MCENRY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM TOUR
STUDENT SHEET

When you visit museums you see things that were used in the past. Many of those items are no longer used in that form but show up in modern times as an improved version. Even our clothing had a start in the past but has changed in style, material, and how it is made over the years. HERE ARE SOME IDEAS TO THINK ABOUT AS YOU WANDER THROUGH THE MUSEUM. CAN YOU SEE ITEMS TODAY THAT MIGHT HAVE COME FROM EARLIER TIMES?

Below are some pictures of equipment or tools that were used to grow, harvest and/or prepare food. What other artifacts (objects) can you find?

- pitchfork
- plow
- coffee mill

These items below show how people communicate with each other. Can you find others?

- telephone
- pen & ink
- typewriter

Here are some samples of tools and methods used in building homes, stores, businesses. Look for other tools and materials. Are they used today?

- hanger (pulley)
- plane
- drill press

These are items of clothing that you probably wouldn’t wear today. Where do you think people living then got articles like these?

- dress
- hat
- man’s bathing suit

People in the past moved from place to place. Can you find more ways to move about or haul goods?

- horses
- bike
- airplane

Boys and girls liked to have in years gone by as you can tell by these samples. Can you find some more objects that were used?

- mitt
- TV
- stereoscope