The History Center has the following materials available:

Newspaper Materials

- Plainview News (1879-2003, Obituary index from 1879-2003, Wedding index from 1879-2000)
- Kellogg Enterprise (Index 1903-1918)
- Elgin Monitor (Wedding Index 1904-1942, The newspapers have been given to the History Center of Olmsted County.
- Millville Review (28 scattered issues from 1901-1973)

Cemetary Records

- Plainview Greenwood Cemetery (This index is based on a cemetery walk in the 1980's identifying every marked grave at that time. The City of Plainview has current records, but this is the best source of the old family grave sites.)
- Beaver, MN Cemetery Map (Located about 6 miles east of Plainview in Winona County)
- Pleasant Valley Cemetery (Located about 4 miles south of Plainview in Quincy township, Olmsted County)

Maps/Atlases

- 1874 State of Minnesota Atlas
- Plat maps of Wabasha County 1877 & 1904
- Plat books of Winona County 1894 & 1927
- 1894 Winona County Atlas
- 1896 Wabasha County Atlas
- 1937 Plat book of Wabasha County

History Collections

- 1920 History of Wabasha County (Complete index of every name listed)
- 1913 History of Winona County, Volumes 1 & 2
- Plainview High School Year Books (1925, 1927, 1929, 1947, 1956, 1957, 1959, 1960-1977, 1983-1986, 1988, 1992, 1998, 1999, 2004)
- Immanuel Lutheran Church of Plainview 125 Year History (Contains church's birth, baptism, marriage and death indexes)

- Funeral Home Records of Arthur E. Becker, Foley & Lindsey, Johnson & Schriver, Schad & Zabel in Plainview, MN (1907-2003)
- History of Plainview Boy Scouting 1912-1949
- 1883 History of Wabasha & Winona County
- 1884 History of Olmsted & Winona County
- St. Joachim Catholic Church & Parish History 1856-2006
- Knights of Columbus Council #1781 History and newspaper clippings 1915-2006
- Catholic Daughters of the Americas St. Joachim Church History and newspaper clippings 1920-2006
- Bremen School History
- Smithfield School History
- A Century of Grace Plainview Immanuel Lutheran Church 1875-1975
- Who, What, When, Where Wabasha County School History by Verma Olin

Census

- 1880 U.S. Census and National Index
- 1885 Plainview Census

Miscellaneous

- Diary of Irving Washington Rollins (1855-1879)
- Diary of George Dickman (1901-1912)
- Diary of Brigham Foster (January 1 September 22, 1967)
- Diary of M. Kempner Little Valley (1856-58 portions)
- Diary of George Smith Little Valley (1866-1876, 1879-1903)
- The Sylvester Family
- The Jacoby Family
- The Legacy of James Spooner of Acushnet, Mass. (compiled by Paul B. Spooner)
- The Descendants of Richard Sylvester
- 1219 Days in Hell Prisoner of War Memories (WWII) Merle E. Tucker
- Interview with Mina Venables Reincke
- Picture Index with over 500 photos of the Plainview area
- "As I remember it"- autobiography of Dr. M Donahle
- "Peggy"- autobiography of Mrs. Don Mahle
- Plainview Class of 1951 55th Reunion Booklet
- Wilhelm MattenKlodt family
- Sports Records (Misc.) of Plainview School collected by Verne Herman
- Evans Family History
- Rev. Jeffries and his years at the Methodist Church
- C.E. Prather's Plainview Directory 1901-1902

- Letters from the South Pacific WWII Letters written by Malcolm Weigal
 Diary of John Horn 1869-1913