

Help the Mount Prospect Historical Society Present: “An Evening at Chicago’s 1893 Columbian Exposition”

The 1893 Columbian Exposition still stands as one of Chicago’s greatest moments in history. Held only 22 years after a massive fire destroyed most of the city, it marked the high point of The Gilded Age of rapid industrial growth and immigration. Ostensibly held to mark the 400th anniversary of Columbus’ landing, it was actually an attempt to generate profits, boost real estate values, and promote the rebuilt city. To commemorate this epic event, the Mount Prospect Historical Society will present “An Evening at Chicago’s 1893 Columbian Exposition” at Rob Roy Country Club on Saturday, April 5. As in years past, patrons can choose from two meal options: The \$25 “Midway Meal” menu includes Vienna Beef

Hot Dogs with all the trimmings, which were actually introduced at the Fair, along with other treats offered there like macaroni and cheese, vegetable soup and sweet pickle cucumber salad. The \$75 “Pavilion Dining” menu, personally prepared by Chef Dave Esau of Dave’s Specialty Foods, includes turkey croquettes and crab bisque soup, along with historically-appropriate side dishes. Party-goers will be able to chat with the Fair’s master builder, “Daniel Burnham” and after the meal, he will tell the story of the building of the World’s Columbian Exposition, from the first shovelful of earth to the world’s largest enclosed building. The evening will be rounded out by Columbian Exposition Trivia and a cash bar.

Sponsorship Opportunities Available!

All of the proceeds from this event will benefit the Mount Prospect Historical Society’s Operating Fund. Consider a sponsorship of this event, which will assist the Society in underwriting the many expenses of this affair. Various sponsor levels are listed below. For more information on sponsorships and acknowledgements, please contact the Society’s executive director, Lindsay Rice, at **847-392-9006** or lmrice@mtphistory.org.

DON’T DELAY – The last two years this SOLD OUT event has attracted over 160 community-minded patrons!

Daniel Burnham - \$500 – Prominent stage banner with logo; logo at the entrance to welcome people; smaller signage around the room; logo in the program

Cyrus McCormick - \$300 – Logo at entrance to welcome people; signage with logo along entry in hallway; listing in program

Frederick Law Olmsted - \$250 – Signage with logo along entry in hallway; listing in program

Charles Wacker - \$200 – Cards with logo in centerpieces; listing in program

George Ferris - \$100 – Business logo on signage throughout venue; listing in program

Scott Joplin - \$50 – Listing in program

All sponsorships are on a first-come, first-served basis. Multiple and reciprocal sponsorships, in-kind donations and flexible acknowledgements will be considered.

***PLEASE NOTE THAT SPONSORSHIPS DO NOT INCLUDE COMPLIMENTARY ENTRY TO EVENT**