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Elmhurst Woman Launches Book

An autograph party will be held Sunday, Aug. 29, for Alice Parker's book of poems and short stories —

"When Do The Losers Win & Other Fairy Tales." Hostess will be Mrs. Edna Fox, her sister, who has opened her home at 23-W-150 St. Charles rd. (corner of Evergreen) in Glen Ellyn, from 5 to 10 p.m. to all interested friends.

Ms. Parker, a long time Elmhurst resident, is a divorcee who has owned her own business, worked in advertising and several other fields. She will be doing several lecture series this fall, on and of women, for Women's World of Glen Ellyn.

Raised and now living in Elmhurst, Alice feels DuPage County is her home. She has traveled extensively and feels that the Mid-western women have been misunderstood and underrated for a long time. Ms. Parker has also written a novel about divorcees, which is not yet published.

Ms. Parker had the poetry book printed herself, and it will be a limited edition copy. It is also available from the Bican Book Store, Elmhurst.

Elmhurst Press

20 Have Served City As Postmaster

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You wouldn't be wrong if you said the post office has been in Elmhurst longer than Elmhurst has, despite the fact that the city traces its beginning to 1836, nine years before John L. Hovey was appointed the first postmaster on Dec. 9, 1845.

That is because the tiny village that was to become this city was first named Cottage Hill. It wasn't until Nov. 30, 1868, when Augustus Palmer, the sixth postmaster to serve here, was in office, that residents changed the name to Elmhurst. But hold on. Some of the folks didn't like Elmhurst, and they changed it back to Cottage Hill on Feb. 25, 1869.

Although only 20 men have been postmaster, several held the office on more than one occasion, and one who was acting postmaster was never actually appointed to the position.

Postmasters and the dates they were appointed are:

- John L. Hovey — Dec. 9, 1845 (town called Cottage Hill)

- Edward Bonney — June 29, 1847

- Gerry Bates — June 19, 1849

- Lewis Gray — March 22, 1859

- Diedrick Mung — April 16, 1859

- Gerry Bates — March 29, 1861

- Augustus Palmer — March 2, 1865

- Augustus Palmer — Nov. 20, 1868 (town renamed Elmhurst)

- Gerry Bates — Nov. 20, 1868

- Gerry Bates — Feb. 25, 1869 (town renamed Cottage Hill)

- Gerry Bates — May 26, 1870 (town renamed Elmhurst)

- Frederick H. Bates — Sept. 13, 1878

- Jacob Glos — Oct. 14, 1881

- Christian Blievernicht — Oct. 12, 1885

- Frederick H. Bates — Aug. 2, 1886

- Henry L. Glos — July 9, 1890

- Otto H. Stange — Oct. 20, 1893

- William Graue — Oct. 22, 1897

- Otto H. Balgemann — Feb. 5, 1906

- Gustave L. Burmeister — March 10, 1914

- Louis A. Luetgert — Jan. 10, 1923

- John M. Tubergen — acting postmaster, Sept. 18, 1933

- James F. Grogan — June 12, 1934

- Joseph J. Holloway — acting postmaster, Feb. 18, 1946

- Joseph J. Holloway — March 17, 1949

- Lawrence C. Isrealson — officer-in-charge, Feb. 9, 1966

- Robert J. Clute — April 22, 1966

- Lawrence C. Isrealson — officer-in-charge, March 13, 1970

- Lawrence C. Isrealson — May 29, 1971

- William G. Brian — officer-in-charge, June 29, 1973

- William G. Brian — Dec. 8, 1973

NOTICE TO ALL SESQUICENTENNIAL GOLFERS

The Elmhurst Sesquicentennial Golf Outing on September 11 was rained out. The event has been rescheduled on Friday, October 3 at Oak Meadows.