

Resources Available at the Louis Latzer Memorial Public Library:

NEWSPAPER MICROFILM

Highland Union (German) Oct. 1863 - Sept. 1910
Highland Bote (German) Mar. 31, 1860 - Mar. 12, 1869
Highland Journal (English) Jan. 25, 1894 - Oct. 25, 1962
Highland News Leader (English) Sept. 1900 – present
Carlyle Union Banner (English) 1899-1960

NEWSPAPER INDICES, 1900 - 1980

Highland Journal is indexed 1900-1962
Highland Leader and News Leader is indexed 1900-1980
Highland Weekly Telephone is indexed 1884-1885

GENEALOGY CD'S

Family Tree Maker
Passenger & Immigration Records
Censuses and Census Indexes
Church Records, (Pennsylvania German Church Records, 1729-1870)
Genealogies, (Virginia Genealogies & Biographies, 1500's-1900's)
Land, Marriage & Probate Records, (Virginia Land, Marriage & Probate)
Military Records, (Military Records: Virginia in the Revolutionary & War of 1812 records, 1639-1850)
Mortality Indexes
Naturalization Records for Philadelphia, 1789 – 1880
Social Security Records 1937 – 1993
Family Tree CD's

NEWSLETTERS AND MAGAZINES

Clinton, St. Clair, Bond, & Madison Counties
FAMILY TREE MAGAZINE
BBC HISTORY (World history coverage)

CEMETERY BOOKS

Madison County-compiled by the MCGS (Madison Co. Genealogical Society)
Bond County-compiled by the BCGS (Bond Co. Genealogical Society)
A partial inventory (Vols. 1, 5, & 6) of Old Cemeteries, St. Louis County, Missouri (St. Louis Genealogical Society)

FUNERAL AND PRAYER CARDS

This is an ongoing project but as of now we have some cards from 1907 to the present. We are hoping to put these all on disc and eventually on our website.

COMPILED ANNOUNCEMENT BOOKS

Marriage, Engagements, Anniversaries, Divorce, Birth, Marriage, & Death announcements compiled by Mae Jacober (1994-2002) from Highland papers and surrounding areas.

Penny Sander's birth, marriage and death announcements (1894, 1896, 1897) from the Sugar Creek area.

YEARBOOKS

Highland High School - starting with 1920-present (with a few gaps)
St. Paul High School - starting with 1946 - 1966
Country Schools of Madison Co., IL & surrounding counties compiled by LGPGG (2v.)

BOOKS

How-To-Books:

How to do cemetery research
How to research at the courthouse

Particular Subjects:

Land & Property

Census
Finding Females in the Family
Using the Internet to research
Researching Different Nationalities/Countries
Native American Research
Immigration/Emigration
Passenger Arrivals
Photography-Identifying types of photos and dating
Family Genealogies

Church Books:

St. Paul's Catholic Church in Highland, IL Bapt. 1848-2004 Death 1851-2004
Marriage 1848-2004
EVUCC, Highland, IL Death 1850-1957 Bapt. 1840-1899 Marr. 1850-2005
Sugar Creek Presbyterian, 1829-1871
Marine UCC Baptism, marriage and death 1863-2007
St. James, St. Jacob, IL Baptism, marriage and death 1895-2005
St. Elizabeth's, Marine, IL Baptism, marriage and death 1861-2005
German Evangelical, Highland, IL, 1862 - 1867
St. Gertrude, Grantfork, IL Baptism, marriage and death 1875-2005
St. Jacob UCC, St. Jacob, IL Baptism, marriage and death 1906-2009
Grantfork Evangelical UCC, Madison County Marriage Book, 1813-1882

Town and county histories and Illinois state history.

Centennial History of Highland, IL 1837-1937 by A. P. Spencer
Swiss on the Looking Glass Prairie by Betty Spindler Coats
Journey to New Switzerland by Jos. Suppiger, Salomon Koepfli and Kaspar Koepfli
New Switzerland in Illinois by Kaspar Koepfli and Johann Jacob Eggen
Highland Sesquicentennial 1837-1987 Highland Sesquicentennial Org.
The Story of the Settling of Highland by Solomon Koepfli and translated by Jennie Latzer Kaeser

Military (Revolutionary War Pensions, 1775-1874; Index to the Roll of Honor)
Bible Records, Tennessee, Illinois, and Georgia
Directories and phone books Directories 1932 - 2003 Phone books 2003 – present
Photo Albums - Military, buildings, school pictures and more
Combined Atlases 1873, 1892 & 1906 of Madison County, IL
Plat Books 1940 – present
Original abstracts of the town of Highland, IL, circa 1862-1901 w/index (2v.)
Fire safe and "Granny's Closet" full of documents, pictures, family histories, newspaper clippings, area histories, organization/club histories, maps, etc.

Reference - Gazetteers, Language Dictionaries, Handwriting Analysis, Morton Allan Directory of European Passenger and Steamship Arrivals

2 Microfilm readers and 1 computer in the Everett Genealogy and Local History Room.

Passenger Arrivals from all main ports of entry.

Native American research-Eastern Cherokee by Blood and Indian Wills, 1911-1921

GENEALOGY DATABASES AT THE LIBRARY:

HERITAGEQUEST ONLINE - census records thru 1930; 28,000 family histories; 2.3mil genealogy articles in the periodical source index (PERSI); Revolutionary War, pension & bounty applications; Freedman's Bank records & the U.S. Serial Set. Available at <http://highlandilllibrary.org>

WORLDCAT - worldwide database containing 1.5bil books & other items. Available at <http://highlandilllibrary.org>