

Inform Quarterly

A Newsletter from the Illinois State Library's Reference Section

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From the Reference Desk

Spring is in the air, so while you're out enjoying a walk around the Capitol Complex, the Reference staff invites you to stop by the State Library and check out the displays on the second-floor atrium bridge. March's display features women in history, and April's display will showcase works on the history of jazz and the people who brought it to the forefront of American culture. May's exhibit will offer a variety of information on travel for the upcoming summer months.

While at the State Library, you can also check out the vast reference materials available through the Reference Section, or go to any public service computer to check out ProQuest's database of historical Chicago Tribunes, which includes anything from photos and news stories to obituaries and birth announcements.

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Illinois State Library hours:
Mon. – Fri., 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

We look forward to hearing from you!

ProQuest's Historical Chicago Tribune

One of the many electronic resources available at the Illinois State Library is ProQuest's Historical Newspaper Chicago Tribune. The database offers full-text and full-image articles from the Tribune from 1890 to 1958. The collection includes digital reproductions of every page from every issue — cover to cover — in PDF format. This is an ongoing project, so more years will be added as they become available.

The Historical Chicago Tribune represents the first initiative not only to digitize historical newspaper information, but also to provide that information in both full-page and article images. Patrons can search for news, editorials, letters to the editor, obituaries, and birth and marriage announcements, as well as historical photos, stock photos and advertisements.

The database can be accessed at any State Library public service computer in the Reference area on the second floor of the library.

Aerial Photos — 1938-1941

The State Library has received the collection of 1938-1941 aerial photographs from the Illinois Office of Water Resources. The photos were used in a recent digitization project of the Illinois Geological Survey and the State Library through a grant from the Institute for Museum and Library Services.

Through the grant, 20 counties were added to the Illinois Historical Aerial Photography Digital Archive. Thus far, 45 of the 102 Illinois counties have been digitized and will be available soon on disc. The discs will be available for circulation; however, due to their condition, the actual photos will not. The photos currently can be viewed through the Illinois Geospatial Data Clearinghouse at www.isgs.uiuc.edu/nsdihome/webdocs/ilhap/.

The State Library and the Illinois Geological Survey hope to obtain funding to eventually scan all the oldest aerial photography for the remaining 57 counties. Their goal is to preserve the oldest statewide aerial photographs first because the original negatives no longer exist and the paper collections are deteriorating. When all the 1938-1941 aerial photographs for Illinois are preserved, efforts will then turn to making later photos accessible.

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IQ Reference Bibliography

The Encyclopedia of Chicago, Ed., by James R. Grossman, Ann Durkin Keating, and Janice L. Reiff. Chicago, IL: U of Chicago Press, 2004 977.3 / ENCY

An alphabetical listing of the names, places and events of Chicago and its history. Standard entries are in the following formats: "broad essays" of 1,000-4,000 words; "mid-level" entries, which fill in gaps left by the broad essays and sometimes add context and analysis not offered in the shortest entries; and "basic" entries of 200 words or less that cover specific events, individuals or institutions. The center of the book has a chronology of events and firsts, followed by several two-page, illustrated spreads of important years in Chicago history. Another section offers maps of ethnic groups, the Chicago Fire and land distribution. The appendix has a list of mayors, metropolitan areas with populations, and a list of leading businesses and people.

Encyclopedia of Leadership, general editors George R. Goethals and Georgia J. Sorenson, senior editor James MacGregor Burns. Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications, 2004 658.4 / ENCY.

This four-volume set contains nearly 400 entries written by leading scholars and experts from 17 countries, who explore leadership theories, practices and the effects of leadership in the real world. The set is focused around 11 general categories, including: Biographies; Case Studies; Study of Leadership; Women and Gender; Personal Characteristics of Leaders; Power; Situational Factors; Leadership Styles; and Leadership Theories.

Forest Conservation Policy: A Reference Handbook, by V. Alaric Sample and Antony S. Cheng. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC CLIO, 2004 333.75 / SAMP 2.

Part of the ABC-CLIO's Contemporary World Issues series, this resource provides information on the Conservation Movement in the United States and current issues in forest policy, including bio-diversity, wilderness and roadless areas, and forest health and foresting conservation. A chronology of events in American forestry, brief biographical sketches of 33 important figures in the history of U.S. forestry, a chapter on forest facts and data, and a directory of U.S. forestry organizations are included.

The Right to Vote: Rights and Liberties Under the Law, by Donald Grier Stephenson, Jr., Santa Barbara, CA: ABC CLIO, 2004 342.73 / STEP.

One in an ongoing series of books titled *America's Freedoms*, this volume examines the origins, development, meaning and future of the nation's key fundamental liberties, including how the right to vote began and developed over the past couple of centuries. A section on key people, cases and events in the history of American voting, as well as a chronology of voting and several key documents from the U.S. Constitution are included.

INFORM periodical service

INFORM is a table of contents service from the Reference Section available to all state employees. As recipients of INFORM you can receive the table of contents of as many as 10 periodicals from the list of available INFORM periodicals. If there is a journal not on the list that the State Library carries and you would like to see it on the INFORM list, please contact the Reference Section. Also, if you know someone who would like to be added to the list of patrons receiving INFORM, please have him or her contact the Reference Section so they can be set up with their own personal list of 10 periodicals.

Now On Display

ISL atrium second-floor central bridge

- **March** — In observance of Women's History Month and the 25th anniversary of the National Women's History Project, the display features titles from the library's Women's History Collection as well as bookmarks and posters.
- **April** — To celebrate Jazz Appreciation Month, the display will feature works on the history and artists of this great American art form. Posters and a quiz testing your knowledge of jazz music will be available.
- **MAY** — The display will feature maps and travel guides for destinations in the United States and beyond to help with your summer vacation plans.

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