

Playing a supportive role in behalf of Elmhurst's 150th Birthday Party is an opportunity which will come only once in our lifetime--but it will live on for all the years to come.

All sponsors' names will appear on a continually updated roster listing every private and corporate gift and be displayed outside the Sesquicentennial Caboose Headquarters downtown at York & First during the months of celebration. Thereafter, an elegant plaque bearing engraved nameplates of every member of the "Sesquicentennial Club" will go on permanent display.

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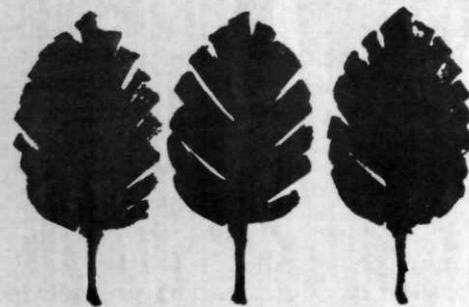
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... THE WHAT & WHY

We are about to celebrate the most colossal party of all time this spring and summer as we join together to say, "Happy Birthday, Elmhurst, for 150 years of Excellence!"

A century and a half of growth is a wondrous achievement and an ever constant source of pride to all of us who are a part of Elmhurst.

Some of us are new here. Some of us have lived all our lives here. Some of us earn our living here. And some of us have roots here that reach nostalgically to the bare beginnings of a city which is today one of the most gracious and advantaged communities in the Midwest. And now, in 1986, all of us, in whatever involvement we enjoy, are here to experience the growing momentum of planning a splendid celebration of Elmhurst's first 150 years.

A city's sesquicentennial is a most rare occasion. It's a time to tell all the world not only of Elmhurst's remarkable history, but of its outstanding progress on every front--from its homes and churches to its culture, commerce and education.

Please join us during four exciting months of tribute and festivity, the likes of which have never before been prepared so grandly. You'll be telling everyone--TAKE A LOOK AT ELMHURST!--this community born 150 years ago on an open prairie where men and women came to dream of a prosperous city where dreams come true.

This is Elmhurst, and I'm a part of it.



... AND HOW

A city that reaches the 150-year mark in its history deserves the best birthday bash its proud people can put together.

Plans for Elmhurst's Sesquicentennial are pooling the talents and energies of scores of community individuals from the youngest to the oldest, from the farthest corners of the city, from every source of civic pride.

The summerlong celebration from Memorial Day through mid-September will represent a once in a lifetime effort and etch out a memory to last forever. Hundreds of Elmhurst citizens have already volunteered to help our Sesquicentennial Committee make this the most glorious celebration of all time. But we need hundreds more! We need your moral support, your artistic support, and your financial support.

In addition to a variety of other fundraising efforts, the Elmhurst Sesquicentennial Celebration will need some \$135,000 in corporate and private gifts--from the residents, the businesses, the organizations, and the major corporations which make and keep Elmhurst the extraordinary city it is.

We need the help of our community's business, service, and cultural leaders. This most unique commemorative experience, planned for the months ahead, will include dozens of outstanding and entertaining activities for the enjoyment of the tens of thousands who hold Elmhurst dear to their hearts.

No tax dollars will be used for any portion of this special occasion. That's why these very special events will need your support.

Won't you, your family, your company, or your organization become a sponsoring member of Elmhurst's "Sesquicentennial Club?"

Remember, your valued contribution is not only tax deductible, but it is your personal birthday gift expressing your mutual pride with all of your friends and neighbors in Elmhurst.

.... SO WHAT ELSE?

You won't want to miss out on any of the fun coming up, so watch for your Sesquicentennial Calendar which will detail the When's & Where's of all the excitement in store for you.

Please take a moment to look over the following Check List of events on the drawing board. Think about those which you might most enjoy personalizing with your professional or private endorsement.

- The Kick-off Gala Sesquicentennial Ball
 - "150 in Elmhurst" float for Memorial Day Parade
 - Fun & Friendship Neighborhood Parties (Seven)
 - The Religious Heritage Concert in Hammerschmidt Chapel
 - The Big Birthday Bash & Community Photo with a giant (90' x 30' x 18') birthday cake, ice cream and dancing in the street.

 - Founders' Week (September 5-14):
 - Community Steak Fry & Down Home Barn Dance
 - Store Window Contest
 - Sporting Tournaments
 - The Grand Sesquicentennial Parade
 - "A Day In Our Town"--Guided Tours
 - Children's Little House on the Prairie Day, 1836
 - Concert from the Big Band Era, 1936
 - The Baby Contest
 - Community Golf Outing
 - Oktoberfest plus sports and water fighters' playoffs
- In addition to these attractions, Elmhurst will soon be adorned with festive decorations--flags, banners, bunting, balloons. We hope you will be part of this too. Street light banners can identify your sponsorship by carrying your name in 3" letters. Or, if you prefer, you may dedicate your gift to honor any special person or cause of your choice.