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2002-2003 Annual Report for Iowa Library Association Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries

Association of College and Research Libraries. Iowa Chapter
Chapter Name: Iowa Library Association Chapter of the Association of College and Research Libraries

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Chapter's Officers' Terms begin in and end in: January, 1 – December, 31

Number of ACRL National Chapter Members: 83 (2002 data)

Dates of meetings and programs in coming year: ILA Annual Conference: October 15 –17, 2003, Cedar Rapids, IA; ILA/ACRL Spring Conference April 16, 2004, Pella, IA.

Please indicate your Chapter’s status:
Independent
Date of Incorporation: _____/_____/_____

State in which Chapter is incorporated: _____

Affiliated with state/regional organization (name state chapter and give chapter designation, i.e. academic division, section, roundtable, etc.)

Affiliated with the Iowa Library Association as a subdivision

Affiliated with other organization (please be specific)

Other (please be specific)

Each ACRL unit is asked to address the following issues in order for ACRL to assess how it is making progress on the strategic plan. Please provide a short summary of the Chapter's activities for the following issues.

1. How has the Chapter facilitated professional development activities?
   The Chapter presents an annual Spring conference with presentations and discussions. Commonly we host two sessions at the annual Fall Iowa Library Association conference. Occasionally we have sponsored pre-conferences at the Fall conference. This year we co-sponsored a national videoconference on the US Patriot Act.

2. How has the Chapter influenced legislative activities regarding information policy or higher education at the state, regional, or national level?
   Chapter members were well represented at the Iowa Legislative Day March 12, 2003. During our Spring Conference the State Librarian of Iowa is invited to give a state of the state address during our business meeting.

3. How has the Chapter contributed to ACRL membership recruitment activities?
   At each ILA and ILA/ACRL conference we sponsor a table that has National ACRL recruitment information displayed.
   There is National ACRL recruitment information and links to the National ACRL web pages located on our ILA/ACRL web pages under the membership section.
In March, the president of our chapter conducted a professional development workshop with students at the University of Iowa School of Library and Information Sciences on becoming an academic librarian and the value of professional organizations. He also volunteered to read and critique resumes.

4. Has the Chapter undertaken any special efforts this year?
   The ILA/ACRL co-sponsored "Safeguarding Our Patrons' Privacy: What Every Librarian Needs to Know About the USA Patriot Act & Related Anti-Terrorism Measures" the national teleconference held in December.
   Our Ad Hoc Committee on Information Literacy created an online forum to facilitate dialogue on issues related to teaching students and encouraging information literacy on our campuses.