

I accept and agree to the above statement:Signature Eleanor R. JacobDate 5/26/18Printed Name Eleanor R. Jacob**Morton History Questions:**

1. Tell us a little bit about yourself? *I was born on Second St in →*
2. How many generations of your family have lived in Morton? *4*
← Morton, July 30, 1928
3. What is your ethnic background? From what countries did your family originate? *Germany*
4. How did your family find/come to Morton? What brought them here?
by boat. not sure, but I suppose for a better life
5. How long have you lived in Morton? Did you ever leave? For what reason?
I have lived here, most of my life. Left in 3rd grade and came back to start high school. Left in 3rd grade because
6. If you did leave, what brought you back to Morton?
We came back because business was not good in Blainville St. My dad bought a bakery
7. What is your earliest memory of the Village?
We knew everybody in town (about 2100 people at the time)
8. What did you want to be when you grew up?
a secretary
9. How has the Village changed over the years?
It has grown considerably
10. What was it like when you grew up here/first moved here?
It was very nice (still is) there were 3 grocery stores downtown and a bakery
11. What do you miss about the way it used to be?
nothing except the downtown area

12. Who are some of the local town "characters" or legends from here?

Sam Acheiman, played a harmonica downtown. Ray Jobick sold candy around the grade school, now Jefferson school

13. Do you remember any great stories or legends about our town?

The above!!!

14. What were your favorite things to do as a kid?

Roller skate on the sidewalks

15. What stores did you frequent that are no longer here? What were they like? What did they sell? Where were they located? What did you like to purchase there?

Grocery store, Krups and Friedingers

16. What other memorable aspects of the community are no longer here?

The dime store

17. Where was the public library? What would you do there? What services did it provide Morton residents?

18. What grocery store did you patronize? ^{*> Krups + Friedingers*} Drugstore? Hardware store? Barber shop? Beauty shop? Clothing store? How did you travel to these places?

*Coubeare + Stimpff drug stores, Witzy's clothing store
Hardware store, We Wash*

19. ^{*no*} Did you have a car? What kind was it? Who repaired it? Where was the gas station? Cost of gas? Where did you go when you went out for a drive?

20. Did your mom and dad work? Where? *Dad was a baker, Mom was a telephone operator, worked at the library later*

21. Where did you go to see a movie? Play? Concert? *didn't*

22. Were there community music or theater groups? What did a ticket cost?

What shows do you remember seeing? *There was a band concert outdoors Sat night. - no charge*

23. Who were your favorite local performers?

24. Where were the favorite spots to gather? Was there a neighborhood bar or restaurant? Was it a place for gossip or political discussion? Was it a trouble spot? Who did you typically see there? Men? Women? Mixed?

No answer

25. What were the troubled spots in town? What places had a reputation and why? *Don't remember any.*
26. What did you do on a Saturday Night? How about on a Sunday afternoon? *Sat nite - band concerts
Sun afternoon visited relatives*
27. What were the most popular local sports? *Basket ball*
28. Did you follow any professional teams? Which ones? *no*
29. Where did you go on vacation with your family? - *didn't*
30. How did you celebrate the holidays? *at home or business*
31. How did the community celebrate Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day?
32. What newspapers did you read? *Peoria Journal Star, Peoria Daily Times Democrat*
33. Did you rely on the radio for national news? What radio stations did you listen to? *yes - don't remember*
34. What was the first national or world news event you remember hearing about? How did you hear about it? *Bombing of Pearl Harbor. Heard it on the radio at a friend's home*
35. What was the best source of news during World War II? *friend's home*
36. What were your favorite radio programs? *Huber Magee + Mollie*
37. When did you get a television set? And from where did you get it? *Don't remember*
38. What was the first news event you remember seeing on the television?
39. Anything else to add? Anything you'd like others to remember? ~~yes~~

There was no Lutheran Church in town. We used to meet at the Community Church every other Sunday afternoon. Later we used the old space in old town hall - corner Perebrny + Jefferson