

Visit **three** of the **seven** locations
and get your passport stamped for a chance to win
a gift basket of treats from area businesses.

↓ Participating locations for a stamp:



Student Life and Culture Archives
at the University of Illinois



Champaign County Historical Archives
at The Urbana Free Library



Champaign County Historical Museum



Museum of the Grand Prairie



**Rantoul Historical Society and
Chanute Air Museum**



Homer Historical Society Museum



Tolono Public Library



Drop your entry off at any location by 3:00 p.m.

(Note: Rantoul Historical Society and Chanute Air Museum count as one location)

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**The Champaign County
History Sampler**



Saturday, October 17 • 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

➔ **Explore Champaign County's history** during a day of special tours
of local museums, archives, libraries, and historical societies. Meet archivists and local history
experts, view special exhibits, and get a behind-the-scenes look at how local history is being
preserved. Pick up a passport at any of our locations on October 17. Collect a stamp from at
least **three** locations and be entered for a chance to win a gift basket with gift cards and goods
from Champaign county businesses.



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The Urbana Free Library

Champaign County Historical Archives
210 West Green Street • Urbana, Illinois 61801
217-367-4025 • urbanafreelibrary.org

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Student Life and Culture Archives

at the University of Illinois
1707 South Orchard Street Urbana, Illinois
(Horticulture Field Lab)
217-333-7841

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The Student Life and Culture Archives actively documents the history and traditions of student life at the University of Illinois through alumni and student papers (including diaries, scrapbooks, correspondence, and photographs), student organization records, administrative office records, oral histories and student publications.

On October 17, the SLC will offer light refreshments, behind-the-scenes tours, a “Guess the Decade” Game, and “History as Art: Turner’s Woodblock Prints 1946-1974” exhibit.

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Champaign County Historical Archives

at The Urbana Free Library
210 West Green Street Urbana, Illinois
217-367-4025

urbanafreelibrary.org

Established in 1956, The Champaign County Historical Archives is a department of The Urbana Free Library that maintains a research-level collection on the history and genealogy of Champaign County. Although it focuses on Champaign County, the Archives holds extensive collections of works dealing with the rest of Illinois and those states that document the significant migration routes of the communities that comprise Champaign County.

During the Sampler, view an exhibit on the 1918 influenza epidemic in Champaign County and special items from the collection including a ledger with the signature of Abraham Lincoln and a journal of J.O. Cunningham. Photographs and equipment illustrating early photographic processes will also be available to attendees.

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Champaign County Historical Museum

102 East University Avenue Champaign, Illinois
217-356-1010

champaigncountyhistory.org

The Champaign County Historical Museum is currently in the middle of a complete overhaul and revitalization. Attendees are welcome to visit the new bookstore, located in a 19th century general store featuring an incredible selection of Champaign County History books for sale. Guided tours will be offered around the museum explaining plans for resurrecting the County's history.

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Museum of the Grand Prairie

950 North Lombard Mahomet, Illinois
217-586-2612

museumofthegrandprairie.org

The Museum of the Grand Prairie collects objects, books, papers, and photographs pertaining to the history of east Central Illinois and Champaign County, particularly as it relates to the cultural and natural history of the area.

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Rantoul Historical Society and Chanute Air Museum

1011 Pacesetter Drive Rantoul, Illinois
217-893-1613

aeromuseum.org

The Rantoul Historical Society collects materials related to the history of the township and its residents. The museum displays clothing, artifacts, and more. Chanute Air Museum recently announced a closing date. Visit during the Sampler for one last opportunity to view their exhibits on the history of the Air Force Base.

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Homer Historical Society Museum

107 North Main Street Homer, Illinois
217-896-2121

Housed in the historic village and township hall on Main Street, the small museum offers antique cameras, old-time medical equipment, school and sports memorabilia, equipment and signs from early local businesses, a floor loom and war artifacts—including Civil War era—originally owned by local veterans.

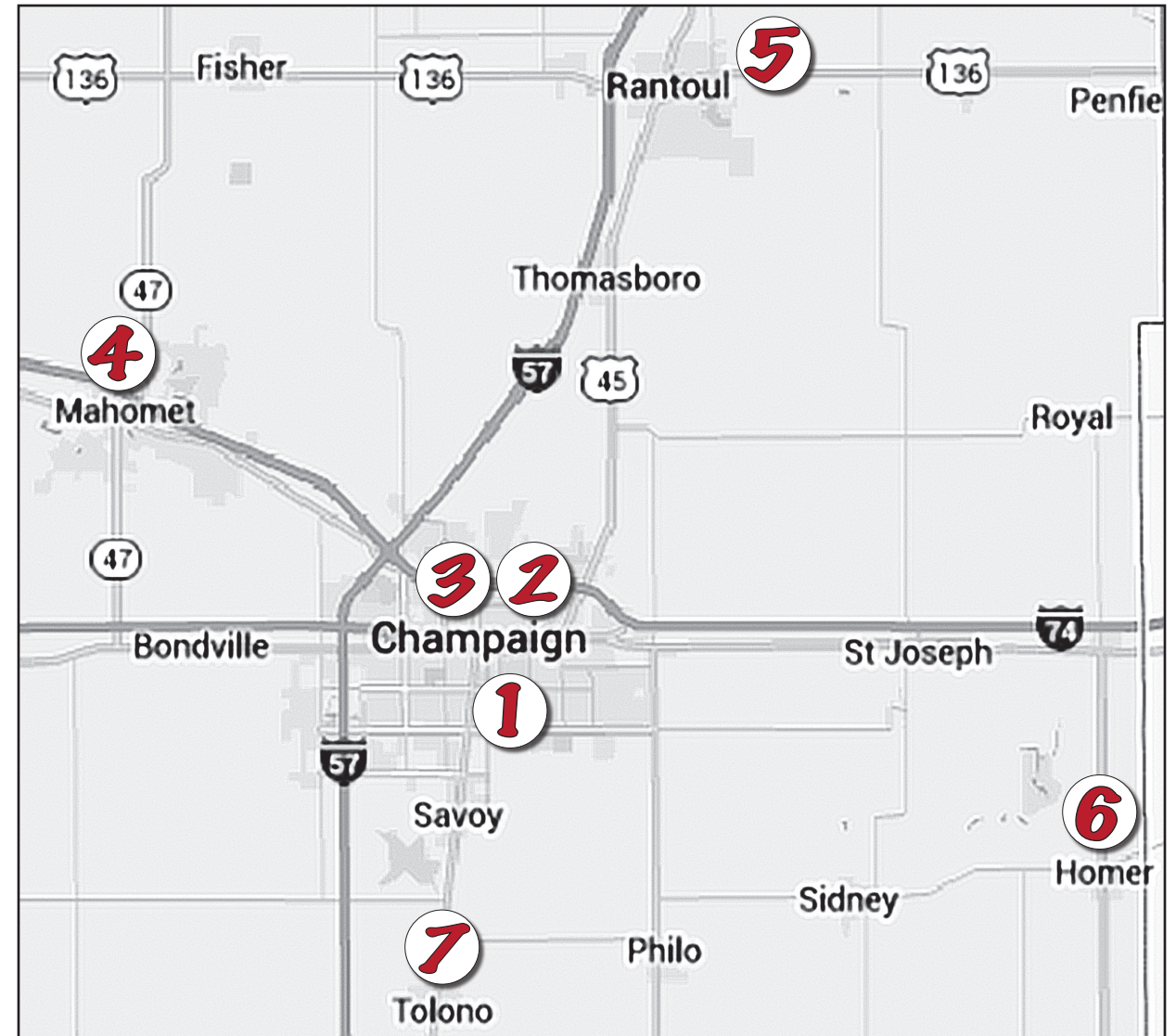
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Tolono Public Library

111 East Main Street Tolono, Illinois
217-485-5558

tolonolibrary.org

The Tolono Public Library holds a local history collection featuring area yearbooks, newspapers, and local history research materials.



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