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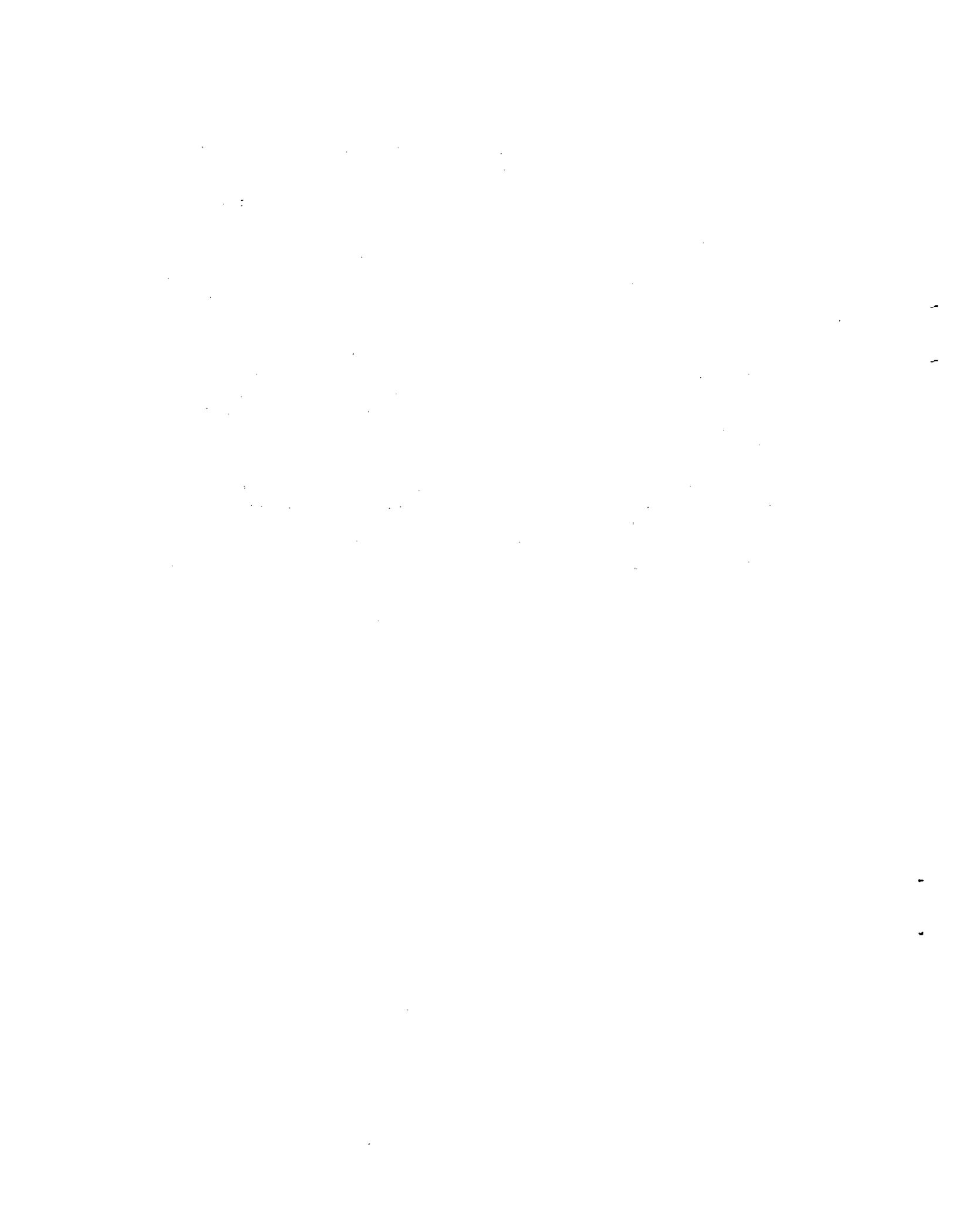
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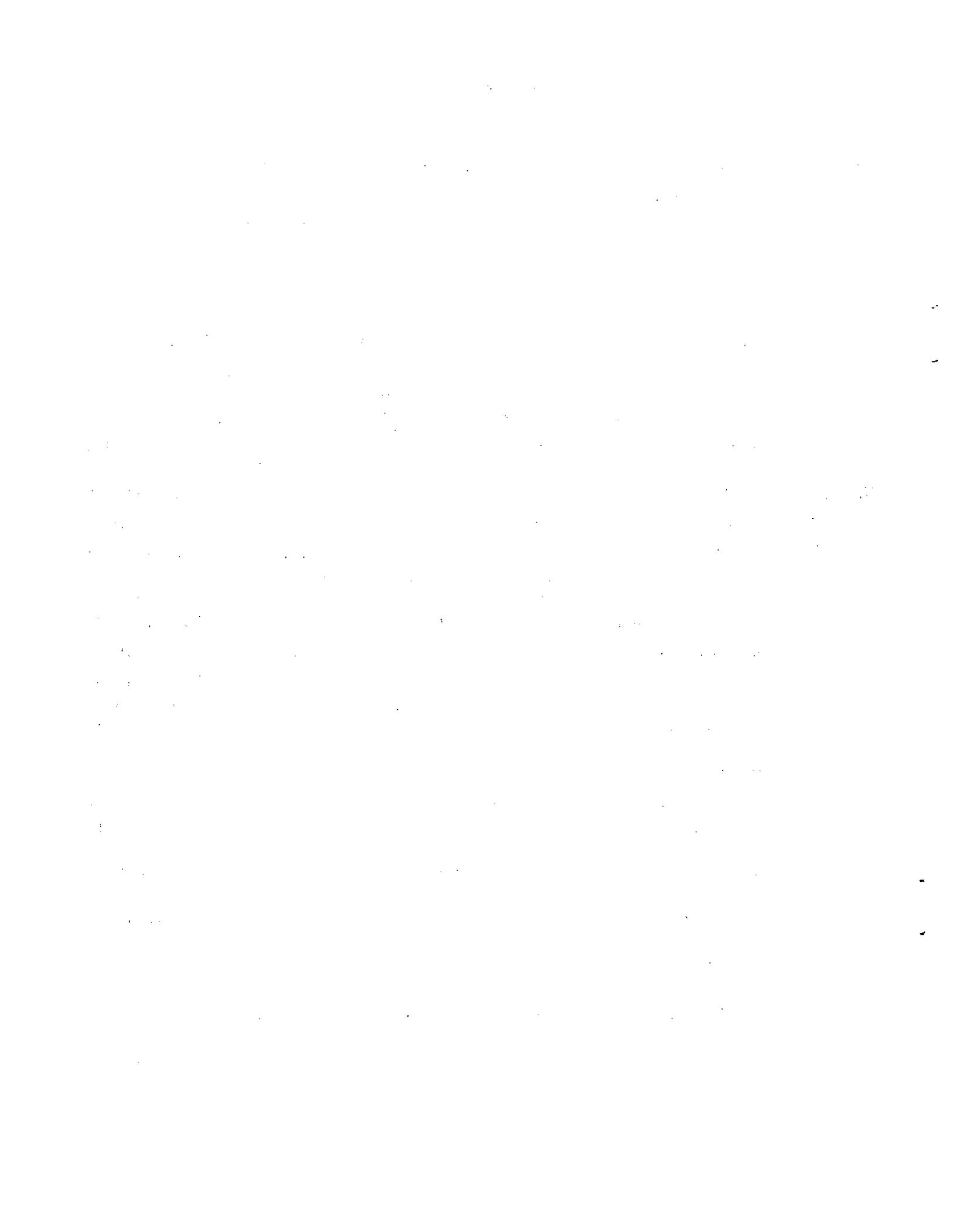
It is inevitable that materials like this document will contain some inaccuracies and omissions. Please make note of these and we will seek to include the needed changes in later editions. I hope that, within a few years, a second edition will be possible, and we will be able to build upon this cooperative effort.

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## I. DOING COMMUNITY AND LOCAL HISTORY RESEARCH SOUTH OF CHICAGO

This chapter presents an outline of some basic ideas about community and local history research and how to use the materials in this book. This looks at the following:

1. What is community and local history?
2. What resources are available for community and local history?
3. How to use these and other materials in community and local history.

### WHAT IS COMMUNITY AND LOCAL HISTORY?

This book provides a guide to the resources available for studying the history of communities and institutions in the suburban region south of Chicago. Throughout the region there is growing interest in understanding the richness and diversity of the historical development of our area. This interest is reflected in the number of local historical societies and museums that have been established and in an increasing public concern for historic preservation, history related to tourism, and a greater awareness of the history of local institutions, landmarks, and the like. This increase of interest in the southern suburbs is paralleled by a nationwide trend reflected in the growth of the American Association for State and Local History and other historical societies.

Obviously, community and local history differs from other kinds of history because of the focus on local events, local places, and local persons. Yet this focus may be approached in several ways.

Doing local and community history may mean looking at SPECIFIC TERRITORY. That is, the focus may be on the development of a village, city, neighborhood, block, or township. In a larger sense, the focus may be a subregion or a market area.

Doing local and community history may mean looking at PARTICULAR TIME PERIODS. That is, how do we understand the local experience of the Depression, the years of World War II, and of reactions on a particular day (the big flood, the tornado, a major fire, etc.). Local history might also look at a community or area in terms of a larger time frame; for example, settlement in an area before 1850, or during a specific decade, or through the nineteenth century.

Doing local and community history may mean looking at the DEVELOPMENT OF PARTICULAR ELEMENTS in the life of a community or of the region. Consider, for example, what it might mean to look at the history and development of:

- social and economic classes and groups in an area
- patterns of settlement
- ethnic and racial groups in a community or the region
- specific institutions like churches or other voluntary associations
- local politics and political parties
- public schools and the buildings and controversies that grew with them
- local business, industry, and labor movements
- local communities and institutions in relation to the large suburban region
- the forms of media serving communities or the region
- transportation: railroads, trolleys, interurbans, highways
- physical elements in communities like buildings, parks, streets, sewers.

Doing local and community history may mean looking at BROADER TRENDS AND ISSUES. That is to say, how have events and people in this region reflected national or world wide dynamics? As an example, it is very clear that the south suburban region is an outstanding reflection of the complex process of suburbanization around all American cities. The diversity of this region includes all of the elements of suburbanization. In similar ways, examples might be developed of how this region has reflected, revealed, or paralleled developments in migration patterns, the emergence of institutions or public policies, or in cultural and social patterns.

It may be, then, that the current work in local and community history will provide the base for very interesting developments along the directions outlined above and for other, more creative understandings of how our communities came to be and what they may yet become.

#### WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE FOR COMMUNITY AND LOCAL HISTORY?

Research in local and community history often builds upon a rich assortment of local resources. In almost any community, there will be some folks who have begun the process of collecting and saving materials concerned with local history. It is always wise to start at the local public library and the closest local historical society.

You may find or help discover these kinds of materials:

--Primary written documents:

-public records

Deeds, tax records, marriage and death certificates, etc. --at County building  
Census records -- summary statistics are available by municipalities, townships, and counties, but the most valuable are the microfilm copies of "manuscript census" materials for each decade (up through 1910). These are copies of the records made by the census takers with the names and many details on individuals.  
Minutes of village, township, and school board meetings  
Court and legal proceedings

-organizational records

church membership, baptismal, death registers  
business account books  
records of voluntary organizations

-print materials

newspapers  
city/regional business directories  
explorers' and visitors' books on passing through the area or the community  
pamphlets used for real estate or other promotions  
ephemera--materials produced to be used and discarded, menus, funeral notices, advertisements, ballots, handbills

-private records

scrapbooks, letters, diaries  
family histories

--Secondary written documents:

-Materials in existing county and local history books.  
county histories from 19th century  
books of local biographies (19th century)  
"celebration histories" of communities issued on some significant anniversary

-Materials in articles in local publications, newspaper supplements, academic journals, genealogical publications, theses and dissertations

-Materials in travel guides, novels set in the community or region

--Visual documents:

- maps and atlases
- posters, cartoons, illustrations, paintings
- photographs, postcards, glass plate and other photo negatives
- videotape and film materials

--Oral history materials:

- oral history interviews, tapes and transcripts
- recordings of meetings, local political speeches, and music

--Environments and Artifacts

- Evidences of earlier land uses  
locations of original settlements, rail and trolley lines, major industries, housing
- buildings, how their appearance and uses have changed, what purposes and realities were reflected in their construction
- "everyday objects"--clothing, furniture, tools, vehicles, memorabilia (small souvenirs)

HOW TO USE THESE AND OTHER MATERIALS

The practical intent of this book has been to bring together in one place a basic set of information on the region, and its townships and communities. This is the first comprehensive collection of summary Census figures, and the first set of bibliographies.

When you are working in local and community history, you might want to see how your interests are related to the two preceding discussions:

- What part of local and community history are you looking at --a specific place ?
  - time ?
  - element ?
  - issue ?
- What resources will be most helpful--
  - primary written documents ?
  - secondary written documents ?
  - visual documents ?
  - oral history materials ?
  - environments and artifacts ?

With those concerns clearly in mind, consider the following:

1. This resources guide is fairly well tied to communities, townships, and regional sources. Whatever your area of interest, these sources may be helpful by checking all the appropriate community and township listings.
2. Your interest or community may also be referred to in materials related to nearby communities or in township collections. As always, good research includes some hunting around in related sources.
3. Along with this guide, begin with the closest library and historical society. Again, there may be materials in nearby libraries and societies. These places have diverse collections of documents, artifacts, and memorabilia. Bear in mind that almost all of the historical societies are run by dedicated volunteers and may not have the indexes and guides to materials that would be found in a public library and also may be limited in terms of hours open and accessibility to materials.
4. Bear in mind that local history and genealogy are areas of interest which share many common resources. Much of the work and many of the tools developed by genealogists have become very helpful for research in local history. Often times, genealogists can be helpful in terms of finding materials and knowing where to look for vital statistics and other kinds of data.







## **II. SUMMARY OF POPULATION HISTORIES**

TABLE 1

## COMMUNITIES OF SOUTH COOK COUNTY/TOTALS BY DECADE &amp; 1984 EST.

COMMUNITY	Date of Incorp.	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1984
		...	...	1542	3329	6114	8043	11424	16534	16638	17622	19618	22958	21855	22298
Blue Island	1843	...	...	1542	3329	6114	8043	11424	16534	16638	17622	19618	22958	21855	22298
Burnham	1907						328	795	994	865	1331	2478	3634	4030	3951
Calumet City (West Hammond)	1911					2935	4948	7492	12298	13241	15799	25000	32956	39697	39942
Calumet Park	1912							1237	1429	1593	2500	8448	10069	8788	8946
Chicago Heights	1901					5100	14525	19653	22321	22461	24551	34331	40900	37026	35647
C. Club Hills	1958											3421	6920	14676	15171
Dixmoor	1922								944	1022	1327	3076	4735	4175	4147
Dolton	1892		...	448	1110	1229	1869	2076	2923	3068	5558	18746	25937	24766	24241
E. Hazel Crest	1918							394	686	754	1066	1457	1885	1362	1342
Flossmoor	1924								808	1270	1804	4624	7846	8423	8468
Ford Heights	1949										1548	3270	5000	5347	5591
Glenwood	1903						531	738	603	643	762	882	7416	10538	10365
Harvey	1895					5395	7227	9216	16374	17878	20683	29071	34636	35810	35413
Hazel Crest	1911							438	1162	1299	2129	6205	10329	13973	14138
Homewood	1893			313	...	352	713	1389	3227	4078	5887	13371	18871	19724	19104
Lansing	1893			218	...	830	1060	1409	3378	4462	8682	18098	25805	29039	28581
Lynwood	1959											255	1042	4195	5664

COMMUNITIES OF SOUTH COOK COUNTY/TOTALS BY DECADE & 1984 EST. (Cont'd)

COMMUNITY	Date of Incorp.	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1984
Markham	1925								349	1388	2753	11704	15987	15172	15267
Matteson	1889		...	451	323	449	461	485	736	819	1211	3225	4741	10223	11248
Midlothian	1927								1775	2430	3216	6605	15939	14274	14367
Oak Forest	1947										1856	3724	17870	26096	27004
Olympia Fields	1927								143	101	160	1503	3478	4146	4122
Park Forest	1949										8138	29993	30638	26222	26394
Phoenix	1900					...	679	1933	3033	2875	3606	4203	3596	2850	2880
Posen	1900						343	1117	1349	1386	1795	4517	5498	4642	4569
Righton Park	1926								137	107	232	933	2558	9403	10190
Riverdale	1892					558	917	1166	2504	2865	5840	12008	15806	13233	12869
Robbins	1917							431	953	1349	4766	7511	9641	8853	8770
Sauk Village	1957											4687	7479	10906	10804
S. Chicago Hts.	1907						552	949	1691	1837	2129	4043	4932	3932	3707
South Holland	1894			...	1005	766	1065	1247	1873	2272	3247	10412	23931	24977	23793
Steger	1896				...	712	2161	2304	2985	3369	4358	6432	8104	9269	8987
Thornton	1900		301	401	...	...	1030	767	1012	1101	1217	2895	3714	3022	2817
Tinley Park (Bremen)	1892	...	164	210	...	300	309	493	823	1136	2326	6392	12382	26178	28881

TABLE 2

## COMMUNITIES OF SOUTHWEST COOK COUNTY/TOTALS BY DECADE &amp; 1984 EST.

COMMUNITY	Date of Incorp.	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1984
Alsip	1927								327	541	1228	3770	11141	17134	17902
Chicago Ridge	1914							176	269	376	888	5748	9187	13473	14230
Crestwood	1928									458	739	1213	5543	10852	11583
Evergreen Park	1893					445	424	705	1594	3313	10531	24178	25487	22260	21362
Hickory Hills	1951											2707	13176	13778	14087
Hometown	1953											7479	6728	5324	5088
Lemont	1873				2108	2449	2284	2322	2582	2557	2757	3397	5080	5640	5700
Merrionette Park	1947										1101	2354	2303	2054	1961
Oak Lawn	1909						287	489	2045	3483	8751	27471	60305	60590	58630
Orland Hills	1961													2784	4143
Orland Park	1892						366	343	571	631	788	2592	6391	23045	26055
Palos Heights	1959											3775	9915	11096	10841
Palos Hills	1959											3776	6629	16654	16774
Palos Park	1941							240	456	596	854	2169	3297	3150	3200
Worth	1914							240	411	702	1472	8196	11999	11592	12008

TABLE 3

## COMMUNITIES OF EASTERN WILL COUNTY

COMMUNITY	Date of Incorp.	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980	1984
Beecher	1883	...	342	410	543	609	772	742	956	1367	1770	2024	2093	2093	2093
Crete	1880	...	539	642	840	945	1429	1772	2298	3463	4656	5417	5638	5638	5638
Frankfort	1879	...	332	431	273	497	590	568	685	1135	2325	4357	4766	4766	4766
Mokena	1880	...	522	364	281	359	475	657	903	1332	1643	4578	4907	4907	4907
Monee	1874	598	503	445	411	395	383	427	554	646	940	993	988	988	988
University Park (Park Forest So.)	1967	...	624	717	1003	1207	1090	1146	1395	1788	2345	2832	2923	2923	2923
Peotone	1869	...	624	717	1003	1207	1090	1146	1395	1788	2345	2832	2923	2923	2923

TABLE 4

## TOWNSHIPS OF SOUTH COOK COUNTY/TOTALS BY DECADE

TOWNSHIP	1850	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980
Bloom	785	1228	1213	1431	1514	7120	18339	24495	29337	30449	41273	70530	94757	101424
Bremen	250	1417	1501	1653	1453	1881	1898	6412	11890	16566	24951	55392	93906	109023
Calumet	...	...	1253	2576	9021	6162	8881	8463	9972	10169	11610	19299	23614	21637
Rich	168	1143	1539	1702	1435	1421	1301	1417	2243	2918	9436	32258	44801	58730
Thornton	369	1351	2222	3337	5201	14933	22067	30790	50650	56395	76819	138444	187863	191359
TOTALS:	1572	5139	7728	10699	18624	31517	52486	71577	104092	116497	164089	315923	444941	482173

## TOWNSHIPS OF SOUTHWEST COOK COUNTY/TOTALS BY DECADE

TOWNSHIP	1850	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980
Lemont	210	1389	3573	3798	5339	4441	4296	3569	4223	4463	5315	6732	8314	8850
Orland	504	1049	1130	1208	1163	1296	1230	1136	1316	1653	2298	7444	15028	42607
Palos	336	1019	853	1209	998	1074	1405	1136	1436	1907	5707	17728	33100	46412
Worth	589	2330	1747	2180	3406	6031	7354	10517	13729	20737	42345	107761	155834	158157
TOTALS:	1639	5787	7303	8395	10906	12842	14285	16358	20704	28760	55665	139665	212276	256026

## TOWNSHIPS OF EASTERN WILL COUNTY/TOTALS BY DECADE

TOWNSHIP	1850	1860	1870	1880	1890	1900	1910	1920	1930	1940	1950	1960	1970	1980
Crete	731	1189	1468	1763	1688	2239	3278	3397	4153	4210	6380	11737	15270	20416
Frankfort	844	1763	1924	2127	1648	1562	1609	1693	1867	2309	3311	5784	9633	20335
Green Garden	...	933	1202	1145	1003	889	758	677	674	641	642	678	791	1420
Monee	...	872	1600	1594	1309	1216	1121	1096	1014	1136	1737	5131	7240	10996
Peotone	...	301	1213	1643	1569	1810	1942	1737	1791	1732	1982	2392	2914	3319
Washington	...	578	1564	1905	1574	1586	1682	1731	1758	1663	1871	2347	2940	3536
Will	...	243	911	882	816	860	792	699	643	658	592	774	750	1136
TOTALS:	1575	5879	9882	11059	9607	10162	11182	11030	11900	12349	16515	28843	39538	61158

### III. BIBLIOGRAPHIES

These are bibliographies of print materials available in relation to the history and development of the suburban region south of Chicago extending into eastern Will County. Most of the existing materials focus on townships or communities, with some having a broader focus. The materials presented here are organized as follows:

*Regional and Township sources*--there are nineteenth century sources, county histories, and other materials which are multi-community or treat some significant portion of the area (e.g., townships), or which relate to an economic, transportation, or other factor that has a regional context. The genealogical and local history journal called *Where the Trails Cross* organizes its issues by township.

In general, the materials divide clearly between those related to *South and Southwest Cook County* and those for *Eastern Will County*.

*Communities*--The materials on communities are arranged alphabetically by the current municipalities in *South Cook*, in *Southwest Cook*, and in *Eastern Will*. Therefore, materials on historic place names will be found under the final succeeding name for the place (e.g., for references to *Thorn Grove* see Chicago Heights).

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The following indicates the location of materials at major sources. Much of this material is "non-circulating," that is, it can only be used where it is being preserved and protected.

CHS --Chicago Historical Society  
GSU --Governors State University Library  
ISH --Illinois State Historical Library  
JPL --Joliet Public Library

- LC --Library of Congress. These bibliographies contain the listings under "cities and towns" for South Cook County as found in *U. S. Local Histories in the Library of Congress, Vol. 3 --the Midwest* (published, 1975), and *Vol. 5 --Supplement* (1976). LC items can only be used at the Library of Congress.
- NL --Newberry Library
- SSG --Library of the South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society

## ON SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST COOK COUNTY

For additional and broader Cook County resources, see the materials at NL and CHS. Further references on the Calumet region and its industrial development will be found in historical materials on Chicago and northwestern Indiana. The CHS has specific sources on the Calumet Sag Channel, Calumet Harbor, and Illinois Waterways. The Hammond, Indiana, Public Library has extensive materials on the Calumet region.

Also note that this bibliography does not cover the extensive materials that are available on the southern areas of the City of Chicago which began as suburbs and were subsequently annexed into the City. Such materials will be found at CHS and in the Neighborhood History Research Collection of the Special Collections Division of the Chicago Public Library.

Microfilm copies of phonebooks for the Chicago suburbs from 1920 to 1971 will be found at the Chicago Public Library.

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#### ON THE TOWNSHIPS OF SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST COOK COUNTY

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See also Chicago Heights

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## THE COMMUNITIES OF SOUTH COOK COUNTY

### BLUE ISLAND

Blue Island was incorporated in 1872 and named after its geographical appearance. The community sits on the southern edge of a glacial ridge and, in the earliest days, from a distance the vegetation on the ridge created the appearance of a blue hazy island rising over the surrounding prairie areas. The area was referred to as Blue Island from its earliest days, but was first platted as the "Town of Portland." Official reference to the area as Blue Island was established by an act of the State Legislature in 1843.

In the lower level of the Blue Island Public Library (BIPL) you will find a local history museum. The Library and the Blue Island Historical Society have collected research materials and memorabilia. Many of the items listed here are at the Blue Island Public Library along with additional reference materials including newspapers, church histories, school yearbooks, etc.

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Hammond Historical Society. *First City Directory for Hammond, East Chicago, Hegewisch, Burnham, West Hammond, Illinois, 1889-1890*. Hammond, Indiana: The Hammond Historical Society, 1976. (NL)

95 page reprint of the 1889 edition of *Tri-Urban Directory of Hammond and East Chicago, Indiana and Hegewisch, Illinois*, by F. E. Gero.

### CALUMET CITY

Several mid-nineteenth century ethnic settlements were originally incorporated together as West Hammond in 1893, which was then changed to the City of Calumet City in 1924. Local history materials will be found at the Calumet City Library and in the Calumet Room of the Hammond (Indiana) Public Library. The Calumet City Historical Society is in the process of establishing a museum in the Calumet City Cultural Center.

A detailed "Bibliography for Calumet City, Illinois," is available from the Calumet City Historical Society.

Major print resources include:

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#### CALUMET PARK

Incorporated in 1912 as the Village of DeYoung, this community was renamed Calumet Park in 1930. It sits between Chicago and Blue Island.

#### CHICAGO HEIGHTS

In the 1830's and 40's, the intial settlement was known as Thorn Grove. In 1850, this was renamed Bloom by German settlers in honor of a patriot assassinated in Vienna in 1848. It became the City of Chicago Heights in 1892.

There are fairly substantial resources and primary and seconday materials available on the history of Chicago Heights. See particularly the materials at the Chicago Heights Public Library.

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### COUNTRY CLUB HILLS

Although not incorporated until 1958, the City of Country Club Hills includes areas that have had long established settlement.

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey*.

County Club Hills Bicentennial Commission. *From Cooper's Grove to County Club Hills*. (Hinsdale): printed by the Suburban Library System for the Country Club Hills Public Library, 1976. (ISH) 58 pages, illus., map.

"Hazel Crest/ County Club Hills," *Chicago Tribune*, June 12, 1985, section 8. 40 pages, a special community and advertising section.

*125 Years, 1849-1974*. (History of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Congregation, Country Club Hills). n.d., 28 p., illus. (SSG)

*Welcome to Country Club Hills, 20th Anniversary Edition*. Village of Country Club Hills, 1978 (?). 28 pages,

includes brief history.

#### DIXMOOR

This municipality was incorporated in 1922.

#### DOLTON

Named for an early settler in the region, Dolton was incorporated in 1892.

Print resources include:

*Despise not the day of small beginnings, Dolton, Illinois.*  
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EAST CHICAGO HEIGHTS (see Ford Heights)

#### EAST HAZEL CREST

This municipality, one of the smallest in the region in terms of population, was incorporated in 1918.

#### FLOSSMOOR

Started by the Illinois Central as a site for summer homes, Flossmoor became incorporated in 1924.

Print resources include:

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey*

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Adair, Anna B., and Sandbery, Adeli. *Indian Trails to Tollways, the Story of the Homewood-Flossmoor Area.*  
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#### FORD HEIGHTS

Originally incorporated in 1949 as East Chicago Heights, this community adopted this new name in 1987.

#### GLENWOOD

First identified as Hickory Bend, this settlement was incorporated in 1903 as the Village of Glenwood.

Each year Brookwood School District No. 167 publishes a local history calendar. The Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library has local history files with historic photographs, booklets, and a file on notable residents.

Print resources include:

See under Chicago Heights, Beaudette. . .

*Fifty Years of Boy-Building, 1887-1937.* Glenwood: The Glenwood Manual Training School, (1937). (CHS)  
61 pages, illus.

CHS also has some annual reports and miscellaneous pamphlets on what is now called the Glenwood School for Boys. ISH has annual reports for 1902, 1907.

#### HARVEY

Initially known as South Lawn, the City of Harvey was incorporated in 1895. This became a vigorous industrial center and temperance community created by the work of the

Harvey Land Association which advertised heavily during the Columbian Exposition (the Chicago world's fair of 1893).

Excellent materials are held by the Harvey Public Library. The Thornton Township Historical Society controls the old Harvey City Hall and has a remarkable collection of materials from the the Harvey Land Association and its work in the 1890's.

Print resources include:

See *Calumet Federation for the Renovation of Calumet Waterways*.

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey*.

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*Churches of Harvey*  
*Harvey Fire Department*  
*Schools of Harvey*  
*Floods*

*Harvey: A Place on the Prairie.* A Slide Show of the History of Harvey. Script by Ralph Dawson, George Morse, Renata Ochsner, and Cliff Massoth.

Haveman, Ernest and Love, George. *I Never Thought We'd Make It.* New York: Harcourt, Brace & Co., 1952. (A novel set, in part, in Harvey and Hazel Crest.)

Rahn, Carol. *Local Elites and Social Change: A Case Study of Harvey, Illinois.* Chicago: 1980. University of Chicago Ph.D. dissertation, 145 p.

Wolf, Wayne L. *The Gin Bottle Riot of 1964: Harvey and Dixmoor in Flames.* Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Co., 1977. 78 pages, illus.

## HAZEL CREST

Originally identified as South Harvey, the Village of Hazel Crest was incorporated in 1911. A comprehensive community history of Hazel Crest has been written by Ms. Geraldine Baader and this would be a highly useful starting point for persons doing research in Hazel Crest. This MA project has a comprehensive bibliography.

Major print resources include:

Baader, Geraldine M. *The Emergence of Hazel Crest*. (1983). 84 pages plus appendices, maps, bibliography. Unpublished M. A. thesis at Governors State University.

"Hazel Crest/Country Club Hills," *Chicago Tribune*, June 12, 1985, section 8. 40 pages, special community and advertising section.

League of Women Voters of Hazel Crest. *This is Hazel Crest*. (Hazel Crest), 1964. 35 pages, illus. (SSG)

Contains brief history, governmental organizations, services, community groups.

## HOMEWOOD

At the location on the Illinois Central known as Thornton Station, the settlement of Hartford had been established by James Hart in 1853. This was incorporated as the Village of Homewood in 1893.

Local history materials can be found at the Homewood Public Library and with the Homewood Historical Society with is located in the restored Dorband-Howe House.

Print resources include:

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey*.

See under Chicago Heights, Beaudette, *Chicago Heights*, and Michalek, *A Look Into the Past*.

Adair, Anna B., and Sandbery, Adeli. *Indian Trails to Tollways, the Story of the Homewood-Flossmoor Area*. (Homewood?): Fremous Press, 1968. (NL, CHS, ISH, SSG)

Hinko, Michael J. *History of Homewood*. Homewood: R. D. Irwin, 1976. 122 pages, illus.

"Homewood/Flossmoor," *Chicago Tribune*, February 29, 1984,

Section 8. 56 pages, illus., adv., historical and descriptive articles. (GSU)

League of Women Voters of Homewood, Flossmoor-Olympia Fields. *Know Your Town, Homewood, Flossmoor, Olympia Fields*. (Homewood), 1967. 72 pages, illus., map. (GSU)

*St. Paul Community Church, The First Hundred Years (1865-1965)*. Homewood, 1965. 64 pages, illus. (SSG)

### LANSING

The Village of Lansing now includes the settlements originally known as Cummings Corners, Oak Glen, and Seester. Lansing was incorporated in 1893. Materials will be found in the Lansing Public Library and the Lansing Historical Society. The Historical Society has files on the airport, schools, churches, records from the Bicentennial Committee, photographs, and assorted other materials. The Ford Airport Hangar at the Lansing Airport is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Print resources include:

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey*.

"Centennial Edition," *Lansing Journal*, August 17, 1954.  
At CHS, in "Illinois town centennial newspapers" file.

Folkert, Morris G. *Centennial of the First Reformed Church, Lansing, Illinois*. 1961. (SSGHS)

Dekker, James. *History, Lansing Reformed Church, Lansing, Illinois, August 21, 1861 - August 21, 1936*. (Lansing, Ill: The Lansing Printing Co., 1936) (CHS) 27 pages, illus.

*First Methodist Church: The Story of This Church*. Lansing, 1960. 8 pages, illus. (SSG)

*Lansing Bicentennial Reflections, 1776-1976*. Lansing: The Lansing Chamber of Commerce, 1976. 160 pages, illus.

*Oak Glenn Cemetary, Lansing, Illinois*. South Holland: The South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society, 1978. 29 pages, listing of persons buried with dates.

*Old Thornton Township Cemetary*. South Holland: SSGHS, 1976. Listing of persons buried, with dates.

### LYNWOOD

The Village of Lynwood was incorporated in 1959.

## MARKHAM

The Village of Markham was incorporated in 1925.

## MATTESON

Platted in 1855 and incorporated in 1889, the Village was named in honor of the Governor of Illinois during the late 1850's.

Matteson has an active Historical Society with a good collection of materials and photographs from throughout the history of the community. The Society maintains an office and local history museum in the Village Community Center at 813 School Street. The Society has a "Walk Historic Matteson" brochure which traces Village history and takes the walker past landmarks which have been "plaqued." In addition, a slide-tape history program entitled *Matteson--120 Years Young* is available (20 minutes in length, produced in 1975 by Pat Backus).

Print resources include:

*See Illinois Historic Structures Survey.*

*Conversations that Look Back.* Matteson, 1986. 32 p., illus.

Booklet developed out of oral history interview project by 8th grade humanities students.

*Matteson, 125 Years, 1855-1980.* Matteson, 1980. 72 pages, illus.

Matteson, Illinois Centennial Committee. *Matteson: Pow Wow to Know How, Matteson Centennial, 1855-1955, July 16-24* (Hammond, Ind.: Ralph F. Beer, Printer, 1955) 42 pages, illus. (SSG, ISHO)

*We Are Zion Evangelical Lutheran Congregation.* Galion, Ohio: United Church Directories, 1970. 32 pages, illus.

## MIDLOTHIAN

Incorporated in 1927, the Village's name derived from the Country Club and had its origins from the region of Scotland and the Waverly novels of Sir Walter Scott.

Bremen High School Bicentennial History Project. *The Community that Pride Built . . . Midlothian.* (Midlothian?): Bremen High School, 1976. SSG

Midlothian Country Club. *Midlothian Country Club, constitution, by-laws, house and ground value, and list of members.* Chicago, various years. CHS has volumes for 1900, 1902, 1909.

Potter, E. C. *Midlothian Melodies, Mnemonic Moundings of the Merry Verse.* Chicago: R. R. Donnelly & Co., 1900. (CHS) 58 pages, printed for private use for persons related to the Country Club.

#### OAK FOREST

The Village was incorporated in 1927.

ISH has blueprints for Forest View Ave. School and Oak Forest High School.

Print resources include:

See under Blue Island, Beaudette.

#### OLYMPIA FIELDS

The Village was incorporated in 1927.

Print resources include:

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey.*

Dione, Edward D. *Olympia Fields, An Illinois Community's 50th Anniversary, 1927-1977.* Chicago Heights: Signal Printing Co., 1977. 161 pages, illus. (SSG)

A brief history and overview of community.

League of Women Voters of Homewood, Flossmoor-Olympia Fields. *Know Your Town, Homewood, Flossmoor, Olympia Fields.* (Homewood), 1967. 72 pages, illus., map. (GSU)

#### PARK FOREST

Incorporated in 1949, Park Forest has an international reputation as a post-war, suburban planned community. It has twice received the All-American City Award. William H. Whyte's classic, *The Organization Man*, focuses on the lifestyles of persons living in communities like Park Forest, and this book has an extensive chapter on the Village.

The Village has a recently formed Historical Society. The Park Forest Library has extensive files on the history and

growth of the community. In 1980, the Library conducted a model oral history project. Sixty five interviews were recorded and transcribed and a significant collection of collateral materials were received during this process. For research on Park Forest, this collection of interviews and related materials would be very valuable. In relation to these materials, see particularly:

Shields, Chip. *OH, Park Forest: Oral History of Park Forest, An Interpretation.* Park Forest: Park Forest Public Library, 1981. 44 pages, illus.

See also at the Park Forest Library:

*American Community Builders Scrapbook.* (No date, large scrapbook of miscellaneous materials on Park Forest's early history)

The Library at the CHS has additional materials on Park Forest including:

American Community Builders, Inc. "Management with vision set their sites in Park Forest Industry Park," Park Forest, Ill., (1954?) 10 pages.

American Community Builders. *Park Forest Directory, 1955.*

*Facts About Park Forest, Illinois.* Park Forest, 1953.

Keysor, Charles W. "Park Forest Could Have Happened Only in America," *Commerce*, vol. 51, no. 2, pages 28-30, 185-190, illus.

"Park Forest, Illinois, Proving Ground for Community Planning Techniques," *Architectural Record*, 1951, pages 95-110.

"Park Forest," *Chicago Tribune*, June 6, 1952, special section.

Shields, Charles J. "Park Forest: One-Time Organization Man Land," (in *Omnibus*, Chicago, 1966. Vol. 3, no. 4, pages 22-23, 48-50, illus.)

Star, Jack. "The Graying of Park Forest" (in *The Chicagoan*, Chicago, May, 1974. Vol. 1, no. 8, pages 74-78, illus.)

## PHOENIX

The community was incorporated in 1900 and received its name from a local businessman who had recently traveled in the American west and liked the city of Phoenix, Arizona.

Print resources include:

*Phoenix, 75th Anniversary.* (Phoenix, 1975?). 24 p., illus.

#### POSEN

The Village was incorporated in 1900.

Print resources include:

See under Blue Island: Beaudette and *Bumstead's Blue Island Directory.*

#### RICHTON PARK

The Village was incorporated in 1926, with its name derived from that of Rich Township.

Print resources include:

The ISH has blueprints for Rich South High School.

Annerino, Mary R. *Richton Park Retrospect, (19)26--(19)76.*  
(Published for the Richton Park Bicentennial Commission by School Annual Publishing Co.) (1976) Reproduced from typescript, illus. (ISH)

Jackel, P. T. "Immanuels Gemeinde zu Richton, Cook Co., Ill.," *Deutsch-Amerikanische Geschichtsbatter*, vol. 3, no. 4, pages 18-19. (CHS)

*The Old Sauk Trail Historical Pageant, Pageant days, July 25-August 1, 1926.* 24 pages, illus., map. (SSG, and typed excerpts from this in files at GSU Library)

#### RIVERDALE

Named for its location on the Calumet River, the Village was incorporated in 1892.

Print resources include:

*Directory of Riverdale, Dolton, and South Holland, 1922/23.*  
Chicago: McDonough & Co., 1922 (LC)

(History of Riverdale, Illinois, documents). Prepared by the CHS and Local Community Research Committee of University of Chicago, 1928-29. (SSG)

Inverviews of residents, documents on early history, and information derived from old letters and clippings.

League of Women Voters. *Spotlight on Riverdale.*  
(Riverdale), 1958. (CHS, SSG)

*Riverdale, Illinois, Your Village and Mine!* Riverdale,  
1953. 16 pages, prepared by the Progressive Party of  
Riverdale. (SSG)

Contains a brief history, general village information,  
map locating points of interest.

### ROBBINS

The Village was incorporated in 1917. Some local history  
materials will be found at the Public Library.

Print resources include:

Allen, E. L. *History of Robbins.* Typescript, copy at  
Robbins Library. date unknown.

McCoo, F. A., Sr. "*Say it With Pictures,*" *Achievement of  
the Negro in Chicago, Illinois, the past twenty-five  
years.* Chicago: F. A. McCoo, Sr., 1933. (CHS)

On pages 64-65, an illustrated brief history of Robbins  
as the only municipality in the North "governed  
entirely by colored officials."

### SAUK VILLAGE

The Village was originally the settlement of Sauk and was  
incorporated as a village in 1957.

### SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS

The Village was incorporated in 1907.

Print resources include:

*The Past to the Present, Village of South Chicago Heights.*  
South Chicago Heights: Bi-centennial Committee,  
(1976). 24 pages, illus. (GSU, SSG)

Includes brief historical notes, overview of  
government, groups, services, businesses.

### SOUTH HOLLAND

Incorporated in 1894, the village's name derived from the  
fact that early settlers had come from the southern part of  
Holland. The South Holland Historical Society maintains a  
local history museum in the basement of the South Holland  
Public Library.

Print resources include:

Cook, Richard A. *A History of South Holland, Illinois, 1846-1966*. South Holland: South Holland Trust and Savings Bank, (1966). 96 pages, illus., maps. (LC, NL, CHS, GSU)

Revision of Master's thesis, includes bibliography, pages 93-96.

*Directory of Riverdale, Dolton, and South Holland, 1922/23*. Chicago: McDonough & Co., 1922. (LC)

*District 151 in History, Recollections of Education in South Holland*. South Holland: South Suburban Genea. and Hist. Society, 1978. (SSG)

Historical review of schools in the district, with notes from interviews, etc.

Ettena, Ross. *From the Land of Windmills and Wooden Shoes*. 2nd edition, revised. Published privately, 1976. 54 pages, index, genealogical material. (CHS, NL, SSG)

*First Reformed Church of South Holland, 1848-1948*. (South Holland, 1948). (NL, CHS)

Hahn, Arvin W. "The Onion Set Industry of South Holland, Illinois," (from *Scientific Monthly*, May, 1953, pages 306-307, illus.) (CHS)

Hahn, Arvin W. *The South Holland Onion Set Industry*. South Holland: South Holland Trust and Savings Bank, 1952. 52 pages, illus. (ISH)

Revision of dissertation.

*South Holland, Illinois, 75th Anniversary, 1894-1969*. South Holland: The Shopper, 1969? 61 p., illus. (SSG)

Vandenbosch, Amry. *The Dutch Communities of Chicago*. Chicago: The Knickerbocker Society of Chicago, 1927. 103 p.

#### STEGER

Home for many years of the Steger Piano Company, the Village was incorporated in 1896. Originally established as Columbia Heights, it was renamed for John V. Steger.

Print resources include:

See under Chicago Heights, Beaudette, *Chicago Heights*,

and Michalek, *A Look Into the Past*.

Steger and Company. *New Illustrated Catalogue of the Steger Pianos*. Chicago: (P. F. Pettibone & Co., 1893?).  
28 pages, illus. (CHS)

*Steger Bicentennial Committee Presents Town Meeting '76*,  
April 3, 9 to 5. 64 pages. (SSG)

Contains a brief history of Steger with current  
community overview.

### THORNTON

The area around Thornton is particularly rich in yielding evidence of early Native American Indian settlements. The first permanent white settlement came in 1834 and the Village was incorporated in 1900. This is the home of the world famous Thornton Quarry, and stone has been mined here since 1836.

Thornton has an active Historical Society which maintains a local history museum in the historic Evangelical Peace Church. Landmark buildings have been identified and marked, and local history collections will be found in the Thornton Public Library and the Historical Society.

Print resources include:

See *Illinois Historic Structures Survey*.

See under Chicago Heights, Beaudette, *Chicago Heights*,  
and Michalek, *A Look Into the Past*.

*History of Thornton, Illinois*. Written by seventh grade,  
Thornton Public School, 1949. (SSG)

### TINLEY PARK

Founded by German settlers around 1845, the village became known as New Bremen. The arrival of the Rock Island railroad in 1852 brought about the rapid economic expansion of the community. In 1892, the village was incorporated and renamed Tinley Park after the first station agent, Samuel Tinley.

The "Old Zion Church" village landmark, on 174th Street in the older part of the Village, houses the Landmark Museum and the Bremen Historical Society of Tinley Park. The museum has a good collection of local history materials, including artifacts, documents, clothing, photographs, and oral history accounts. Two collections are on display, one on the original Indian inhabitants of the area, and one

tracing the historical development of Tinley Park from its origins.

CHS has a pamphlet file on Tinley Park with miscellenous materials including some from 1960 on the Tinley Park Industrial District.

Print resources include:

See under Blue Island, Beaudette.

Kovarik, Robert J. (with additions by June M. Staackmann and Robert Bettenhausen). *Walking Tour of Tinley's Olde Towne*. Tinley Park: Landmark Museum of Bremen Historical Society, 1987. 20 p., map.

Rea, Patrick, editor. *Tinley Park: 125th Anniversary-- 1845-1970*. Tinley Park: The Tinley Park Chamber of Commerce, 1970.

Semmler, William, compiler. *Centennial of Tinley Park, 1845-1945, 100 years of progress*. (Tinley Park: The Tinley Park Times, 1945). 28 pages, illus. (CHS, ISH)

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### Alsip

The Village was incorporated in 1927. Materials will be found at the Alsip-Merrionette Park Library.

Print resources include:

*Alsip's Golden Jubilee, 1927-1977.* Alsip: Alsip Chamber of Commerce, 1977. 39 pages.

*Alsip History.* 31 page photocopy of paper, no author or date given (at Alsip-Merrionette Park Library).

### Chicago Ridge

Incorporated in 1914, Village history materials will be found at the Chicago Ridge Library. These include oral history interviews on the Village.

Print resources include:

"Chicago Ridge Golden Jubilee, 1914-1964," *Worth Palos Reporter*, June 25, 1964.

"Chicago Ridge, 60 Years as a Village," *Worth Palos Reporter*, July 4, 1974.

Pate, Anne. "In the Olden Days--an outline history of Chicago Ridge, Illinois, 1776-1976." A Bicentennial memoir, 1976. Also in *Where the Trails Cross*, Vol. 11, no. 2. (SSG, GSU)

### Crestwood

The Village was incorporated in 1928. Some materials will be found at the libraries in Crestwood and Oak Lawn.

Print resources include:

Austin, Diane, *et.al.* *Great Today, Greater Tomorrow.* Crestwood, 1976. 53 pages, includes early history and copies of early village documents.

### Evergreen Park

The Village was incorporated in 1893. Local history materials will be found in the libraries in Evergreen Park, Oak Lawn, and Blue Island.

Print resources include:

Evergreen Park Bicentennial Commission. *Freedom is Our Greatest Heritage -- Evergreen Park Celebrates 1776-1976.* (Evergreen Park, 1976).

"Evergreen Park's Diamond Jubilee Celebration, Souvenir Edition," *Southwest Messenger*, 1968.

Evergreen Park Unit of the League of Women Voters of Illinois. *Evergreen Park.* 1972 edition, 48 pages. 1981 edition, 62 pages.

*The Fiftieth Anniversary -- Village of Evergreen Park.* (Evergreen Park): December 20, 1943.

Leeder, Stephanie and William (editors). *The Village of Evergreen Park -- 75th Anniversary Album, 1893-1968.* 56 pages.

### Hickory Hills

The village was incorporated in 1951. Some local history materials will be found in the Green Hills Public Library in Palos Hills.

### Hometown

Hometown was incorporated in 1953. Local history materials will be found at the Hometown Public Library, including scrapbooks of news articles on the community.

Print resources include:

"Hometown Reviews its Years, 1953-1971," *Suburbanite Economist*, June 12, 1973.

"Pride, Involvement -- 25 Years of Good Times in Hometown," *Economist*, May 26, 1978. Page 5.

### Lemont

Incorporated in 1873, but settled much earlier, Lemont is one of the most historic and interesting of all south suburban communities. It has an active historical society and the town maintains much of its early architecture and style from the days of canal and railroad building. The Public Library, located in the high school, has some file materials, but the major source is through the historical society. Lemont is also documented in materials on the I and M Canal. The Lemont Area Historical Society also has a variety of newspapers on microfilm from the 1890's through the present.

Print resources include:

Illinois Historic Structures Survey. *Inventory of Architecture before World War II in Lemont, Cook County.* Interim report. (Chicago), 1973. (CHS)

Lemont Area Centennial Committee. *Lemont, Illinois: Its History, in commemoration of the Centennial of Its Incorporation, 1873-1973.* Lemont, 1974. (SSG, ISH) 208 pages, illus.

Lemont Area Historical Society -- Cemetery Readings:

*St. Alphonsus Cemetery*  
*Bethany Lutheran Cemetery*  
*St. Cyril Cemetery*

Lemont Bicentennial Commission and Lemont Area Historical Society. *Lemont History and Anecdotes.* Second edition. Lemont, 1978. (SSG, GSU)

Very useful source book with walking tour of Lemont.

Lemont Methodist Church. *Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Program, October 4, 1936.* (Lemont, 1936). (ISH) 24 pages.

Lewis, Albert W. *Greater Lemont.* (Lemont?), 1913. 24 pages. (SSG)

Ludwig, Thomas F. *A Lively Skirmish: The Lemont Quarry Strike of 1885.* (Lemont?, 1971?). Typescript, 23 pages. (ISH)

#### Merrionette Park

This small community was incorporated in 1947. Some local history materials will be found at the Oak Lawn Public Library.

#### Oak Lawn

The community of Oak Lawn was settled in 1836, laid out in 1852, and incorporated in 1909. The Oak Lawn Historical Society was founded in 1976 and collects artifacts, documents, and photographs. The Society also maintains a collection of maps showing the original surveys (1832) of all townships in the Cook County area. The Oak Lawn Public Library maintains a newspaper file. At one time, the Library published seven booklets on the history of the area under the general title, *Black Oak and After.*

Print resources include:

League of Women Voters. *Know Your Town*. Editions of this were developed and printed in 1956, 1960, and 1975.

"Oak Lawn Golden Jubilee Special Edition," *Southwest Suburbanite*, August, 1959.

*Oak Lawn, Sixty Years of Progress*. Oak Lawn Library, 1969.

Sullivan, William J. *Oak Lawn: A Century of Growth*.  
Oak Lawn: The Oak Lawn Chamber of Commerce, 1982.

### Orland Hills

Incorporated as the Village of Westhaven, the community changed its name in 1985.

### Orland Park

The Village was incorporated in 1892 and took its name from that of the township. Local history materials will be found in the files of the Orland Library and the Orland Historical Society. Society materials include newspapers, legal papers, maps, oral history tapes, a collection of over 250 old photographs, and two slide presentations. The Society also has a reconstructed log cabin furnished in pre-1860 antiques. A "Bibliography of Orland Park History" is maintained.

Print resources include:

ISH has blueprints for Carl Sandburg High School.

### Palos Heights

The Village was incorporated in 1959 and has both a Library and historical society. The Library has a well-organized file of local history materials on this and nearby communities. Palos Heights is also the location of the Dutch Heritage Center on the campus of Trinity Christian College. The Center's collections include archives and memorabilia on communities with significant settlement by Dutch immigrants.

### Palos Hills

Also incorporated in 1959, and adjacent to Palos Heights and Palos Park, the community has some local history materials in the Green Hills Public Library. The Library has done a series of oral history interviews over the years.

Print resources include:

Slaymaker, Charles M. III, and Jr. "AuSagaumashke Village: the Upper Mississippian Occupation of the Knoll Spring Site, Cook County, Illinois," *Archeological Survey, Mississippian Site, Archeology in Illinois, I*, 1971. Urbana: University of Illinois, 1971. Pages 192-249.

### Palos Park

Although settled much earlier, the Village did not incorporate until 1941. The Historical Society works in conjunction with the Palos Park Library and local history materials are at the Library. There have also been oral history interviews conducted and transcribed.

Print resources include:

See under regional sources, Chapin, L., *Round About Chicago*.

Johnson, Esther L. *Down Through the Years, the History of the Palos Park Woman's Club, 1902-1982*. (Palos Park), Palos Park Woman's Club, 1982. 51 pages, illus. (ISH)

Mann, Robert. *The Palos Preserves (Their Histories and Attractions)*. (Chicago): Forest Preserve District of Cook County, 1963. (CHS)

Pashley, Hattie A. *Dedication Ceremonies, Community House of the Village of Palos Park, March 30, 1940*. Illus. (ISH)

Pashley, Hattie S. *Historic Palos*. (Chicago), 1923. (CHS)

Pashley, Hattie S., and Dunn, Eleanor R. *Pageant of Palos Presented by the People of Palos Township, September 16, 1916, at Palos Park, Illinois, under the Auspices of the Palos Improvement Club*. September 16, 1916. (Chicago: The Hildmann Printing Co., 1916.) Mimeographed copy. (CHS)

Spiegl, Marie. "Palos Park: An Exurban Village in a Suburban Township," *Bulletin of the Illinois Geographical Society*. Vol 17, December, 1975. Pages 8-23.

### Worth

The Village was incorporated in 1914. Local history materials will be found at the Worth Library.

Print resources include:

"Commemorating Pioneer Day -- September 12, 1982," *The Worth Palos Reporter*, Section 3, September 9, 1982. 20 pages.

"Sixty Years as a Village, Worth, 1914-1974,"  
*Worth Palos Reporter*, June 20, 1974.

"The Story of Worth, 50 Years as a Village, 1914-1964,"  
*Worth Palos Reporter*, August 27, 1964. 32 pages,  
illus., the "Golden Anniversary Souvenir Edition of  
August 27, 1964."

ON EASTERN WILL COUNTY

Will County was established on January 17, 1836, from sections of Cook and Iroquois Counties.

This bibliography focuses on the seven townships of eastern Will County and the municipalities within this area. Additional and broader references on Will County will be found at CHS, JPL, and the records of the Will County Historical Society.

Included within this list are the references to be found in  
Wolf, Joseph C. "Selected References on Will County,"  
*A Reference Guide for Genealogical and Historical Research in Illinois*. Detroit: Detroit Society for Genealogical Research, 1963. (at NL)

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REGIONAL SOURCES:

Bati, John. *Stage Coaches Routes Through Will County*.  
(Lockport?): Will County Historical Society, 1978.  
5 p. (ISH)

*Black and White Together: Will County As It Was and As It Is in 1970*. Akron, Ohio: International Chemical Workers Union, (1970?). (ISH, JPL)

*Combination Atlas of Will County*. Elgin: Thompson Bros. & Burr, 1873. (NL, ISH) 135 p.

Drury, John. *This is Will county, Illinois*. Chicago: The Loree Co., 1955. 634 pages, "an up-to-date historical narrative with county and township maps and many unique aerial photographs of cities, towns, villages, and farmsteads."

Farrell, Kathleen, and Freedman, Stephan. *Roll the Union On Will County Labor History*. (Joliet, 1983?) (ISH)

A tape cassette slide show.

*Forty Years Ago: A Contribution to the Early History of Joliet and Will county*. Joliet: G. H. Woodruff & J. Goodspeed, 1874. (CHS, NL)

Two lectures given before the Joliet Historical Society, Dec. 17, 1873, and March 24, 1874.

- Genealogical and Biographical Record of Will County.*  
Chicago: Biographical Publishing Co., 1900.  
628 pages. (JPL)
- Genealogical and Biographical Record of Kendall and Will Counties.* Chicago: Biographical Publishing Co., 1901. 670 p. (CHS, NL, ISH)
- Goodspeed, James. *Will County General Directory for 1872-73, containing the name, occupation, and post office of every resident within the county.* Joliet: Republican Book & Job Printing Co., 1872. 202 p. with advertising. (CHS, JPL)
- The History of Will County.* Compiled by G. H. Woodruff, W. H. Perrin & H. H. Hill. Chicago: W. LeBaron, Jr., and Co., 1878. 995 p.  
  
Reproduction in 1973 by Unigraphic, Inc., Evansville, Indiana. (CHS, NL, SSG, GSU, ISH, JPL)
- Illinois Historic Landmarks Survey. *Inventory of Historic Landmarks in Will County.* Interim report. Carbondale, Ill: 1974. (JPL)
- Illinois Historic Structures Survey. *Inventory of Historic Structures in Will County.* Interim Report. Chicago: 1972. (CHS, JPL)
- Illinois State Gazetteer and Business Directory, 1893.* Chicago: R. L. Polk and Co., 1893. 2,554 pages, illus., adv. (JPL)  
  
Contains brief community descriptions and lists of business persons for all towns in Illinois.
- Koukol, Winiferd, compiler. *Will County, Illinois, 1860 Census Index.* Lyons, Ill.: W. Koukol, (1982?). 44 p. (ISH)
- Lundberg, G. W., compiler. *Will County: 1850 Census.* Homewood, Ill.: Root & Tree Publications, 1972. (NL, ISH)
- Maue, August. *History of Will County, Illinois.* Topeka: Historical Publishing Co., 1928. (CHS, ISH, JPL)
- Ogle, George A. and Co. *Plat Book of Will County.* Chicago: George Ogle & Co., 1893. 81 p., plates, maps. (ISH)
- Ogle, George A. and Co. *Standard Atlas of Will County.* Chicago: George A. Ogle & Co., 1909-10. 163 p. (ISH)

- Portrait and Biographical Album of Will County.* Chicago: Chapman Brothers, 1890. 771 p. (CHS, NL, ISH)
- Prairie Farmer's Directory of Will and South Cook Counties, Illinois.* Chicago: Prairie Farmer Co., 1918. (CHS, ISH, JPL)
- Directory of farmers, breeders, business, carowners, etc., with advertising throughout.
- Shaw, F. B. "Transportation in the Development of Joliet and Will County," *Journal of the Illinois State Historical Society*, vol. 30, no. 1, pages 85-134.
- Souvenir of Settlement and Progress of Will County, Illinois.* Chicago: Historical Directory Publishing Co., 1884. 485 p. (ISH)
- Sterling, Robert. *A Pictorial History of Will County.* Joliet: Will County Historical Publications, Co., 1975. 2 volumes, chiefly illustrations. (GSU, JPL)
- Stevens, W. W. *Past and Present of Will County.* Assisted by Hon. James C. Elwood, James H. Ferriss, William Crimton, Mrs. Kate Henderson, & A. C. Clement. Chicago: S. J. Clarke Publishing Co., 1907. 2 vol. (ISH, JPL)
- Wheeler, G. S., compiler. *White County, Will County, Genealogical Records.* Evanston, Ill.: Daughters of the American Revolution of Illinois, 1943-45. Typescript. (NL)
- Will County American Revolution Bicentennial Committee. *History of Will County, Illinois.* Joliet: Will County Bicentennial Committee, 1977.
- 995 p., illus., maps.  
Reprint of the 1878 volume compiled by Woodruff.
- Will County Directory for 1859-60.* Compiled and published by John C. W. Bailey of Chicago, Publisher of Directories, People's Guides, etc. Chicago: William H. Rand, Book and Job Printer, 1859. (CHS, NL, JPL)
- 179 p., illus., adv. Contains a sketch of Will County, including towns of Joliet, Lockport, Wilmington, Plainfield, Mokena, Channahon, Crete, Monee, Elwood. (at NL, see microfiche 283, City Directories of the U.S., Part 1: Illinois)
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1984. 43 p., illus., maps.

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### Beecher

Incorporated in 1883, Beecher was first known as Washington Center.

Print resources include:

*Beecher, Illinois, 1870-1970, "Schooners to Satellites."* (Beecher, 1970). 100 pages, illus., with program for Beecher Area Centennial Celebration.

### Crete

Farming and settlement in the area of Crete reaches back into the 1830's and 40's. The Village was incorporated in 1880, and named by the postmaster after the island of Crete as referred to in the New Testament. Crete has an active historical society and materials available through the Library.

Print resources include:

See *Where the Trails Cross*, Vol. 1, no. 3, and Vol. 6, no. 2.

*A Pictorial History of Crete, Volume I, Early Years.* Crete: Crete Area Historical Society, 1986. 352 pages, illus., maps.

Crete Area Chamber of Commerce. *This is Crete.* 1979.

Crete Fire Department Auxiliary. *Souvenir Program and History Commemorating the 125th Anniversary of the Village of Crete.* 1961.

*Crete Cemetary.* South Holland: SSGHS, 1978. map of plots, listing of burials.

Lazaros, Ettarose, and Phyllis Monks. *Crete, 1836-1980.* Chicago Heights: Crete Area Historical Society, 1980. 107 p., illus., maps, edited by Audrey DeMuth.

Lindberg, Nils. "A Geographical Study of Crete, Illinois," *Crete Record.* (A 1939 series of articles.)

*Papers Read at the Local History Day Meeting of the Crete Woman's Club, January 19, 1922.* Momence, Ill: Momence Press-Reporter, 1922. 75 pages, typescript.

### Frankfort

Incorporated in 1879, this community's German settlers named it after the river city in Germany. Materials will be found in the local library and historical society.

Print resources include:

Frankfort Area Historical Society of Will county.  
*A Walk into History*, 1973. Walking tour of historic buildings.  
*Frankfort Lore*, 1973. 18 pages,  
*Frankfort Lore II*, 1977. 20 pages.  
*Frankfort Lore III*, 1977. 40 pages.

Frankfort Area Historical Society. *Frankfort Centennial*. (1855-1955). Frankfort, 1977.

*Pleasant Hill Cemetary*. South Holland: SSGHS, 1975.  
Listing of persons buried, with dates.

### Mokena

The Village was incorporated in 1880 and local tradition suggests the name comes from an Indian word which may mean "mudhole."

Print resources include:

"Mokena Centennial," *The Joliet Herald-News*, July 2, 1980.  
12 pages, illus. (JPL)

Pitman, Florence. *The Story of Mokena*. (Mokena): The Mokena Woman's Club, 1963. 22 pages, illus., map. (JPL)

"Special Progress souvenir edition," *The News-bulletin*, Mokena, August 17, 1950. (CHS)

### Monee

Monee was incorporated in 1874 and local tradition holds that the village was named for an Indian princess.

Print resources include:

Milne, Muriel Mueller. *Our Roots are Deep: A History of Monee, Illinois*. (Monee?), 1973. (CHS, LC, NL, GSU) 341 pages, illus.

Stuenkel, Francelia and Selma. *History and Geneology (sic) of the Family of John Heinrich Stuenkel and Margareta Stuenkel*. Chicago, 1954. 104 pages, illus. (JPL)

### Peotone

The village was incorporated in 1869. Historical materials will be found at the Peotone Public Library. The Rathje Mill is being restored and is on the National Register of Historic Places.

Print resources include:

Bate, Lloyd. *Reminiscing with Lloyd Bate*. Collection of reprints of articles from the Peotone Vedette, (1979? to 1983?). (GSU)

Fergusson, James. *Notes on a Town in North America in 1861*. Printed for private circulation, Edinburgh: Blackwood, 1861.

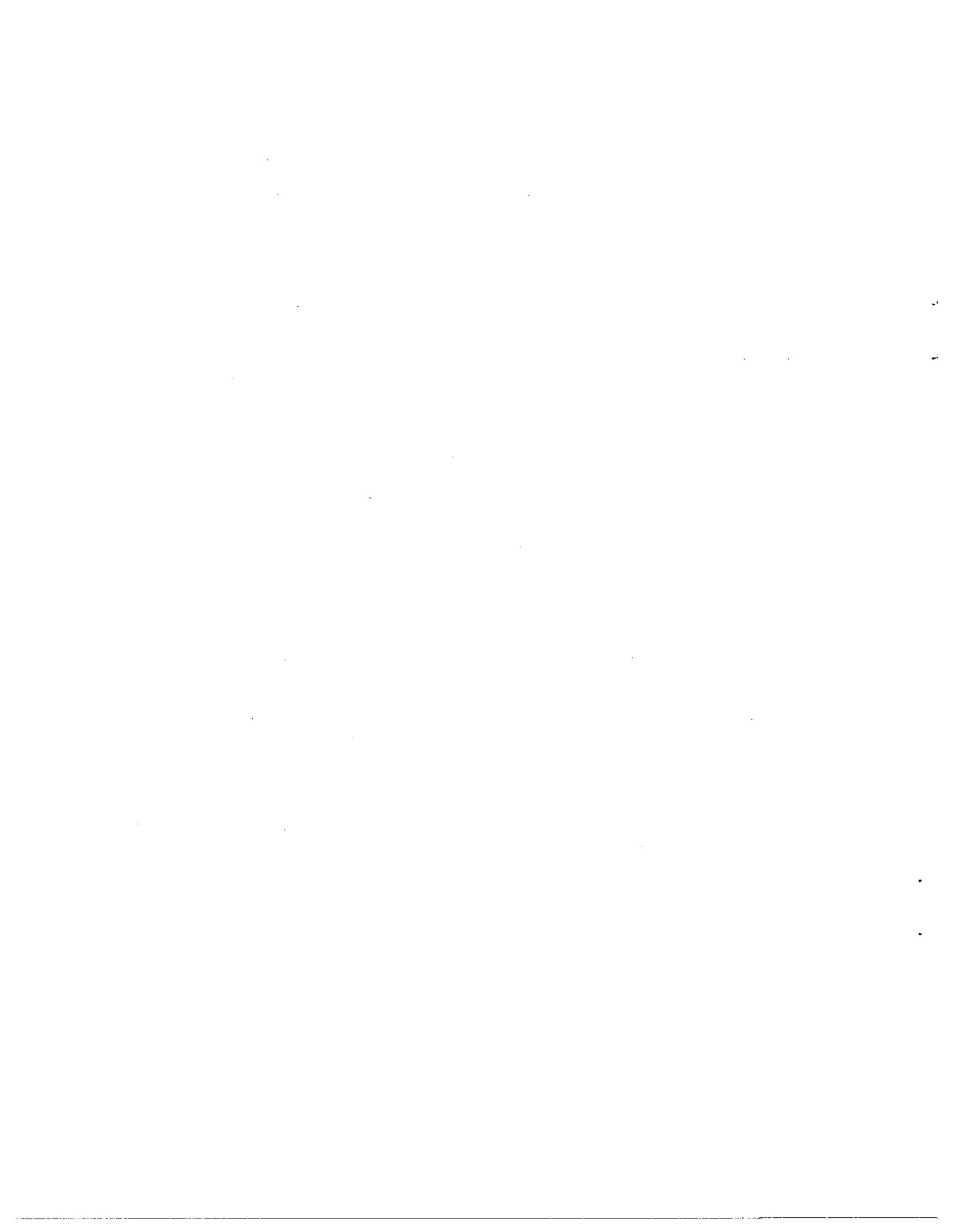
Visited Chicago, by ICRR to St. Louis, with a stop at Peotone to hunt on prairie. (listed in the bibliography in S. J. Buck, *Travels and descriptions, 1765-1865*, Springfield: Ill. State Historical Library, 1914)

Peotone Centennial Committee. *Peotone on Parade, 1856-1956, Centennial Celebration*. (Chicago, 1956). 92 pages, illus. (CHS)

### University Park

Incorporated in 1967 as Park Forest South, this community was the location of a Federally-designated and supported New Community program. The name, University Park, was adopted in 1984. Located in the village is Governors State University which maintains an archives for the Village in the University Library. For a guide to these materials and the range of historical information available on the Village, see:

McClellan, Larry A. *Park Forest South/University Park: A guide to its history and development*. University Park: The Village of University Park, 1986. (CHS, ISH, NL, LC)



#### **IV. GUIDES TO HISTORICAL NEWSPAPER SOURCES**

# GUIDE TO HISTORICAL NEWSPAPER SOURCES

## SOUTH SUBURBAN AREA NEWSPAPERS PRIOR TO 1940

by Ronald Otto\*

In attempting newspaper research anywhere in Illinois, one should first consider the collection of the Illinois State Historical Library (I.S.H.L.). This library has extensive Illinois newspaper holdings on microfilm. The most recent catalogue of its holdings can be found in the March, 1982 issue (Vol. 64, No.3) of "Illinois Libraries". The Collection is available through inter-library loan so check with your local library:

Illinois State Historical Library  
Old State Capitol Building  
Springfield, Illinois 62456

All newspapers held by the Library are available for public use in the microfilm reading room, located in the Old State Capitol, Springfield. The library holds over 50,000 vols. of newspaper microfilm. Although the following lists many of the I.S.H.L. holdings for our south suburban area, it does not list all. Be sure to check the catalog.

In the south suburban area there are some depositories whose newspaper holdings are regional in nature. For Will County generally, the holdings of the Joliet Public Library are extensive:

Joliet Public Library  
150 N. Ottawa  
Joliet, Illinois  
(815/740-2666)

The earliest paper held by the library is the Joliet Courier of August 15, 1839. There is a scattering of copies until about 1885. Many of these Joliet newspapers were regional in coverage and occasionally had regular columns covering news as far away as Lemont, Palos Township and Tinley Park (Bremen Township) in Cook County as well as all of Will County. For example, the Joliet Weekly News of 1893-1911 covered Will, Grundy, Kendall, and parts of Cook County. Some detailed obituaries and local interest items for the following communities will be found in various issues of this paper: Crete, Green Garden, Goodenow, Monee, Beecher, Lemont, Mokena, Elwood, Homer, Orland, Wilton Center, DuPage, Lockport Marley, Wilton, Tinley Park, Manhattan, New Lenox, Frankfort, Channaham, Seward, Wheatland, Minooka, Custer Park, Libson Center, Peotone. A detailed inventory of the Joliet papers held by the Joliet Public Library can be found in the aforementioned March, 1982 issue of "Illinois Libraries".

For Southern Cook County, there are two major regional depositories:

The Star Publication Office	Economist Publications
1526 Otto Blvd.	5959 S. Harlem Avenue
Chicago Heights, IL 60643	Chicago, IL 60638
312/755-6161	312/586-8800

\*This is adapted from the article, "A Preliminary Survey of South Suburban Area Newspapers Existing Before 1940," compiled by Ronald Otto, with research assistance by Cary Ann bechly and Loretto Szucs, and additional details provided by Angus P. Robinson. This article appeared in the 1983 Source Book of the South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society, South Holland: SSGHS, 1983, pages 58 to 69.

The Star Publications office maintains in its Editorial Department microfilms of Star newspapers beginning March 5, 1906 (1906-1934, 1951-date). These films are not complete as some issues are missing. There is no librarian and films are not always promptly returned by staff. Members of the public are permitted to view the films and a reader is available. The Star acquired The Harvey Tribune in 1963. The Tribune started publishing in 1890. Newspapers of this publisher include:

Chicago Heights Star (12 Apr 1901)  
Homewood Flossmoor Star (20 June 1941)  
Park Forest Star (24 June 1949)  
South Holland Star Tribune (est. 1858)  
Harvey Star Tribune (est. 1890)

There are other "Star" newspapers with more recent beginning dates.

The predecessors to Economist Publications began with the publication of The Engelwood Economist in 1906. Until the early 1920's this paper covered Engelwood and its immediate surrounding area. In 1922 a new printing plant at 65th and Emerald was built and a weekly, The Southtown Economist was published on Wednesdays and The Southeast Economist was published on Thursday. Circulation was at first limited to the area of a few miles around Engelwood, 63rd Street and Halsted. Later The Economist expanded into Beverly Hills and other suburbs. Today Economist Publications cover an area from South Chicago, south to Harvey and South Holland and west to Tinley Park and Orland Park and north to Summitt and southwest Chicago. Over the years, Economist Publications has acquired several surrounding local newspapers including: the Blue Island Sun/Standard, The Pointer (Dolton/South Holland area), The Auburn Community Booster, The Engelwood Times, and The Merchants Telegram. At the South Harlem offices the Circulation Department maintains microfilm copies of back issues of these newspapers. Not all issues will be found; however, the following is a list of microfilm beginning dates for available newspapers:

Engelwood Economist	11 Sept 1906
Engelwood Times	1905
The Pointer	1913
The Blue Island Sun	1913
became Sun/Standard	1919
The Merchants Telegram	Nov 1920
The Auburn Community Booster	Oct 1922
Suburban Star	1924
Calumet City Pointer	1924
Economist West	1924
Economist Central	1924
Southeast Economist	1926

LEMONT AREA - The Lemont area has been served by newspapers published in Lockport, Summit and Lemont. The I.S.H.L. has a selection of The Phoenix-Advertiser and Observer between 1902 and 1918. See the March, 1982 issue of "Illinois Libraries". The Lemont Area Historical Society, P.O. Box 126, Lemont 60439 has an extensive collection of Lemont Observer, Lemont Observer-News and The Lemonter. These papers start in 1918 and with some exceptions (i.e., all of 1934) and run to a recent date. These papers are on microfilm and there is a reader in their library located in the Old Stone Church on Lemont Street.

A newspaper that serves the area between Lemont and Summit is the Desplaines Valley NEWS. Harry Skleneris the publisher and Ray Pierce is the editor. This paper was started in Lemont in 1913 and was moved to Summit in 1915. The publisher has copies of most issues at the offices beginning with the initial issue. Some issues (over a 20 year period) have been microfilmed and the films are located at the library of the Argo-Summit High School. Contact the library (312/458-3500) for viewing these films and contact the publisher for viewing his newspapers. As the paper goes out on Wednesday, be sure to contact him on Thursdays and Fridays. Mr. Pierce also suggests that Willow Springs was served by the LaGrange Citizen.

Desplaines Valley News  
6123 South Archer  
Summit Illinois 60501  
312/548-0812

The I.S.H.L. also has copies of the Lemont Press between 18 August 1887 and 4 August 1888.

PALOS AREA - Unfortunately, no newspapers were published within Palos Township prior to The Palos Journal which seems to have begun about 1927. The Palos Park Library, 12330 Forest Glen Blvd., Palos Park 60464 has some issues for the year 1928. Actually The Journal was more a magazine than a newspaper. Since October of 1941, Palos has been served by The Palos Regional News.

Regional Press, Inc.  
12234 S. Harlem  
Palos Heights, IL 60463  
312/448-4000

Recent special editions of The News have highlighted the history of Orland and the Village of Worth. Contact the office for copies of these specials and copies of this paper. Consider regional papers and the above mentioned DesPlaines Valley News for information on this area. The Palos Heights Library, 12501 71st Avenue, Palos Heights, IL 60463 (448-1473) holds bound copies of the earliest Palos Regional and this library is quite active in collecting oral histories. The Palos Citizen was established in 1958 and is published by Messenger Press, Inc., at 3840 W. 147th, Midlothian, IL (312/388-2425). Microfilm copies of the Palos Regional will be found at the I.S.H.L.

WORTH TOWNSHIP AREA - The earliest newspaper in this township was in Blue Island. The N.W. Ayer & Co. Director of American Newspapers for 1880 discloses that the Blue Island Telegraph and Herald was established in 1876 and the 1900 Ayer Directory lists the Blue Island and Standard (est. 1876) and Blue Island Saturday Sun (est. 1894). The Blue Island Sun Standard is today located at 12814 S. Western, Blue Island, IL 60406 (312/388-2020), but is owned by Economist Publications who hold copies back to 1913 at their offices on South Harlem. No papers are held at the Blue Island office. The Blue Island Historical Society located in the Blue Island Public Library, 2433 York, (312/388-1078) has copies for 1932-35, 1956, and scattered copies dating back to the 1880's. The I.S.H.L. also has a selection of the Sun Standard (1913-1967). See the catalog in the March, 1982 "Illinois Libraries". There are deposited in the Library of Congress copies of the Blue Island Standard (1876-1917), Blue Island Sun (1894-1917) and the Blue Island Sun Standard (1918-1968). See catalog of the newspaper holdings of the Library of Congress at SSCH Library.

At the Oak Lawn Public Library, 9427 S. Raymond, Oak Lawn (312/422-4990), the newspaper collection includes Oak Lawn Independent (1933 present, Southtown Economist (1923 present) and a selection of issues of the Blue Island Sub Star. The papers are on microfilm and a reader is available.

As mentioned in Palos, the Palos Heights Library has copies of the arly issues of the Palos Regional News (est. Oct. 1941). The offices of this paper have all copies and this paper covers portions of western Worth Township. The offices are at 12243 S. Harlem (312/448-4000). Another publisher in this area is Messenger Publications, 3840 W. 147th, Midlothian, IL 60445 (312/388-2425). They publish The Evergreen Park Courier (est. 1930), Oak Lawn Independent (est. 1929) and the Worth Citizen (est. 1930). See Bremen Township for details on research at the Messenger offices.

In the 1900 Ayers Directory two newspapers are listed for Evergreen Park:  
Enterprise (est. 1893) Sat. Leo A. Frankel, E. & P.  
Review (est. 1896) Sat. A. P. Ballou, Ed.  
By 1910 neither paper was listed in Ayers.

In the 1900 Ayer Directory, Town Talk was listed for Morgan Park. It was established in 1891 and J.H. Volp was Editor & Publisher. Mr. Volp was also the E. & P. of the Blue Island Saturday Sun. The 1910 Ayer Directory lists:  
Morgan Park Post (est. 1905) Post Company, Pub.  
Morgan park Ridge Record (est. 1899) Lloyd S. Bailey, E. & P.

The I.S.H.L. has copies of the Post between 1905 and 1915 and two issues of the Morgan Park Reflection (10 Nov 1892 and 21 Sept 1893).

For more information about this area, consult The Ridge Historical Society, 10627 S. Seeley Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643.

Economist Publications have long published a Southeast Economist. Refer to the comments on this publisher earlier in this article.

The following newspapers existed in the southern areas of Chicago known as Gano, Stewart Ridge, Roseland, Pullman, North Pullman, Washington Heights, Kensington, Morgan Park, and Beverly Hills.

THE CALUMET INDEX--established about 1893(?)  
THE BEVERLY REVIEW--established about 1904  
THE BRAINARD REVIEW--dates unknown

The Calumet Index also published papers distributed in the section of the south suburbs now comprising Dolton, Riverdale, Calumet, and Blue Island. These were: The Suburban Index and The Blue Island and Calumet Park Index. Histories of these newspapers are on file at the offices of The Beverly Review. Another possible source on these papers is the microfilm holdings of the Library of Congress.

THE SUBURBAN INDEX  
THE BLUE ISLAND & CALUMET PARK INDEX

HOMER AREA - Those with Homer area interests are encouraged to check Lemont newspapers listed herein and Joliet newspapers. However, Lockport was the nearest community in which newspapers were published. The Lockport Public Library, 8th and S. Hamilton, Lockport, IL 60441 (815/838-0755) has a collection of newspapers and as these holdings are duplicated in the I.S.H.L., one can check the catalog (March, 1982 "Illinois Libraries") for the listing at this library. The 1880 Ayer Directory lists The Phoenix (est. 1877) and the Will County Advertiser (est. 1878). By 1910 The Phoenix became The Phoenix-Advertiser and the Advertiser was no more. The Lockport Journal was established in 1896 and gone by 1910. The Newberry Library holds copies of the Lockport Telegraph May 6 - Nov 6, 1850.

ORLAND AREA - No newspapers have been published within Orland but this area has been served by a variety of regional papers. Currently Orland is served by the Southtown Economist, Orland Messenger, Palos Regional, Orland Park Star/Herald, as well as the Chicago dailies. The Orland Historical Society has a "Bibliograph of Orland Park History" compiled by a member of the society. Section C of this bibliography is newspaper clippings and the titles of over 70 articles. An Orland Park supplement was published by the Palos Regional on May 28, 1981 and the Southtown Economist published an Orland Days supplement on May 27, 1981. During 1956 - 1969, the New Lenox Press has a column on Orland Park local interests. Some Orland news and obituaries will be found in the Joliet Weekly News (1893-1911). The Joliet Public Library has copies of The News on microfilm. For the period of 1920 - current, consider also Lemont newspapers (see Lemont Area), The Tinley Park Times (see Bremen Township) and The Mokena News Bulletin (see Frankfort Twp.)

BREMEN TOWNSHIP - The compilers have found no record of a newspaper published within Bremen Township prior to 1929. The Midlothian-Bremen Messenger was established in 1930. Today, Southwest Messenger Press, Inc. publishes 14 separate newspapers covering communities throughout southwest Cook County. Consult a current Ayers Director for a listing and each newspaper's year of commencement. This publisher does have files going back to 1930 and the 14 newspapers are in boxes in the attic. Papers are not filed in order and it is difficult to review back issues:

Southwest Messenger Press, Inc.  
3840 W. 147th Stree,  
Midlothian, Illinois 60445  
312/388-2425

Northeast Bremen Township has been served by Blue Island newspapers (see Worth Township) and Southeast Bremen has been served by the Harvey Tribune (see Thornton Township and Star Publications). Southwest Bremen (Tinley Park and its surroundings has been served by various newspapers at various times. See the information about the Joliet Public Library and The Joliet Weekly News. Other Joliet newspapers have had articles of local interest about Tinley Park. During its existence (1956-1969) The New Lenox Press had a Tinley park local interest column. Perhaps the best source for newspaper information in this area will be found in The Mokena News-Bulletin. The Mokena Community Public Library, 11827 West 195th, Mokena, IL 60448 (312/479-9663) has microfilmed copies commencing with 28 Aug 1919 and continuing to 1969 when the paper ceased publication. For other areas covered by this newspaper, see Frankfort Township.

The Tinley Park Library, 17101 S. 71st Ave., 50447 (312-532-0160) maintains microfilm copies of the Tinley Park Times (1929-1971) when it became the Times Herald. In 1974 the paper became known as the Star Tribune and adapted the current name of the Star Herald in 1976. In its earlier days the Tinley Park Times covered events in Orland, Green Garden, New Lenox, Mokena and Frankfort. War Semmler was Editor and Publisher at its inception.

THORNTON TOWNSHIP - The earliest Thornton newspaper found by the compilers is the Harvey Tribune established in 1890. The Tribune was acquired by Star Publications (Williams Press, Inc.) in 1963, and is now the Harvey Star-Tribune. According to our survey of the Chicago Heights office of Star Publications, no early copies of the Tribune are kept there. Microfilmed copies from about 1935 to the present can be found at the Harvey Public Library, 155th and Turlington, 60426 Harvey, IL (312/331-0757). The offices of this paper are located at 154th and Broadway, Harvey, IL 60426 (312/687-8400). Early editions of the Tribune are deposited with the Thornton Township Historical Society, 154 E. 154th St., Harvey, IL 60426. Their collection includes a few 1891 issues, most copies between 1899 and 1928 and the issues of 1932 and 1933 bound in books. Further information about this collection can be provided by Ralph Dawson, 15920 Finch, Harvey, Illinois 60426.

The Pointer is a newspaper established in 1906 and published in Riverdale by Kinney Bros. as disclosed by the 1910 Ayer Directory. Today, the Pointer group of newspapers is owned by Economist Publications and microfilm copies of their early newspapers can be found in their offices at 5959 S. Harlem Avenue. The earliest Pointer film was 1913. The South Holland offices of the Pointer are:

Pointer-Economist Newspaper Group  
1025 E. 162nd Street 60483  
312/895-5600

The current Ayer Directory lists papers for the following communities: Calumet City-Burnham, Dolton, Glenwood/Thornton, Homewood/Flossmoor/Olmpia Fields, Lansing, Riverdale, and South Holland. All have the year of establishment as 1906. While this date is misleading, one can assume that the earliest papers covered most of these communities. The Dolton Public Library, 14087 Lincoln Ave., 60419 (312/849-2385) has microfilm of the Pointer back to 1907. There are some gaps.

A third newspaper in Thornton is located in Lansing:

Lansing Sun-Journal (est. 1931)  
18127 William Street 60438  
312/895-3700

In their office they have bound copies and the public is invited during office hours, which are 8:30 A.M. - 8:00 P.M., M-F and 8:30 - 12:00 Sat. The I.S.H.L. has some microfilm copies (1940-1941 and 1947-1961). Check the catalog in the March, 1982 "Illinois Libraries".

FRANKFORT TOWNSHIP - The I.S.H.L. lists a selection of Phoenix-Advertiser under Frankfort and the dates begin with 3 Apr 1903 and end 11 May 1911. See Marc, 1982 "Illinois Libraries". The 1900 Ayer Directory refers to the Will County Advisor published in Lockport. The compiler knows of no extant copies. Consider, however, the Joliet Weekly News (1893-1911) available at the Joliet

Public Library. For the period of August 1919 - 1969, The Mokena News-Bulletin covered Mokena, Frankfort, Matteson, Tinley Park, New Lenox, Orland and Marley. This paper can be found on microfilm at the Mokena Community Public Library, 11327 W. 195th, Modena 60448 (312/479-9663). In 1969, this publication ceased. Between 1956-1969, The New Lenox Press carried local interest items for Frankfort, Lincolnwood, Marley, Lincoln Estates and Mokena. Under "Mokena", the I.S.H.L. lists select copies of the News-Bulletin (1940, 41, 46, 48) and the Phoenix-Advertiser (1905-1910). The Frankfort Public Library, Pfeiffer Road and Route 30, Frankfort, IL 60423 (815/469-2423) holds:

<u>New Lenox Press</u>	Feb 1950 - 1970
<u>Frankfort Times</u>	Jun 1953 - Oct 1968
<u>Frankfort leader</u>	Aug 1959 - Aug 1962
<u>Mokena News Bulletin</u>	Aug 1919 - Jun 1969

The current Ayer Directory lists:

Bib Farmer Entrepreneur  
(est. 1928) 10 times/year (Ag Bus mag)  
131 Lincoln Highway (60423) 815/469-2163  
Ralph D. Dralle, Pub.; Gray Van Hizer, Ed.

Frankfort - Mokena Star (est. 1976)

Williams Press, Inc.  
20 South Route 45 (60423)  
312/687-8400

NEW LENOX TOWNSHIP - Because of the proximity to Joliet, New Lenox did not have a separate newspaper early in its history. One can find New Lenox items at the Joliet newspapers. Also the Mokena and Frankfort newspapers carried New Lenox items. See Frankfort Township. The New Lenox Press was published between 1956 and 1969. Copies on microfilm can be found at the Frankfort Library and at the New Lenox Township Library, 516 S. Cedar Road, 60451 (815/485-2605). In addition to New Lenox news, local interest items were carried on Tinley park, Orland Park, Lincolnwood, Hommer, Frankfort, Marley, Lincoln Estates, Mokena, Country Club Hills, and Green Garden.

RICH TOWNSHIP - Refer to the comments on Star Publications at the beginning of this article. The Chicago Heights Star commenced in 1901 and some issues are available beginning in 1906 at the offices of the publisher in Chicago Heights. Check also with surrounding areas as local interest items about Matteson, Homewood, Country Club Hills, etc. will be found in various papers such as:

Harvey Tribune (see Thornton Twp.)  
Tinley Park Times (see Bremen Twp.)  
New Lenox Press (see New Lenox Twp.)  
Mokena News Bulletin (see Frankfort Twp.)

Williams Press, Inc., the publisher of the Star, began in 1938 the Homewood-Flossmoor Star. Consult the publisher at their Chicago Heights offices.

The Matteson Historical Society, 813 School Ave., Matteson (312/748-3033) has a newspaper clippings and obituary file relating to Matteson from 1940 on.

The I.S.H.L. has copies of the Park Forest Reporter between 14 Jan 1949 and 4 Aug 1976. These microfilm copies are also available at the Park Forest Public Library, 400 Lakewood Blvd. 60466 (312/748-3731). This library also has copies of the Park Forest Star from 1976 on.

BLOOM TOWNSHIP - This is the home of Stare Publications and its initial newspaper, the Chicago Heights Star (est. 1901). Unfortunately, the earliest papers were destroyed by fire, but some issues from 1906 on are available on microfilm at the offices of the publisher:

The Star Publications Office  
1526 Otto Blvd.  
Chicago Heights, IL 60411  
312/687-8400

See the earlier comments on this depository for more detail.

The 1900 Ayer Directory lists The Chicago Heights Signal (est. 1883) as published by P & P Publications with S.D. Palmer as Editor. The I.S.H.L. has copies of the Signal between 13 July 1911 and 18 Dec 1913. Existence of earlier copies of the Signal have not been confirmed by the compilers.

The Sauk Village Public Library, 1908 Sauk Trail, 60411, (312/747-4771) has the Sauk Villager (3 Dec 1959 to July, 1982).

The Chicago Heights Public Library, 15th Street and Chicago Road, 60411 (312/754-0323) has the Chicago Heights Star from 5 Apr 1906 to the present.

MANHATTAN TOWNSHIP - The earliest newspaper in Manhattan found by the compilers was the Manhattan Record, established 1890. By 1910 this paper had ceased and the Ayer Directory of that year noted that the Manhattan Messenger had been established in 1909. To date the compilers have not located copies of the Record or the Messenger. By 1919 the Manhattan American was being published. Copies of most issues from that year to the present can be found at:

Manhattan Township Public Library  
240 Whitson 60442  
815/478-3987

The papers have been recently microfilmed by the Illinois State Historical Library. The American is now published by Russell Publications in Peotone. Since 1978 Manhattan has been served by a second paper, the Manhattan-Elwood Express published in Wilmington. See Wilmington area for details. To supplement the above, one might consider the Joliet newspapers available at the Joliet Public Library. The Joliet Weekly News carried items about Manhattan and 25 other area communities between 1894 and 1911.

GREEN GARDEN TOWNSHIP - No newspapers have been published in this township. For information about newspaper research for this township, consult all surrounding townships and Joliet newspapers.

MONEE TOWNSHIP - The LaBaron & Co. History of Will County (1878) noted that at J.G. Scott started a newspaper in Monee called the Monee Eagle. The year of commencement was about 1860 and the Eagle was said to have flown for about three years. In the 1910 Ayer Directory the Monee Review, established 1905, is listed. The I.S.H.L. catalog in the March, 1982 "Illinois Libraries" lists issues between Dec 20, 1917 and Sep 24, 1931 as well as May 16 to Aug 1, 1913.

The I.S.H.L. also has copies of the current newspaper, The Monee Monitor, beginning with the issue of Jan 26, 1968. The Monitor is published by Russell Publications from Peotone. And the Monee area has long been served by Peotone newspapers. See Peotone for details on the Peotone Eagle (est. 1876) and the Peotone Vedette (est. 1894). For other time periods not covered by the above papers and as a supplement to the above, consider the Joliet newspapers. The Joliet Weekly News (1893 - 1911) provided a local interest column for Monee.

CRETE TOWNSHIP - Crete (1980) by Lazarus & Monk cites at page 39 that the Village of Crete has had a newspaper almost continuously since 1875. They list the Crete Enterprise (1875 - 1880's), the Crete Journal (1880's - c1894), the Crete Citizen (c1896 - 1917) and the Crete Record (25 Nov 1920 - present). The 1880 Ayer Directory had no listing for the Enterprise; and the Citizen did not appear in the 1900 version. However, the 1910 Ayer Directory did list the Crete Citizen as established in 1895 and published by Citizen Publishing Co. The I.S.H.L. has some of the more recent editions of the Crete Record (1968 - present), and the Crete Public Library, 534 1st St., 60471 (312/672-8017) has bound copies back to 1973. Unfortunately earlier issues of these newspapers are not available to the general public. Certain Crete newspapers going back some 40 years are in the possession of Mr. Ray Piepenbrink, the Crete Historian. Searches for copies of the pre 1940 newspapers have not yet yielded positive results. To substitute for the Crete newspapers, it is necessary to seek out papers from surrounding areas such as Peotone, Beecher, and Chicago Heights. Some Joliet papers may also help. Remember that the Joliet Weekly News of 1894-1911 carried a Crete local interest column, and one for Goodenow. The Crete Record is one of the Russell Publications.

PEOTONE AREA - Peotone is the home of Russell Printing which publishes several area newspapers: Peotone Vedette, Crete Record, Monee Monitor, Beecher Herald, Manhattan American, and Grant Park Gazette. This Publisher has had most of its newspapers microfilmed and they are available through the Illinois State Historical Library. See the catalog in the March, 1982 "Illinois Libraries".

Russell Printing Company  
120 W. North, Peotone 60468  
312/258-3473

In addition to the I.S.H.L., the Vedette is held by the Peotone Public Library, 213 W. North, Peotone 60468 (312/258/3400). Their Vedette microfilm holdings commence with the initial issue of 2 Feb 1894 and run, with few exceptions, through 30 June 1967. Also the Library has microfilm copies of the Peotone Eagle (April 1876-Dec 28, 1889). The 1880 Ayer Directory lists the Eagle as established in 1877.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP - In the 1880 Ayer Directory we find two listings for Beecher:

Breeder's Live Stock Journal, Monthly, ext. 1880  
Osten Illinoian, Weekly, est. 1875

Existing copies of these publications are not known to the compilers. In the 1910 Ayer Directory, the Beecher Herald, est. 1907, is listed. D.J. Stevens was the editor and publisher. Today, the Herald is owned by Russell Publishing, but the offices remain in Beecher.

Beecher Herald  
756 Penfield, Beecher 60401  
312/946-2151

Copies of back issues are available at their offices and microfilm copies from March 21, 1918 to current date are available in the I.S.H.L. and via inter-library loan. As a supplement to the above, consider the Joliet newspapers in the Joliet Public Library. The Joliet Weekly News (1893-1911) contains Beecher local interest items.

#### CHICAGO AREA NEWSPAPER POTPOURRI

Chicago daily newspapers are a source of information if your ancestors were famous or notorious. For the common man in the South Suburbs, detailed obituaries will not be found in these papers. The locations of existing Chicago newspapers on microfilm includes:

Illinois State Historical Library  
Old State Capitol  
Springfield, IL 62756

Chicago Historical Society  
Clark Street at North Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60614

Newberry Library  
60 West Walton  
Chicago, IL 60610

Chicago Public Library  
425 N. Michigan Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60610

ETHNIC NEWSPAPERS - Every ethnic group in the Chicago area at one time or another had a newspaper in its native language. Consult the Ayer Directories of the time period you seek and then check the logical depositories mentioned in this article for existing issues.

RELIGIOUS NEWSPAPERS - Many religious denominations published their own newspapers and these papers may have covered an area such as Chicago or the entire U.S. For example, the German language papers of the Evangelical Association was Der Christliche Botschatter. Dorothy Zehnder Seder of Naperville has published An Index to Obituaries from DCB 1836-1865 (1977) available at Newberry Library. Mrs. Seder has abstracted some obituaries subsequent to 1865, but has not yet published same. For an excellent study of religious publications in the midwest, see Wesley Norton, Religious Newspapers in the Old Northwest to 1861; A History, Bibliography and Record of Opinions (Ohio University Press: Athens, Ohio, 1977). A noted expert on religious publications in the U.S. is Dr. David Koss, Illinois College, Jacksonville, IL 62650. Two examples of long time religious newspapers dealing with Chicago area matters are:

The Chicago Advance (est. 1887) of the  
Episcopal Diocese of Chicago and The Chicago Catholic  
(formerly The New World)

For other such religious newspapers, consult the Ayer Directories.

#### Agricultural Newspapers -

If your ancestors were involved in agricultural pursuits, consider The Prairie Farmer. The publication for and about farmers has been published since 1841. For information about available copies, contact:

Prairie Farmer Publishing Company  
2001 Spring Road, Oak Brook, IL 60521  
312/323-3800

After 1909, this publication became more statewide in its coverage as it absorbed the Orange Judd Farmer and the Illinois Farmer. Holdings of this company date back to about 1900. Some issues are held by the John Crerar Library.

A UNION LIST OF LOCAL NEWSPAPERS HELD IN 32 SOUTH SUBURBAN LIBRARIES

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HARVEY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
HOMWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
JUSTICE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MARKHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MATTESON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MIDLOTHIAN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
MORAIN VALLEY COLLEGE LIBRARY  
OAK LAWN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PALOS HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PALOS PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PARK FOREST PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PRAIRIE TRAILS PUBLIC LIBRARY  
RICHTON PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
RIVERDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
SAUK VILLAGE-McCONATHY-PUBLIC LIBRARY  
SUMMIT PUBLIC LIBRARY  
STEGER-SO.CHI.HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY  
TINLEY PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
UNIVERSITY PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

NAME	LIB CODE	HOLDINGS	FORMAT	INDEXED
Blue Island Sun Standard	BIS	49 yrs.	Microfilm	No
Bridgeview Palos Reporter	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Burbank-Stickney Independent	PT	1971		
Chicago Heights Star	CHS	81 yrs.	Mi. & HC	Yes
Chicago Heights Star	ST	2 weeks		
Chicago Ridge Citizen	CRS	unknown		No
Chicago Sun-Times	AM	Current 6 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Chicago Sun-Times	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Chicago Sun-Times	OLS	Current 3 mos	Hardcopy	Some
Chicago Tribune	AM	Current 6 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Chicago Tribune	GHS	1 year	HC-3mo. M-lyr.	Yes
Chicago Tribune	OLS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	Some
Choice	APS	3 weeks		
Clearing-Stickney Bulletin	PT	'49, '50 '51, '52		
Crete Record	CTS	'63 thr current	Hardcopy	No
Crete Record	ST	2 weeks		
Crete-University Park Star	UPS	Current issue	Hardcopy	No
Desplaines Valley News	SA	37 yrs.	Hardcopy	No
Desplaines Valley News	JDS	5 yrs.	Hardcopy	No
Desplaines Valley News	MVS	Current 2 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Economist	HWS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Economist-Pointer	FMS	Current 6 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Economist-Pointer	RDS	Current 4 wks.	Hardcopy	No
Economist-Pointer (Dolton)	DOS	1907-1987	Microfilm	some No
Evergreen Park Chronicle	EVS	Current month	Hardcopy	No
Evergreen Park Courier	EVS	Current month	Hardcopy	No
Frankfort Leader	FRS	'59 to '66	Hardcopy	No
Frankfort Mokena-New Lenox Star	FRS	'76-'81	Microfilm	No
Frankfort Phoenix Advertiser	FRS	1903-1911	Microfilm	No
Frankfort Times	FRS	1956-1968		No
Harvey News-Bee	HAS	1959 only	Hardcopy	No
Harvey Tribune	HAS	37 yrs.	Microfilm	No
Homewood-Flossmoor Star	FMS	Current 6 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Homewood-Flossmoor Star	HWS	Current year	Microfilm	No
Lake County Globe Ledger	CCS	2 months	Hardcopy	No
Marketter	EVS	do not hold	Hardcopy	No
Matteson Matters	MTS	Spring 1986	Hardcopy	No
Midlothian-Bremen Messenger	MDS	one month	Hardcopy	No

NAME	LIB CODE	HOLDINGS	FORMAT	INDEXED
Monee Monitor	UPS	1977-present	Hardcopy	No
Mount Greenwood Express	AM	Current year	Hardcopy	No
New Lenox Press	FRS	'56-'70	Microfilm	No
News Bulletin Newspaper	FRS	'19-'69	Microfilm	No
Oak Lawn Evergreen News	OLS	1972-1976	Hardcopy	No
Oak Lawn Independent	OLS	1933 to present	Microfilm	Yes
Oak Lawn Reporter	OLS	1972 to present	Microfilm	Yes
Oak Lawn Reporter	AM	Current year	Hardcopy	No
Palos Citizen	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Palos Park Citizen	PP	1938 thru 1941	Hardcopy	No
Palos Journal	PP	1928 thru 1929	Hardcopy	No
Palos Regional	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Palos Regional	PP	1942 thru 1943	Hardcopy	No
Palos Star Herald	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Park Forest Reporter	PFS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Park Forest Star	GVS	1949-1976	Hardcopy	No
Pointer Economist	CCS	'61-'74 & Cur.6mos.	H & M	No
Regional News	PHS	1 year	Hardcopy	No
Reporter (Worth-Palos)	PHS	3 years	Microfilm	some No
Sauk Shopper	SVS	six months	Hardcopy	No
Sauk Sentinel	SVS	1966	Microfilm	No
Sauk Talk	SVS	5/'73-8/'73	Microfilm	No
Sauk Village Commun. News	SVS	1977	Microfilm	No
Sauk Village Press	SVS	10/'83-12/'84	Microfilm	No
Sauk Village Review	SVS	11/'75-1/'77	Microfilm	No
Sauk Villager	SVS	'59-'66	Microfilm	No
The Shopper	RDS	11/'72-12/'78	Microfilm	No
Southend Reporter	OLS	4 weeks	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	AM	'41-'52	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	MDS	Current 6 mos	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	TPS	one week	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	EVS	Current 6 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	APS	Current month	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	MVS	3 weeks	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	OLS	Current 2 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Southtown Economist	PHS	7/16/24-Present	Hardcopy	Some
Southwest Courier	JDS	six months	Harcopy	No
The Star (Harvey-Riverdale)	RDS	May '86-present	Hardcopy	No
The Star (Harvey-Markham)	HAS	4 weeks	Hardcopy	No
		3 yrs.	HC-3 mos. M	No

NAME	LIB CODE	HOLDINGS	FORMAT	INDEXED
The Star (Matteson-RichtonPk)	MTS	Current year	Hardcopy	No
The Star (OakForest-Midloth.)	MDS	one week	Hardcopy	No
The Star (Park Forst editio)	PFS	1976-present	Microfilm	No
The Star (Matteson-RichtonPk)	RPS	Current year	Hardcopy	No
The Star (Orland Park)	PHS	six months	Hardcopy	No
Star Herald	APS	3 weeks		
Star Tribune (Harvey-Markham)	HAS	'71-'83	Microfilm	No
Star Tribune (Harvey-Markham)	MK	3 years	Hardcopy	No
Steger News	ST	1980-1982	Hardcopy	No
Stickney Bulletin	PT	'53, '54, '55		
Suburban Southtown Economist	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
Suburban Southtown Economist	OLS	1924-present	Microfilm	Yes
Suburban Star	OLS	'38, '39	Microfilm	No
Times	CCS	1 year	Hardcopy	No
The Times	RDS	4 weeks	Hardcopy	No
The Times	SA	'78-'84	Hardcopy	No
Tinley Park Star	TPS	Current 6 mos.		
Tinley Park Star Tribune	TPS	'74-'76	Microfilm	
Tinley Park Times	TPS	42 yrs.	Microfilm	
Tinley Park Times Herald	TPS	4 yrs.	Microfilm	
Town Crier	PP	1940	Hardcopy	No
U.S.A. Today	GHS	Current 3 mos.	Hardcopy	No
The Villager	RDS	4 weeks	Hardcopy	No
Worth Palos Reporter	MVS	Current 2 mos.	Hardcopy	No

## V. GUIDE TO HISTORICAL SOCIETIES IN THE REGION

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

PROJECT TITLE: HISTORICAL SOCIETY INVENTORY

DATE: April, 1986

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TITLE: 1986 Historical Society Inventory of the Southern Suburbs

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The Southern Suburbs of Illinois are rich with cultural history; the historical societies of the area represent this fact. With the help of their communities, each society discovers, collects and presents pertinent historical material. The tables that follow illustrate briefly the organization, the activities, the goals and various other items concerning the historical societies. Overall, this inventory shows the creative efforts being employed to organize for the purpose of historical preservation. Whether the society be small or large, the importance lies in the people who work together and achieve pride in their community.	Acknowledgment . . . . .	i
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Table 1 - Organization

	Incorporate Year	Number of Members	City Budget Funds Rec'd	Board of Directors	Constitution &/or Bylaws	Office	Museum	Attorney
1. Blue Island	1972	150	None	Y (6)	Y	Y	Y	Y
2. Calumet City	1974	65	\$ 200/yr	Y (3)	Y	N	N	N
3. Chicago Heights	1967	2	None	N	N	Y	N	Y
4. Crete Area	1980	45	Y	Y (9)	Y	Y	N	Y
5. Dolton	1986	7	Y	Y (7)	Y	N	N	Y
6. Homewood	1980	100	None	Y (11)	Y	Y	Y	Y
7. Lansing	1976	70	\$10,000 (start up)	Y (8)	Y	Y	Y	Y
8. Lemont	1970	60	Y	Y (13)	Y	N	Y	N
9. Matteson	1975	111	\$10,000/yr	Y (13)	Y	Y	Y	Y
10. Oak Forest	1968	4	Y	N	Y	N	N	N
11. Oak Lawn	1977	125	None	Y (7)	Y	Y	Y	Y
12. Orland	1975	60	None	Y (13)	Y	N	N	N
13. Palos	1957	70	None	Y (9)	Y	N	N	N
14. Park Forest	1985	75	None	Y (10)	N	N	N	N
15. Robbins	1980	50	None	Y (12)	Y	Y	N	N
16. South Holland	1969	90	\$10,000 (start up)	Y (8)	Y	Y	Y	Y
17. Steger	1984	96	None	Y (6)	Y	Y	N	Y
18. Thornton	1976	64	None	Y (11)	Y	Y	Y	Y
19. Thornton Township	1965	100	None	Y (11)	Y	Y	Y	Y
20. Tinley Park	1974	130 families	\$1,000/yr	Y (6)	Y	Y	Y	Y
21. Willow Springs	1978	26	None	Y (4)	Y	N	N	N

Table 2 - Recognition

	STATE AND FEDERAL SITE DESIGNATIONS				AFFILIATIONS				
	Nat'L Register	State Register	Local		National Trust for Historical Preservation	Congress of Illinois Hist. Soc. & Museum	American Assoc. of State & Local Hist. Societies		
			Historical Landmarks	Local Historical Districts					
1. Blue Island	Y	N	Y (20)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
2. Calumet City	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	
3. Chicago Heights	Y	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	Y	Y	
4. Crete Area	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	
5. Dolton	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	
6. Homewood	N	N	Y (2)	N	N	Y	Y	N	
7. Lansing	N	N	Y (2)	N	Y	Y	Y	N	
8. Lemont	Y	N	Y (14)	N	Y	Y	Y	N	
9. Matteson	N	N	Y (12)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
10. Oak Forest	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	
11. Oak Lawn	N	N	Y (2)	N	N	Y	Y	Y	
12. Orland	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	
13. Palos	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	
14. Park Forest	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	
15. Robbins	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	
16. South Holland	N	N	Y 2)	N	N	Y	Y	N	
17. Steger	N	N	Y (5)	N	N	N	N	N	
18. Thornton	N	N	Y (3)	N	N	Y	Y	Y	
19. Thornton Township	N	N	Y (16)	N	N	N	N	N	
20. Tinley Park	N	N	Y (1)	N	Y	Y	Y	N	
21. Willow Springs	N	N	Y (1)	N	N	N	N	N	

Table 3 - Programs

	<u>Fund Raisers/ Activities</u>	<u>Advertising</u>	<u>Special Committees</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1. Blue Island	Y (4,5,6,7)	Y (1,2,3,4,5,6,7)	Y (B,F,)	1. <u>Activities</u> Bake Sale
2. Calumet City	Y (4,7)	Y (1,7,8)	Y (B,C,D,E,F)	2. Garage Sale
3. Chicago Heights	N	N	N	3. Auctions
4. Crete Area	Y (4,5,7)	Y (1,4,7)	Y (F)	4. Stationery
5. Dolton	N	Y (1,4,5,6)	Y (A,B,D,F)	5. Town Walks
6. Homewood	Y (1,2,3,4,5,7)	Y (1,2,3,4,6,8)	Y (A,B,C,D,F)	6. Museum Tours
7. Lansing	Y (4,6,7)	Y (1,3,6)	Y (B,D,C,E,F)	7. Oral Histories
8. Lemont	Y (5,6,7)	Y (1,3)	Y (D,E,F)	<u>Advertising</u>
9. Matteson	Y (4,5)	Y (1,2,3)	Y (E,F)	1. Local Paper
10. Oak Forest	Y (7)	Y (1,4,7)	N	2. Village Publication
11. Oak Lawn	Y (5,6)	Y (1,3)	Y (C,D,E)	3. Newsletter
12. Orland	Y (1,2,5,7)	Y (1,2,3,7,8)	Y (F,A)	4. Local Cable Station
13. Palos	Y (7)	Y (1)	Y (F)	5. Local T.V.
14. Park Forest	Y (7)	Y (1,3,4,7,8)	Y (D,F)	6. Local Radio
15. Robbins	Y (7)	Y (1,2,7)	Y (D,F)	7. Flyers/Posters
16. South Holland	Y (1,2,4,6,7)	Y (1,3,4,6,7,8)	Y (B,D,E,F)	8. Other
17. Steger	N	Y (1)	Y (C,D,E,F)	<u>Special Committees</u>
18. Thornton	Y (1,2,5,6)	Y (1,3,6,7)	Y (A,B,C,E,F)	A - Fund Raising
19. Thornton Township	Y (1,6,7)	Y (1,4)	Y (A,D,F)	B - Publicity
20. Tinley Park	Y (4,6,7)	Y (1,2,3)	Y (A,E,F)	C - Budget & Finance
21. Willow Springs	Y (7)	N	N	D - Executive or Program
				E - Membership
				F - Other

Table 4 - Other Programs

	<u>Fund Raisers/Activities</u>		<u>Fund Raisers/Activities</u>
1. Blue Island	-Christmas Tree Decorating w/Historical Ornaments -Sell Plates w/Hist. Scenes -Annual House Walk	11. Oak Lawn	-Dinner -Trivia Question Contest -Popcorn Booth at Festivals -Sell Prints and Buttons
2. Calumet City	-Heritage Day -Book Case Display -Tag Day -Parade Float	12. Orland	-Nut -Log Cabin Tours
3. Chicago Heights	-Supply Local Paper with Historic Photos	13. Palos	-Field Trips -Memorial Day Service -Library Display --Annual Dinner & Election
4. Crete Area	-Calendar -Audio Visual Show -Cemetery Walk -Kiddy Parade	14. Park Forest	-Panel Discussion Programs on Cablecast
5. Dolton	-None as of yet	15. Robbins	-Drama Play (on history) -Robbins Celebration Week -Audio Visual Show -Raffles
6. Homewood	-Vintage Clothing Fashion Show -Sell Homewood Bricks, Tiles w/Historic Scenes -Sell Canisters & Prints	16. South Hollands	-Fall Festival -House Tours -Sell Tiles, Cookbooks, Delph Wear
7. Lansing	-Antique, Arts and Craft Show -Prints & Buttons -Sell Bicentennial Book	17. Steger	-Guest Speaker at Meetings
8. Lemont	-Sell Publications -"Keepataw Days" Booth -Special Tour Groups	18. Thornton	-Ice Cream Social -Quarry Trips -Flea Market
9. Matteson	-Pioneer Party and Dance -5K Race	19. Thornton Township	-Tag Day
10. Oak Forest	-Lectures and Local Fairs	20. Tinley Park	-Rent Old Zion for Weddings -Octoberfest Booth -Audio Visual Program
		21. Willow Springs	-Historical Parade -Dedication of Land with Boulders

Table 5 - Publications

	<u>Constitution and Bylaws</u>	<u>Newsletter</u>	<u>Village Publication</u>	<u>Recreational Brochure</u>	<u>Planned Publications</u>	<u>Other</u>
1. Blue Island	Y	Y	Y	N	-New Book	-History Book
2. Calumet City	Y	N	N	Y	-Newsletter	-Postcards
3. Chicago Heights	N	N	N	N	-Pamphlets	--
4. Crete Area	Y	Y	N	N	-Picture Book	-Historical Sites
5. Dolton	N	N	N	N	--	-Book on Crete
					-Newsletter	--
					-Recr. Brochure	--
6. Homewood	Y	Y	Y	Y	-Recr. Brochure	-History Books
7. Lansing	Y	Y	N	Y	--	--
8. Lemont	Y	Y	N	Y	-Two New Books	-History Books
9. Matteson	Y	Y	N	Y	--	-Cemetery Booklets
10. Oak Forest	Y	N	N	N	--	-History Booklet
11. Oak Lawn	Y	Y	N	N	--	Flyer
12. Orland	Y	Y	Y	Y	-New Book	-ACORNS Quarterly
13. Palos	Y	N	N	N	--	- History Book
14. Park Forest	N	Y	N	Y	--	-Mission Statement
15. Robbins	Y	N	Y	N	-New Pamphlet	-Pamphlet on History
16. South Holland	Y	Y	N	Y	-Pamphlet	-Mission Statement
17. Steger	Y	N	N	N	-New Book	-History Book
18. Thornton	Y	Y	Y	N	--	--
19. Thornton Township	Y	Y	N	N	-Newsletter	--
20. Tinley Park	Y	Y	Y	Y	-Museum Brochure	--
21. Willow Springs	N	N	N	N	--Planned	-Book on History
					--	-Book on Land of Healing Waters

APPENDIX - A

HISTORICAL LANDMARKS

BLUE ISLAND (20)

Theodore Geuhther House  
2506 Burr Oak

Arthur Seyfarth House  
Greenwood and Walnut

Robert Seyfarth House  
12852 S. Maple Avenue

Albert Roche House  
12900 Maple Avenue

Helbrey House  
12917 S. Greenwood

Wathams/Young House  
2445 W. High Street

Henke House  
12939 S. Greenwood

Charles Younge House  
Union and Green

Walter Roche House  
2537 York Street

Luchtemeyers' Jewellery Store  
13013 Western Avenue

Larson/Cooley House  
2626 Vermont Street

Schreiber's Hardware Store  
Western Ave. and James Street

Pearson/Erret Wade House  
Burr Oak and Elm Street

Henry Bauer House  
13222-26 South Western

Chamberlain House  
127th and Sacramento

Nicholas Stoll House  
Walnut and Greenwood Avenue

Hermon Nickel House  
Walnut and Elm Street

Malysa/Billy Weber House  
Walnut and Greenwood Avenue

Vandenberg House  
Union and Greenwood

1840 Kick/Schueman Farmhouse  
Old Western and 135th Place

CALUMET CITY (1)

1836 Heritage Log Cabin  
Veterans Park  
Heritage Dr. & Burnham Ave.

CHICAGO HEIGHTS (1)

Bloom Township High School  
Tenth Street & Dixie Highway

CRETE AREA (1)

The Bandstand  
Crete Park  
Main Street and First

DOLTON

N/A

HOMEWOOD (2)

The Dorband-Howe House  
2035 W. 183rd. Street

The Henry Gottschalk Home  
18101 Martin

LANSING (2)

Ford Airport Hangar  
Airport Rd. & Burnham Ave.

Halfway House  
3353 Ridgemoor

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LEMONT (19)

Old Central School 400 McCarthy Road	Aldona's Dept. Store 117 Stephen Street
St. Patrick's Church Illinois and State Streets	Waterworks Building 43 Steven Street
St. Matthew Luthern Church Illinois & Lemont Streets	Bethany Luthern Church Lincoln and Lemont Streets
Walker Mansion (Mother Teresa Museum)	Friedley Hardware Store (Touch of Class Apparel)
Methodist Episcopal Church (Lemont Hist. Society) 306 Lemont Street	J.H. Tedens Store (Gee Hardware Store 102-106 Stephens Street
S.W. Norton Store (Strand Building) 103 Stephen Street	Charles Fruhauf Building (Silver Jug Restaurant) 107 Stephen Street
City Hall (Lemont Village Hall) 418 Main Street	Alex Anderson Building (Vernon Assoc. & Cookie Jar) 111 Stephen Street
St. James Academy (St. Patrick's Annex) Illinois Street	St. James (Sag) Church and Cemetery 106th and Archer
IL. Pure Aluminum Bldg. Talcott and Holmes St.	Illinois and Michigan Canal Through the Downtown
Brown Stone Barn Brown Drive and New Avenue	

MATTESON (12)

Matteson Village Hall 215th and Locus	Henry Gross Home 3624 216th Street
Hahne Family Home 3616 216th Street	Village Barber Shop 3612 216th Street
German American Bank 3610 216th Street	Maloni's Tavern 3601 216th Street
Dettmering Old Fash. Tavern 3613 216th Street	Nortmeir House 3735 216th Street
Zion Luthern Church 216th Place and Maple	Matteson Public School Site 213 Place and Locust
St. Paul's Luthern Church 6200 Vollmer Road	Sieden Prairie School 6220 Vollmer Road

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<u>OAK LAWN</u> (2)	Cook Avenue School 9526 Cook Avenue	Minnick House 5400 W. 96th Street
<u>ORLAND</u> (1)	Hostert Log Cabin 147th and Western Avenue	
<u>PALOS</u> (1)	Caraher Monument 119th and Olk Keen Road	
<u>PARK FOREST</u> (1)	Old Indian Camp Western Ave. & Sauk Trail Rd.	
<u>ROBBINS</u> (1)	Richard Flowers Home 3234 W. 139th Street	
<u>SOUTH HOLLAND</u> (2)	Van Oostenbrugge Cent. Home 444 East 157th Street	Paarlberg Farm Homestead Thorns Creek and Paxton Ave.
<u>STEGER</u> (5)	Steger Mansion 3760 Crescent	Steger Home 77 E. 34th St. (Steger Rd.)
	Jergenson Building 29031 W. Steger Road	First State Bank in Steger 34th. and Chicago Road
	Old Standard Gas Station 3420 Chicago Road	
<u>THORNTON</u> (3)	John Stolzenbach Home 115 S. Kinzie Street	Thornton's First School Site 109 W. Williams
	Dr. Olivier's Home 313 S. Hunter Street	
<u>THORNTON TWSP</u> (16)	Old City Hall 154 E. 154th Street	Stevenson Buildings 164-166 E. 154th Street
	Walton Building 167 E. 154th Street	Howland Building 168 E. 154th Street
	MacKenzie Building 169 E. 154th Street	Bastar Building 171 E. 154th Street
	DeVoe Building 175 E. 154th Street	Applegate Building Broadway & 154th Street
	Diamond Building 214 E. 154th Street	McFarlan Home 15440 Turlington Avenue
	Union Chapel 114 E. 155th Street	McEldowney Home 93 E. 155th Street

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THORNTON TWSP.

Clark Ranger Home  
97 E. 155th Street

Doctor Keifer Home & Office  
125 E. 155th Street

Doctor Noble Home & Office  
168 E. 155th Street

Masonic Building  
15232 Broadway

TINLEY PARK (1)

Old Zion Landmark  
6727 W. 174th Street

WILLOW SPRINGS (1)

Land of the Healing Waters  
85th and Willowest

APPENDIX - B

SOCIETY ADDRESSES

Blue Island Historical Society  
C/O Blue Island Public Library  
2433 York  
Blue Island, Illinois 60406

Bremen Historical Society  
of Tinley Park  
Box 325  
6727 W. 174th Street  
Tinley Park, Illinois 60477

Calumet City Historical Society  
P.O. Box 1917  
Calumet City, Illinois 60409

Chicago Heights Historical Society  
C/O Crete Public Library  
534 First  
Crete, Illinois 60417

Dolton Historical Society  
18241 West Street  
Lansing, Illinois 60433

Frankfort Area Historical Society  
of Will County  
Kansas Street, Box M  
Frankfort, Illinois 60423

Glenwood Historical Society  
409 Clark Street  
Glenwood, Illinois 60425

Historical Society of  
Greater Peotone  
213 West North Avenue  
Peotone, Illinois 60468

Homewood Historical Society  
and Museum  
Dorband-Howe House  
2035 W. 183rd Street  
Homewood, Illinois 60430

Lansing Historical Society  
Box 1776  
Lansing, Illinois 60438

Lemont Area Historical Society  
306 Lemont, Box 126  
Lemont, Illinois 60439

Matteson Historical Society  
813 School Avenue  
Matteson, Illinois 60443

Mokena Area Historical Society  
P.O. Box 724  
Mokena, Illinois 60448

Oak Forest Historical Society  
15028 Cicero  
Oak Forest, Illinois 60452

Oak Lawn Historical Society  
9526 South Cook  
Oak Lawn, Illinois 60453

Orland Historical Society  
P.O. Box 324  
Orland Park, Illinois 60462

Palos Historical Society  
C/O Palos Park Library  
12330 Forest Glen Blvd.  
Palos Park, Illinois 60464

Park Forest Historical Society  
C/O Park Forest Library  
400 Lakewood Boulevard  
Park Forest, Illinois 60466

Robbins Historical Society  
C/O Robbins Library  
13822 Central Park  
Robbins, Illinois 60472

South Holland Historical Society  
and Museum  
16250 Wausau, Box 48  
South Holland, Illinois 60473

South Suburban Archeological Society  
C/O Homewood Flossmoor Park District  
18350 Harwood  
Homewood, Illinois 60430

Steger Historical Society  
29 W. Steger Road  
Steger, Illinois 60475

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Thornton Historical Society  
Box 34  
Thornton, Illinois 60476

Thornton Township Historical  
Society  
154 E. 154th Street  
Harvey, Illinois 60426

Will County Historical Society  
803 South State Street  
Lockport, Illinois 60441

Willow Springs Historical Society  
1300 87th. Street  
Willow Springs, Illinois 60480

## The South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society

The South Suburban Genealogical and Historical Society was established on January 11, 1969 as the Vincennes-Sauk Trails Historical and Genealogical Society by founder Ira Elmore Bishop. The purposes of the Society are:

- to collect, preserve, and own such records, books, manuscripts, charts, maps and other materials as may be deemed worth a place in its archival and library;
- to foster and encourage the interest of people in the study and research of genealogy and local history, and to assist them in this study and research; and
- to encourage the publication of such materials.

The Society is governed by an Executive Board and a nine-member Board of Directors, and the twelve Standing Committees: Editorial Board, Library, Historian, Program, Membership, Publicity, Finance and Budget, Purchasing, Hospitality, Properties, Ways and Means, and Legislation. Special Committees include Pullman Records, Churches, Cemeteries, and Workshop. The Society is a member of both the National Genealogical Society and the State of Illinois Genealogical Society.

Incorporated on February 23, 1971 as the South Cook and North Will Counties Historical and Genealogical Society, the name was later changed to its present name. A library of 5000 books and manuscripts, the Pullman records (employment records dating back to 1880), a meeting room and a workroom are all housed at the Society's headquarters at the Roosevelt Center in South Holland.

The Society prints its own publications. One quarterly publication, "Where the Trails Cross", features articles of historical and genealogical interest about the townships encompassed by the Society in southern Cook and northern Will Counties.

In 1986, membership totaled 440 members, with many of the membership coming from out of state, and including more than twenty libraries. Members received monthly newsletters which highlight events and other pertinent genealogical data.

The library is open to the public, free of charge, every day except Thursday and Sunday, and on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. It is entirely staffed by volunteers. Simple research is also done through mail requests, for a small fee.

Workshops and meetings are advertised in local newspapers and in flyers distributed to libraries and other historical and genealogical societies in the area. Activities include bus trips to the Newberry Library, the Chicago Historical Society, and to relevant workshops. Fundraising activities include an annual workshop in October, featuring several speakers and a book sale. Projects undertaken in the last few years are:

- alphabetizing the Pullman records
- recording oral histories of residents of the Holland Home for the Aged
- participating in the Conference on the Cultural History of the Southern Suburbs
- judging entrants at the Chicago History Fair
- sponsoring a Basic Genealogy Workshop for Beginners
- holding Spring and Fall classes on Beginning and Advanced Genealogy
- alphabetizing Cook County land abstracts
- publishing a surname index
- computerizing the entire library collection
- developing ancestor charts
- publishing records of the Trinity Lutheran Church Cemetery (Tinley Park, Illinois)

For more information contact: Beverlee Schulthies, President  
South Suburban Genealogical  
and Historical Society  
P.O. Box 96  
South Holland, Illinois 60473



## **VI. GUIDE TO LIBRARIES IN THE REGION**

PUBLIC AND ACADEMIC LIBRARIES IN THE SOUTH SUBURBS.

ACORN LIBRARY DISTRICT  
15624 S. Central Ave.  
Oak Forest, IL 60452

ALSIP-MERRIONETTE PARK PL  
11960 S. Pulaski Rd.  
Alsip, IL 60658

BEDFORD PARK LIBRARY DISTRICT  
7816 West 65th Place  
Bedford Park, IL 60501

BLUE ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY  
2433 York Street  
Blue Island, IL 60406

BRIDGEVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY  
7840 W. 79th Street  
Bridgeview, IL 60455

CALUMET CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
660 Manistee Ave.  
Calumet City, IL 60409

CALUMET PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
1502-04 West 127th St.  
Calumet Park, IL 60643

CHICAGO HEIGHTS FREE PL  
15th Street & Chicago Road  
Chicago Heights, IL 60411

CHICAGO RIDGE PL  
6301 W. Birmingham  
Chicago Ridge, IL 60415

CRESTWOOD LIBRARY DISTRICT  
13838 Cicero Ave.  
Crestwood, IL 60445

CRETE PL DISTRICT  
534 First Street  
Crete, IL 60417

DOLTON PL DISTRICT  
14037 Lincoln Ave.  
Dolton, IL 60419

E. CHICAGO HEIGHTS PL DISTRICT  
941 E. 14th St.  
E. Chicago Heights, IL 60411

EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY  
9400 S. Troy Ave.  
Evergreen Park, IL 60642

FLOSSMOOR PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Park Drive & Sterling Ave.  
Flossmoor, IL 60422

FRANKFORT PL DISTRICT  
Pfeiffer Rd. & Route 30  
Frankfort, IL 60423

GLENWOOD-LYNWOOD PL DISTRICT  
320 Glenwood-Lansing Road  
Glenwood, IL 60425

GRANDE PRAIRIE PL DISTRICT  
3479 W. 183rd St.  
Hazel Crest, IL 60429

GREEN HILLS PL DISTRICT  
8611 W. 103rd St.  
Palos Hills, IL 60465

HARVEY PUBLIC LIBRARY (serves Phoenix)  
155th & Turlington St.  
Harvey, IL 60426

HOMETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
4331 Southwest Highway  
Hometown, IL 60456

HOMEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
17900 Dixie Highway  
Homewood, IL 60430

JUSTICE PL DISTRICT  
7641 Oak Grove Avenue  
Justice, IL 60458

LANSING PUBLIC LIBRARY  
2750 Indiana Avenue  
Lansing, IL 60438

LEMONT PL DISTRICT  
810 Porter Street  
Lemont, IL 60439

MARKHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY  
16640 Kedzie Avenue  
Markham, IL 60426

MATTESON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
801 South School  
Matteson, IL 60443

MIDLOTHIAN PL (serves POSEN)  
14609 Springfield Avenue  
Midlothian, IL 60445

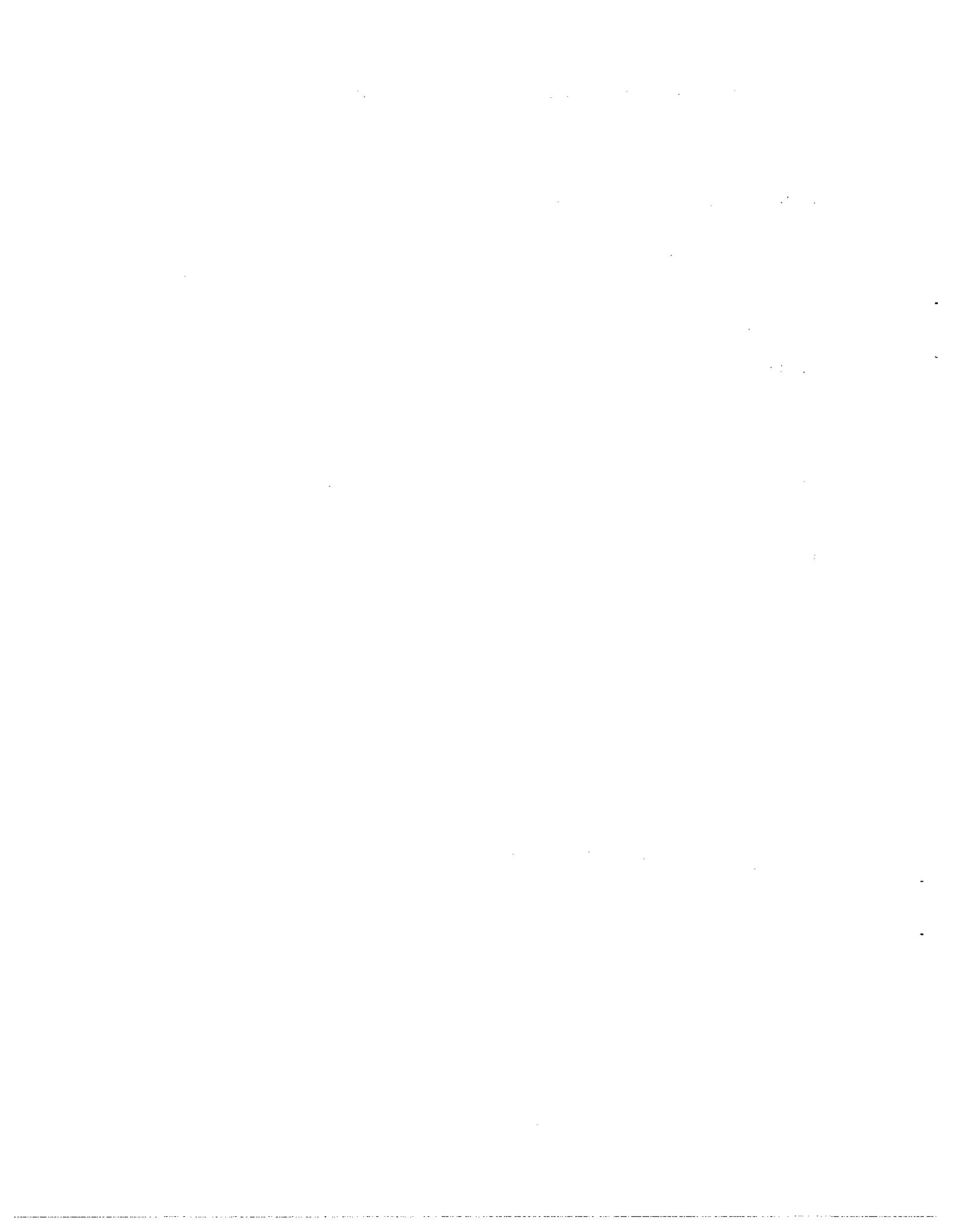
NANCY L. McCONATHY PL DISTRICT 7 Surreybrook Plaza Sauk Village, IL 60411	TINLEY PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY 17101 S. 71st Ave. Tinley Park, IL 60477
OAK LAWN PUBLIC LIBRARY 9427 S. Raymond Ave. Oak Lawn, IL 60453	UNIVERSITY PARK PL DISTRICT 1003 Samson Drive University Park, IL 60466
ORLAND PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY 14760 Park Lane Orland Park, IL 60462	WORTH PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT 6917 West 111th Street Worth, IL 60482
PALOS HEIGHTS PUBLIC LIBRARY 12501 S. 71st St. Palos Heights, IL 60463	GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY University Park, IL 60466
PALOS PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY 12330 Forest Glen Blvd. Palos Park, IL 60464	MORAIN VALLEY COMMUN. COLLEGE Learning Resources Center 10900 S. 88th Avenue Palos Hills, IL 60465
PARK FOREST (serves Olympia Fields) 400 Lakewood Blvd. Park Forest, IL 60466	PRAIRIE STATE COLLEGE 202 South Halsted Street Chicago Heights, IL 60411
PRAIRIE TRAILS PL DISTRICT State Road and Moody Burbank, IL 60459	THORNTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE Learning Resources Center 15800 S. State St. South Holland, IL 60473
RIGHTON PARK PL DISTRICT 4045 Sauk Trail Richton Park, IL 60471	TRINITY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE 6601 West College Drive Palos Heights, IL 60463
RIVERDALE PL DISTRICT 208 W. 144th Street Riverdale, IL 60627	
ROBBINS PL DISTRICT 13822 Central Park Ave. Robbins, IL 60472	
SOUTH HOLLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY 16250 Wausau Avenue South Holland, IL 60473	
STEGER-SO. CHI. HEIGHTS PL DISTRICT 3328 Chicago Road South Chicago Heights, IL 60411	
SUMMIT PL DISTRICT 6209 S. Archer Road Summit, IL 60501	
THORNTON PUBLIC LIBRARY 115 E. Margaret Street Thornton, IL 60476	



## VII. PLACES ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

BLUE ISLAND	Joshua P. Young House, 2445 High Street (added to Register, 8-12-82)
CHICAGO HEIGHTS	Bloom Township High School, Tenth Street, Dixie Highway, and Chicago Heights Street (6-3-82)
LANSING	Ford Airport Hangar (5-9-85)
LEMONT	Lemont Central Grade School, 410 McCarthy Road (3-7-75)
	Lemont Methodist Episcopal Church (5-5-86)
LEMONT VICINITY	St. James Roman Catholic Church and Cemetery, 106th Street and Archer Avenue (8-16-84)
PEOTONE	H. A. Rathje Mill, 433 W. Corning Avenue (3-19-82)

(Information provided by the Illinois Historic Preservation  
Agency, Springfield, Illinois.)



## VIII. THE I AND M CANAL NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR

The Illinois and Michigan Canal National Heritage Corridor, designated by Federal action on August 24, 1984, stretches 120 miles from Chicago and the south suburban region to the Illinois River at LaSalle/Peru. Encompassing forty two communities, this urban cultural park follows the course of the I and M Canal, dug from 1836 to 1848 as the first navigable link between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River. Along with the railroads that followed it, the Canal opened up the West and contributed significantly to the early growth of the Chicago metropolitan area. The businesses, factories and homes that sprang up along its banks are, today, part of the corridor, along with numerous historic structures, state and local parks, archaeological sites and exceptional natural areas.

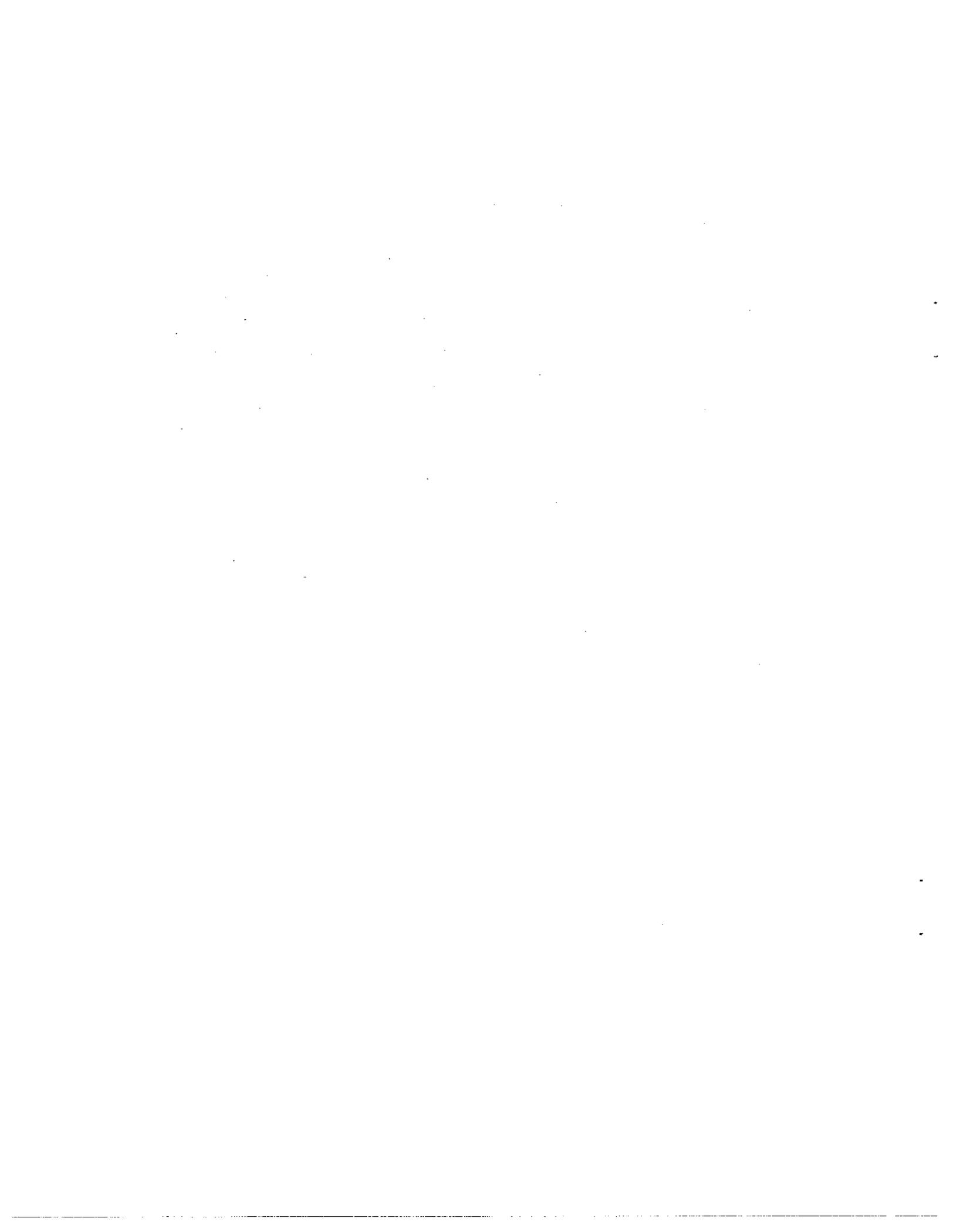
The National Heritage Corridor is a living museum of Illinois' industrial, natural, and cultural history. In addition to its role in the industrial revolution in the Midwest, the corridor served as a portage route for Native American Indians and French fur traders. In the south suburban region, the Corridor reaches from the Lake Calumet area and the communities of Burnham and Calumet City to include towns and forest preserves along the Calumet Sag Channel to the path of the I and M Canal at Lemont.

Further information is available from:

Upper Illinois Valley Association  
53 West Jackson Blvd. - Room 552  
Chicago, Illinois 60604

I and M Canal National Heritage Corridor Commission  
30 N. Bluff  
Joliet, Illinois 60435

(This description adapted from information provided by the Upper Illinois Valley Association.)



**IX. INDEX TO *WHERE THE TRAILS CROSS***

South Suburban Genealogical & Historical Society  
320 East 161st Place (P.O. Box 96)  
South Holland, IL 60473

March 4, 1987

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 South Holland, IL 60473

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