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501 Poli Street
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Public Invited to Join in City Hall Centennial Celebration Events

In celebration of the 100-year anniversary of the beautiful and historic San Buenaventura City Hall building at 501 Poli Street (formerly the Ventura County Courthouse), the public is invited to take part in the centennial's many commemorative festivities.

May & June: Donate items for the centennial time capsule. Help "capture time in a capsule" by sending your ideas and memorabilia reflecting slices of everyday life and personal memories and messages to rnewsham@cityofventura.net. The city is also looking for loans of 1913 era memorabilia for our temporary centennial display cases. Find out more at www.cityofventura.net/cityhallcentennial and help us make the new time capsule memorable for future generations when it is opened in 2113.

July 4 Street Fair 11am-4pm: Enjoy historic exhibits, plus free art, architecture and ghost tours about the building and its Municipal Art Collection (MAC). Receive a special commemorative gift magnet while supplies last (free). The theme of the 38th annual street fair on Main Street in downtown Ventura on Independence Day is "Ventura City Hall Centennial 1913-2013." Info at: www.cityofventura.net/streetfairs

July 15-19 Summer Art Camp 9am-12pm: Students 9-14 year-olds create artworks inspired by City Hall's architecture and art with Focus on the Masters, meet MAC artists and study various art forms in the Atrium. Register: \$150 at 805.658.4726 or www.cityofventura.net/recreation.

July 18 Dinner at the City 5pm: Purchase tickets (\$135 per person) for an elegant repast hosted by Totally Local VC as a benefit for Future Farmers of America on City Hall's expansive front lawn at www.totallylocalvc.com

July 25 Open House 11am-4pm: Experience City Hall at work; art, architecture and ghost tours (free); centennial exhibits & attend:

- **2pm: Historic Preservation Workshops:** The Architectural Terra Cotta of City Hall (free) sponsored by City of Ventura Community Development
- **4pm: City Hall Centennial Sculpture unveiled & Time Capsule sealed** (free) followed by birthday cake and refreshments sponsored by the City of Ventura Public Art Program

More info about these events can be found at www.cityofventura.net/cityhallcentennial

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