

Thomas Center 100th Anniversary

January 2010

Kick-off event- Recognition of the Thomas Center's Centenary

- ◆ Invite as many members of the Thomas/ Hawkins families as possible. Perhaps collect anecdotes into a souvenir booklet.
- ◆ Send press packets to the media with photos, stories, etc.
- ◆ Invite local dignitaries (Thomas Center Associates past and present, other historic organizations, government officials, etc.)
- ◆ Hand out information about the other Thomas Center Centenary events.
- ◆ Hold Docent tours.

February

Beaux Arts Ball – fundraiser for Theater for Young Audiences program, promoted as Centenary event.

March

Spring Promenade – tour of homes in the Duck Pond area.

- ◆ Hand out information on future Centenary events.

September 12th

Thomas Center Centenary Open House – an afternoon event, advertised throughout the area.

- ◆ Costumed greeters in various period rooms giving historic information about that area/room
- ◆ Period music
- ◆ Displays of 1978 restoration photos, Thomas Center Association photos, memorabilia, etc.
- ◆ Continuous showing of video of Thomas Center history
- ◆ Tea and cookies
- ◆ Modest entrance fee?
- ◆ Perhaps ask Cade Museum for Studebaker exhibit on TC grounds.

December

Holiday Open House

- ◆ Tree lighting/Mayor
- ◆ Santa Claus
- ◆ Music
- ◆ Punch and cookies
- ◆ Carriage Rides by Duck Pond Association

Jingle Bell Ball – Thomas Center Associates annual event