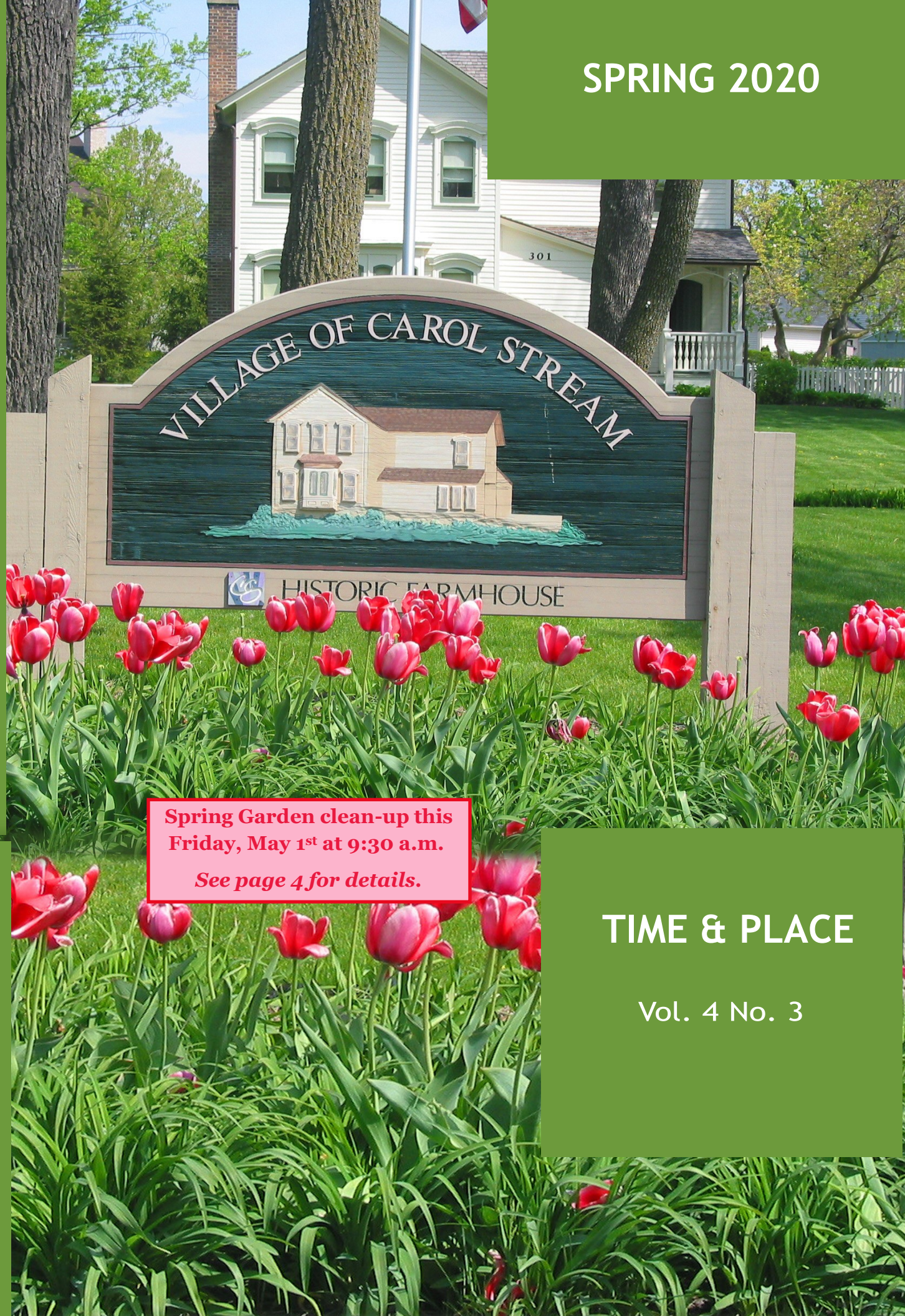


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See page 4 for details.

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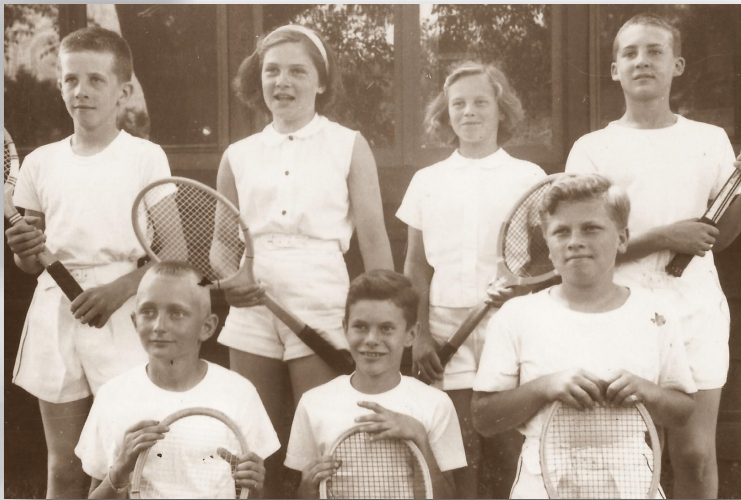
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Carol Stream Historical Society News

A Pictorial Tribute to Carol J. Stream

In the January issue of the newsletter, we joined with the community in mourning the loss of our namesake, Carol Jayne Stream. The photos we include here are a tribute to her memory.



A young Carol (back row, second from the right) with her Wheaton Park District tennis teammates in 1952.



Carol wearing her squash blossom necklace. The portrait of her painted from this photo hangs in Carol Stream School.



Photographic portrait of Carol Stream, date unknown.



Carol at the wheel of the first Village of Carol Stream fire truck. The Ahrens-Fox pumper is on display at the Hall of Flame in Phoenix, AZ. The photo was taken in February, 1980.



Carol J. Stream at 77
1943—2020

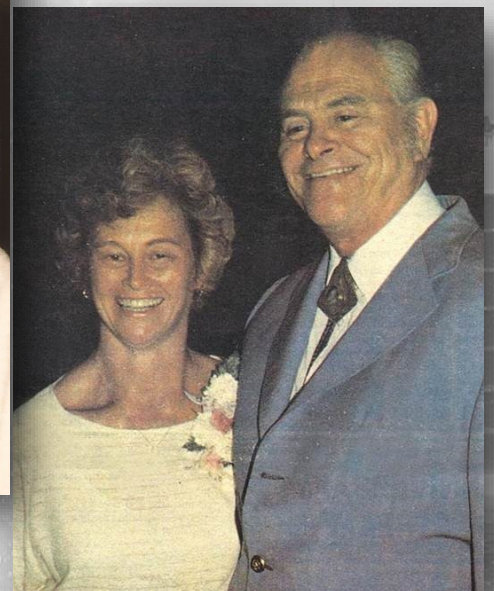


Rick Gieser presenting Carol with a Carol Stream shirt at her Arizona home in 2008.

"It was an honor to be invited to Carol Stream's home in Arizona. She, her mother & brother asked us questions about the Village and answered all of our questions. It was a fun & informative afternoon" -Rick Gieser

Carol with 25th Anniversary Committee members on June 23, 1984.

Front from left: Jean Moore, local historian and Carol Stream, guest of honor. Back from left: Jan Gerzevske, Village President and Barb O'rahilly, Executive Director of the CS Park District.



Carol and her father, Jay Stream, when the two visited for the Village's twenty-fifth anniversary celebration.



Historical Society members with Carol Stream at Carol Stream School in 2010.

Front from left: Rick Gieser, Carol Stream, Second row: Carole Ellermeier, Barb O'rahilly, and Barb Simkus. Center Back: Gail Sanders.

REGULAR MEETINGS**

2020

MAY 26

JUNE 23

JULY 28

AUGUST 25

SEPTEMBER 22

OCTOBER 27
(ANNUAL MEETING)



****MEETINGS ARE HELD AS SCHEDULED
LOCATION TO BE DETERMINED & MAY BE
VIRTUAL**

*We regret that the Society will not
meet in person until Illinois Covid-
19 sanctions on gatherings is lifted.
Please refer to our Facebook page
for meeting and event updates.*

GET TO KNOW US

We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month
at 7:00 p.m. January through October.



Master gardener and Historical
Society volunteer, **Marlene
Ashby**, works hard to keep the
Historic Farmhouse garden are-
as looking lovely all year long. If
you're looking for an opportunity
for some fresh air, join us for-

**Spring Garden clean-up this
Friday, May 1st at 9:30 a.m.**

*Bring your own FACEMASK,
garden tools, gloves, hat and
water bottle. We will be practic-
ing social distancing.*

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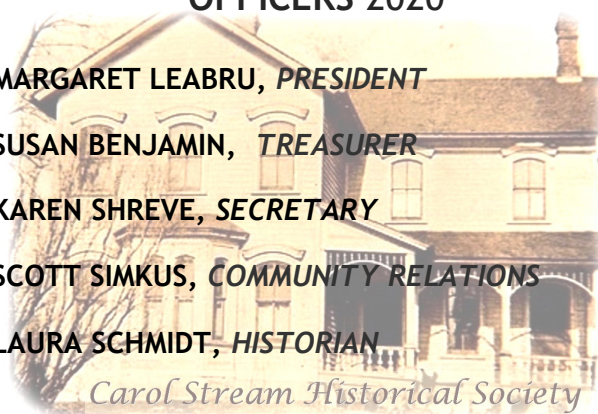
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History in the Making—Coping with Covid-19



The Historical Society normally concentrates on “preserving and presenting the history of the community,” specifically the earlier history of this area: the early settlers as well as the founding and growth Carol Stream. Since our January newsletter, it is obvious that there have been some life altering changes. The COVID-19 virus has affecting our actions, families, work, schools, homes, community, state, country and world. We are in the middle of an historic pandemic.

We feel the need to document this “history in the making and the effects of the pandemic on the local level. This project started with the hashtag **#CSHope2020** on Facebook. We have asked people to share positive things on social media that made them smile while sheltering in place. We ask that you add the hashtag **#CSHope2020** to your photos and posts about life in Carol Stream during the pandemic.

Documenting the Present: Send us your local pictures and/or written memories that reflect your experiences during this time. You may send your photos and memories to us by way of email, Facebook or USPS mail. Please include your name and contact information.

Think about what Carol Stream residents in 2040 would want to view or understand about our present circumstances. Maybe explain what is it like to be an essential worker or how are you helping or thanking those who are essential? How has your home life changed? What are you missing? Do you have photos of social distancing, face masks, empty shelves, schooling and working from home? What do you see around the Village that will visually show the future how Carol Stream handled a pandemic? Help us to document our local piece of the pandemic for the future. Thank you!

Stay safe! Wear a face mask when you go out! Please practice social distancing and wash, wash, wash your hands!



Stay in touch. Remember to check our Facebook and website for updates on our events and more on local history.

Margaret Leabru
President, CSHS

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First Carol Stream Park District President



Fred Mitchell, the first president of the Carol Stream Park District Board, died April 15 due to complications from dementia. Mitchell Lakes (in the photo background) carries his name. Mr. Mitchell and his wife, Shirley, were living in New Jersey at the time of his death. They had previously made their home in

Fred Mitchell, first CSPD president.

Mesa, Arizona. The couple were among the first residents, being the 18th family to move in. They lived on Tomahawk Court.

Learn more from an interview by Rich Gieser with Fred and Shirley Mitchell on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/oH9YQQitjU>. In the video, Mr. Mitchell recalls the infancy of the Park District when board members did everything including running programs, securing locations, and working to raise funds. There was no paid staff, no facility, and no budget, only an abundance of determination and hard work. The first recreational "facility" was an outdoor ice rink located on St. Luke Church property. This community effort involved the donation of services to create the skating area which was filled with water by the fire department. Mrs. Shirley Mitchell, served as the first secretary, working as a volunteer from her family room desk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:
The Carol Stream Park District was organized on March 21, 1964. Board members serving with Mr. Mitchell were Gerald Walter, Wilbur Kent, George Kostopoulos and Robert Simkus.

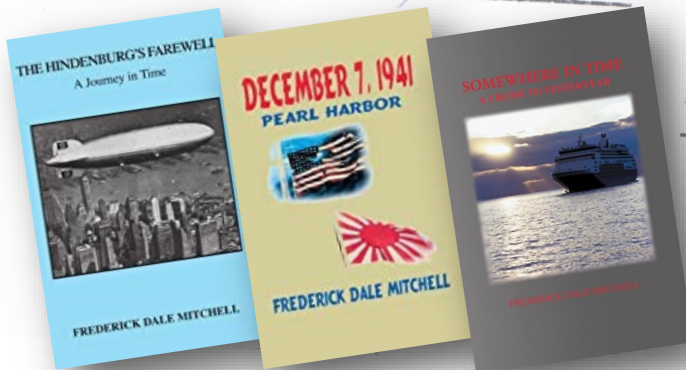
Mr. Mitchell was a writer. His most recent publication was *Somewhere in Time, A Cruise to Yesterday* published in 2012. He also authored *When Rivers Meet* (2005), *Hindenburg's Farewell* (2006), *December 7, 1941* (2008), *Beyond the Arc* (2010) and *Western Front* (2011).

PASSED

MAY 25, 1964

CAROL STREAM PARK DISTRICT

Fred Mitchell
President



We offer our condolences to the Mitchell family.



Congratulations

Margaret Leabru

2019 Carol Stream Female Citizen of the Year

We are delighted that our president was chosen for this honor based on her outstanding volunteer service to the community.

Margaret was honored at the February 1, 2020 Awards Dinner.



From our Photo Album: Historical Society members gather to celebrate at the Carol Stream Citizen of the Year Awards Dinner on February 1.

From the left: Barb Tuman, Karen Shreve, Barb Simkus, Sue Benjamin, Richard Leabru, Margaret Leabru, Kurt Gimler, Barb O'Rahilly, and Brian Benjamin.



CCSD93 is celebrating 100 years

Community Consolidated School District 93 is celebrating 100 years as a consolidated school district. Over the coming months, this special anniversary will be commemorated with a variety of activities. Currently, the district is featuring podcasts that highlight its history. Interviews with Mr. John DiBuono, Dr. Hank Gmitro, and Dr. Bill Shields are planned. Additionally, a peek into one room country school life and the development of Carol Stream leading to the hiring of the first Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Elsie Johnson will be featured.

Find out more: Link to Podcasts on the District 93 website

CCSD93.org Talk93 <https://www.ccsd93.com/Page/6396>

Two podcasts are currently available – *Early Days with CSHS* past president, Carole Ellermeier, and Mr. John DiBuono, Superintendent from 1982-1996. Podcasts were conducted by Dr. David Hill, current CCSD93 Superintendent of Schools.



First CCSD93 school, known as Cloverdale School.



On Our Calendar

We are planning! Though we do not know what August and September will bring, the Historical Society has been busy planning since January. There are two big programs on our schedule that we'd like to share with you. We realize that we may need to alter our plans. We will keep you posted on Facebook. Thank you! Stay well!

Mudslinging, Muckraking and Apple Pie

Presentation by Terry Lynch

Tuesday, August 18, 2020,

7:00 p.m.

at the American Legion Post #76,

570 S. Gary Ave, Carol Stream, IL 60188



What Mr. Lynch says about the program:

"Political campaigns are getting down and dirty. How did this campaign craziness get started? Believe it or not, they have actually gotten more civil over the years. Don't believe it? In this program, hear the stories of the mudslinging and muckraking of the Jefferson v. Adams campaign of 1800, the Jackson v. Adams of 1828, and the Lincoln v. Douglas of 1860. Also covered in this program is the 1912 campaign when Teddy Roosevelt decided to start his OWN political party"

This study of political campaigns and elections is appropriate for 6th graders and older.

Read more about the subject of the presentation in this [Chicago Tribune article from 2016](https://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/park-ridge/ct-skr-go-muckraking-tl-1020-20161019-story.html). <https://www.chicagotribune.com/suburbs/park-ridge/ct-skr-go-muckraking-tl-1020-20161019-story.html>

Ticket Information for this CSHS Fundraiser will be announced at a future date.



Terry Lynch shares political campaigning stories that may surprise you. Some things, it seems, never change.



Country Fair at the Farmhouse

The Country Fair has become a CSHS annual tradition and we hope to be able to continue with it this September. We've lined up some great family activities once again including Gourmet Goodies' famous delicious cider donuts. Kline Creek Farm will be on hand with Maggie the Cow for all "farm hands" who want to try their hand at milking. The Mercantile and Candy Shop will be open along with great kid games, live music and Historic Farmhouse tours.

We will keep you informed as to the status of this event and all other Historical Society activities on our Facebook page.

TIME ON YOUR HANDS...DISCOVER YOUR FAMILY HISTORY

This may be something on your bucket list that you've just never gotten around to doing—learning more about your family history. Learning about our roots is frequently an eye opener for both children and adults. Now while we are staying at home may be a good time to do some exploring. Use Zoom, Skype, FaceTime, email or even write a letter to start a conversation with an older family member. You may be surprised at what you discover.

We've put together some questions to help you get started (below). Don't forget to keep a record of what you find. Write it down or record your conversation. Try it!

Sample Questions to ask your parents/grandparents:

- ◆ Who was your best friend when you were a kid
- ◆ What did you like to do together?
- ◆ Tell me about where you grew up.
- ◆ What was your favorite food growing up?
- ◆ Do you have the recipe or know how it was made?
- ◆ What was your school like?
- ◆ Did you have a favorite toy when you were my age?
- ◆ Tell me about the house and neighborhood where you grew up.
- ◆ What were your grandparents like?
- ◆ What was your favorite age to be?
- ◆ What's the oldest memory you have?
- ◆ What are some silly things my mom or dad did when they were my age?
- ◆ What's the best thing about being a parent/grandparent?
- ◆ Do you have some pictures to share?



Looking for resources? Check out the Carol Stream Public Library online to see if you can access [Ancestry.com](https://www.familytreemagazine.com/family-tree-freebies/): Library Edition from home! Have your library card number handy: [swanlibraries.net/ancestry/](https://www.familytreemagazine.com/family-tree-freebies/)

There are many free resources online. You may want to take a look at Family Tree Magazine at <https://www.familytreemagazine.com/family-tree-freebies/> for some ideas and free downloads for kids and adults. Learn how to record an interview on your Smart phone.

When you've collected some great information make a family time capsule, create a family vacation photo album or scrapbook, preserve heirloom recipes in a family cookbook or start building a family tree.

You'll feel good about preserving a bit of your history. We would love to know about your experience with family history research. Tell us on Facebook.



St. Stephen's Cemetery Remembrance Day



Saturday, September 12
11:00 p.m.
at the Cemetery



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Carol Stream Historical Society

2020 Membership Form—JOIN US!

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