Bellevue Celebrates 150 years as a City March 15

It’s time to practice saying “Ses-qui-cen-ten-nial,” the term for 150 year anniversary of a city. We have so much to be proud of in the city of Bellevue, and after 150 years our town is the best it’s ever been. From the merchants on Fairfield Avenue to our beautiful homes, we continue to build a unique community filled with caring, can-do people who give of their time to help one another.

On March 15 we will kick off our year-long celebration with a ceremony and Cincinnati Reds Vintage baseball game. YOU ARE INVITED to this fun, free event. Join Mayor Charlie Cleves welcome dignitaries from around the region to proclaim Bellevue a great little city. School age children are involved in a cake decorating contest and the winners will be announced just before the baseball game. Stay for the game on the newly renovated field at the Bellevue Vets. The Cincinnati Reds Vintage Baseball team will square off against a team of Bellevue’s best players including council people, school officials, police and firefighters, as well as a few family members from Bellevue’s past.

It’s a family affair just like the founders would have loved. In 1870, a group of citizens wanted this special little .9 miles to become a city, they petitioned the state and became our Bellevue. March 15 is only the beginning. In May we have a designated Historic Preservation week filled with historic tours, a preservations awards ceremony, culminating with the Memorial Day Parade on May 25. Then be sure to join the fun during Bellevue Days June 28 through the July 4th with a seersucker bicycle ride through town, Bellevue day at Behringer Crawford Museum, and an old fashioned picnic, concert and fireworks on Independence Day. We will celebrate with a Gala on October 10. And in between there we will highlight some of the beautiful homes and historic commercial buildings in Bellevue with Historic Happy Hours. During the summer Porch Parties give everyone an opportunity to come out and meet your neighbors.

Bellevue is a special place and this is our year to shine.