

# ***Clarendon Hills 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party Hosted by Citizens for Clarendon Hills***

In 1830, an energetic and determined settler named John J. Monell purchased 320 acres of Illinois prairie and forest. This land, 18 miles southwest of services supported by its residents, Clarendon Hills earned its reputation as "the volunteer community."

On Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, Citizens for Clarendon Hills, itself a group of volunteers dedicated to preserving our small Village's unique charm, hosted a birthday party for Clarendon Hills. Over one-hundred and fifty guests gathered to celebrate their charming village and the vision and accomplishments of C4CH. The party was adorned with items in line with it's theme – a video history of Clarendon Hills, pictures of historical building, and of course, flowering daisies. During the evening, many themes resonated with the guests such as the need to maintain the small-town charm as indicated in recent surveys, fiscally responsible spending, and smart, well-thought-out and gradual development that maximizes taxpayer investment. Perhaps most importantly, great fun was had by all, as evidenced by generous donations received by C4CH in furtherance of its mission.

Jan Cummings, C4CH Steering Committee Member and Clarendon Hills Historical Society member, said, "It's not everyday you turn ninety, so C4CH organized, planned and hosted a party."

Cummings added, "Clarendon Hills has accomplished so much over the past 90 years. The strong sense of community and retaining our small-town charm is what residents love about Clarendon Hills. I'm proud so many residents came together to celebrate our Village."



Nancy and Tim Graham, Adam Andrzejewski and John Q Smith



Lou and Sue Weintelbaum, Lisa and Will Tienken



Robert and Carolyn Berlin and Ed Corcoran



Kim Beard, Julie Ryder and Nan Hayes