Forest Preserve District of Cook County
IN RELATION TO
The City of Chicago

Tinley Creek Division
Points of Interest

Lake maintained to furnish good fishing.

Wildlife Refuge.

Area enjoyable when spring wildflowers bloom.

Slopes for Winter Coasting

Overlook with exceptional scenic view

Tinley Creek Division Headquarters.

1. Turtlehead Lake, one of several Forest Preserve lakes dug to provide earth fill for the Tri-State Tollway.

2. Deep ravines and gullies along Tinley Creek.

3. Tinley Creek Forestry Headquarters

4. Tinley Creek Woods, notable for a few huge oaks surviving from the primeval forest in this region.

5. Camp Falcon, a camping center for youth groups by permit only.

6. Camp Sullivan, a camping center for youth groups by permit only.

7. Site of Goeselville, once a crossroads trading place and post office on the Midlothian Turnpike.

8. Carlson Springs, one of the few large springs now flowing in Cook County.

9. Midlothian Turnpike, originally an Indian trail and later a country road from Harlem Ave. and 151st St., thru Goeselville to Blue Island.

10. Oak Forest Hospital, Cook County institution for the indigent, aged and infirm.

11. Franciscan Monastery serving Oak Forest Hospital.

12. Indian Boundary Line, beginning at a point on the shore of Lake Michigan, 10 miles south of the mouth of the Chicago River. South boundary of a strip, 20 miles wide from Chicago to Ottawa, ceded by the Potawatomi and allied tribes in 1818.

13. Forest Preserve Tree Nursery

14. Model Airplane Flying Field

15. The George W. Dunne National Golf Course (18 Hole)

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A high point along 159th Street, just east of Oak Park Avenue, provides an unusual view of the Chicago skyline, approximately 20 miles to the northeast.

The Yankee Woods and St. Mihiel areas are abundant with spring and fall wildflowers, as well as spectacular autumn color. Small fragments of native prairie containing rare species of plant and insect life also occur in these areas.

Blackberry, dewberry and raspberry patches plentiful in meadows and woodland openings at many locations and ripe for picking in July.

Mushrooms plentiful in many woodlands during autumn.

The southern and central portions of Tinley Creek Division boast of numerous reforestation planted in the late 1960's as a part of the Forest Preserve District's ongoing program to preserve and re-establish examples of the native woodlands which existed here two hundred years ago.