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## SPECIAL BICENTENNIAL ISSUE

### BNB to Host Many Bicentennial Activities

(Greenville) As the Platinum level sponsor, Bradford National Bank, will be the focal point for many of the upcoming Bicentennial activities. All of the national acts, including the Bellamy Brothers and the Little River Band, will perform on the Bradford National Bank Main Stage. The University of Illinois Marching Band will also perform in the bank parking lot.

As we make final preparations for the Celebration, which will be held September 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, bank staff wanted to let the community know that the main bank will maintain normal banking hours over the weekend. However, some modifications to traffic flow will be needed.

On Friday at noon, First Street between College and Main, will be closed to thru traffic, so that construction can begin on the Bradford National Bank Main Stage. At that time, the west end of the Bradford National Bank parking lot will be shut down. Lobby customers are being asked to park in the Community Building parking lot, just west of the bank. Drive-up customers will need to enter the bank lot on the east end off of Prairie Street. Just follow the signs.

On Saturday, the same arrangements will be in place for bank customers, with the Community Building lot reserved for lobby customers and drive-up customers entering via Prairie Street. At noon, all of the Bradford National Bank lots will be shut down to traffic.

The Community Building lot will serve as parking for the bands and their crews and will also be home to the first aid station. The main lot behind the bank is designated as viewing area for the Bradford National Bank Main Stage. The Bradford National Bank branch on Idler Lane will maintain normal hours as well during the event - 7:30 am until 6:00 pm on Friday and 7:30 am until Noon on Saturday.

For additional information or breaking announcements, go to [www.bradfordbank.com](http://www.bradfordbank.com) or check in to the bank's Facebook page.

#### Appearing Live On The



The Bellamy Brothers

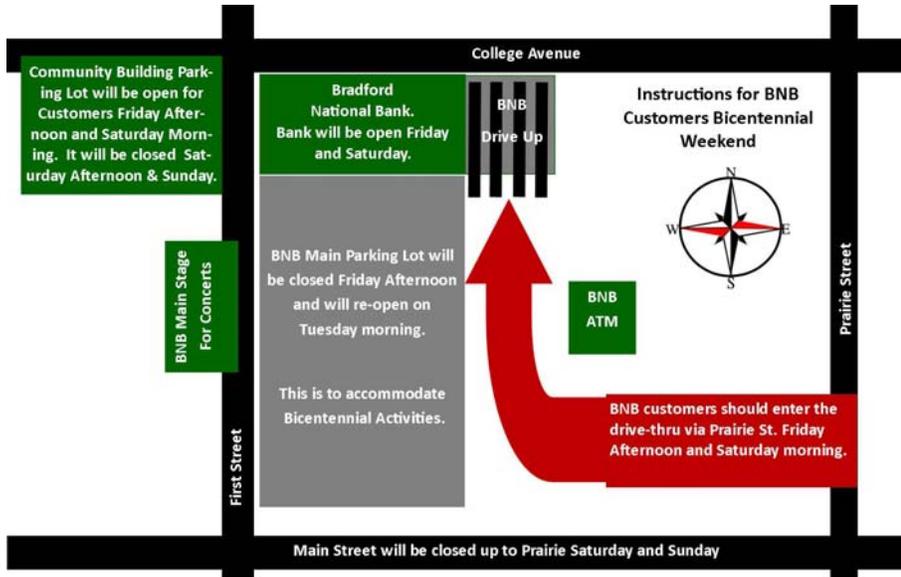


The Tons O' Fun Band



The Little River Band

#### Bradford National Bank MAIN STAGE



Friday, September 4th: First Street Closes at noon between College and Main. BNB Main parking lot will close at this time. Lobby traffic should use the Community Building Lot on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. The drive-up will be open Friday afternoon and Saturday morning, but all customers should enter the bank lot via the southeast corner of our lot off of Prairie Street. After 12 pm on Saturday, the entire BNB parking lot between Prairie and First Street will be shut down.

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## The Legendary Bellamy Brothers to Perform on Bradford National Bank Main Stage

The Bellamy Brothers, one of the most successful duos in country music history, will perform at Greenville's Bicentennial Celebration, on the Bradford National Bank Main Stage. Howard and David Bellamy skyrocketed to fame in 1976 when their song "Let Your Love Flow" hit number one on the Billboard pop charts. Influenced by 1960s rhythm and blues as well as the country/rock scene of the early 1970s, the Bellamys developed their own signature sound.

In the 1980s and 1990s, the brothers regularly appeared on the country charts where they notched 10 number one songs. Their hits included "Old Hippie" and "For All The Wrong Reasons". The Bellamys received numerous award nominations from the Academy of Country Music and the Country Music Association.

Today, the Bellamys' dedicated fan base continues to allow the legendary brothers to tour around the globe at their leisure, having performed for fans and military personnel in just about every country imaginable.

David Bellamy summed it up, "Touring has always been the lifeblood of our career. We've played shows in roughly 60 different countries."

On Saturday, September 5, at 8 pm, the Bellamy Brothers will add Greenville to the list of places they've performed. The duo will be in concert that night as part of Greenville's two day celebration of its 200th birthday.

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(Left) Bicentennial Kick-off chairman John Goldsmith, right, presented then BNB President Frank Joy with one of the very first Bicentennial shirts produced. The shirt was presented following the banks commitment to sponsor the 2015 event.

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## U of I Band to March in Parade, Perform on BNB Parking Lot

A world famous marching band will participate in Greenville's Bicentennial on Sunday, September 6. The Marching Illini (MI) from the University of Illinois, under the direction of Barry Houser, are performing in the parade at 3 p.m. and then in a short set to follow.

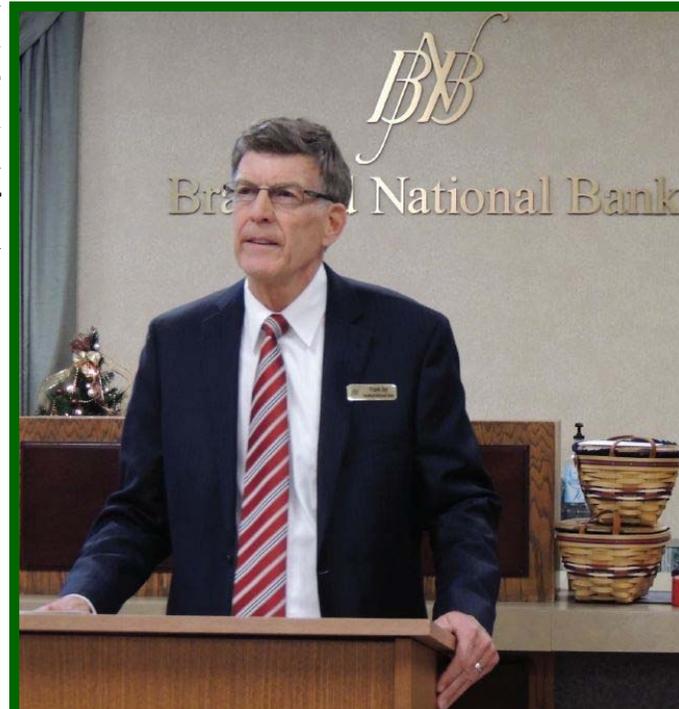
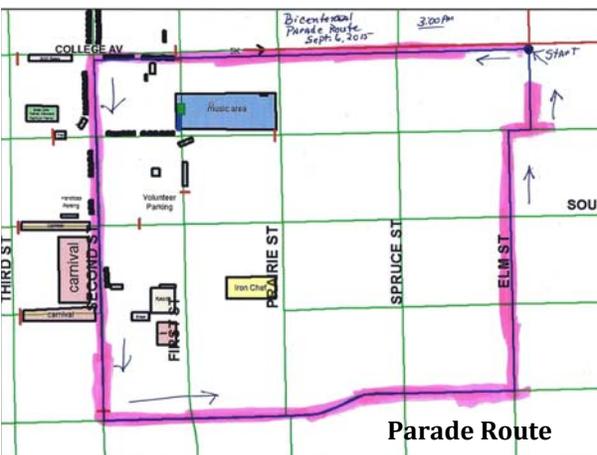
Billed as "The Nation's Premier College Marching Band", MI is comprised of over 400 students. Since its inception in the 19th century, the U of I band has been a trendsetter. It was the first to use Sousaphones (1906); the first to form its school letters during a parade; and performed during the first televised college football game. MI is slated to entertain at this year's Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade in New York.

Allan Davis, Bicentennial parade organizer, said there were a lot of logistical issues to work out after confirming the band's schedule allowed them to make an appearance in Greenville. "We've been working closely with U of I to meet their requirements which includes feeding nearly 400 hungry college marching band members." While there is no appearance fee for the band, the Bicentennial is responsible for covering transportation cost and providing a meal to the Marching Illini. Davis added,



"We're happy to have them here for the parade and concert. We

feel they'll draw a large crowd of Illini fans and alums." The concert will be held in the Bradford National Bank parking lot, near the Bradford Main Stage.



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It was in December of 2013, at the Greenville Chamber Business After Hours, that Bradford National Bank President Frank Joy announced the bank's \$20,200 commitment to the Bicentennial efforts. The bank was the first corporate sponsor to come on board. This Platinum Level commitment ensured that the Bicentennial efforts would get underway.

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## Little River Band to Headline on the Bradford Main Stage

One of the most popular bands of the late 1970s will be in concert Sunday, September 6 during the Greenville Bicentennial. The Little River Band will celebrate its 40th anniversary by performing at Greenville's 200th birthday party. Known by their fans as LRB, the group was formed in Australia in 1975. They scored 13 Top 40 hits in the United States between 1975 and 1983 with classics like "Reminiscing", "Lonesome Loser", and "Help Is On Its Way".

The band will perform Sunday night at 8 pm on the Bradford National Bank Main Stage.

The Greenville Bicentennial music committee, which has been working for months to secure the Little River Band, believes the signing is a bonus for the celebration. LRB traditionally draws large crowds. With the concert being free, Greenville's downtown could likely be filled with thousands of fans reliving the days of cruising and listening to LRB on an 8-track tape.

LRB is led by Wayne Nelson, a member since 1980, whose vocals were prominently featured on the hits "Night Owls" and "Take It Easy On Me". Today LRB performs over 100 concerts a year across the United States.

Event organizers wanted national recording artists as the featured entertainment each night. Local and regional performers of various styles of music will perform throughout both days.



## Bradford National Bank Main Stage will be Hopping with the Tons O' Fun Band

The Tons 'O Fun Band (TOFB) is a product of the renowned Champaign-Urbana music scene and has been a mainstay for nearly two decades. TOFB fills the stage with ten talented and experienced musicians including a powerful four piece horn section. While the horns give TOFB its distinctive edge, three lead vocalists create the ability to deliver a wide variety of classics remembered and loved by young and old alike but rarely produced by others.

**Tons 'O Fun is lead by trumpeter Steve Shaw and is fronted by original REO Speedwagon and Starcastle singer Terry Luttrell.** Rounding out the horn section is Bill Jean on lead trumpet, Bob Smiley on saxes and flute and Matt Flynn on trombone. Friends who have been laying it down together for years, the rhythm section consists of Larry Fredrickson on drums, Dan Henry on bass and vocals, Bill Richardson on percussion, and Steve Schmidt on keyboards. Sharing front man duties with Terry is singer and lead guitarist Joe Ingolia.

TOFB brings its signature "horn band" sound to venues large and small throughout the Midwest and beyond! This band of brothers has the chops, energy and enthusiasm to truly earn its name Tons O' Fun!



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## There will be many Highlights to the Greenville Bicentennial Celebration!

After three years of planning, Greenville's Bicentennial Celebration has arrived. The 200th birthday bash will be held Saturday, September 5 from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday, September 6 from noon to 10 p.m. at venues around the Greenville square. The town was founded in 1815 by George Davidson, who fled western Madison County during a "milk sickness" outbreak. He purchased 160 acres of land overlooking Little Shoal Creek, built a small home and tavern, and within a year was selling lots for his new settlement. Greenville predates Bond County's formation by two years and Illinois' statehood by three years.

The Bicentennial offers entertainment and activities for all ages and tastes from free concerts by the Bellamy Brothers and the Little River Band to performances by Outcast BMX and an appearance by the world famous Clydesdales. Other musical highlights include concerts by the Illinois National Guard's 5 Star Brass Band, the Greenville Municipal Band, the Chapman Brothers, Hicktown, and Midnight Rail (all on Saturday); and the Jorrells, the Founders, Nick Bifano and the Innocents, and Tons O' Fun (all on Sunday). Tons O' Fun is fronted by Terry Luttrell, original lead singer of REO Speedwagon from 1968 to 1972.

Runners are invited to lace up for Greenville's Bicentennial Run Through Time, a 5K on Saturday at 8 a.m. Runners can compete in one of seven age groups: 13 and under; 14-19; 20-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50-59; and 60 and over. Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female finishers in each age division 14 and older. Participatory ribbons will be given to each runner 13 and under. Participants can register Friday from 6 to 7 p.m. in front of the Greenville College Student Union, at the corner of College and Spruce. No registrations will be accepted the day of the event. Cost is \$30 per person.

Greenville's museums will be open for tours; history buffs can also enjoy performances by Fox Ellis (as Black Jack Logan), Kathryn Harris (as Harriet Tubman), trick roper Cowboy Randy, and the Kahok Indian Dancers. Fans of old time cooking will love free samples at the cast iron chef demonstration, held both days on the Central Christian Church grounds. The church is also hosting an old fashioned community church service Sunday at 9 a.m.

A tour of Montrose Cemetery will be offered Saturday from 2-3 p.m. Residents in period costumes will be stationed at various spots around the cemetery and portray early Greenville residents.

History meets technology for geocachers who should bring their GPS devices for a nine-stop tour of significant Greenville sites that begins by downloading the opening coordinates from the Bicentennial website [www.greenville200.com](http://www.greenville200.com).

Greenville will celebrate its past, present and future with special recognition bestowed upon the community's oldest citizen, newest citizen, and longest married couple. Winners of the beard growing contest will be selected on the opening day while local veterans will be saluted during a special ceremony.

The Bicentennial parade on Sunday at 3 p.m. will offer a combination of national, regional, and local favorites including the Clydesdales, Mr. Peanut and his Peanutmobile, Rampage and the Rams cheerleaders, and Louie and the St. Louis Blues Crew. The 400-member U of I Marching Illini will be joined by marching bands from Greenville High School, Greenville Junior High, Greenville College, Hillsboro High School, Ramsey High School, and a drum corps from Peoria. The parade route is from the corner of Elm Street and College Avenue west on College to Second Street and then south to Winter Street then east back to Elm.

Souvenirs, historical displays, and local artwork can be found in the Bicentennial Store at the corner of 2nd and Main streets. The store will offer souvenir items for sale like coins, hats, mugs, crocks, books, t-shirts, sweatshirts, baskets, and wrist bands. The store is not only the event's headquarters, where volunteers will answer questions and direct visitors to the activities, but also a mini-museum featuring vintage dresses and other artifacts from Greenville's Sesquicentennial celebration in 1965. On display---and for sale by silent auction---are pieces from the extensive art collection of the late Lester Harnetiaux. An avid Greenville collector, Harnetiaux owned a number of paintings by the Prairie Artists, a local group that were popular from the 1960s through the 1980s.

While some parking will be available in Greenville's municipal parking lots, ample parking will be available at the Bond County fairgrounds, which will be monitored by security throughout the weekend. Bond County Transit busses will pick up at the north gate and drop off passengers on the square. Because a number of former residents are coming back home for the Bicentennial, transit will pick up at Greenville's hotels. Those wishing to take advantage will find information at the front desk of each hotel. Organizers also remind everyone that seating at the event is limited so you are encouraged to bring a lawn chair.

The festival would not be complete without food and cold beverages, craft and specialty vendors, and a carnival. The Bicentennial will conclude with a Sunday night fireworks show courtesy of the Bond County Independence Day Festival Association. A full schedule of activities, site map, and list of frequently asked questions may be found at the Bicentennial website. For up to the minute information, you can follow the Bicentennial on Facebook at Greenville Is 200 or visit the website at [www.greenville200.com](http://www.greenville200.com).

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Be sure to check out [BradfordBank.com](http://BradfordBank.com) later this month for information on how to set up your very own PopMoney account.



## Getting a Makeover

BNB continues to spruce up its grounds for the Bicentennial. The damaged trees were removed from the bank lot to provide additional concert viewing and will be replaced after the event.

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