The Nevada Centennial Commission was created by a statute of 1961 to organize and support the celebration of Nevada's 100th birthday as a member of the Union, 1864-1964. The general purposes of the Commission were to: "sell Nevada to Nevadans - to create great pride in citizenship; and to sell Nevada to the United States, and to the rest of the world." Statutes of 1963 set the termination date of the Commission at June 30, 1965.