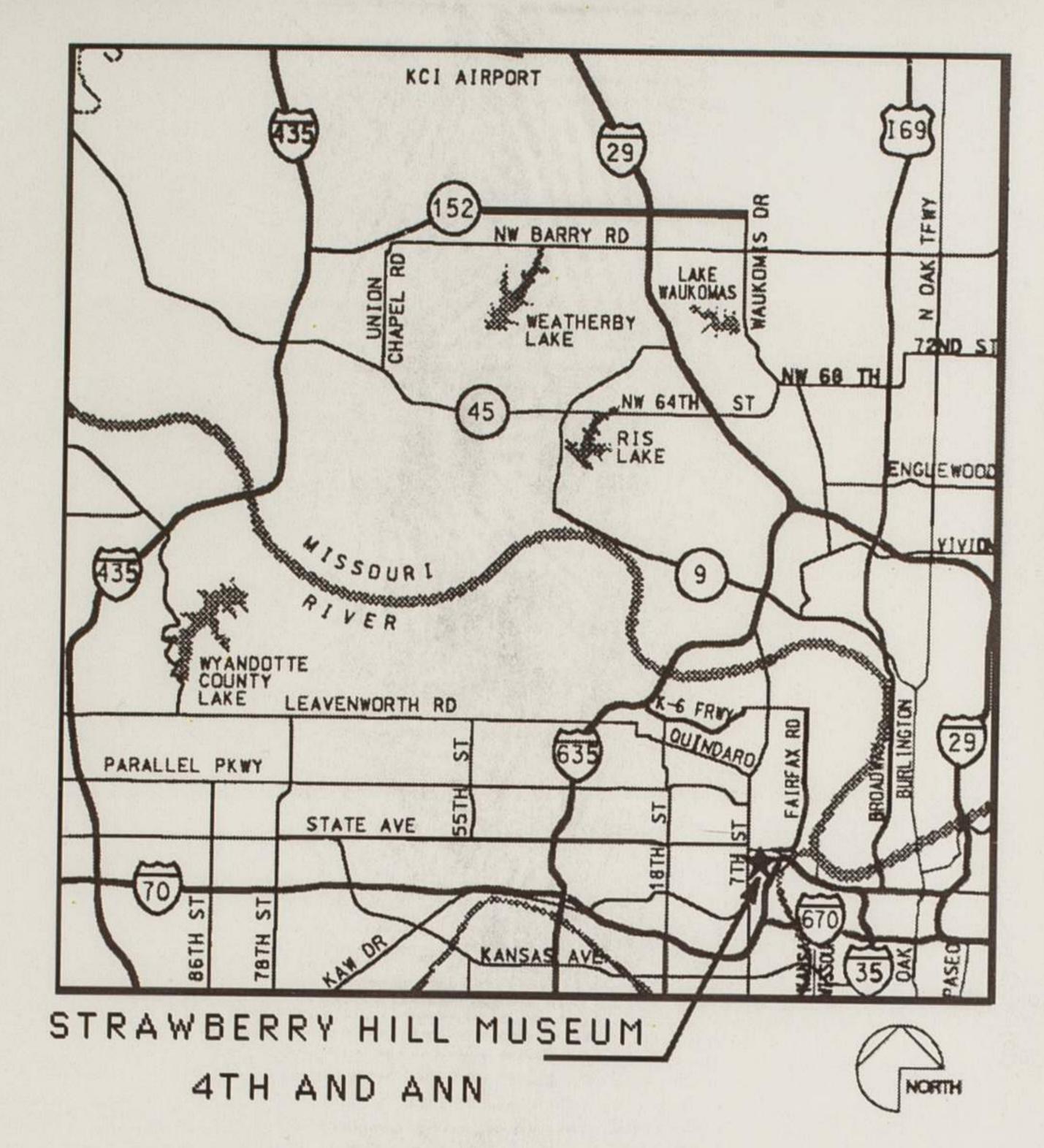
While focusing on the Croatian culture, the Strawberry Hill Museum also hosts exhibits representing other cultures in the community which include Czechoslovakian, German, Lithuanian, Polish, Russian, Serbian and Slovenian. Traditional Croatian items are on permanent display including colorful handmade clothing, original works of glass, wood craftsmanship and musical instruments.



The museum is located in the former St. John the Baptist Children's Home, an original Queen Anne style home built in 1887. The 1918 Flu Epidemic in America left many orphans among the Croatian community. The pastor, Martin Krmpotic, who himself had sponsored many of the original immigrating families, encouraged the parishioners to raise the funds to purchase the home in 1919 for an orphanage.

The house, including the additions for the orphans, is in excellent condition. Solid oak was used as wood trim-floors throughout are parquet. Rooms contain some of the home's original pieces of furniture, stained glass windows and chandeliers of Bavarian Crystal with gold inlay from Czechoslovakia.



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MUSEUM HOURS

Saturday - Noon to 5:00 p.m. Sunday - Noon to 5:00 p.m.

\$3.00 General Admission

Last tour starts at 4:15p.m.

Rooms and kitchen facilities are available for rent for receptions, parties and meetings.

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