

MASSENA READIES FOR 200TH BIRTHDAY



200 YEARS OF BUILDING THE FUTURE...MASSENA CELEBRATES
MARCH 3, 1802-MARCH 3, 2002

Town of Massena Bicentennial Celebration

The Town of Massena has been planning for its 200th Birthday for nearly a year. Sunday, March 3, 2002, marks the 200th Birthday for the Town of Massena.

Jack Sauve, Massena Town Supervisor asked Doug Huntley and John Murray to be Chairs of the Executive Council for the Town of Massena's Bicentennial Celebration.

In a recent meeting with Huntley, he said he feels as though this is a prime opportunity to bring the community together to celebrate the rich history of Massena.

The Executive Council meets every Wednesday at the town hall to plan for the coming year. At the meetings the council discusses new ideas for the celebration along with the continued planning of the event. There are a number of events that have been scheduled to entertain and amuse people of all ages. "We are trying to make this an event the entire family can enjoy," Huntley added.

He expressed a great sense of

Excitement in the opportunities this event offers the community. His message to the community was to come out and not

only celebrate Massena's past but learn about its history.

Other members of the Bicentennial Executive Planning Committee include: Jack Sauve, David Welch, John Mereau, Tom Sullivan, Tina

Corcoran, Grace Danboise, Shawn Gray, Tim Currier, Paul Haggett, Anita Shean, Bob LaRue, Charles F. Fahd, Vicki Garcia, Bob Hadler, Ken Macdonnell, Kitty Samuel and David Rourke.



Massena Central High School Public Relations students (from left to right) Shantel Wood and Heather Butler, interview Doug Huntley, Co-Chair of the Massena Bicentennial Executive Committee and Tina Corcoran, Publicity Chair about the upcoming plans for the Town of Massena 200th Birthday. (Nina Kozinska Photo)

MASSENA KICKS OFF BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION WITH A GALA EVENT

An evening of Dining, Dancing, Celebration and Fireworks will kick off the 200th Birthday for the Town of Massena.

The Bicentennial Committee thought the best way to mark the occasion of Massena's 200th Birthday would be with a splash. On Saturday, March 2, 2002, the committee will host the Bicentennial Ball, a black tie event. It will be an elegant and exciting affair. Tickets are fifty dollars per person and must be purchased by January 14, due to limited seating.

The guests will arrive at St. Josephs Hall around 5:30 pm for cocktails and will be entertained by an ensemble of Massena Central High School musicians. At 6:30 pm, all will be treated to fine dining with

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Executive Committee

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| Doug Huntley | Chair |
| John Murray | Assistant Chair |
| Jack Sauve | Town Supervisor |
| David Welch | Legal Advisor |
| John Mereau | Finance Committee Chair |
| Tom Sullivan | Fundraising Chair |
| Tina Corcoran | Publicity/PR Chair |
| Grace Danboise | Ball & Family Festival Chair |
| Shawn Gray | Historical Chair |
| Tim Currier | Security |
| Paul Haggett | Parades & Volunteer Chair |
| Anita Shean | Crafts Show Chair |
| Bob LaRue | Web site Coordinator |
| Charles F. Fahd, MMH ; Vicki Garcia, St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corp; Bob Hadler, NYPA; Ken Macdonnell, Mayor of Massena; Kitty Samuel, Alcoa; and David Rourke, GM Powertrain. | |

⇒ATTENTION COMMUNITY GROUPS & CLUBS...if you would like to schedule an event to be included as part of the Bicentennial Celebration, please contact the Massena Chamber of Commerce at 769-3525.

⇒FEATURED IN JANUARY'S NEWSLETTER:

- *Massena's Birthday Historical Opening Ceremony*
- *Miss Bicentennial Pageant*



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BICENTENNIAL BALL...

an elegant buffet dinner, catered by Angelo's Restaurant. The main course for the dinner will be Steam Ship Round Au Jus with Horseradish Sauce, Poached Norwegian Salmon and Italian Roasted Chicken.

Fireworks will be displayed at 8:30 p.m. for all of Massena to see. The New York Power Authority is sponsoring the fireworks that will be displayed at Bushnell Field, off Route 37.

For the remainder of the night, Jay Traynor and the Joey Thomas Big Band will entertain the guests. The 25-piece band is well known for their performance of the "Sinatra Show." Phil's Florist will provide the flower arrangements. At midnight it will officially be Massena's 200th Birthday, and guests at the ball will celebrate together. While courtesy invitations will be mailed, all are invited. Seating is limited so get your tickets as soon as possible. If you do not receive an invitation in the mail, please contact the Greater Massena Chamber of Commerce at 769-3525.

Members of the Bicentennial Ball Committee are: Grace Danboise and Tina Corcoran, Co-Chairs; Joann Beaulieu, Gay Feeley, Nola Martin and Emily Currier.



We're on the web!

MASSENA'S BICENTENNIAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS...*save the dates*

(Date; Event; Contact)

March 1, 2002 Miss Bicentennial Pageant
(Ed Ackerman)

March 2, 2002 Bicentennial Ball, 5:30 p.m.,
St. Joseph's Hall (Grace Danboise & Tina Corcoran)
Fireworks sponsored by NYPA (Bob Hadler)

March 3, 2002 200th Birthday of Massena-
Town Hall (Town Supervisor & Shawn Gray)

July 3, 2002 Opening Ceremonies;
"The Celebration Begins" (Jack Sauve)
Sidewalk Sales at St. Lawrence Centre &
Fireworks at dusk (Ron Patnode)

July 4, 2002 Independence Day Parade
(George Curtis)

Concert in the Park -TBA (Paul Haggett)
July 5, 2002 Multi-Cultural Food & Music Festival
with Ethnic Dancers-Massena Arena (Ross Violi)
Concert in the Park-Spring's Park - TBA

July 6, 2002 Bicentennial Canoe Race-Grass
River-Andrews Street Park (John Dumas)
ALCOA DAY (Kitty Samuel)

Robert Danforth Presentation (Massena Museum);
"Rock N' Roll" Band~ Block Dance/Antique Car
Show-Main Street (Ken Macdonnell & Randy
MacDonald); Drum & Bugle Corp Competition-
MCHS Football Field (Paul Haggett)

July 7, 2002 John Story Trail Bicentennial Run/
Walk (Mary Arcadi); Fiddlers Exhibition-Springs
Park (Burt Peck); Norwood Brass Band (Paul
Haggett)

July 8, 2002 Art Exhibit (Chad Simpson);
Bicentennial Golf Tournament- Massena Country

July 9, 2002 NYPA Evening Concert & Fireworks
(Bob Hadler)

July 10, 2002 Massena Memorial Hospital
Day- Community Appreciation Day (Tina Corcoran)
Kelly Miller Circus- Massena Arena (back lawn) spon-
sored Massena Memorial Hospital Foundation; two
shows 4:30 and 7:30 p.m.

July 11, 2002 Bicentennial Musical Review- MCHS
Auditorium (Chip Lamson & Lee Baines)

July 12, 2002 Bicentennial Musical Review- MCHS
Auditorium; Seaway Day; Basketball 3 on 3 Tourney
(Kurt Wood); Concert in the Park (Paul Haggett)

July 13, 2002 Sunrise Balloon Festival; "Ultimate
Bicentennial Parade", 2-3 hours long-11:00 a.m.,
Main Street (Paul Haggett)

Bicentennial Family Festival-MCHS Fields (Grace
Danboise, Emily Currier and Kim Scott) to include
Concert at MCHS Football Field, Inflatable Events for
the children and many additional attractions for the
entire family...come one...come all!; Massena Valley
Garden Club Tours-10 a.m.—4 p.m. (OdeleLaShomb);
200+ Craft Fair-MCHS (Anita Shean)

July 14, 2002 Sunrise Balloon Festival; Ecumenical
Sunday- Massena Ministerial Association; Closing
Ceremonies (Doug Huntley); 200+ Craft Fair-MCHS

*Attention Community Groups & Clubs...if you would
like to schedule an event to be included as part of the
Bicentennial Celebration, please contact the Massena
Chamber of Commerce...769-3525.*

***Don't forget to check our website for
updates!***