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Wells Fargo Bank Iowa, NA sponsors Playground Rededication on the Pedestrian Mall

On May 10, the sun came out and the smiles were everywhere as the playground equipment on the Pedestrian Mall was officially rededicated. It was a festive time as Ivan Burmeister of the Optimist Club joined Terry Trueblood, Director of Iowa City Parks and Recreation and Susan Craig, Library Director at the ribbon cutting. Within five minutes it was as if the playground had never been gone as children played and enjoyed themselves. Popcorn, music, storytelling and art activities helped make this a memorable occasion.

We extend many thanks to the Optimist Club of Iowa City, who raised the funds to purchase the equipment, and Wells Fargo Bank for their support of the rededication party.



Tulips frame the newly reinstalled playground by the Library.



Ivan Burmeister, right, and Terry Trueblood cut the tape to reopen the downtown playground.

Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust Supports Reaching for New Heights Campaign

Iowa City Public Library Friends Foundation received a \$60,000 grant from the Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust. This grant will allow the Library to purchase three patron self checkout stations for the new building. These systems are designed to provide quick and confidential checkout. The system will be in place when the Library building project is completed in 2004. Other self-serve options introduced at the Library have been very successful and indicate that self-check will also be enthusiastically received.

This generous grant brings the total raised for equipment and furnishings in the new building to \$1,104,000. We appreciate the support of the Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust. Businesses, foundations, service clubs and individuals have demonstrated their support for the Iowa City Public Library by supporting this capital campaign. We thank all of our donors.

The equipment and furnishings part of the campaign will end on June 30 of this year so there is still time to make your gift or pledge. All gifts large and small are needed to bring this campaign to a successful conclusion. For more information call Barbara at 356-5249.