

WELCOME!

I have been tasked with helping to keep committee members (County and Town), volunteers, and members of the Board of Supervisors apprised of our efforts as we prepare for the Bicentennial celebration on April 11, 2023.
 - Patti Holdraker,
 Member, Steering & Souvenirs Committee

We urge you to share this newsletter with your networks

SAD NEWS - PASSING OF THERESA STREB

We are sad to report the passing of Lyons Public Library Director, Theresa Streb. Theresa was an important member of the Lyons Community. We are privileged Theresa was able to serve on the Wayne County Bicentennial Committee. Here is a link to her obituary: <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/fltimes/obituary.aspx?n=theresa-m-streb&pid=198063852&fhid=18556>



NEW BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Wayne County Bicentennial Committee welcomes two new members! Williamson Public Library Director, Kim Iraci (left) and the NEW Executive Director of the Museum of Wayne County History, Rhea Hayes (right) Welcome Rhea and Kim!



KIM IRACI



RHEA HAYES

CALENDAR UPDATE

The Commemorative Bicentennial Calendar for 2022-2023 is making good progress. We have gone to the design stage and hope to have it available for purchase this summer. YOU are going to want one - because it will be filled with tidbits of history on every day and filled with interesting photos, old and new. Future issues of this newsletter will announce its availability.

BANNERS

We recently ordered and received 25 vinyl banners of the Bicentennial logo. Each banner is 30" x 36". One will be presented to each Town for display in the Town Hall and for other uses within the town. The others are available to be used at events around the county. Five banners that are 24" x 60" have recently been ordered.

BICENTENNIAL ROAD SIGN

Thanks to Kevin Rooney, Wayne County Highway Superintendent, we have a prototype of a possible road sign that will announce to all that Wayne County is celebrating our 200-year birthday. The Bicentennial Committee will be discussing plans related to such signs at their next meeting.



BICENTENNIAL FLOAT

Thanks to Rose Town Supervisor, Dic Lasher and Huron Town Supervisor, Phil Eynor we will SOON have a Bicentennial Float. Dic & Phil and a number of other volunteers have put this together on a trailer so that it can be towed to all parts of the county. It is our intention to have the float in as many parades as possible over the next 3 years and to be on display at other events across Wayne County. NEXT month, we'll share photos with you.

TOWN COMMITTEES

We are pleased that several Town Committees for the Bicentennial have been formed and are meeting. Others are still in the formation stages. We feel that this network of committees will be critical in coordinating projects and activities throughout the county. If you are interested in helping with your Town Committee, you may contact Gene or Rosa who can link you with the person you would need to contact. .

HAVE YOU HEARD?

There is a proposal for the National Park Service to designate a "Finger Lakes National Heritage Area." It would include 14 counties including Wayne. This proposal has many potential tourism and economic benefits for our area. Wayne County Tourism Director, Christine Worth has arranged for the Wayne Historians Organization to view a presentation by the National Parks Service along with an opportunity to ask questions on April 8. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

As most of you know, the Wayne County Board of Supervisors appointed Gene Bavis and Rosa Fox to lead the planning of our Bicentennial Celebration.

On April 20, at the end of their regular monthly meeting, Gene & Rosa will make a visual report for them that will include the progress the committee has made and plans for the future.

WAYNE COUNTY MEMORIES BOOK

Please don't forget that Amber Linson and her committee are collecting stories, poems, and visual arts for this book. For more information email Amber: Amberlinson@gmail.com There is also information on the Bicentennial website

PLACES TO GET INFORMATION:

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

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| April 8 | 10:00am | Wayne Historians Organization via Zoom |
| April 19 | 7:00pm | Bicentennial PowerPoint program for Lyons Heritage Society via Zoom |
| April 20 | 9:00am | Presentation to Wayne County Board of Supervisors |
| April 21 | 3:30pm | Wayne County Bicentennial Committee Meeting via Zoom |
| April 22 | 7:30pm | Presentation to the Macedon Town Board |

As always, if you have any suggestions, questions, etc., please contact Gene or Rosa.

Gene Bavis & Rosa Fox

Co-Chairs, Wayne County Bicentennial