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White Awards FY2002 Digital Imaging Grants

SPRINGFIELD — Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White has awarded grants to 24 Illinois libraries that will allow the libraries to create electronic versions of material and collections for posting on the Internet so that the contents will be accessible to a wider audience.

White said the Educate and Automate Digital Imaging grants are designed to preserve important aspects of cultural heritage and information about the history of Illinois.

"During our nearly 200 years as a state we have developed a rich and vibrant history, and digital imaging technology is allowing our Illinois libraries to preserve unique and important parts of that history for generations to come," White said. "Additionally, digital imaging technology allows libraries to place historical records, rare materials and collections on the Internet. With more and more citizens accessing the Internet, these treasures have the potential to reach a global audience. I am especially hopeful that our youth will use the Internet to access these historical and culturally significant documents.

"I am delighted that these grants will provide greater access to under-utilized historical and cultural materials, and assist our libraries in developing successful digital imaging projects."

White said Educate and Automate grants are awarded by the Illinois State Library using state funds, and that digital imaging grants are awarded in amounts ranging from \$5,000 to \$10,000. All types of libraries are eligible for digital imaging grants.

White said the Illinois State Library has compiled an

outstanding archive of Illinois digital images that is located at the State Library's information portal, Find-It! Illinois, at <http://finditillinois.org>.

FY2002 Educate & Automate - Digital Imaging Grants

Lake County Discovery Museum Wish You Were Here, Illinois	\$8,900
Roosevelt University Chicago Labor: An Oral History	\$10,000
Northwestern University G.V. Black Papers: Father of Modern Dentistry	\$7,961
Skokie Public Library Skokie History Digitization Project	\$8,660
Coal City Public Library District Coal Mining: Machines Vs. Man	\$7,318
University of Illinois-Chicago Jane Addams Hull-House Yearbooks	\$5,081
Southern Community School District Rural Life In West Central Illinois	\$8,800
Illinois State University A University Goes To War	\$5,586
Lewis University Digitizing The I & M Canal	\$8,900
Cherry Valley Public Library District Back To The Future	\$5,000
Bertolet Memorial Library District Attic Treasures - The Bertolet Papers	\$6,492
Centralia Regional Library District Audio History: Oral History Tapes On The Web	\$10,000
Bensenville Comm. Public Library District Digitizing The O'Hare Papers	\$10,000
Joliet Public Library Maps And Prints For Posterity	\$8,925
Mclean County Historical Society Keep The Heritage Alive	\$6,595
Polo Public Library District Digital Past Of Polo, Ogle County Illinois	\$10,000
North Chicago Public Library Preserving North Chicago's Library	\$10,000
Lowpoint-Washburn School District Caznovia Township (Woodford County) History	\$8,400
Illinois Wesleyan University The Argus: Student Life In The 20th Century	\$10,000
St. Charles Public Library District Digitizing History In St. Charles	\$10,000
A.C. Buehler Library Social Activism At Elmhurst College	\$7,000

North Suburban Library District Pieces Of The Past	\$10,000
Harrington Institute Interior Design Archival Picture Image	\$10,000
Aurora Public Library Early Days In Aurora: Early Maps	\$6,285
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Total	\$199,903