



**We have a fifth \$5000
Matching Grant Challenge
from the
Village of Park Forest!
Help us meet the match.**



What we have accomplished this year:

Our Archivist/Museum Director has led volunteers in documenting the collections in the Museum and Archive., continuing the work done for the **Institute of Museums and Library Services Museums for America Grant, 2013-2015**. Progress has been made, but we need more volunteers to continue that work.

We continue to rehouse collection materials with supplies purchased with the National Endowment for the Humanities Preservation Assistance Grant.

We have **held an open house of the Museum's new home**, a Volunteer appreciation party, and held a program for you to do "Show and Tell"; **honored seven in our annual Park Forest Hall of Fame Induction**; and held a program on Remembering the Aquacenter. In 2016-2017, we have had a program on "The Suburban Church" with Gretchen Buggeln speaking on Park Forest churches, and Richard Stuenkel talking about this region before and soon after Park Forest began. We have a program Wednesday December 7, 2016 at 7 p.m. at St. Mary's on "Sharing Holiday Memories." February 26, 2017, 2:30 p.m. at Village Hall, we will present "The Underground Railroad in Illinois with author Glennette Tilly Turner.

The deadline for Hall of Fame nominations is December 30, 2016; ceremony, April 23, 2017

In May 2015, we met the challenge of moving the 1950s Park Forest House Museum to a new home in St. Mary's Catholic Church, 227 Monee Road. The collection displays in the rooms very much like it did in the actual rental unit. Be sure to visit the museum!

Thank you to those who have made Benefactor donations to the Museum!

The Village of Park Forest has offered the Society a fifth \$5000 Matching Grant Challenge.

We can apply Memberships, funds raised through the sale of items in our museum or online stores, Museum visitors admission donations, and outright donations, **like your contribution to this annual fund appeal.**

If you have not joined or renewed your membership, yet, please do. We need continuing support to carry out the work we do. **Members get one free visit to the museum, so remember to come and bring a friend. Bring your membership card. Visit Christmas and Valentines exhibits!**

Visit the museum and our online store for **Holiday gift ideas** . We have **Marshall Field's Park Forest Store bricks, Annabelle Gould prints, showing the Holiday Theatre exterior in 1966 & more.**

Giving Tuesday, November 29, 2016, consider making your donation online via our Donate button at www.parkforesthistor.org. Include a memo "Annual Fund".

We appreciate your help in meeting the Matching Grant in past years, and your financial support which made moving the museum possible. Now we need to keep it open!

Help keep Park Forest history alive. Volunteer, Give, Promote!

Please include the Park Forest Historical Society in your year-end giving.

**YES! I want to support the mission of the Park Forest Historical Society.
Enclosed is my check for \$_____.**

Name_____

Address_____ email: _____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____ Phone_____

Business name (if Business Donation)_____

Your gift is tax deductible to the extent allowed by the law.

Please consider the following:

____\$400 (One month's Museum rent); ____\$225 (One month's Archive rent).

Gifts may also be made in honor of or in memory of an individual.

Make checks payable to the "Park Forest Historical Society"

****Please note this gift is separate from your annual membership****

Step Back into a 1950s Christmas!

In December

Through January 4, 2017



We've Decked our Halls



The tree is up and the stockings
are hung with care.



1950s Park Forest House Museum

227 Monee Road (in St. Mary's)

Park Forest, IL 60466

Open Wednesday & Saturday 1:00 to 3:30;

or for small groups by appointment.

Call about open hours for December 24 & December 31, 2016.

Donation \$5.00 for adults; 12 & under free.



**Marshall Field's Park Forest Bricks,
Holiday Theatre prints, & books on sale
at the museum for Holiday giving.**

Contact Jane Nicoll, 708-481-4252, or
Mike Gans, 708-305-3308.

www.parkforesthistor.org



Take a break from the hustle and bustle of 21st Century
holiday preparations to revisit the simpler
Holidays of the past.

See Gurley Candles, toys, books, cards.

Featuring our Forest green, aluminum, rotating tree
with mid-century modern ornaments. Decorations in every room.
Including a Hanukkah display.

**Park in the small lot near the flagpole.
Knock on the door next to the museum sign.**

