15 Things You Can Do to Celebrate the CDSS Centennial

There are so many ways to celebrate the CDSS Centennial! Whatever ways you find to partake, please make sure you share them with us! We want to be able to show the celebration as it happens across the continent throughout 2015.

Send us your snapshots, stories, videos and sounds whenever you’re doing something to celebrate 100 years of dance and song! Here’s how to share!

Social Media
Facebook: “Country Dance and Song Society (CDSS)"
Instagram & Twitter: “CDSSorg"
Submit to the Centennial Blog
E-mail stories, media, ideas and any questions you might have to community100@cdss.org, or see our website, http://cdss100.org/.

Here are some specific ideas to get you started

1. Get Press—Contact your local paper or media outlet, tell them about your group or event and how you are part of 100 years of dance, music or song in North America. Share it with us!
2. CDSS story project—Submit a story!
3. What We Believe—Meditate on the importance of our traditions in your life and describe what you find through a “What We Believe” essay. Do the writing prompt as a group and hold a group reading in your community (and...share it with us! You get the idea…)
4. Celebrate your local heroes—by writing up and sending us a story that recognizes someone who keeps traditions alive or makes things happen in your community.
5. Write a history of your community—we’ll share it on our timeline.
6. Interview someone—you’ve always wanted to talk to about how they got started dancing, singing or playing music. Send us an inspiring soundbite.
7. Selfies with Cecil—if Cecil Sharp, folk song and dance collector and co-founder of CDSS, shows up in your community, take a “selfie” with him and post it to our Facebook wall!
8. Send someone to camp—Nominate a young person from your community for a NGI (New Generation Initiative) scholarship so they can experience a CDSS camp for the first time. Or, commit to raise money for a matching scholarship to send any one person from your community to camp.
9. Send us your event—to add to the map and calendar.
10. Spread the Joy—Make a contribution to the Spread the Joy campaign.
11. Start a mentorship program—to ensure the next 100 years are great.
12. Invite someone—new to a dance, music or song event.
13. Explain who CDSS is—and what we do to someone who doesn’t yet know.
14. Stick a sticker—CDSS has window clings for your car! Take a picture of it and send it in.
15. Travel—to a new dance or song event, meet and thank the people who made it happen!

If you have any other ideas of how you want to get involved in the Centennial, let us know! Email us at community100@cdss.org