

## Amherst Bicentennial Commission to officially kick-off Bicentennial on Friday, January 19th at 11am at the Amherst Town Hall Council Chambers

The Amherst Bicentennial Commission today announced that the official kickoff of the Town of Amherst Bicentennial will be held on Friday, January 19th at 11am at the Amherst Town Hall Council Chambers located at 5583 Main Street, Williamsville, New York 14221.

The kickoff celebration will include: a Bicentennial flag raising ceremony; the unveiling of the Amherst Bicentennial logo and event calendar; greetings from Bicentennial Commission Co-Chairs Herbert Schmidt and Dave Sherman; a gigantic Birthday Cake; and the presentation of 200 Proclamations to celebrate 200 years from officials and municipalities throughout the world.

The Town has received 200 proclamations including proclamations from municipalities and institutions that share the same name like Amherst, Nova Scotia; Amherst, Wisconsin; Amherst, Massachusetts; Amherst, Ohio and Amherst College. Current and former Amherst officials are expected to attend and the public is invited to partake in the festivities.

Founded in 1818; the Town of Amherst, New York celebrates its Bicentennial in 2018. Amherst will mark its 200th Anniversary with a series of celebrations throughout its Bicentennial Year beginning with the Birthday Party on January 19th and continuing with a gigantic parade, historic walking tours, a slogan contest, Interclub Service Luncheon and a Bicentennial Ball.

For a complete listing of the Bicentennial Calendar of Events visit amherst200.wordpress.com; www.BNHV.org or call the Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village at (716) 689-1440.