



## LIBRARY BOARD ITEM DESCRIPTION

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**DATE OF MEETING:** October 19, 2023

**ITEM TITLE:** Sesquicentennial Celebration

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### **BACKGROUND:**

The library has many things coming up in the next several weeks for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Independence Public Library, which was also the first, tax-supported library in Iowa.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Support the library and our celebration by taking part in the sesquicentennial. Advocate by spreading the word of the events with friends and neighbors, and share and engage in posts about it on Facebook.

The podcast is out, so you will want to listen to that, as it has stories and info about the last 35 years of our library. Two historical programs are coming up, including one with local historians telling about the history of our library and city. In addition, there is A Tribute to our Past: City and Library History Exhibit. Attend the exhibit opening on Saturday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 am.