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The Illinois Council on Responsible Fatherhood, a state board established in 2004 to promote paternal involvement in the upbringing of their children, will present its 2023 annual symposium on Saturday, Sept. 30, noon-2 p.m. at the Galesburg Public Library, 40 E. Simmons St. in Galesburg.

Fatherhood symposium set for Sept. 30 in Galesburg

The event is free and open to the public.

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"This symposium each year puts the focus on the important work we do to support and promote fathers, whose value in raising children cannot be overestimated," says ICRF Chairman Jeffery M. Leving.

The lineup of speakers will include Galesburg Mayor Peter Schwartzman; Knox County Board Chairman Jared M. Hawkinson; Knox College men's basketball coach Ben Davis; Fatherhood Educational Institute President Maureen A. Gorman; Tara Case, director of family literacy for Regional Office of Education #33; Rev. James Hailey III, chairman of Streak Dads; Kang Hee Hong, director of workforce & community education, and Morgan Johnson, director of recruitment at Carl Sandburg College; and Chairman Leving.

The intended audience is social workers, child welfare workers, family counselors, lawyers involved in matrimonial and family law, educators, politicians and policy makers, clergy, academics, child development experts, juvenile justice workers and interested members of the general public.

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