Illinois Archives Month — October 2021

Illinois historical documents are an important link to our past and provide a wealth of knowledge for genealogists, researchers, government employees and the general public. Preserving and maintaining these resources for future generations is a key mission of archival organizations across the state.

As Secretary of State and State Archivist, I am pleased to present this poster announcing the annual celebration of Illinois Archives Month in October. The Office of the Secretary of State, the Illinois State Historical Records Advisory Board, the Illinois State Archives and the Chicago Area Archivists are once again joining together to promote this event in conjunction with the Society of American Archivists' national Archives Month. This year's poster is significant because it commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Illinois State Archives — a department of the Secretary of State's office.

Archives, museums, historical societies, libraries and other groups are invited to participate in Illinois Archives Month by hosting local events, exhibits and activities that highlight the management and preservation of our documentary heritage. For information on ways you can showcase your agency's collections and activities, please visit www.cyberdriveillinois.com (click Departments; Illinois State Archives; Illinois State Historical Records Advisory Board).

Please join us in celebrating and recognizing the many ways Illinois historical records enrich our lives by honoring our story and connecting generations.

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