

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY
ACCESSION CA6660
KATE PARRY PAPERS**

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Dates: 1973-2022

Creator: Parry, Kate

Collection Size: 1.4 cubic feet, 7 computer discs

Introduction

The papers of a reporter, editor, ombudsman, and assistant managing editor who primarily worked for the Minneapolis *Star Tribune* and the *St. Paul Pioneer Press*, contain clippings, correspondence, training materials, speeches, and miscellaneous professional material.

Donor Information

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Kathryn Parry on 12 July 2022.

Box List

Biographical Sketch

Kate Parry graduated from Indiana University with a B.A. in journalism and urban studies. She worked at the *Hobart Gazette* and *Louisville Courier-Journal* before joining the *Minneapolis Tribune* in 1978, where she was a reporter, restaurant critic, and supervised the newspaper's metro desk and its investigative team.

Parry was a senior editor at the *St. Paul Pioneer Press* from 1991-2004 before returning to the *Star Tribune* as assistant managing editor, where she supervised special projects, published eBooks, designed training materials, and taught about writing and ethics. Major projects included "Saving Bobbi" (on child sex trafficking) and "In the Footsteps of Little Crow" (marking the 150th anniversary of the U.S.-Dakota War). She also served as the newspaper's ombudsman, investigating reader complaints. In 2007, she received the Associated Press Freedom of Information Award for explaining First Amendment issues to readers. Parry retired in 2021.

Box 1

Clips from *Hobart Gazette*, *Indiana Daily Student*, and *Louisville Courier-Journal*, 1973-1978

Resumes and job applications, 1976-1982

Indiana Daily Student, 1978

Letters/notes from editors and readers, 1976-1983

Minneapolis Tribune

Sunday photo editor/copy desk headlines, 1979-1980

Coverage as restaurant critic/food writer, 1980-1983 (2 folders)

China articles, 1982

Metro coverage as reporter, 1983-1989

Newspaper Guild, 1980-1983

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Freelance work

St. Paul Pioneer Press

Travel feature, 1995

Election coverage, 1998

“Safer Cities” civic/public journalism project

“Poverty Among Us” civic/public journalism project

Notes/memos

“New Face of Minnesota” series on immigration, 2000-2002

Training materials

Miscellaneous materials created for *Pioneer Press*

Journalism and Bioterrorism, 2002 (7 c.d.)

Team Leaders Seminar, 2002-2003

Knight Ridder Northern Writers Workshop, 2003

Miscellaneous materials created for *Star Tribune*

Speeches, 1999-2004

Box 2 (full gray)

Star Tribune, Ombudsman material (2 folders)

Awards, 2009, 2014

Master’s degree – Leadership papers

“In the Footsteps of Little Crow” series, 2012 (3 folders)

Summer serials/eBooks

Star-Tribune, Assistant Managing Editor material, 2009-2019

Notes on series/features editing and directing, 1992-2020

Resume, 2022