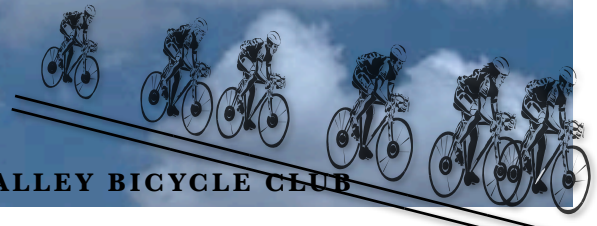


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A NEWSLETTER OF THE IOWA VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB

Iowa Bicycle Coalition

If you have not already joined the Iowa Bicycle Coalition, IVBC strongly recommends you join to show your support of biking across Iowa.

Quote

When man invented the bicycle he reached the peak of his attainments. Here was a machine of precision and balance for the convenience of man. And (unlike subsequent inventions for man's convenience) the more he used it, the fitter his body became. Here, for once, was a product of man's brain that was entirely beneficial to those who used it, and of no harm or irritation to others. Progress should have stopped when man invented the bicycle.
~Elizabeth West, Hovel in the Hills

Iowa Bicycle Coalition Jersey

The Iowa Bicycle Coalition has designed a jersey representing Iowa. You may purchase a jersey for \$55 and to view and/or order a jersey, visit the Coalition web site. The jersey has a great design and will become a popular jersey. <http://www.iowabicyclecoalition.org/>

RAGBRAI Sign-Up:

We now have 30 individuals registered for RAGBRAI. The charter has 81 seats remaining. One does not need to panic at this time, however, it is hard to say when the next rush of individuals to register will occur.

RAGBRAI Fee

IVBC will increase the RAGBRAI fee by \$20 for 2011. Ten dollars of the increase will cover the cost of drinks at the campsite. Secondly, we are concerned about the rising cost of transportation we have seen over the past two or three years. The second \$10 should meet an increase in our operational costs.

I Am Grateful...

Be sure to send your, "I Am Grateful..." contributions to either [Dana Bresler](#) or [Charlie Smith](#) and we will include your remarks in a special December newsletter.

November Annual Meeting

We would like to thank Tom and Sara Kurth for their Alaska presentation at the annual meeting. You are a great team, and we are most fortunate for your contributions to the Club.

Iowa Bicycle Summit

The Iowa Bicycle Summit, sponsored by the Iowa Bicycle Coalition, will be held in Des Moines at HyVee Hall on January 28th and 29th. The 2011 RAGBRAI Route Announcement Party will be held on the evening of the 29th, also at HyVee Hall. Plan to attend.

Cool Stuff Check out the cool Google site: <http://maps.google.com/biking> Some day, will there be things called car trails?

Appreciation by the City

The Marshalltown City Council officially recognized the volunteer work of the Iowa Valley Bicycle Club at the November 22nd City Council meeting. Below is the certificate presented to the Iowa Valley Bicycle Club.



CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

This Certificate of appreciation is being presented to

IOWA VALLEY BICYCLE CLUB

In recognition of your volunteer services to your community and the City of Marshalltown.

Volunteers enhance the services offered by the City of Marshalltown, and we want to thank you for your invaluable volunteer hours. Your volunteer work makes it possible for all our city departments to function at a higher level.

We thank you for your continued commitment, service, and volunteer hours.

CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN


Gene L. Beach, Mayor



 the City of
Marshalltown



2011 Projects

The Iowa Valley Bicycle Club has worked closely with the Imagine 2011 Pedestrian and Bicycle Friendly Committee and the Marshalltown Park and Recreation Department to improve walking and biking in our community. The Club would like to continue to work with all organizations who want to build a better Marshalltown. If you have suggestions to improve walking or biking in our community or county, please inform Terry Briggs, Dana Bresler, Tom Kurth or Charlie Smith, and your suggestions will be given consideration. Also, we would welcome any individuals who would like to join the volunteer efforts.



Representatives from IVBC receive an Award of Appreciation for Volunteering from Marshalltown Mayor Gene Beach.

Iowa Valley Bicycle Club

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CHANGE OF MEETING DATE: The monthly meeting is Dec. 8th at 7:00 at the Fisher Community Center. Everyone interested in bicycling is welcome to attend.

Check our web site <http://marshalltownbikeclub.com>

Check out our Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/IowaValleyBicycleClub?ref=ts>