



## **Inyo 150 Sesquicentennial Celebration**

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### **ORGANIZATIONS & GROUPS CAN HELP CELEBRATE COUNTY'S 150<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY**

Inyo County is celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> birthday in 2016, and is seeking partners and collaborators to help mark the milestone throughout the year.

While there will be numerous events and programs planned or hosted by the County during the upcoming Sesquicentennial, the county's non-profit groups, clubs, organizations, churches, service clubs, businesses and iconic events can also participate.

Each group or organization can determine how they would like to be involved in the Inyo 150 celebration. It could be something as simple as including the Inyo 150 Logo and Tagline on the organization's regular press releases, including a brief notice of the Sesquicentennial on a website, or just linking to the Inyo County Sesquicentennial web site or Facebook Page.

Some groups might want to host special events related to the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary, ranging from guest speakers or historical outings for example. Or, they could stage their traditional, yearly events with a historical twist. For instance, a Cemetery Ghost Walk could feature "ghosts" from Inyo County history. Larger events could acknowledge the milestone by including brief historical references or activities related to the county's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday in their larger event.

"We encourage all of the county's community groups and non-profit organizations to get involved by creating fun events and programs that reflect each organization's goals, concerns and history," said Inyo County Chief Administrative Officer Kevin Carunchio. "We want to 'crowd-source' the celebration by having unique events hosted by residents in each community, from Death Valley to Round Valley."

The County is developing a logo for Inyo's year-long 150<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration, and will make it and other celebratory materials available to all groups and organizations that register their events with the County.

Planning for the Sesquicentennial year is just getting started. Groups, organizations, clubs, churches, service clubs and non-profits seeking more information can call Jon Klusmire, Director of the Eastern California Museum, at 760-878-0258 or Nancy Masters, County Librarian, at 760-878-0260.