, Sarah Andrews, UofI Hardin Library, Iowa City

**Iowa Library Trustees Association**
President, Ann Coulter, Southwestern Community College, Creston
Vice President, TBA
Secretary, Mary Kay Hudspeth, Storm Lake Public Library
Treasurer, Hank Zaletel, Iowa Department of Transportation, Ames

**Iowa Small Libraries Association**
Chair, Sue Kroesche, Le Mars Public Library
Vice Chair, Jennie Garner, North Liberty Community Library
Secretary, Jill Sanders, Elkader Public Library
Treasurer, Shirley Vanderhaar, James Kennedy Public Library, Dyersville

**Library Leadership & Management Association**
Chair, Lynne Carey, Ames Public Library
Vice Chair, TBA
Secretary, TBA

**Local History & Genealogy**
Chair, Teresa Duhlgren, Waterloo Public Library
Vice Chair, Ketta Luberstedt-Arjes, Kendall Young Library, Webster City
Secretary, TBA

**Public Library Forum**
Chair, Shirley Vanderhaar, James Kennedy Public Library, Dyersville
Vice Chair, Rhonda Frevert, Burlington Public Library
Secretary, Kyle Neugebauer, Algona Public Library

**Resources and Technical Services Forum**
Chair, Susan Green, St Ambrose University, Davenport
Vice Chair, TBA
Secretary/Treasurer, TBA

**Storyteller’s Roundtable**
Co-Chair, Kolleen Taylor-Berven, Bertha Bartlett Public Library, Story City
Co-Chair, Duffy De France, Muscatine
Vice Chair, Cathy Van Brocklin, Ames Public Library
Secretary, Erin Schorn, Kalona Public Library

**Support Personnel**
Chair, Elaine Hayes Reitz, North Liberty Community Library
Vice Chair, TBA
Secretary/Treasurer, TBA

**Video Roundtable**
Chair, TBA
Vice Chair, TBA
Secretary/Treasurer, TBA

**Youth Services Subdivision**
Chair, Zachary Stier, Ericson Public Library, Boone
Vice Chair, Arielle Loy, Ericson Public Library, Boone
Secretary, Anna Hartmann, Council Bluffs Public Library
Awards Chair, Danielle Day, Carnegie - Stout Public Library, Dubuque

Please visit: www.iowalibraryassociation.org for more information about subdivisions.

2012 ILA Committee Appointments

**Awards**
Dale Vande Haar, Des Moines Public Schools ‘12; Chair ‘12
Barbara Peterson, Council Bluffs Public Library ‘12

**Johnson Brigham Plaque**
Karen Lampe, Danville & New London CSD ‘12
Laura Blaker, Independence Public Library ‘12
Jodie Morin, Buena Vista University ‘12

**Bylaws & Organization Manual**
Mary Jo Langhorne, Iowa City CSD (Retired) ‘13; Chair ‘12
Sarah Willeford, Kirkendall Public Library, Ankeny ‘13
Carmen Epstein, Urbandale Public Library ‘13

Sheri Muller, Grand View University Library ‘14
Mary Heinzman, St Ambrose University, Davenport (ILA Vice President, ex-officio) ‘12

**Conference Planning**
Mary McInroy, University of Iowa ‘12; Chair ‘12
Linda Adams, Fayette Community Library ‘15
Beth Burrow, Waverly Public Library ‘14
Barbara Peterson, Council Bluffs Public Library ‘12
Jennie Garner, North Liberty Public Library ‘12
Jerri Heid, Ames Public Library ‘12

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Carol Kirsch, State Historical Society Iowa City ‘12
Amy McGraw, Independence Public Library ‘14
Pat Means, Villisca Public Library ‘13
Sarah Meyer-Reyerson, Waverly Public Library ‘14
Jill Sanders, Elkader Public Library ‘14
Denny Sharp, FEH Associates, Inc. (Exhibitor Rep.) ‘12
Kristine Stacy-Bates, Iowa State University ‘14
Ellen Van Waart, IA Western Community College ‘15
Becky Johnson, Jefferson High School, Cedar Rapids ‘12
Barb Corson Iowa Library Services, Des Moines, (ILAF) ‘12
Susan Henricks, Carnegie-Stout Public Library, Dubuque, (Local Arrangements) ’12
Danielle Day, Carnegie-Stout Public Library, Dubuque, (Local Arrangements) ’12
Lorraine Borowski, Decorah Public Library (ILA President) ’12
Mary Heinzman, St Ambrose University, Davenport (ILA Vice President) ’12

Editorial
Barb Corson, Iowa Library Services, Des Moines ’14; Chair ‘12
Cheryl Carruthers, AEA 267, Marshalltown ’13
Cynthia Dyer, Simpson College, Indianola ‘13
Ryan Gjerde, Luther College, Decorah ‘12

Finance
Susan Knippel, Iowa State University ’12; Chair ‘12
Susan Kling, Marion Public Library (Retired) ‘12
Jeff Kushkowski, Iowa State University ’14
John Lerdal, Pleasant Hill Public Library (ILA Treasurer) ’13
Ryan Gjerde, Luther College, Decorah ’14
Nancy Trask, Winterset Public Library ’14
Lorraine Borowski, Decorah Public Library (ILA President, ex-officio) ’12
Dale Vande Haar, Des Moines Public Schools (ILA Past President, ex-officio) ’12

Governmental Affairs
Sarah Willetford, Kirkendall Public Library, Ankeny ’13; Chair ’12
Ann Coulter, Southwestern Community College Library ’13
Allison Ames Galstad, Coralville Public Library ’14
Jill Hofmockel, Iowa City Community School District ’13
Mary Wegner, Iowa Library Services (Advisor) ’12
Lorraine Borowski, Decorah Public Library (ILA President, ex-officio) ’12

Intellectual Freedom
Kelly Fischbach, Carroll Public Library ’13; Chair ’12
Kathy Bottaro, Sioux City Public Schools ’12
Daniel Chibnall, Grand View University Public Library, Des Moines ’12
Jim Cross, Riceville Public Library ’14
Monica Gohlinghorst, Council Bluffs Public Library ’13
Misty Gray, Storm Lake Public Library ’13

Leadership Development
Nancy Medema, Bettendorf Public Library ’14; Chair ’12
Sandy Long, Whitemore Public Library ’14
Devon Murphy-Petersen, Waukee Public Library ’12
Kathy A. Parsons, Iowa State University Library ’13

LaWanda C Roubeshus, Davenport Public Library ’12
Emily Weaver, Library Consultant ’13
Sandy Dixon, Iowa Library Services, Des Moines (ex-officio) ’12
Mary Heinzman, St Ambrose University, Davenport (ILA Vice President, ex-officio) ’12

Membership
Dee Crowner, North Liberty Community Library ’12; Chair ’12
Ann Coulter, Southwestern Community College Library, Creston ’12
Erin Feingold, Marshalltown Community Schools ’13
Sarah Latcham, Van Allen Elementary, North Liberty ’12
Kyle Neugebauer, Algona Public Library ’12
Emily O’Sheridan-Tabor, North Liberty Community Library ’13
Kristi Sorensen, Belle Plaine Community Library ’13
Mary Heinzman, St Ambrose University, Davenport (ILA Vice President, ex-officio) ’12

Nominating
Heidi Lauritzen, Iowa City Public Library ’12; Chair ’12
Daniel Chibnall, Grand View University Public Library, Des Moines ’14
Susan Macken, Oelwein Public Library ’14
Jean Donham, University Of Northern Iowa ’14

Personnel
Lorraine Borowski, Decorah Public Library ’12
Dale Vande Haar, Des Moines Public Schools ’12
Louise Alcorn, West Des Moines Public Library ’12
Tena Hanson, Estherville Public Library ’12

Public Relations
Dee Crowner, North Liberty Community Library ’12; Chair 12
Katherine Howsare, Urbandale High School ’14
Lois J. Blythe, Burlington Public Library ’13
Angela Campbell, Davenport Public Library ’12
Glenda Davis-Driggs, Marshalltown Public Library 13
Melanie Stewart, North Liberty Community Library ’13
Holly Youngquist, West Des Moines Public Library ’12
Annette Wetteland, Iowa Library Services (Advisor) ’12

Strategic Planning
Daniel Boice, Divine Word College, Epworth ’14; Chair 12
Lynne Carey, Ames Public Library ’12
Vicki Hibbert, Clive Public Library ’14
Jet Kofoot, Central Iowa Library Service Area ‘2013
Dale Vande Haar, Des Moines Public Schools (ILA Past President, ex-officio) ’12
ILA Leadership Institute - Developing Iowa's Library Leaders

I invite you to apply for the 5th Iowa Library Association Leadership Institute that will be held this summer. We're still working on the location for this year's Institute but it promises to be great! The Leadership Institute is held every other year and this year's dates are July 17, 18, and 19th. The Leadership Development Committee will select 25 participants based on applications, letters of reference and the type of library worked in, with the goal being to bring together a diverse group of library staff who will interact and learn together. The application is included in this edition of the Catalyst (page 10).

Maureen Sullivan, this year's ALA President, a nationally known organizational development consultant, on the faculty of the ACRL/Harvard Leadership Institute and a professor of practice in the Ph.D./Managerial Leadership at the Simmons College Graduate School of Library and Information Science will again facilitate the Institute. Maureen does an exceptional job of encouraging discussion among the participants and of tying all the strands of discussion together. She has been the facilitator for every Leadership Institute so far.

We have made a couple of changes to the schedule including starting earlier on Tuesday morning and finishing at the end of the day Thursday. The agenda for the week incorporates many self-assessments to discover what skills you currently have toward leadership capabilities and gives you a direction to work toward improvement. It also covers topics such as leadership in libraries today and understanding your work and leadership styles; risk taking and creativity in the processes we use in libraries; leading change; transforming libraries in inspiring a shared vision and in creating a culture of commitment and high performance; and managing differences. Participants will leave with a notebook chock full of information, new skills in leadership and a great network of library friends to use when needed.

Approximately 75% of the costs of the institute (institute activities, lodging and meals) are paid for through the generosity of donors including the Iowa Library Services/State Library of Iowa, ILA subdivisions, and the ILA Foundation. As yet the cost for this year's Institute has not been set but every effort will be made to keep the cost to the participants as reasonable as possible. Previous year's participant costs have been around $200 for 4 days of learning, food and housing. Participants are expected to cover travel costs and miscellaneous expenses. Tuition assistance may be available to participants as many Roundtables and Forums of ILA offer scholarships for their members.

As a past participant of the Institute, and having been very involved in the past couple, I can honestly say it is time worth spending!

Submitted by Nancy Medema
Chair – Leadership Development Committee
Library And Hospice Team Up On Reading Program For Care Centers

For over three years Iowa City Public Library (ICPL) and Iowa City Hospice have partnered on a reading program designed for those who live in care centers in our community. The goal of the program is to stimulate memories through reading books out-loud and volunteer-led book discussions. The program has been a wonderful success. From January through November, 2011 fourteen volunteers gave 170 hours of their time and read to over 620 people at eleven different retirement residences in Johnson County.

The idea for the reading program came from an Iowa City Hospice volunteer who led monthly music programs at area retirement residences and care centers. During

Iowa Library Association 2012 Legislative Agenda

Libraries enrich Iowa. Iowans are turning to their libraries in increasing numbers. Iowans depend on libraries for Internet access, early literacy programming for young children, homework assistance, health care information and, especially now, resources for job searches, career development and education. To support these vital services, the Iowa Library Association asks the General Assembly to meet the following goals in 2012:

- Provide additional state funding to fully implement and operate Iowa Library Services; this new agency was created by HF645 and combined the Library Service Areas and State Library into a single, streamlined agency.
- Increase funding for Enrich Iowa to support the rise in Iowans' use of libraries and the additional services provided by libraries. Enrich Iowa provides direct state aid to public libraries and enables library resource sharing and interlibrary loan services, which makes Iowa's library system an efficient network accessible to all Iowans.
- Enhance Iowa's workforce by providing state-wide access to high demand databases to help Iowans prepare for a wide variety of educational and career opportunities.
- Recognize the important role Iowa teacher librarians play in developing 21st century information and digital literacy skills by insuring that each school district employs a teacher librarian.
- Preserve hometown governance in Iowa's public libraries by maintaining support for the policy-making autonomy of public library boards of trustees.

The Iowa Library Association will continue to monitor and address other legislative issues as they affect the Iowa library community. The Iowa Library Association is the organized voice of the Iowa library community. Its 1500 members sustain Iowa's public, academic, school and special libraries.

Save the Dates

2012 Lobby From Home Day
Wednesday, February 15, 2012
The ILA Governmental Affairs Committee encourages all Iowa librarians to contact their legislators about issues important to Iowa libraries during Lobby from Home Day. Encourage your legislators to meet the goals set in the 2012 Legislative agenda. If every librarian contacted their legislators all on the same day, what an impact we would make!

2012 ILA Legislative Day
Wednesday, March 7, 2012
- 2:30pm Legislative Briefing (location to be announced)
- 4:00pm – 6:00pm Reception at the Law Library (State Capitol)

Don’t miss this important event. It is a great time for Librarians, Trustees and Legislators to discuss important library-related legislative issues.

Watch for updates from the ILA Governmental Affairs Committee and ILA lobbyist Amy Campbell and Craig Patterson. Also, watch for the Advocacy Hotline created by Amy and Craig to help keep us updated on news during the legislative session.

Sarah Willeford
Governmental Affairs Committee Chair

Carol Bodensteiner with three of the volunteer readers
a series of meetings the Library and Iowa City Hospice established what each organization was responsible for and set goals. Iowa City Hospice coordinates the volunteers and ICPL plans the readings, discussion questions, and pictures that may be used as a part of the discussion. Goals of the program are to make meaningful connections, help people reminisce, and provide companionship and stimulation.

Initially the Library selected chapters from books with no copyright restrictions or sought permission from publishers to make copies of chapters. We soon realized that pictures are very important and often a photo helps stimulate a memory; consequently, we put more emphasis on the pictures. Also, some groups needed longer readings while others needed shorter readings. Because each group was unique, we empowered the volunteers to use the materials provided but also adjust to their audience. The Library also provided books of poems and short stories in case the reader needed additional materials to supplement the reading packets.

Eighteen months into the program we discovered the book, Growing Up Country: Memories of an Iowa Farm Girl by Des Moines author, Carol Bodensteiner. It was a perfect fit for our reading program! Each chapter was tailored for reading out-loud and included themes that would be familiar to a Midwestern audience. We called Carol Bodensteiner and she was delighted to give permission to use the book in our program. We purchased 15 copies of the book and created a reading packet including a thematic outline and discussion questions for each chapter.

After delivering the Growing Up Country reading packets we immediately began hearing positive feedback from volunteers. One volunteer wrote that a man responded to the chapter about milking cows and shared memories of milking when he was younger. Another reader reported making connections with her audience through the chapter about learning to iron. No matter the chapter, the themes and stories resonated with each reader and audience.

Based on volunteer feedback, we invited Bodensteiner to Iowa City to lead readings and discussion at two care centers and end the day with a discussion at the Library. We also videotaped Carol’s program at the Library and gave copies of the DVD to volunteer readers to share with people who were unable to attend one of the programs.

We are happy to report our collaboration with Iowa City Hospice has been an overwhelming success. Volunteer readers are making connections, stimulating memories, and bringing the joy of reading to many individuals in our community. What have we learned?

- Focus on making connections with the audience. Reading out-loud is a great catalyst to make connections with people who have memory loss and dementia. Pictures are also a great way to connect. You never know where the discussion will go, but the connection is what gets the conversation started.
- Training is important. We meet with volunteer readers once a year to provide training, give support, and answer questions. We make changes in the books we select and materials we prepare based on volunteer feedback. We also empower our volunteers to plan ahead and take responsibility for preparing for their programs based on their unique audience.
- Partners are essential. The reading project is a team effort. Both Iowa City Hospice and ICPL have unique roles and something to contribute.
- Material selection is critical. Stories with Midwestern themes, animals, and daily life make the most profound connections with the audience.
- Have fun!

If you are interested in more information about this project, Carol Bodensteiner’s program at the Iowa City Public Library may be viewed at http://video-stream.icpl.org/carol-bodensteiner-author-visit/. Her website is www.carolbodensteiner.com. You can find the Growing Up Country Reading Packet at www.icpl.org/outreach/reading-programs.php and please feel free to contact me with any questions at Kara-logsdan@icpl.org or 319-887-6007.

Kara Logsdan
Community Services Coordinator
Iowa City Public Library

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**ILA 2012 Calendar**

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| **January** | Executive Board Meeting 13  
20-24 ALA 2012 Midwinter Meeting |
| **February** | 3 Conference Planning Committee Meeting  
15 ILA Lobby From Home Day  
17 Executive Board Meeting |
| **March** | 2 Conference Planning Committee Meeting  
4–10 Teen Tech Week  
7 ILA Legislative Day, State Capitol  
13–17 Public Library Association National Conference, Philadelphia, PA  
23 ILA Foundation Meeting |
| **April** | School Library Month  
8–14 National Library Week  
13 Conference Planning Committee Meeting  
15 IASL Spring Conference  
20 Executive Board Meeting  
21–28 Money Smart Week @ your library  
22–28 Preservation Week  
23–24 National Library Legislative Day, Washington D.C. |
| **May** | 1–7 Choose Privacy Week  
4 Conference Planning Committee Meeting  
7-13 Children’s Book Week  
25 ILA/ACRL Spring Conference, Luther College, Decorah |
| **June** | 1 Conference Planning Committee Meeting  
8 ILA Foundation Meeting  
15 Executive Board Meeting  
21-26 ALA Annual Conference – Anaheim, CA |
| **July** | 17-19 Leadership Institute  
20 GODORT Summer Workshop, University of Iowa |
| **August** | 17 Executive Board Meeting |
| **September** | Library Card Sign-Up Month  
TBA Iowa Library Services Town Meetings  
14 ILA Foundation Meeting  
30 – Oct. 6 Banned Books Week |
| **October** | 10-12 ILA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Dubuque  
10 Executive Board Meeting  
14–20 Teen Read Week  
21–27 National Friends of Libraries Week |
| **November** | TBA Annual Planning Meeting  
30 ILA Foundation Meeting |
| **December** | 14 Executive Board Meeting |

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### Stripling To Keynote IASL Spring Conference

Dr. Barbara Stripling, currently a candidate for President of the American Library Association, will be the keynote speaker at the third annual Iowa Association of School Librarians conference to be held in Des Moines April 15 and 16. Stripling is a member of the ALA Council and a past member of the ALA Executive Board.

Stripling began her career as a high school librarian in Fayetteville, Arkansas, where, with her colleague Judy Pitts, she developed one of the first information search process models that was outlined in their book, *Brainstorms and Blueprints*. With co-authors Ruth V. Small, Marilyn P. Arnone, and Pam Berger she recently published *Teaching for Inquiry: Engaging the Learner Within*, which presents in depth the Stripling Model of Inquiry. This model, “Connect–Wonder-Investigate–Construct–Express–Reflect,” is being widely used around the country as a scaffold for inquiry-based learning and information literacy.

Stripling directed the Library Power Project in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and has recently left her position as Director of School Library Services for the 1700 schools in New York City to become a faculty member at Syracuse University.

IASL’s Conference Planning Committee is delighted that Dr. Stripling has agreed to come to Iowa! The planning committee consists of Denise Rehmke, Chair; Karla Krueger, Mary Jo Langhorne, Mary Cameron, Kathy Kaldenberg and Debbie Swigert. More details will be posted soon at http://www.iasl-ia.org/id4.html.
Iowa Library Association Leadership Institute
July 17 - 19th, 2012
Application Information

All Applicants Must:

- Have at least three (3) years experience working (full or part-time) in libraries.
- Be currently employed in an Iowa library (public, academic, school or special).
- Be a member of the Iowa Library Association.
- Include an essay (see requirements below).
- Include ONE letter of reference.
- Be able to reside in arranged onsite housing and attend all activities during the institute.

Applicant Essay:

Please write a brief (1-2 pages) essay that describes your leadership experience and explains your motivation for applying to the Institute. Your essay will be evaluated based on your inclusion of the following elements:

- A defining moment related to your understanding of leadership;
- Where you see yourself professionally 5 years from now;
- A personal story or reflection that lets us know how this Institute can help you become the leader you want to be.

Letter Of Reference Should Include:

- Her/his relationship to applicant.
- Her/his perception of the applicant’s leadership qualities.
- Examples of situations where the applicant has displayed leadership qualities.

Return The Completed Application Form, Essay And Letter Of Reference By March 31st, 2012 To:

Iowa Library Association
3636 Westown Pkwy, Suite 202
West Des Moines, IA 50266

Notification Of Acceptance:

You will be notified by May 1st about whether you have been selected to attend the Institute. Contact the ILA office via telephone (525-273-5322 or 800-452-5507) or FAX (515-309-4576) with questions.

*Please note: Our goal is to provide the broadest opportunity for all Iowa library employees to participate. Therefore, in some cases only ONE applicant may be selected from a given library.
Iowa Library Association Leadership Institute
2012 Application Form

1. Contact Information

Name of Applicant ____________________________________________________________

Job Title ______________________________________________________________________

Library ______________________________________________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________

Telephone ______________________________________________________________________

Fax __________________________________________________________________________

Email ________________________________________________________________________

2. Applicant Demographic Information (used to ensure that we have diversity
among institute participants)

Gender: _____ Female _____ Male

Age: _____ 18-25 _____ 26-35 _____ 36-45

_____ 46-55 _____ 56-65 _____ 65+

Type of Library: _____ Academic _____ Public

_____ School _____ School

Ethnicity (optional): __________________________

Experience Working In Libraries: ______________________________________________

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Educational Background: ____________________________________________________

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3. Reference Information

Job Title ______________________________________________________________________

Library ______________________________________________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________

Contact Information _________________________________________________________