



UNO Centennial Celebration

This fall the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) will begin celebrating its 100th anniversary and the transformation of the university since its humble beginning. The Centennial theme, UNO: Central to Our City since 1908, reflects the significant partnership between UNO, the city of Omaha and its citizens. This theme and the Centennial events celebrate not only UNO's past contributions but its promising future and the tremendous opportunities UNO has to influence the quality of education, economic prosperity and vibrancy of our community.

While several events are scheduled throughout the year-long celebration, the three signature events are:

- **Centennial Kick-Off/Homecoming, October 8-12, 2008**

UNO will kick-off its Centennial Celebration on October 8 with Convocation at the Strauss Performing Arts Building. This event will be followed by the College of Public Affairs and Community Service building dedication and an all campus reception. On October 10, the campus will begin its two-day homecoming celebration which includes campus tours, a Friday evening alumni dinner, college open houses, a pre-game tailgate and the UNO vs. Missouri Western football game.

- **Centennial Gala, February 21, 2009**

UNO, the University of Nebraska Foundation and the UNO Alumni Association will host the Centennial Gala at the Qwest Center. The fund-raising event will feature a formal dinner, nationally known speaker, entertainment by talented UNO students and faculty, and the premier of the UNO Centennial video. Funds raised through this event will help establish two Centennial Community Fellowships for UNO students.

- **Centennial Closing, Fall 2009**

The UNO campus will join with the Omaha community to commemorate the conclusion of the yearlong Centennial Celebration. As part of this event, a centennial garden will be dedicated.

The Centennial Celebration offers a unique opportunity for UNO. While honoring its past and celebrating its present, the Centennial Celebration will further position UNO as the prototype of a 21st century metropolitan university of distinction.