## Inventory of the

# Marengo Grange

Marengo, Illinois

Records

In the

Regional History Center

**RC 135** 

#### INTRODUCTION

Mrs. George Simons donated the Marengo Grange records to the Northern Illinois Regional History Center on July 1, 1981.

Property rights in the collection belong to the Regional History Center; literary rights are dedicated to the public. There are no restrictions on access to the collection.

Linear feet of shelf space: 1 Number of containers: 1 Northern Illinois Regional History Center Collection 135

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The records from the Marengo Grange No. 1922 include a complete set of monthly meeting minutes (1951-1979) describing local farmers efforts to serve the community and improve their agricultural conditions. In addition to the local grange records the collection also contains journals of proceedings, programs, and rosters (1950-1980) belonging to the Illinois State and National Grange organizations.

Information of other Northern Illinois Granges can be found in grange collections held by the Regional History Center; see Guide index listing under Grange. A National grange history is available in the collection and in the regional reference room.

#### HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Marengo Grange No. 1922 began meeting in the basement of the Hawthorne School building on July 20, 1951. The charter members, numbering 45, elected Albert Ebel, Master, Harold Carmach, Overseer, Ruth Simons, Treasurer, and Mary Hachmeister, Secretary. Several committees also were formed to report on pending agricultural legislative proposals that would directly effect rural life in the area. Successful in it's efforts to make the farm family a stronger unit and the rural community more self-contained, Marengo Grange remains an active community organization today.

#### **SUBJECT TRACINGS**

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### **COLLECTION INVENTORY**

$\underline{\text{BOX}}$	<u>FOLDER</u>	DESCRIPTION
1	1-7	Minutes, 1951-1979
	8-10	Quarterly Reports, (1954-1979)
	11-15	State Grange Journal of Proceedings, 1950-1980
	16-17	State Grange Rosters, 1951-1967, 1970-1979
	18	National Grange Handbooks, 1967-1968, 1975-1977
	19	National Grange Programs, 1968-1969, 1972-1973
	1 volume	Publication, The Grange Friend of the Farmer, 1867-1947