

Huntley Town Square Scavenger Hunt(ley)

1. 1863. The Huntley First Congregational Church community was founded in 1852, but work on the church building was begun in 1863.
2. The National Guard. Notice that this pre-dates the U. S. Army.
3. 1916. Over the years this building has been a restaurant and an auto dealer and auto mechanic. The second story had a dance floor that was used for Saturday night dances and high school basketball games. The building, which now houses Strode's Furniture store, was known as the Pabst Building. It was built with locally sourced bricks, made on the Drendel farm south of town.

4. T. S. Huntley. Thomas Huntley laid out the original 80-acres for the town. He donated land for three churches, a cemetery and the town square park.



5. The Huntley Sesquicentennial. The village of Huntley celebrated 150 years since its founding. The town was founded in 1851 and a week-long celebration was held in 2001. Many items of memorabilia from 2001 are included in the time capsule. In 2001, Huntley's population was about 8,000.
6. A bench and a clock. The Huntley Senior Citizens Club honored Florence's memory with a bench. The large clock on the corner of Woodstock and Main streets also was erected to honor Florence Conley Schaffenegger (1917-2009).
7. Woodstock and Coral streets. This bell was known to have been in a Chicago church prior to the 1871 Great Chicago Fire. Huntley used it until an electric siren was installed on the tower. Today the tower is gone. Huntley has paid full-time fireman at four fire stations and no longer needs a way to summon firefighters.
8. Sal's Pizza Place. This building has been in continuous use since it was built. It has been a general store, a grocery store and a restaurant over the years. At one time, the second floor was the town bowling alley.

9.  Dr. Oliver I. Statler. Dr. Statler (1879-1954) came to Huntley in 1908 to open his medical practice. He was the local doctor for more than 45 years. He served in World War I. He was the father of best-selling author Oliver H. Statler (1915-2002) who wrote many books on Japanese art and culture.

10. Records of Huntley Centennial Time Capsule. This time capsule was buried when the village of Huntley celebrated its 100th anniversary in 1951. At that time, the population of Huntley was 830. Today the population is about 27,000.



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