

Big Party Planned for Bluff Park Reopening on Friday

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Grand reopening of La Crosse's most visible park is this Friday. The city will hold a ceremony to not only open Granddad Bluff park but also commemorate its centennial. The park's been closed for a year to undergo an extensive renovation. Some of that meant to preserve the history of the site, says La Crosse park and recreation director, Steve Carlyon. He says the shelter is a good example of that; getting restored to specs in the original blueprints from 1930. At the ceremony on Friday will be food and drink and a ceremonial Ho-Chunk blessing. Renovation cost: \$1.4 million. Much of that paid for through state grants.