

Garden County Centennial Celebration



Pool Party Hostesses, l-r: Cyndi Van Newkirk, Cindy Stuhann, Jennifer Stanczyk, Deeann Coss.

Friday- July 2nd Centennial Pool & Big Top Party!

Just looking at these lovely local beach clad ladies reminds us all of those days of summer. The Centennial Committee would like to introduce you to a few of our lovely party hostesses that will be on hand to welcome guests and kick off the largest Pool and Big Top party in Western Nebraska.

Everyone is invited to attend this event celebrating Oshkosh and Garden County's 100th Birthday. The party is on July 2nd beginning at 6:30 at the Oshkosh City Pool and the Big Top north of the City Park. Ta-

bles with umbrellas, tropical fruit drinks, and beach music will be provided at the Pool Party, while Garden County trivia, guest bartenders, beer, brats, and other hilarious entertainment will also be happening in the Big Top.

Every family and individual is encouraged to wear their "brightest" and "loudest" fowered outfit in honor of this momentous occasion. The one with the most outrageous apparel will win a prize.

Friday- July 2nd Centennial Beef Cook-Off

In honor of the cattlemen's influence on Garden County history, the Centennial Committee is hosting a Beef Cook-Off on Friday, July 2nd, at the Oshkosh City Park. This is an event you won't want to miss, as it will be host to some of the best beef dishes ever served in the state of Nebraska!

Beef cook-off chefs, along with help from the local Nebraska Cattle-Women's organization, will be on hand to offer ticket holders samplings of delectable beef entrées and hors'dourves. Tickets will be sold to the public, who can then sample all entries in the competition.

Teams will compete against each other in the Smoked Moo, BBQ Moo, and the Miscellaneous Moo categories to vie for \$150, \$75, and \$40 cash prizes for each category. A \$25 entry fee will get each team entered, and the team will receive a specially designed 2010 Centennial Beef Cook-Off t-shirt.

After sampling all entries, ticket holders will then vote for their favorite beef entrée in the People's Choice Award. This winner will win a brand new, state of the art Traeger Wood Pellet Grill, valued at approximately \$600, and donated by the Oshkosh True Value. The 2nd and 3rd place People's Choice will win \$75, and \$40 cash prizes respectively. A \$150 prize will also be given for the booth with the best theme, which should make for some tough competition as well.

Garden County Centennial families are encouraged to enter a "family favorite" recipe, as well as bring family photos and memorabilia to show off at their booth. Centennial family entries will be honored with a ribbon at their booths.

We all know that whether you are trying to get that perfect smoked favor, or whether you are slow-cooking to get that cut of beef melt-in-your-mouth tender, it takes time. That's why you can cook ahead, and simply bring the meat to the competition for judging. It's as simple as that! However, if you are grilling, we encourage you to bring your grill to cook your meat on-site to put an enticing aroma in the air for those around the park!

So whether you are an aspiring chef, a centennial family, a group of co-workers, a church group, or backyard barbecue friends, you will definitely want to "fre up the barbie" to see if you can take home top honors!

If you are interested in participating in the Centennial Beef Cook-Off please contact Tiffany Zorn at 308.772.3835, or Britt Miller at 308.889.3526. You'll be in for a *mouthwatering* time!

See Registration form on insert.

CENTENNIAL BEEF COOK-OFF SCHEDULE

1:00-3:00pm	Booth and entry set up
3:00-4:00pm	Judging
4:00-5:30pm	Gate opens for ticket sales to public for sampling
5:30pm	People's Choice judging ends
6:00pm	Awards ceremony

The Arnett Express & Shuttle Service

Its magical with its music, bell ringing, and Thomas like face as it tours the streets. Bill & Gladys Arnett have been giving rides to both adults and kids in Garden County for the last few years and this years Centennial Celebration is no exception as they gear up for the crowds. While they tour, the Centennial Committee will also be sharing the Arnett Train Station offering shuttling to and from the entertainment area from designated parking areas. The Station arrivals and departures are in the alley-way of the Oshkosh City Park.

Friday-July 2nd, 6pm

Stiletto Centennial Dash

Men! You certainly have to be a confident guy, secure in your own masculine self. You have to not be concerned about breaking an ankle or getting a little boo boo. You have to man up and fight through the pain of wearing high heels. You have to believe that you can actually beat the ladies at their own game? Doubtful!

Ladies! We all know that these guys will frankly never make it to the starting line in heels not to mention beat us at a little jog down the street. Let's come in droves and reign supreme over these inferior specimens who dare to tread into our territory. *Women unite!!*

Centennial Stiletto Dash

Heels must be two inches high. July 2nd, 6:00 pm . Starting line: south of the Eagles Club. *Prizes for the winners and bragging rights for the next 100 years.*



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Garden County Centennial 2010 Schedule of Events

Thursday- July 1st

2pm-Carnival Kick Off
2pm-Beer Garden & Brats - North of Park
5pm-Arnett Train Express & Centennial Shuttle Station - Oshkosh City Park alley
7:30pm-Centennial Proclamation - GC Commissioners
8pm-First Centennial Concert & Dance begins Big Top-Larry Dee sponsored by the Bank of Lewellen

Friday- July 2nd

9am-Sidewalk sales and vendors begin
11am-Big Top Beer & Brats - North of City Park
1-3pm- Beef Cook Off Booth & Entry Set Up
2pm-Arnett Train Express & Centennial Shuttle Station - Oshkosh City Park alley
3-4pm-Judging of Beef Cook Off
4-6pm-Gates open for Ticket Sales and Samplings of Beef Cook Off
5:30pm-People's Choice Judging Ends - Beef Cook Off
6pm- Beef Cook Off Awards Ceremony
6:15pm-Stiletto Centennial Races - Line-up south of Eagles Club downtown
6:30-8:30pm- Centennial Pool and Big Top Party - Big Top in the Park
9pm-1am-Centennial Main Event Westwind Concert - Big Top sponsored by Nebraska State Bank

Saturday- July 3rd

7:20am-Registration for Centennial Fun Run Oshkosh Grade School
8am-1 mile Fun Run Begins
8:15am-5K Run Begins
8-10am-Centennial Community Breakfast - Lewellen Community Center - pancakes, sausages, etc...free will donation
8am-2pm- Century of Photography - Lewellen Community Center
8am- Historical Old Town Tour & Quilt Show Downtown Lewellen
9:30am-Centennial Walk - Volunteers of American - meeting at the Kwik Stop then off to tour Devil's Wash Basin
10am-4pm-Ash Hollow Art Show - Downtown Oshkosh
10am-Home Run Derby - Oshkosh Baseball field
10am-1pm- US Postal Service Centennial Pictorial Cancellation
10am-1pm- Commemorative picture postcard will be sold by the Historical Society of Garden County

10:30am-Let The Games Begin - Downtown
11am-Big Top Beer & Brats - N. of City Park
11am-Arnett Train Express & Centennial Shuttle Station - Oshkosh City Park alley
11am-4pm-Garden County High Ag Club - tubing, tanking, and canoeing - Oshkosh River Bridge - water level and weather permitting
1-2pm-Museum Event - Silver Hill Museum - Cherrie Beam-Clarke presents "The Courage to Continue"
2pm-Alumni Baseball Classic - Oshkosh Baseball field
5-6:45pm-Alumni Banquet Cocktail & Social hour begins - City Auditorium
6:45-8:30pm-Alumni Banquet begins
9pm-Centennial Auction in Big Top- World Champion Auctioneer Dean Schow
9: 30pm-1am-All Alumni Band - Dance in Big Top

Sunday- July 4th

6:30-10am-Ambulance & EMT Pancake Feed - City Auditorium
9am-All Denominational Prayer Service - Big Top - sponsored by the GC Ministerial Assoc.
10am-4pm-Ash Hollow Art Show - Downtown Oshkosh
11am-Fourth of July Parade
12 Noon-Free BBQ - City Park - sponsored by the Garden County Chamber
12 Noon-Pie & Ice Cream - United Methodist Church in T's n More
12 Noon-Entertainment by Alice Bailey and Lou Coppersmith - Big Top
12:30pm-Arnett Train Express & Centennial Shuttle Station - Oshkosh City Park alley
12:30-7pm-Afternoon entertainment - Big Top
12:30-4:30pm-Garden County High Ag Club- Tubing, tanking, canoeing - Oshkosh River Bridge
1pm-Alumni Softball Classic - Oshkosh Baseball field
1pm-Horseshoe Pitching Contest - VFW Hall- contact- Becky Parmenter
3pm-Alumni Baseball Classic - Oshkosh Baseball field
5pm-Eastern Star Hamburger Feed - City Park
7pm-Watermelon Feed - Oshkosh Ball field (Mark & Terry)
7pm-Kids races at Ball Diamond - sponsored by Lions Club
9pm-Fireworks Display - Baseball Diamond - sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce
10pm-City Wide Fireworks Challenge - begin at the sound of the fire-whistle

Happy 100th Birthday Garden County!

The Garden County Centennial Committee is indeed honored and privileged to have the opportunity to invite all of you to the largest and most ambitious gathering in Garden County history. We have a fantastic Centennial four-day celebration planned and look forward to your arrival when we can shake your hands, give you hugs, and welcome you home.

Thursday-Sunday- July 1-4

Big Top at Centennial

It is indeed massive and frankly needs to be when considering just how many people Garden County is expecting for their Centennial Celebration. The Centennial Committee has plans to bring in a Big Top that will house the evening's concerts, beer garden, brats stand, Centennial auction, and many other events. This massive tent seats 400, will take up a large portion of the street north of the Oshkosh City Park, and offer a pleasant escape from the sun, rain, and other elements in case of incimate weather.

Sunday- July 4th

Chamber Preparing for Large Fireworks Display

This of course is no ordinary year. Garden County Chamber of Commerce's fireworks gurus, Todd Royston and Ron Moffat, are gearing up for an extra special display in honor of this 100 birthday Celebration.

Royston and Moffat plan to double the size and budget of the annual show and they have also been in talks with Midwest Pyrotech's on computerizing the display specifically for this Centennial year.

The Chamber fireworks display is held on the night of the Fourth of July and is a long standing tradition. It will be a fitting climax to an incredible four days of Centennial festivities that will begin on Thursday, July 1st.

The Fireworks Show will take place at dusk and is located at the City of Oshkosh Baseball Diamond. The funds for this display are raised through the local Chamber fireworks stand sales.

CCHS Alumni Banquet

Please see the insertion!

Send your registration in by June 10, 2010
Alumni/Teachers/Past Students/Friends are invited to attend!!

See Registration form in insert

