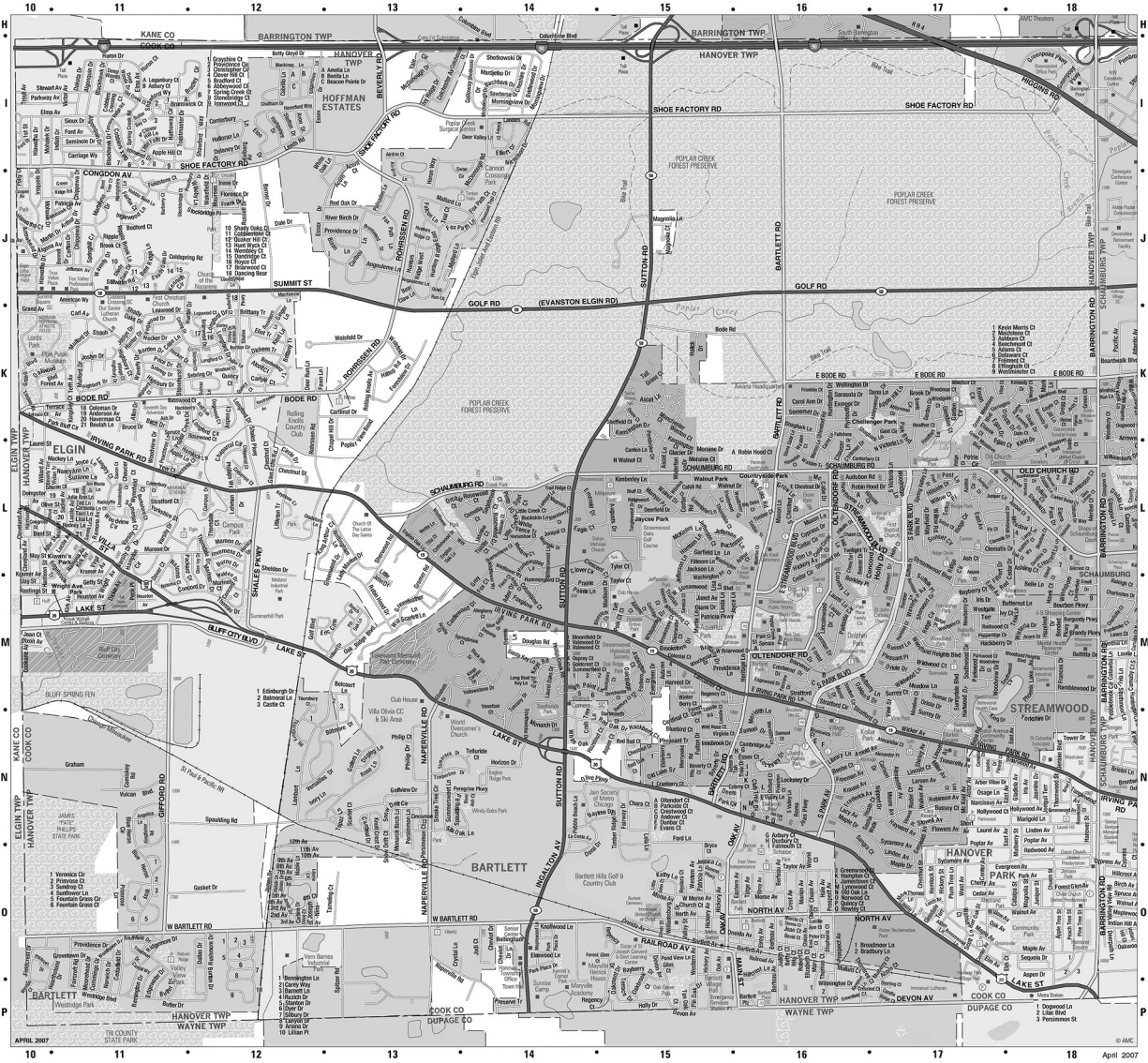


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Thanks to past Township Clerks for keeping and gathering much information; thanks to the Bartlett Historical Society, the Elgin Historical Society and Township Clerk Katy Dolan Baumer's office for help in bringing it up to date and filling in as many missing pieces as possible. This is a living document and as changes occur, or lost information found, it will be updated for our residents.

Some historical information from the History of Hanover, IL from History of Cook County, Illinois by A.T. Andreas, 1884, other information is oral history, and from local museums, and Township records.

Many Township records are missing from 1883 to 1893. In years past, oftentimes there was no common place to store records - no offices, no building - and the Clerk stored them at his home, in his dry attic or damp basement. Records were destroyed, ruined, or misplaced, and yet, sometimes, someone finds a record and gives the Township a call. We are still looking for these records.

# *Our Town Hanover Township*

Hanover Township is in the northwestern part of the county. It is bounded on the north by Kane County and Barrington Township in Cook County, on the east by Schaumburg, on the south by Wayne Township in DuPage County, and on the west by Kane County. It comprises all of fractional Township 41, Range 9 east. Topographically, this town is rolling prairie, with a general slope toward the west. The only major stream of water is the East Branch of Poplar Creek, which has its origin in the southeast corner of Barrington, and after flowing south through parts of Hanover, turns westerly and flows into the Fox River south of Elgin. The highest point of land in this township is about fifty feet above the Fox River.

Originally there were about twelve sections of timber in the town, in a belt about two miles wide, which, starting near the middle of the southern line, extended northward and then northwestward until it reached the Fox River. The largest trees in this grove were, when white men first settled here, about three feet in diameter.

The name of this grove was originally Independence Grove, but later it became known as Hoosier Grove, because many of the first settlers came from Indiana, and settled in or near the edge of the woods.

John and George Hammer, who settled with their families on Section 23, were among the earliest settlers in 1833, and Abraham Leatherman, who settled on Section 28. A. D. Gifford settled in 1835 on Section 30; Guy Adams on Section 31, Samuel N. Campbell on Section 17, and Daniel Guptail on Section 20, M. Merryfield in 1836 on Section 33, Byrem Smith in 1836 on Section 20, and John Guptail in 1837 on Section 29.

Previous to 1840, the following people also settled in Hanover: Benjamin Burritt on Section 19, Luther Herrick and John Hill on Section 20, Joseph Oatman on Section 15, and Mr. Primrose on Section 34. After these came D. S. Hammond in 1840 on Section 28, Woodworth Butterfield on Section 35, John Hubbard on Section 9, Edwin Bartlett on Section 36, Samuel Gould on Section 14; David C. White in 1843 on Section 26, Lyman Williams on Section 14, Jarvis Smith on Section 20, John Jenne and John F. Cook on Section 30, David Sharp in 1843 on Section 26, David Longley in 1844 on Section 16, Joseph Hollowell on Section 9, Nathaniel Ballard on Section 31, Andrew Spitzer in 1845

on Section 35, John Bower on Section 3, Mr. Rosecrans on Section 5, F. Pendleton on Section 27, Benjamin Morgan on Section 14. At the first election held April 2, 1850, there were eighty five votes cast, indicating a population of from 350 to 400. The election was held at Leatherman's tavern which stood on the Chicago and Elgin Road where then stood the house of Peter Sharp on Section 28. This tavern was a log house, and was frequently full of people, who could find no other place to remain through the night. It thus served the traveler from the time of the settlement of the town to about 1852. A second tavern was erected in 1848 by D. S. Hammond about one mile east of Leatherman's tavern, and likewise on the Chicago and Elgin Road which passes through Ontarioville. Hammond's tavern was burned down in 1851, the fire having been kindled, as is believed, by an incendiary. Young's tavern stood east of the present location of Bartlett on Section 35. The first schoolhouse in Hanover stood on Section 20, near John Hill's house. The first church building was erected in the northeastern part of the town by the German Lutherans. A Baptist church was erected in 1854 on the Chicago and Elgin Road near David C. White's house. It remained here until 1874 when it was moved into the Grove and converted into a dwelling.

In this part of the country previous to 1854 farmers depended mainly on agriculture for the support of their families and for the augmentation of their wealth, but in that year a departure from methods was made, by Phineas H. Smith, who shipped milk to Chicago drawing it from Hanover to Elgin with an ox team. Since then the cultivation of crops of cereals gradually diminished while the attention given to dairying gradually increased. After about ten years of selling of milk, another change was made in the establishment of a cheese factory in 1865, by C. W. Gould and I. H. Wanzer. After this C. W. Gould built a second, I. H. Wanzer at different times built three others, and Mr. Waterman built the sixth. There were then three cheese factories in the town. There were also also three creameries in the town, the proprietors of which were C. W. Gould, A. Nolting, and Carr & Willson, respectively. Four cents per pound was charged for making the butter.

In 1848, the Illinois legislature voted to allow counties to adopt township governments. Cook County subdivided initially into 27 townships, which took on some of the county responsibilities: collecting taxes, running schools, supervising elections, and maintaining local roads. Township supervisors served as county board members.

Hanover was organized as a Township on April 2, 1850, primarily to provide government closer to home than the County Seat in Chicago. Hanover's location in Illinois is designated as Township 41 North Range 9 East of the Third Principal Meridian - the farthest west of the old "country towns" of Cook County, Illinois.

In 1850, the first federal census of the Township reported a population of 672, most from upstate New York and New England. Ten years later there were 926 resident, but a marked change in composition had occurred. Most were German Protestants from the Kingdom of Hanover in western Germany - hence the Township's name: Hanover. Herrick, Bartlett and several other visionaries saw that there was a need in this new area for several positions that we currently serve and for others that we no longer consider a need in our Township.

The organization of the town of Hanover was effected April 2, 1850, at Abraham Leatherman's tavern. The election held that day resulted in the selection of the following officers: Supervisor, Luther Herrick by 83 votes; Clerk, John Hubbard, by 85 votes; Assessor, Abel D. Gifford, by 85 votes; Commissioners of Highways, Woodworth Butterfield, 48 votes, George E. Smith, 47 votes, and Josiah Horn, 46 votes; Justices of the Peace, John Hill, 81 votes, and Samuel Gould, 45 votes; Constables, Samuel S. Hammer, 69 votes, and Lyman Williams, 51 votes; Collector, Jarvis Smith, 47 votes; Overseer of the Poor, Joseph Oatman, 39 votes. At this meeting five resolutions were passed, four of them pertaining to animals running at large, and the fifth was that \$50 be raised for town expenses. On the 17th of April the Commissioners of Highways met and divided the town into twelve road districts, and the Gifford and Whipple Road was discontinued, leading from the south boundary line of the town to the quarter section line dividing Section 31 into north and south halves.

The Clerk's Office maintains the records of the Township and has those records dating from its inception in 1850. You are invited to come to look at those record books. When you do, you will see that Mr. Luther Herrick was our first Supervisor in 1850, followed by Edwin Bartlett in 1852 and so on to today.

It is very interesting to see the topics of the day in the records.

Today, the population of Hanover Township is about over 100,000. Most Streamwood residents live within its boundaries; portions of Bartlett, Elgin, Hanover Park, Hoffman Estates, Schaumburg, and unincorporated Cook County are also within the Township. In 1900, a town hall was built on the southeast corner of North Bartlett Road and Route 19. The cost of the hall was \$600! It served as the only polling place until 1912. Today, the William "Tik" Tiknis Campus, the Senior Center (both in Bartlett), Astor Avenue Community Center (in Hanover Park), the Izaak Walton Center and Reserve (Elgin), the Mel Runzel Reserve (Bartlett), the Naomi Walters-Lenoci Reserve (Streamwood), and the Community Resource Center (Streamwood) house the employees, functions and facilities of Hanover Township.

Enjoy!



*Where great service happens!*

*May, 2019*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
 Katy Dolan Baumer .....Clerk  
 Alicia “Lee” Beattie .....Trustee Appointed 05/30/2019  
 Mary Alice Benoit .....Trustee Resigned 05/7/2019  
 Craig Essick .....Trustee  
 Khaja Moinuddin .....Trustee  
 Eugene “Gino” Martinez .....Trustee  
 Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor

*January 4, 2018*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
 Katy Dolan Baumer .....Clerk  
 Mary Alice Benoit .....Trustee  
 Craig Essick .....Trustee  
 Khaja Moinuddin .....Trustee  
 Eugene “Gino” Martinez .....Trustee  
 Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor

In January 2018, the Highway Commissioner position was abolished and the duties subsumed into the Administrative functions of the Township.

*April 4, 2017*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
 Katy Dolan Baumer .....Clerk  
 Mary Alice Benoit .....Trustee  
 Craig Essick .....Trustee  
 Khaja Moinuddin .....Trustee  
 Eugene “Gino” Martinez .....Trustee  
 Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor  
 Thomas O. Schneider .....  
 .....Highway Commissioner Position Abolished 01/18

*In 2012-13, the Hanover Township logo was redesigned to give it a more modern, elegant design. In color, the logo is Pantone Blue; it still incorporates the castle, signifying this area’s early settlers’ German heritage. The tag line, “Where great service happens!” is still used today.*



In January 2017, Commissioner P. Craig Ochoa put forth a proposed referendum for approval by the Town Board to abolish the Township Road District, as follows:

*“Shall the Road District of the Township of Hanover be abolished with all the rights, powers, duties, assets, property, liabilities, obligations, and responsibilities being assumed by the Township of Hanover?”*

The Board approved the referendum for placement on the ballot. On April 4, 2017, 58.4% of the people voted “yes” and 41.6% voted “no” on the question.

*November 4, 2016*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
 Katy Dolan Baumer .....Clerk  
 Mary Alice Benoit .....Trustee  
 Steve Caramelli .....Trustee  
 Craig Essick .....Trustee  
 Khaja Moinuddin .....Trustee Appointed 11/01/16  
 Howard K. Krick .....Trustee Resigned 10/16  
 Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor  
 P. Craig Ochoa .....Highway Commissioner

*February 17, 2015*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
 Katy Dolan Baumer .....Clerk  
 Mary Alice Benoit .....Trustee  
 Steve Caramelli .....Trustee  
 Craig Essick .....Trustee Appointed 02/17/15  
 William T. Burke .....Trustee Resigned 02/15  
 Howard K. Krick .....Trustee  
 Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor  
 P. Craig Ochoa .....Highway Commissioner

*April 7, 2013*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
Katy Dolan Baumer .....Clerk  
William T. Burke .....Trustee  
Howard K. Krick .....Trustee  
Mary Alice Benoit.....Trustee  
Steve Caramelli .....Trustee  
Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor  
P. Craig Ochoa.....Highway Commissioner  
Frank Liquori .....Collector Position Abolished 01/14  
Collector position was abolished in Cook County starting  
January 1, 2014.

*April 7, 2009*

Brian McGuire .....Supervisor  
Katy Dolan Baumer.....Clerk  
Sandra Westlund-Deenihan .....Trustee  
William T. Burke .....Trustee  
Howard K. Krick.....Trustee  
Mary Alice Benoit .....Trustee  
Thomas Smogolski.....Assessor  
Frank Liquori .....Collector Appointed 02/17/10  
P. Craig Ochoa .....Highway Commissioner

*April 5, 2005*

Mike Kelly .....Supervisor  
Brian P. McGuire.....Clerk  
Katy Dolan Baumer .....Trustee  
Robert J. Goffinski.....Trustee  
Marvin J. Kramer Jr. ....Trustee  
Mary Ellen Runzel .....Trustee Resigned 11/06/07  
Sandra Westlund-Deenihan .....  
.....Trustee Appointed 11/20/07  
Thomas Smogolski.....Assessor  
William T. Burke .....Collector  
Timothy O. Schneider.....  
.....Highway Commissioner Resigned 02/15/07  
P. Craig Ochoa .....  
.....Highway Commissioner Appointed 03/13/07

*In 2007, Highway Commissioner Timothy Schneider goes on to win an election and serve as Cook County Commissioner. P. Craig Ochoa was appointed by the Board to complete the term.*

*April 3, 2001*

Mike Kelly .....Supervisor  
Michael Olszewski .....Clerk Resigned 05/13/03  
Brian P. McGuire.....Clerk Appointed 05/13/03  
Joseph Conti.....Trustee Resigned 09/6/02  
Mary Ellen Runzel .....Trustee Appointed 07/01/03  
Robert Goffinski.....Trustee  
Patricia Langenstrass .....Trustee  
Brian P. McGuire .....  
.....Trustee Resigned 05/13/03 Appointed to Clerk  
Marvin J. Kramer.....Trustee Appointed 10/22/02  
Thomas Smogolski .....Assessor  
Timothy O. Schneider....Highway Commissioner

*April 1, 1997*

Mike Kelly .....Supervisor  
Michael Olszewski.....Clerk  
Joseph Conti.....Trustee  
Craig Larsen .....Trustee Resigned 09/28/99  
Patricia Langenstrass .....Trustee Appointed 10/12/99  
Brian P. McGuire .....Trustee  
Glenn Motykowski .....Trustee  
Robert Hardin .....Assessor  
Timothy O. Schneider....Highway Commissioner

*April 6, 1993*

William Tiknis.....Supervisor  
Marie A. Downey.....Clerk  
Robert Conway .....Trustee Resigned 12/12/95  
Michael Olszewski.....Trustee Appointed 12/12/95  
Craig Larsen.....Trustee  
Lisa Motykowski.....Trustee Appointed 08/13/96  
Brian P. McGuire.....Trustee  
Timothy O. Schneider.....Trustee  
Robert Hardin .....Assessor  
Dennis Kowalski.....Collector  
Michael Kavanaugh.....Highway Commissioner



1990-1991: Gulf War

*April 4, 1989*

William Tiknis .....Supervisor  
Marie A. Downey ..... Clerk  
Robert Conway .....Trustee  
T. Ross Marshall .....Trustee  
Mary Ellen Runzel .....Trustee Resigned 02/25/92  
Herman Leverenz .....Trustee Appointed 02/25/92  
Timothy O. Schneider .....Trustee  
Robert Hardin .....Assessor  
Herman J. Leverenz .....Collector  
Michael Kavanaugh .....Highway Commisisoner

*April 2, 1985*

William Tiknis .....Supervisor  
Marie A. Downey ..... Clerk  
William M. Carrigan .....Trustee  
T. Ross Marshall .....Trustee  
Mary Ellen Runzel .....Trustee  
Timothy O. Schneider .....Trustee  
Robert A. Hardin .....Assessor  
Herman J. Leverenz .....Collector  
Orlo N. Bensen .....Highway Commissioner

*April 6, 1981*

William Tiknis .....Supervisor  
Marie A. Downey ..... Clerk  
George Hays .....Trustee  
Fredrick J. Kellogg .....Trustee Resigned 09/19/83  
Timothy O. Schneider .....Trustee Appointed 10/24/83  
George R. Pokorny .....Trustee  
Mary Ellen Runzel .....Trustee  
Eugene Devitt .....Assessor  
Herman Leverenz .....Collector  
Philip R. Dickey .....Highway Commissioner

*April 5, 1977*

George A. Nicholson, Jr. ....Supervisor  
Marie Downey .....Clerk Appointed 04/77  
Jennie M. Insalaco ..... Clerk Resigned 04/77  
George A. Hays .....Trustee  
Ralph Rolseth .....Trustee  
Mary Ellen Runzel .....Trustee  
Henry J. Smart .....Trustee  
Robert A. Hardin ..... Assessor  
Edward Hecht .....Collector  
Richard W. Hamilton .....Highway Commissioner

*April 3, 1973*

George A. Nicholson, Jr. .Supervisor Appointed 11/76  
Frank P. Lentz .....Supervisor Resigned 11/76  
Marie Downey ..... Clerk Appointed 04/76  
Alice F. Shelton ..... Clerk Resigned 04/76  
George A. Hays .....Auditor  
George A. Nicholson, Jr. ....Auditor  
John L. Priselac .....Auditor  
Henry J. Smart .....Auditor  
Robert A. Hardin .....Assessor  
Edward H. Hecht .....Collector  
Richard W. Hamilton .....Highway Commissioner

*April 1, 1969*

Howard Rahlfs .....Supervisor Resigned 08/15/71  
Frank Lentz .....Supervisor Appointed 08/09/71  
Alice Shelton ..... Clerk Appointed 11/13/72  
Joan Witham .....  
..... Clerk Appointed 08/09/71 Resigned 10/31/72  
Betty W. Yates ..... Clerk Resigned 08/01/71  
Richard Concotelli .....Auditor  
Robert A. Hardin .....Auditor Resigned 02/14/72  
Henry Smart .....Auditor Appointed 02/14/72  
Robert B. Loehner, Sr. ....Auditor Resigned 08/09/71  
Kenneth Peterson .....Auditor Appointed 08/09/71  
George Pokorny .....Auditor Resigned 05/13/69  
Albert Sinagra .....Auditor Appointed 05/13/69  
William R. Leiseberg ..... Assessor  
Edward Hecht .....Collector  
John A. Metzger .....Highway Commissioner

*April 6, 1965*

Howard Rahlfs.....Supervisor  
Betty W.Yates.....Clerk Appointed 03/28/67  
Betty Kerchenfaut .....Clerk Resigned 03/28/67  
George Pokorny .....Auditor  
Thomas Sleeman.....Auditor Resigned 07/01/67  
Steve Pettise..... Auditor Appointed 09/11/67  
William Werner .....Auditor Resigned 11/14/67  
Richard Concotelli.....Auditor Appointed 01/09/68  
William R. Leiseberg .....Assessor  
Edward Hecht.....Collector  
LeRoy Collard.....Highway Commissioner

*45 years after women were given the vote, the first woman serves on the Hanover Township Board.*

*April 6, 1961*

Howard Rahlfs.....Supervisor  
Marion F. Smith .....Clerk  
LeRoy Collard.....Auditor  
Eugene T. Devitt .....Auditor  
William F. Werner .....Auditor  
William R. Leiseberg .....Assessor  
Edward H. Hecht .....Collector  
Henry H. Heine .....Highway Commissioner

*April 2, 1957*

Walter H. Meyer.....Supervisor  
John J. Buelting .....Clerk  
William R. Leiseberg .....Assessor  
Edward H. Hecht .....Collector  
Henry L. Heine .....Highway Commissioner  
Dallas R. Puffer .....Justice of Peace  
Walter W. Geister .....Justice of Peace  
Harry M. Hunt .....Justice of Peace  
Edward F. Heinberg.....Constable  
Walter J. Schultz.....Constable  
Fred Hoth .....Constable  
Harvey Tatge.....Trustee of Schools

*1965-1975: Vietnam War  
1950-1953: Korean War*

*Where great service happens!*

*April 7, 1953*

Walter H. Meyer.....Supervisor  
Henry C. Thurnau.....Clerk  
William R. Leiseberg .....Assessor  
Edward Hecht.....Collector  
Henry L. Heine .....Highway Commissioner  
Dallas Puffer .....Justice of Peace  
Alma Scheen.....Justice of Peace  
Walter Geister .....Justice of Peace  
Fred S. Hoth .....Constable  
Walter Schultz .....Constable  
Theodore C. Stark .....Constable  
Erwin Ackmann.....Trustee of Schools

*April 5, 1949*

Walter Meyer.....Supervisor  
Henry C. Thurnau.....Clerk  
Emil Hattendorf.....Assessor Resigned 08/25/52  
William R. Leiseberg .....Assessor Appointed 09/21/52  
Edward Hecht.....Collector  
Henry L. Heine .....Highway Commissioner  
Dallas Puffer .....Justice of Peace  
James J. Scheen.....Justice of Peace  
William E. Bull .....Constable  
Fred Hoth .....Constable  
Edward A. Kral .....Constable  
Richard E. Schultz.....Trustee of Schools

*April 3, 1945*

Henry Gromer.....Supervisor Deceased 09/48  
Walter H. Meyer.....Supervisor Appointed 09/07/48  
Henry C. Thurnau.....Clerk  
Emil Hattendorf .....Assessor  
Henry Holtz .....Collector  
Henry L. Heine .....Highway Commissioner  
James J. Scheen.....Justice of Peace  
Dallas Puffer .....Justice of Peace  
William E. Bull .....Constable  
Fred Hoth .....Constable  
Harry Mayer.....Constable  
Harvey Tatge.....Trustee of Schools

Hanover Township 04/2020

*1941-1945: World War II  
Creation of the United Nations.*

*April 3, 1941*

Henry Gromer .....Supervisor  
 Henry C.Thurnau.....Clerk  
 Emil Hattendorf .....Assessor  
 Henry Holtz.....Collector  
 Henry L. Heine .....Highway Commissioner  
 Henry Mayer.....Justice of Peace  
 James Scheen .....Justice of Peace  
 William E. Bull .....Constable  
 Frank L. Dewey.....Constable  
 Otto Fees.....Trustee of Schools

*April 6, 1937*

Henry Gromer .....Supervisor  
 Henry C.Thurnau.....Clerk & Trustee of Schools  
 Edward G. Rahlfs.....Assessor  
 Henry Holtz.....Collector  
 Henry L. Heine .....Highway Commissioner  
 Dallas R. Puffer .....Justice of Peace  
 James J. Scheen.....Justice of Peace  
 Frank L. Dewey.....Constable  
 William E. Bull .....Constable

*April 1933*

C.A. Gifford ..... Supervisor  
 Henry Thrunau .....Clerk  
 Henry L. Oltendorf .....  
 .....Highway Commissioner Resigned 02/36  
 Henry L. Heine .....  
 .....Highway Commissioner Appointed 03/36  
 James J. Scheen.....Justice of Peace  
 James Kramer.....Thistle Commissioner  
 Otto Fees.....Trustee of Schools  
 E.G. Rahlfs .....Trustee of Schools

*April, 1929*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
 Bernhardt Schultz.....Clerk Resigned 02/33  
 Nora K. Bowman.....Clerk Appointed 03/28/33  
 Alfred W. Sodman ..... Auditor & Justice of Peace  
 Henry L. Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 Henry Gromer .....Thistle Commissioner  
 William Busche .....Trustee of Schools  
 Edward Rahlfs .....Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Thurnau.....Trustee of Schools

*1926: U.S. Route 66 is established.*

*April 6, 1926*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
 Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
 Henry L. Oltendorf.....Assessor  
 Henry Gromer .....Collector  
 Henry W. Heine, Jr.....Trustee of Schools  
 Herman Thurnau .....Poundmaster

*April 3, 1925*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
 Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
 Henry L. Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 Gustave Grap.....Thistle Commissioner  
 Alfred W. Sodman .....Auditor & Justice of Peace  
 Henry Gromer .....Constable  
 Henry Hoth .....Constable  
 William Busche .....Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Heine .....Trustee of Schools  
 Edward G. Rahlfs .....Trustee of Schools  
 Herman Thurnau .....Poundmaster

*April 1, 1924*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry L. Oltendorf .....  
.....Assessor & Highway Commissioner  
Henry Gromer .....Collector  
Edward G. Rahlfs .....Trustee of Schools  
Herman Thurnau .....Poundmaster

*April, 1921*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Alfred W. Sodman .....Auditor  
Phineas Smith .....Auditor  
C.F. Gromer .....Highway Commissioner  
Gust Grap .....Thistle Commissioner  
Henry Gromer .....Constable  
Henry Heine, Jr. ....Trustee of Schools  
John Ballman .....Poundmaster

*1920: Women are given the right to vote.*

*1920: The United States Post Office rules that children may not be sent via parcel post.*

*1919: Grand Canyon becomes a National Park.*

*1917: The United States declares war on Germany.*

*1917-1918: World War I*

*April, 1917*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm .....Auditor  
Alfred W. Sodman .....Auditor  
C.F. Gromer .....Highway Commissioner  
Henry Haste .....Highway Commissioner  
Fred Hecht .....Highway Commissioner  
Gust Grap .....Thistle Commissioner  
Henry Heine, Jr. ....Trustee of Schools  
William Busche .....Trustee of Schools  
John Ballman .....Poundmaster

*April, 1915*

C.A. Gifford .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm .....Auditor  
C.F. Gromer .....Highway Commissioner  
Henry Haste .....Highway Commissioner  
Fred Thurnau .....Highway Commissioner  
Henry Gromer .....Constable  
Henry Heine, Jr. ....Trustee of Schools

*1915: Stop signs were originated in Michigan.*

*1913: 16th Amendment: the government may collect income taxes.*

*April, 1913*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm .....Auditor  
Herman Schultz .....Auditor  
C.F. Gromer .....Highway Commissioner  
Louis Struckmeyer .....Highway Commissioner  
.....& Thistle Commissioner  
Henry Haste .....Highway Commissioner  
Henry Heine, Jr. ....Trustee of Schools

*April, 1910*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry L. Oltendorf .....Assessor  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
Fred Dauel .....Highway Commissioner  
George Scheer .....Highway Commissioner  
Seth Lobdell .....Trustee of Schools  
John Spadthold .....Poundmaster

*1913: General Assembly grants women the right to vote for presidential electors and provides state aid for county road construction.*

*1909: William D. Boyce (1858-1929), Chicago and Ottawa businessman, founds the Boy Scouts of America.*

*April 6, 1909*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
 Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
 H.L. Oltendorf .....Assessor  
 Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
 Christ Hintt .....Highway Commissioner  
 John Berndt .....Highway Commissioner  
 George Struckman .....Justice of Peace  
 Henry Schramm .....Justice of Peace  
 Albert Piegorsch .....Constable  
 Louis Rohrssen .....Constable  
 Fred Hecht .....Trustee of Schools  
 John Spadthold .....Poundmaster

*April 2, 1907*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
 Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
 H.L. Oltendorf .....Assessor  
 Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
 Louis Rohrssen .....Highway Commissioner  
 H.P. Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
 George Struckman .....Justice of Peace  
 Henry Schramm .....Justice of Peace  
 Seth Lobdell .....Trustee of Schools  
 John Spadthold .....Poundmaster

*Charles F. Schultz was on the N.A.R.D.  
 Board of Pharmacy.*

*Seth Lobdell owned a grainery in Bartlett.*

*Louis Humbracht was a farmer and  
 cattle dealer in Bartlett.*



*George F. Struckman* was a true believer in Township government; he served over 30 years on behalf of the Hanover Township residents. He and his family were immigrant farmers who came to Elgin in 1950 from Germany. He served Hanover Township as Collector in 1866; Justice of Peace in 1869; Assessor and Trustee of Schools in 1870; Assessor and Constable in 1871; Assessor and Justice of Peace in 1872; Trustee of Schools in 1873; Assessor, Constable and Trustee of Schools in 1875; Assessor in 1876; Assessor and Justice of Peace in 1877; Assessor, Justice of Peace and Trustee of Schools in 1878; Supervisor in 1881; and Assessor in 1883; in 1901, he came back and served as Justice of Peace through 1909.

In 1891, Mr. Struckman was elected as the Village of Bartlett's first president. As Township Supervisor, he was on the Cook County Board and in 1893-94, he served as its President. As Commissioner, one of the resolutions he brought forward in 1891-92, was a motion to the County Board as follows: "Resolved, That the General Superintendent at Dunning be requested to cause the horse known as Slop Tom to be killed, as the same is totally broken down and will never be able to do any work again. Moved by Commissioner Struckman to adopt." The motion carried.

In 1894, he presented resolutions for approval by the County Board that were approved for appropriations for relief for the Town of Maine (\$300) and the Town of Calumet (\$500) because their coffers had become exhausted due to a smallpox epidemic.

As if that amount of service was not enough, he also served in the Civil War as a 2nd Lieutenant for three years; and in 1878, he was elected to the Illinois State Legislature and served as a Republican Representative from Hanover. He served in 1884, 1900 and 1902.

In 1920, Mr. Struckman, a 70 year resident of Hanover Township, died at his home in Bartlett after a four-week illness at the age of 84. He was buried in Bartlett.

*April 4, 1905*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
H.L. Oltendorf .....Assessor  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
Henry Kenneke .....Highway Commissioner  
George Struckman .....Justice of Peace  
Henry Schramm .....Justice of Peace  
Albert Piegorsch .....Constable  
Henry Heine .....Trustee of Schools  
John Spadthold.....Poundmaster

*April 5, 1904*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm .....Assessor  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
H.P. Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
George Struckman .....Justice of Peace  
Henry Schramm .....Justice of Peace  
Seth Lobdell .....Trustee of Schools  
Fred Thurnau .....Poundmaster

*April 1, 1902*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm .....Assessor  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
Henry Kenneke .....Highway Commissioner  
Louis Rohrssen .....Constable  
Henry Heine, Jr. ....Trustee of Schools  
Fred Thurnau .....Poundmaster

*April 2, 1901*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm.....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
H.P. Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
George Struckman .....Justice of Peace  
Albert Piegorsch .....Constable  
Henry Humbracht .....Constable  
Seth Lobdell .....Trustee of Schools  
Albert Krause .....Poundmaster

*April 3, 1900*

August C. Schick .....Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm.....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
Herman Oltendorf.....Highway Commissioner  
William Oltendorf .....Justice of Peace  
Fred Hecht .....Trustee of Schools  
Albert Krause .....Poundmaster

*April 4, 1899*

August C. Schick ..... Supervisor  
Bernhardt Schultz .....Clerk  
Henry Schramm .....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
William Oltendorf .....Justice of Peace  
Albert Piegorsch .....Collector  
Herman Oltendorf.....Highway Commissioner  
H.P. Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
H. Kenneki.....Highway Commissioner

*April 1897*

Charles F. Schultz.....Supervisor  
Henry Schram .....Justice of Peace  
William Oltendorf .....Justice of Peace

*1900: Population of the state of Illinois is 4,821,550.  
2019: Population 12,671,821 - sixth highest  
population in the U.S.*

*1894: Coca-Cola is sold in bottles for the first time.*

*April 1893*

Charles F. Schultz .....Supervisor  
Henry Schram .....Justice of Peace  
William Oltendorf .....Justice of Peace

*1883 to 1893: Township records are missing. In years past, oftentimes there was no common place to store records - no offices, no building - and the Clerk stored them at his home, in his dry attic or damp basement.*

*Records were destroyed, ruined, or misplaced, and sometimes, someone finds a record and gives the Township a call! We are still looking for these records.*

*April 1883*

Charles F. Schultz .....Supervisor  
Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
George Struckman .....Assessor  
Louis Struckmeier .....Collector  
H.P. Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
Fred Thurnau .....Poundmaster  
Seth Lobdell .....Trustee of Schools

*April 1881*

George F. Struckman .....Supervisor  
Seth Lobdell .....Clerk 1882  
Henry Schramm .....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
George Struckman .....Assessor 1881-1882  
Henry Ackerman .....Collector 1882 & Constable  
Charles F. Schultz .....Justice of Peace  
L. Struckmeier .....Constable  
Louis Humbracht .....Highway Commissioner  
Fred Hecht .....Highway Commissioner 1882

*April 3, 1878*

Charles F. Schultz .....Supervisor  
Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
George Struckman .....Assessor &  
.....Justice of Peace & Trustee of Schools  
Henry F. Runge .....Collector  
A.D. Gifford .....Highway Commissioner  
H.P. Schween .....Highway Commissioner 1880  
Louis Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner 1879  
George Stumpf .....Thistle Commissioner &  
.....Constable  
Henry Schramm .....Trustee of Schools &  
.....Justice of Peace  
Louis Struckmeier .....Justice of Peace  
.....& Constable  
Fred Thurnau .....Poundmaster

*November 1877 – Thomas Edison announces his invention of the phonograph.*

*April 3, 1877*

Erwin Gould .....Supervisor  
Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
George Struckman .....Assessor &  
.....Justice of Peace  
George Stumpf .....Collector & Constable  
Henry Schuemann .....Highway Commissioner  
O.B. Jenne .....Trustee of Schools  
L. Gould .....Trustee of Schools  
Henry Schramm .....Justice of Peace  
(Oliver) C. Hutchins .....Justice of Peace  
Henry Runge .....Constable  
Frank Cook .....Constable  
Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

World's Fair: Columbian Exposition was held in Chicago May 1, 1893 to October 30, 1893.  
*In large part, it was designed by John W. Root, Daniel Burnham, Frederick Law Olmsted, and Charles B. Atwood and drew over 751,026 people.*  
*H.H. Holmes (nee Herman Webster Mudgett May 16, 1861-May 7, 1886) owned a hotel in Chicago; he is documented as one of the first modern serial killers.*

Poundmaster: It shall be the duty of the commissioners of highways in township in counties under township organization, and the commissioners of highways of road districts in counties not under township organization as soon as this act takes effect, to select and prepare a suitable pound near the center of each township or voting district in counties under township organization, and near the center of each road district in counties not under township organizations; appoint a poundmaster, and fix his fees and charges which shall remain as fixed until the next annual election, at which time, the same may be changed or amended by a majority vote of the electors present, who shall at the same time elect a poundmaster for the ensuing year. Said poundmaster shall hold his office for one year and until his successor is duly elected: Provided however, that in case the person so elected shall fail to act, or a vacancy occurs through resignation, removal, death or any other casue whatever, the commissioners of highways shall fill such vacancy by appointing person to act as poundmaster until the next annual election. The Poundmaser's duties are to shut up stock found running at large, and hold it till the owners take charge of it.

*April 7, 1876*

H. Wanzer .....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 Charles F. Schultz .....Assessor  
 George Struckman .....Assessor  
 George Stumpf .....Collector  
 Louis Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 Ernest Heldemann .....Constable  
 C.W. Gould .....Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

*April 6, 1875*

I. H. Wanzer .....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 Charles F. Schultz .....Assessor  
 George Struckman .....Assessor & Constable  
 .....& Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Schramm .....Collector  
 A.D. Gifford .....Highway Commissioner  
 Louis Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 George Stumpf .....Constable  
 Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

*April 7, 1874*

I.H. Wanzer .....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 William Walbaum .....Highway Commissioner  
 Charles F. Schultz .....Assessor  
 R.A. Davis .....Collector & Constable  
 O.B. Jenne .....Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

*William Schween died June 28, 1873;  
 I.H. Wanzer may have been appointed to  
 complete the term of office.*

*A note on the times -*

Peter Burrirt, a Hanover Township farmer, owned six shares of Elgin National Watch Company stock with a par value of \$6,000 when the first cash dividends were paid in 1872. At the end of 1891, he owned an additional ten shares from the stock disbursements. Burrirt purchased Elgin real estate with his earnings, was considered one of the city's capitalists.



*In the United States, the Long Depression began with the Panic of 1873.*

*April 1, 1873*

William Schween.....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
 Henry Schramm.....Collector  
 Louis Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 C.F. Schultz .....Justice of Peace  
 Frank Guptill .....Justice of Peace  
 Henry Schuman.....Constable  
 George Stumpf .....Constable  
 R.A. Davis.....Constable  
 C.W. Gould .....Trustee of Schools  
 George Struckman .....Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

*April 11, 1872*

William Schween.....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 George Struckman ....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
 C.F. Schultz.....Collector  
 Henry Ackmann .....Highway Commissioner  
 Peter Sharp.....Highway Commissioner  
 Carl Struckmann .....Highway Commissioner  
 David Longley .....Justice of Peace  
 Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

*November 7, 1871*

William Schween.....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 George Struckman .....Assessor & Constable  
 Charles F. Schultz .....Collector & Justice of Peace  
 Peter Sharp.....Highway Commissioner  
 Carl Struckman .....Highway Commissioner  
 Henry Ackmann .....Highway Commissioner  
 Frank Guptill .....Justice of Peace  
 O.B. Jenne .....Trustee of Schools  
 Henry Runge, Sr. ....Poundmaster

<i>1871:</i>	<i>1872:</i>	<i>1875:</i>
<i>The Great Chicago Fire destroys one third of the city of Chicago.</i>	<i>Montgomery Ward issues first mail-order catalog.</i>	<i>Civil Rights Act guarantees everyone the same treatment.</i>

*November 8, 1870*

William Schween.....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk & Highway Commissioner  
 George Struckman .Assessor & Trustee of Schools  
 Charles Shultz.....Collector  
 Henry Ackmann .....Highway Commissioner  
 Peter Sharp.....Highway Commissioner  
 Herman Schween .....Constable

*November 20, 1869*

William Schween.....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor  
 George E. Smith .....Collector & Constable  
 Earle Struckman .....Highway Commissioner  
 David Longley .....Justice of Peace  
 George Struckman .....Justice of Peace  
 Charles Schultz.....Constable  
 C.W. Gould .....Trustee of Schools

*1861-1865: The Civil War took 256,297 Illinois men away from their families; over 34,000 were killed or died of disease.*

*November 3, 1868*

David S. Hammond.....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor  
 George Pouiche .....Collector  
 George E. Smith .....Collector  
 George Whyte .....Highway Commissioner

Commissioner of Canada Thistles. There may be appointed by the board of town auditors in counties under township organization...some competent person to be installed Commissioner of Canada Thistles, who shall take the oath required of Township Officers and shall hold his office for the term of three years, and until his successor is appointed and qualified; and she shall receive for his compensation the sum of two dollars a day for each full day necessarily spent in the performance of his duty, to be verified by affidavit. The Commissioner shall diligently inquire concerning the introduction and existence of Canada thistles in his township and if any are found growing therein, he shall take charge of all such growing in the highway and on unenclosed lands, and take care that they do not go to seed, or otherwise spread; and he shall carefully seek and learn, so far as practicable, the best methods for their destruction, and he shall persistently apply, in proper time, such remedy or treatment as he shall deem best calculated to prevent their spread and to eradicate the same.

*November 5, 1867*

David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor  
 Valentin Crue.....Collector  
 F Right .....Highway Commissioner  
 Louis Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 George Buche.....Constable

*November 6, 1866*

David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
 Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor  
 George Struckman.....Collector  
 W. Walbaum .....Highway Commissioner  
 Azariali K. Hubbard .....Highway Commissioner  
 J. Wanzer .....Highway Commissioner

*November 7, 1865*

David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
 O.B. Jenne .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor & Justice of Peace  
 William Longley.....Collector  
 G. Adams.....Highway Commissioner  
 C. W. Gould .....Highway Commissioner  
 F. Pendelton .....Highway Commissioner

*Slavery was not abolished until 1865.*

*November 8, 1864*

David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
 H.P. Watch .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor  
 David Sharp .....Collector & Constable  
 J. Weller.....Highway Commissioner  
 F. Pendelton .....Highway Commissioner

*November 3, 1863*

Eli Whitney .....Supervisor  
 O.B. Jenne .....Clerk  
 David Longley .....Assessor  
 George Smith.....Collector  
 Louis Oltendorf .....Highway Commissioner  
 William Walbaum .....Highway Commissioner  
 .....& Constable

*O.B. Jenne was the author of "The Dairy Cow - Her Pasture - The Dairy Barn and its Construction - The Rearing of Calves - Best Way to Market Milk"*

*November 4, 1862*

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A.D. Gifford .....Supervisor  
O.B. Jenne .....Clerk  
David Longley .....Assessor  
George E. Smith .....Collector  
John Mink ..Highway Commissioner & Constable  
J.Adams .....Highway Commissioner  
C. Myer .....Highway Commissioner  
David Longley .....Justice of Peace  
Azariali K. Hubbard .....Justice of Peace  
Peter Sharp .....Justice of Peace  
Luther Longley .....Constable  
John Lessenden .....Constable

*November 1, 1861*

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David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
W.M. Beveus .....Overseer of the Poor  
O. B. Jenne.....Clerk  
David Longley .....Assessor  
J. Roundy.....Collector  
William Walbaum .....Highway Commissioner  
Eli Whitney .....Highway Commissioner  
F. Pendleton .....Highway Commissioner  
Albert P.Woodworth.....Constable  
L. Longley .....Constable  
John Lessenden .....Constable

*November 6, 1860*

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David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
Azariah K. Hubbard .....Overseer of the Poor  
O.B. Jenne .....Clerk  
David Longley .....Assessor  
George E. Smith .....Highway Commissioner &  
.....Collector & Constable  
Charles F. Schultz .....Constable  
Fred Runge .....Constable  
John Lessender .....Constable  
F. Pendleton .....Highway Commissioner  
William Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
Jarvis Smith .....Highway Commissioner

*November 8, 1859*

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David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
O.B. Jenne .....Clerk  
David Longley .....Assessor  
George B. Smith .....Collector  
F. Pendleton .....Highway Commissioner  
D. Smith .....Highway Commissioner  
William Schween .....Highway Commissioner

*April 6, 1858*

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David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
Azariah K. Hubbard .....Overseer of the Poor  
O.B. Jenne .....Clerk  
David Longley .....Assessor  
Charles Gould .....Collector & Constable  
F. Pendleton .....Highway Commissioner  
George Skinner .....Highway Commissioner  
Peter Burritt .....Highway Commissioner  
John Hubbard .....Justice of Peace  
David Langley .....Justice of Peace  
Augustus Hambruck .....Constable

*1857*

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David S. Hammond .....Supervisor  
Azariah K. Hubbard .....Overseer of the Poor  
Peter Sharp .....Clerk  
Abel D. Gifford .....Assessor  
David Longley .....Collector  
F. Pendleton .....Highway Commissioner  
William Schween .....Highway Commissioner  
John Mink.....Highway Commissioner  
Robert Mink .....Constable

*In the mid-1850's Douglas and Lincoln began one of the most famous political feuds in American history, it became known as the Lincoln-Douglas debates but the debates actually had began many years earlier.*

1854

George E. Smith .....Supervisor  
 Luther Herrick .....Overseer of the Poor  
 arvis Smith.....Clerk 1856  
 John Hubbard .....Clerk 1855  
 Abel D. Gifford .....Assessor  
 David Longley.....Collector  
 Samuel N. Campbell .....Highway Commissioner  
 Christopher Sala.....Highway Commissioner  
 Andrew Spitzer .....Highway Commissioner  
 Jarvis Smith .....Justice of Peace  
 Warren Woodworth.....Justice of Peace  
 William Probert .....Constable  
 Nicholas C. Myers .....Constable

1853

Edwin Bartlett .....Supervisor  
 Azariah K. Hubbard.....Overseer of the Poor  
 .....& Justice of Peace  
 John Hubbard .....Clerk  
 David S. Hammond .....Assessor  
 Chester Babcock .....Collector  
 George E. Smith.....Highway Commissioner  
 Joseph Hollowell.....Highway Commissioner  
 Samuel N. Campbell .....Highway Commissioner  
 Jarvis Smith .....Justice of Peace  
 Daniel Leatherman .....Constable

1852

Edwin Bartlett .....Supervisor  
 Azariah K. Hubbard.....Overseer of the Poor  
 John Hubbard .....Clerk  
 David S. Hammond .....Assessor  
 Chester Babcock .....Collector  
 George E. Smith.....Highway Commissioner  
 Joseph Hollowell.....Highway Commissioner  
 Nathaniel Ballard.....Highway Commissioner

1850

Luther Herrick .....Supervisor  
 Marcus P. Rowland .....Overseer of the Poor  
 John Hubbard .....Clerk  
 George E. Smith .....Assessor  
 Joseph Hollowell .....Collector  
 Abel D. Gifford .....Highway Commissioner  
 Woodworth Butterfield ..Highway Commissioner  
 James M. Howard .....Highway Commissioner  
 Jarvis Smith .....Justice of Peace  
 Warren Woodworth.....Justice of Peace  
 Lyman Williams.....Constable  
 Chester Babcock .....Constable

Marcus P. Rowland *died September 11, 1872  
 buried Channing Street Cemetary (moved  
 Bluff City), Elgin*

*1850: Levi Strauss begins manufacturing heavyweight trousers for gold miners, made of the  
 twilled cotton cloth known as "genes" in France. Strauss had intended to make tents, but  
 finding no market, made a fortune in pants instead.*

*End... or more appropriately... Beginning*

# *Township Heritage Markers*

The Hanover Township Heritage Marker program began in April 2011 to recognize and promote historic locations in Hanover Township.

## *Ahlstrand Park*

6900 Catalpa St., Hanover Park

Hanover Park Police Chief Carl Ahlstrand was killed by a semi-trailer in the line of duty on February 22, 1959 performing a routine traffic stop. Ahlstrand Park was named in his honor by the Hanover Park District on June 18, 1964. Dedicated April 30, 2011

## *Immanuel United Church of Christ Cemetery*

1500 Old Church Rd., Streamwood

The Immanuel United Church of Christ cemetery was created in 1852 for German settlers living in Hanover Township. Those laid to rest include three civil war veterans and several early settlers. Dedicated September 28, 2011

## *Hoosier Grove Schoolhouse*

700 W. Irving Park Rd., Streamwood

Built in 1904, the Hoosier Grove one-room schoolhouse served the Hanover Township community for 50 years. Dedicated October 29, 2011

## *Lords Park*

100 Oakwood Blvd., Elgin

The Lords Park marker commemorates the gift of 50 acres donated by George and Mary Lord in 1892 to the residents of Elgin. Mr. Lord served as mayor of Elgin from 1879 to 1880 and president of the Board of Education. Dedicated June 23, 2012

## *Leatherman Homestead*

100 Oakwood Blvd., Elgin

The Leatherman Homestead plaque commemorates pioneers Abraham and Mary Leatherman who settled on what is now Villa Olivia, in 1835. In addition to other businesses, the Leathermans managed an Inn where Hanover Township was organized on April 2, 1850 and for several years, was the location of its meetings. Dedicated September 18, 2013

## *Lion Bridge*

SE corner Illinois Routes 59 and 58, Hoffman Estates

Commemorates the Lion Bridge located at the southeast intersection of Illinois Routes 59 and 58. Constructed in 1906, the bridge is the earliest example of a reinforced concrete bridge in the state. Originally believed to be used by local farmers, it is most popularly used now for recreational activities in the surrounding forest preserves. Dedicated November 22, 2014

### *Ontarioville Volunteer Fire Station*

2064 W. Lake St., Hanover Park

The Ontarioville Volunteer Fire Station marker commemorates the first volunteer fire department organized in Hanover Park. The Ontarioville Volunteer Fire Department was established on April 3, 1928 at this location with a \$282 collection from the community. The first station remained at this location until demand became too high and funds were raised to build a new firehouse. In July of 2000, the district merged into the Village of Hanover Park. Dedicated October 20, 2015

### *Izaak Walton League Lodge*

899 Jay St., Elgin

Built in 1939, the lodge of the Elgin Chapter of the Izaak Walton League was constructed for adult outdoorsmen and women for conservation education, fishing and youth activities. In 1945 it became the charter organization for scouting in Elgin and Hanover Township, and is currently the home of Boy Scout Troop 10. The Chapter donated the lodge and 11 acre property to Hanover Township in 2013, establishing a permanent Township presence in the Elgin community. Dedicated June 18, 2016

### *Immanuel United Church of Christ*

415 W. North Ave., Bartlett

Built in 1891, and historically known as the “church with the red doors,” Immanuel United Church of Christ is Bartlett’s oldest place of worship. Over the years, the building has served as a meeting place for numerous community groups and gatherings. Dedicated October 22, 2016

### *Bartlett Elementary School*

111 E. North Ave., Bartlett

Bartlett Elementary was first located above a general store in 1874, before moving to the corner of North and Hickory; in 1929, the structure was razed and the school moved to its current location. The school was the only school in the village until 1970. Dedicated May 26, 2017

### *Bluff City Cemetery*

945 Bluff City Blvd., Elgin

commemorates the lives and services of Generals John Shuler Wilcox and William Lynch, veterans of the Civil War and revered Elginites, who are buried at the Bluff City Cemetery.

Dedicated September 22, 2018

# *Hanover Township*

## *Mental Health Board*

The Illinois Constitution allows for the creation of 708 Boards, based on the passage of a referendum by voters in the area to be served. The term 708 refers to the section of the Constitution that describes these boards, their duties, composition, and responsibilities. Hanover Township was one of only a few Cook County townships to create such a Board and the Hanover Township Mental Health Board has been in existence since 1977.

The Board is composed of volunteers who are chosen to become part of the process of providing services to people with developmental disabilities. The Board generally meets on the third Tuesday of the month helping our elected officials find ways to provide Township residents with services they need but may not have access to on their own. Board members come from all parts of the Township and we all have different family and job situations, and the one thing that ties them together is a commitment to using the tax dollars provided to benefit the greatest number of people.

The Board manages the Hanover Township Community Resource Center, located in the industrial park west of Barrington Road. It funds a number of agencies that provide direct services to Township residents whether those services involve counseling, job training, transportation, or treatment. The Board sponsors or co-sponsors a number of public information programs designed to let more people know about the services that are available.

# *Hanover Township Committees*

## *Committee on Youth*

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The Committee on Youth is a catalyst for promoting well being among Township youth and families through family education, outreach and the fostering of community connections with an emphasis on positive youth development. The Committee is made up of adults and youths (15-18 years of age) who have a passion for youth. Members reside or work within Hanover Township in a capacity that supports and informs the Committee's work.

## *Senior Citizens Services Committee*

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The Committee for Senior Citizens' Services is the voice of the mature adult community, fostering new ideas and providing opportunities for fellowship and personal growth. The Committee is instrumental in encouraging independence, self-esteem and well being among seniors by promoting the sharing of life experiences through volunteerism and community involvement. This advisory committee to the Board of Trustees is made up of residents who represent the senior population of the Township on issues and concerns of interest to seniors.

## *Finance Committee*

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The Finance Committee is an advisory body to the Township Board, advising on all matters related to financial affairs including fiscal policies, the annual Township budget, and investments.



# *In your neighborhood...*

## William Tiknis Campus Town Hall

Administration  
Assessor  
Clerk  
Downey Hall  
Emergency Services  
Mental Health Board  
250 S. State Route 59  
Bartlett 60103  
(630) 837-0301

## Aging Services Center

Veterans Hall  
Stars & Stripes Cafe  
Library  
Craft, Computer & Activity Rooms  
240 S. State Route 59  
Bartlett 60103  
(630) 483-5600

## Community Center

Township Food Pantry  
Welfare Services  
7431 Astor Avenue  
Hanover Park 60133  
(630) 540-9085

## Community Resource Center

1535 Burgundy Parkway  
Streamwood 60107  
(630) 837-6445

## Community Relations & Veterans Affairs Office

Izaak Walton League Center  
Community Activity Room  
866 Jay Street  
Elgin 60133  
(847) 888-8329

Facilities & Maintenance  
Battery/Dry Cell Drop-Off  
behind the Township building  
250 S. State Route 59  
Bartlett 60103  
(630) 837-0960

## Youth & Family Services

250 S. State Route 59  
Bartlett 60103  
(630) 483-5799

## Office of Community Health

Trish L. Simon Center for Health & Wellness  
Senior Center, Lower Level  
240 S. State Route 59  
Bartlett 60103  
(630) 483-5600

## Emergency Services Station #1

Bartlett Fire Barn  
218 Main Street  
Bartlett 60103  
(630) 483-5600

## Runzel Reserve

Situated north of the Township Senior Center, Bartlett

## Izaak Walton Center & Reserve

866 Jay St., Elgin 60133

## Naomi Walters-Lenoci Reserve

735 Stowell Ave., Streamwood 60107

*Several of our Township departments offer satellite services at the Izaak Walton Center and at the Astor Avenue Community Center; please call for days, times and services.*

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Snapchat and YouTube

# Hanover Township

## Services & Programs

Student Government Day  
New Leaders in Education Reception  
Youth Leadership Recognition  
Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program  
Relay for Life  
“Just for the Health of It!” Health & Wellness Expo  
Open Gym Program  
Prostate Cancer Clinics  
Wellness Screenings  
Brush Pick-up  
Circuit Breaker Program  
Homeowners’ Tax Seminars  
Children’s Physical & Immunization Clinic  
Senior Services Art Expo  
Veterans Honor Roll Recognition and Dinners  
CEDA’s Weatherization Program  
ComEd Hardship Program  
Podiatry Clinic  
Access-To-Care  
All-Kids Program  
Election Polling Sites and Receiving Station  
Summer Lunch and After School Snack Programs  
Unincorporated County Vehicle Stickers Sales  
Winter-wear and Christmas Toy  
Drives/Distribution  
Adopt-a-Senior Program  
Adopt-a-Family Program  
Expanded Tutoring Services  
Alternative to Suspension Program with U-46  
Dial-a-Bus Transportation  
Hunting & Fishing/Trapping Licenses  
T.I.D.E. Transportation Program  
PBIS Tier II Groups Programming  
Heritage Marker Program  
Legal Advice for Veterans  
Supper Club 59  
Northern Illinois Food Bank Mobile Food Pantry  
Substance Abuse Prevention Programming  
Back to School Backpack Drive and Distribution  
Fall and Spring Food Drives and Distribution  
Temporary Handicap Placards  
Election and Voting Services  
Food Pantry  
Home Wellness Visits  
Emergency “Embracelet” Program  
Senior Will Program  
U.S. Passport Application Services  
Lending Closet  
Income Tax Assistance  
Heating/Cooling Location  
Emergency Services Search & Rescue Assist  
Emergency Scene Lighting & Traffic Control  
Flood Water Removal  
Severe Weather Monitoring  
Emergency Preparedness Education  
Mental Health Resources  
“Sprint to Spring” 5K Run/Walk  
Dental Access Network  
Stars N’ Stripes Café  
Notary Services  
Emergency Services  
Warming Centers  
Senior Leisure and Skill Development  
Programming  
Family Therapy  
Gift Shop  
Mobile Drivers’ Services  
Home Delivered Meal Program  
Job Fairs  
Operation Snowball

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