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25. Let them eat cake...birthday cake that is! Serve at meetings & events.

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27. Host a centennial poster contest for kids, 4-H, etc.

28. Post a birthday countdown to build excitement to October 27, 2013.

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