

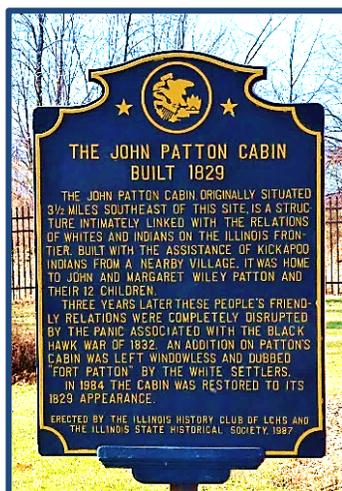


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2) Patton Cabin sign. Photo Rand Veerman.
3) Broken Wheel. Photo Don and Nancy Sails.
Back McLean County Museum of History. Photo William P. LaBounty.

EDITOR'S THOUGHTS

I hope you will enjoy this issue of *Gleanings*. It is my first time as Editor, but to be frank, I was blessed to have Susie Pope guiding and contributing all the way - Susie is a former *Gleanings* editor.

This issue is the first since our new website went live: tmcgs.org

We feature two of the articles from past *Gleanings* in this issue. We republish Ruth Carpenter's article about nursing in McLean County to coincide with the COVID crisis and to highlight the contributions Ruth made to the Society. An article about Ruth and the Shirley Cemetery follows; she was a past Cemetery Director. Ruth's contributions were recognized with a Life Membership.

The second reprint is about the McLean County Poor Farm. Director Cheryl Budde has worked on a comprehensive spreadsheet of interments, which we are making available on the website in the member's area. We are encouraging others with information to submit it and have it added to the list.

This issue highlights what type of content is available in our past *Gleanings*. It is the Board's wish that members have access to all the wonderful contributions made in the past. Everyone can access our two *Gleanings* indexes to check out what is available and facilitate their research.

I enjoy the research of Genealogy as surprises come up often. In "The Broken Wheel" and "Adding Charles Dunk" I show how research can be fun, interesting, and make a contribution.

Thanks to our previous editor Carol Genung, for her efforts and talent contributed to make the prior *Gleanings* happen. Thanks to Director Ruth Wilkerson for her invaluable help digitizing publications and making them available and thanks to President Pat Perkins for running the show.

I often wonder if anyone reads these pages, so feel free to give a shout and let me know what you think. Tell me what our group can do to help you and how we can make *Gleanings* better: mcs.treasurer@gmail.com.

Happy Holidays 2021
Rand Veerman

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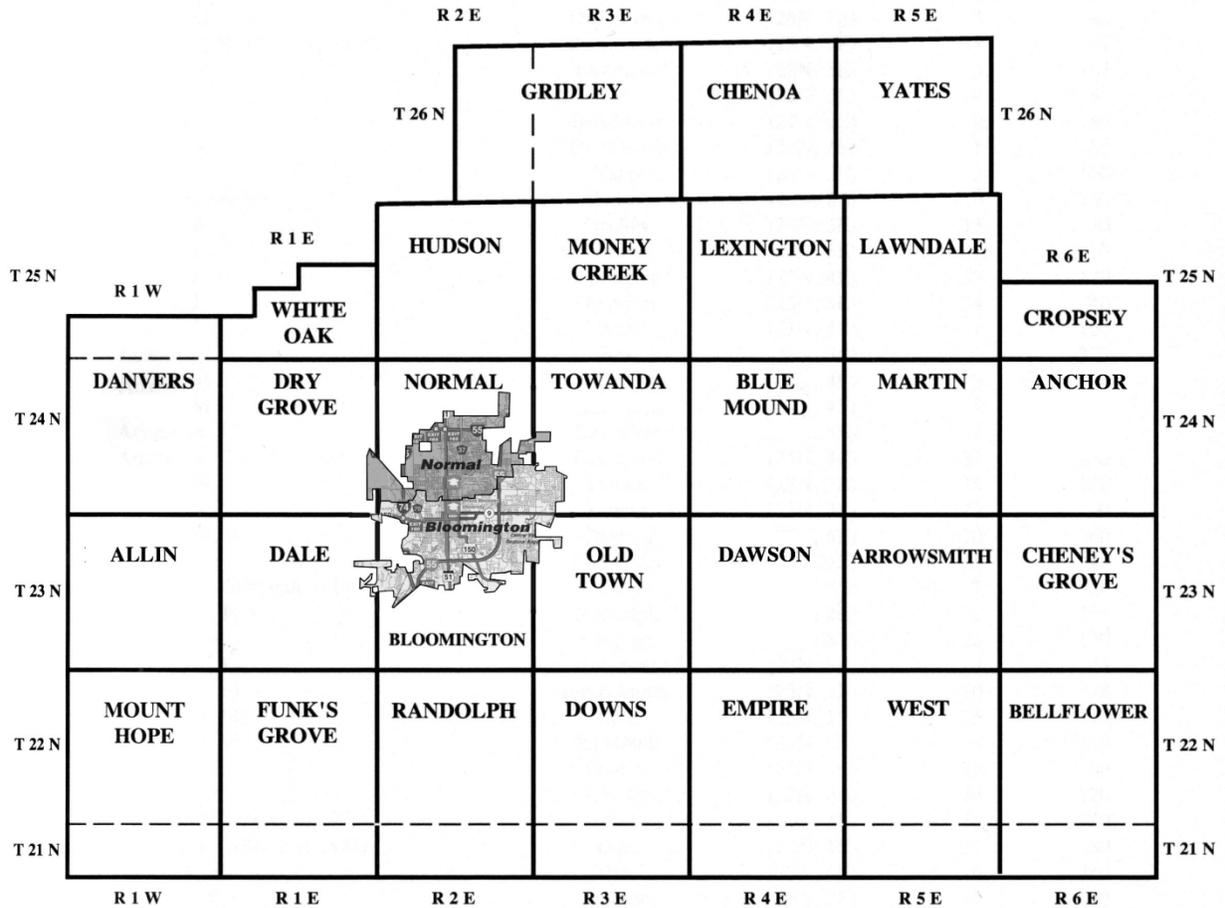
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