

A sample of 2010 Illinois History Expo Topics

Steak n' Shake

Cyrenius Makefield: Doctor or Phony?

Carb Orchard Munitions Plants

Koppers Tie Plant

Stealing Lincoln's Body

Murphysboro Historic LaClede Hotel: A Vision of Revival

The Innovations of Buckminster Fuller

The History of Eckert's Farm

A Centennial Farm in Illinois: Flamm Orchards

Taylor Guitars

Wayne County Speed Shop

Dodolsky Oil

A Life Saving Innovation: The Blood Bank

State Farm Insurance Company

The First McDonald's Franchise

Armour and Company: The Pioneers of Meat Processing

The Meatpacking Industry of Chicago

Impact of Chinese Immigrants in Illinois

Irrigation in Nauvoo Swampland

The Radio: Saving Lives & Changing the World

Chicago, Ottawa, and Peoria Railway: A Vital Means of Transportation

Rock Island Railroad: One Hundred Years Strong

The History of Beich Candy

Camp Ondessonk

Rockford Peaches Baseball

All American Girls Professional Baseball League

Mr. Erie State Bank Robbery
Illinois Workmen's Compensation Act: The Silver Lining to the
Cherry Coal Mine Disaster
Spanish Influenza Epidemic
Viriden Coal Mine Riot: An Unnecessary Tragedy
Special Olympics in Illinois: Inspiring Greatness
The Hull House: Chicago's First Settlement House
The Great Chicago Fire: A New Chicago Rises from the Ashes
The General Dean Suspension Bridge
The History of the Melvin Pike Lock and Dam
The History and Economic Impact of St. Clair Square
The Effects of the Underground Railroad on African American
Slaves
Chicago Blues: An Innovation in Music
The History of Violence in Williamson County
The Effects of Prohibition on Organized Crime in Illinois
The Flood of 1993
A Disaster Waiting to Happen: The Eastland Disaster
The Iroquois Theatre Fire
The Pullman Era: Man, Machine, Town, Conflict
The Pullman Strike
The Orphan Train
The Illinois State Fair
Chicago's Columbian Exposition of 1893
Knox College: Freedom to Flourish
If Walls Could Talk: The Dana Thomas House
Chicago's Secret Lab: Birthplace of the Nuclear Age
Kirkland : When Sheep Ruled the Town
La Moille: A Little Town with A Lot of History
German World War II POW Camp, Hampshire, Illinois
The History Of Wrigley Field
Lead Mining in Galena Illinois
The Legacy of Mary Jane Richardson Jones and the Underground
Railroad
Our Lady of Angels School Fire

The Illini Confederacy
Innovative Dance Styles of River North Dance Company
Tootsie Rolls
The Mormon Trail
The Other Ghetto: Housing, Discrimination and the Catholic Church
The Illinois Amish: From Arthur to Arcola
The Hanging of Betsy Reed
The Flying Rousch Brothers

The Mystery of Cahokia Mounds
Giant City State Park
Pere Marquette State Park
Fort de Chartres
Lincoln's Tomb: History and Mystery of Lincoln's Tomb
Cave In Rock: Cave in Crime
Trail of Tears
U-505

The Alton Giant
Popeye the Sailor
The Wright Brothers
Ronald Reagan and the Space Defense Initiative
Mae Jenison
Richard J. Oglesby: Civil War General & Illinois Governor
Ron Santo: Walking for the Cure
Johnny "Red" Kerr: The Original Bull
Illinois Public Enemy # 1 John Dillinger
Lincoln's Failures
Deadly Dr. Dale Cavaness
The History of Raggedy Ann & Andy

Mother of the Violin: Maud Powell
Jane Adams: Founder of Hull House to Help those in Need
Tobias “Toby” Barry: Small Town Man Makes Big Impact
Mary Dagraedt: Golf Became Her Life
George Ferris and His Amazing Ferris wheel
Jean Baptiste Point Du Sable: Founder of Chicago
The Travels of Joliet and Marquette
Louis Armstrong: Man Could He Blow the Horn
Jack Benny: Waukegan’s King of Comedy
Johnny Weissmuller: Tarzan King of the Jungle
A.G. Spalding: Sporting Goods
John R McCormick: Invento of the Reaper
George Hallas: Chicago Bear Player Coach and Owner
Walter Peyton: Maybe the Greatness For Sure the Sweetest Bear
Gale Sayers: A Short Career With Huge Results
Ronald Reagan: Form Dixon Illinois to The White House
Dr. James Watson and the Discovery of DNA
The Many Miles of Miles Davis: His Legacy in Music
Ignaz Schwinn and the History of the Schwinn Bicycle Company
Elijah P. Lovejoy: He Died to End Slavery
Adali Stevenson and the Cuban Missile Crisis