Historic District Centennial Street Signage Project Historic Preservation Commission

Take a walk down the 1892 streets of the Village of Tinley Park courtesy of the Historic Preservation Commission.

As part of the Centennial Celebrations and activities, the Historic Preservation Commission has contracted for special street markers to be created to mark the original streets of the Village and their names. Many of the street names reflect the Germanic heritage of the community that was predominate through the 1940's. In the process of adopting the "Chicago Numbering System", most of these streets have taken on new names over the years. Unfortunately, most of the "new" (current) street "names" are simply number designations corresponding to the Chicago Numbering System grid, which are far less original or colorful as the original designations. Very few of these street names have continued to be used today.

One of the primary goals of the Preservation Commission is to foster and encourage preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation activities within the Historic District. As part of these overall goals, the Historic Preservation Commission has researched the original street names that existed in 1892, at the time of the Village's incorporation.

Special signs will soon be installed reflecting the original street names to mark the Historic District of Tinley Park, and to commemorate the Village Centennial. These "special" signs will be installed at key intersections within the Historic District. The signs will be made of sandblasted and painted redwood and mounted on wooden poles to identify the Historic District. A special script has been chosen for the lettering to further differentiate these signs from the current names. The signs will also be educational, as a reminder of a part of the Village's history.

Residents and businesses located on these streets are not required to change their street designations to reflect the historic street names. However, we have provided a list of these street names to the Tinley Park Post Office, should a citizen choose to use the historic designations.

The attached table reflects a list of the original street names that will be marked as part of this Centennial project, the streets current names, as well as when the streets first came into existence based on the historic research of the Historic Preservation Commission and the Tinley Park Historical Society.



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Old Tinley Park Street Names

Street markers with the historic names of the following streets were erected as part of Village Centennial:

| ORIGINAL NAME | PRESENT NAME | DIRECTION | ADDRESSES | ORIGIN |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Andres Avenue | 173rd Place | E/W Oak Park Av to Harlem | 6819 - 7162 | C. Andres subdivision Nov 23, 1879 |
| Batchelor Grove Road or Bachelor Grove Road | Oak Park Avenue | N/S 147th Street south | | 1/2 sect. road Prior to 1853 |
| Belle View Street | 66th Court | N/S 172nd St to 174th St | 17208 - 17348 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Die Linden Strasse | 67th Court | N/S 174th St to 175th St | 17355 - 17454 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Graben Strasse (Ditch Street) | 67th Avenue | NE/SW 174th St to 175th St | 17410 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Grove Avenue | 172nd Street | E/W 66th Ct to Oak Park Av | 6645-6655 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Hickory Strasse | 173rd Street | E/W 66th Ct to Oak Park Av | 6647-6653 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Kirchen Strasse (Church Street) | 174th Place | E/W 66th Av to Oak Park Av | 6601-6779 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Am Markt Platz or Markt Strasse (Market Street) | 174th Street | E/W Ridgeland to Oak Park Av | 6411 - 6785 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Nord Strasse | North Street | NE/SW 173rd St to Oak Park Av | 6704-6760 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Sud Strasse | South Street | NE/SW 66th Ct to 174th St | 6657-6727 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Western Avenue | 68th Court | N/S North of Railroad | 17217-17368 | C. Andres subdivision Nov 23, 1879 |

The following historic street names are provided for information purposes -

| ORIGINAL NAME | PRESENT NAME | DIRECTION | ADDRESSES | ORIGIN |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|--|
| Ashland Street | 66th Avenue | N/S 174th St to 175th St | 17411-17445 | H. Vogt addition to Tinley Park Nov 15, 1912 |
| Auburn Street | 65th Court | N/S 177th St to 179th St | 17707-17861 | Whitney & Bishop addition to TP Dec 26, 1890 |
| Center Street | 64th Court | N/S Vogt St to 175th St | 17300-17441 | Diamond addition to TP Jan 16, 1905 |
| East Avenue | Ridgeland Avenue | N/S 177th St to 179th St | | Whitney & Bishop addition to TP Dec 26, 1890 |
| Eastern Avenue | Ridgeland Avenue | N/S Oak Forest Av south | | Diamond addition to TP Jan 16, 1905 |
| Enigunge Strasse (Unification Street) | Vogt Street | E/W 65th Av to 66th Av | 6501-6599 | S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Jun 3, 1853 |
| Forest Avenue | 178th Street | E/W 66th Av to Oak Park Av | None | Rueter's TP Gardens Nov 19, 1924 |
| Fourth Avenue | 71st Avenue | N/S North of Railroad | 17231-17456 | J. Rauhoff subdivision Jul 12, 1909 |
| Garden Avenue | 67th Avenue | N/S 176th St to 179th St | 17600-17860 | Rueter's TP Gardens Nov 19, 1924 |
| Hermine Avenue | 66th Court | N/S 176th St to 179th St | 17600-17844 | Rueter's TP Gardens Nov 19, 1924 |
| Nielsen Avenue | 67th Court | N/S 171st St to 173rd St | 17101-17246 | F. Nielsen's subdivision Oct 16, 1894 |
| North Avenue | 171st Street | E/W 67th Ct to Oak Park Av | None | Breitbarth's subdivision Feb 19, 1920 |
| Oak Avenue | 65th Avenue | N/S 177th St to 179th St | 17706-17861 | Whitney & Bishop addition to TP Dec 26, 1890 |

ORIGINAL PRESENT NAME NAME DIRECTION ADDRESSES ORIGIN Otto Avenue 67th Court N/S 17600-17858 Rueter's 176th St TP Gardens to 179th St Nov 19, 1924 Park Avanue 67th Avanue F. Nielsen's N/S 17215-17247 172nd St aubdivision Oct 16, 1894 to 173rd St Park Avenue 177th Street E/W 6600-6800 Rueter's TP Gardens 66th Av to Oak Park Av Nov 19, 1924 Diamond Prairie Avenue 65th Avenue N/S 17801-17445 addition to TP Vogt St to 175th St Jan 16, 1905 Whitney & Bishop Ridge Street 64th Court N/S 17706-17860 addition to TP 177th St Dec 26, 1890 to 179th St 69th Avenue 17100-17408 J. Rauhoff Second Avenue N/S subdivision 171st St to Railroad Jul 12, 1909 Schule Strasse 65th Avenue N/S None S.R. Haven Villg of Bremen Vogt St to Oak Forest Av (School Street) Jun 3, 1853 South Street 179th Street E/W 6401-6800 Whitney & Bishop addition to TP Ridgeland to Dec 26, 1890 Oak Park Av J. Rauhoff Third Avenue 70th Avenue N/S 17100-17421 subdivision 171st St to Railroad Jul 12, 1909 Thorton Road 175th Street E/W Sectional road East of Prior to 1853 Oak Park Av Whitney & Bishop Tinley Avenue 66th Avenue N/S 17500-17899 addition to TP 175th St Dec 26, 1890 to 179th St Weser Strasse 176th Street E/W 6601-6800 S.R. Haven 66th Av to Villg of Bremen Oak Park Av Jun 3, 1853 Western Avenue 67th Avenue NE/SW 17410 H. Vogt addition 174th St to Tinley Park to 175th St Nov 15, 1912

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