## **Rushville Bicentennial Acknowledgment**

Thank you- Yates County 200-year bicentennial celebration in Rushville was a huge success.

The Bicentennial Committee from the Village of Rushville, Town of Middlesex, and Town of Potter collectively held their parade and celebration on August 26 at the Rushville Village Park. The day was filled with friendship, entertainment, and comradery that was truly impressive and heartwarming. The Parade was different and unique with multiple themes including the military. After all without the military and their sacrifices, we never would have had a 200-year celebration to begin with.

Thank you, Dan Paddock, for your work with the celebratory parade and everything behind the scenes. We also want to thank Town Supervisors Dave Adam and Lary Lewis from Middlesex and Potter respectively, and Mayor David Le Clair from Rushville for all their leadership and committee work for several months. Finally, thank you to members of the Yates County Legislature for their participation and specifically Legislator Carlie Chilson for her dedication and committee work.

Clearly there are many people and organizations that deserve kudos, too many to list here. So please feel free to visit villageofrushville.com for a complete list of sponsors, participants, and donors. Without them the event would have been difficult. We have a lot to be proud of, so let's continue to work together making Rushville, Middlesex, Potter, and Yates County better and not lose sight of or forget why we do the work in the first place: to create communities where all residents love to live, work, and play which is what we like to call, "emotional equity". It feels good to be here. Thank you from Rushville, Middlesex, and Potter.

Thank you to our sponsors! Your kindness, participation, and donations were an important part of our successful celebration. We would like to acknowledge the following:

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