friends. Lorene, who was born in Braceville, IL, worked 30 years for the Abraham Lincoln Insurance Company, and 22 years for the YWCA as the adult program director.

The new chair of the education section at the Illinois State Museum is <u>Chris Meier</u>, who comes to Springfield from her former position as administrator of the Arlington Heights Historical Museum. Her position here involves the interpretation of the many exhibits of art, natural history and anthropology at the State Museum. She also is the executive vice-president of the Midwest Museums Conference.

SCHS Board member Kay Cooper Watt is the successful author of a number of books for children. Each volume of her "Discovering Books" series is written to encourage children's interest while acting as a supplement to their school social studies courses. The first book in this series, "Who Put the Cannon in the Courthouse Square?", stimulated interest in local history, and the second, "Where Did You Get Those Eyes?", was an introduction to genealogy. The latest is a sixth-grade level introduction to geography, entitled "Where in the World?" Kay is working on a fourth book which will deal with a grade-school-level approach to language studies. This series will soon be published in paper back editions as well as hard cover. Kay also has written a number of other books for children.

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