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GATEWAY REGION YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION RECORDS

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Introduction

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The Gateway Region Young Men's Christian Association was founded in St. Louis on October 20, 1853. Initially, the organization focused on young men's spiritual development but later expanded to include the mental, social, physical, recreation, and vocational needs of both sexes. The collection consists of by-laws, correspondence, meeting minutes, schedules, press releases, and photographs.

In 1844, twenty-three-year-old dry goods clerk George Williams founded the Young Men's Christian Association in London, England. Williams began the association, intended as a prayer and Bible study group, with eleven other live-in clerks at the Hitchcock and Rodgers Shop. Like many of his contemporaries, Williams had been drawn to London by the city's commercial and manufacturing boom during the 19th-century industrial revolution. He soon saw the less attractive side of urban industrialization. Williams regarded prostitution, drunkenness, inadequate housing, gambling, and radical politics as threats to the moral character of his fellow Christians. The YMCA promoted Christian principles and emphasized developing a healthy body, spirit, and mind.

The world alliance of YMCAs formed in 1855 with the avowed aim of "uniting young men who have accepted Jesus Christ as God and Savior...and who wished to extend his kingdom amongst men." That kingdom would not include women until somewhat later. By the time he died in November 1905, George Williams had been knighted by Queen Victoria.

The St. Louis chapter of the YMCA held its first meeting at the Second Baptist Church in St. Louis on October 20, 1853. Twenty-three people from a variety of Christian denominations attended the gathering. The group adopted a constitution and by-laws at its next meeting and elected officers at its third. By then, membership had increased to one hundred. The St. Louis chapter's first officers included president E. W. Bratchford; vice presidents E. A. Corbett, H. Christopher, Samuel Cupples, Jr., William Dowall, J. B. Evans, S. B. Johnson, the Reverend J. G. White, H. W. Rice, W. E. Sell and C. C. Selter; recording secretary John L. Dunnica; corresponding secretary, Henry Hitchcock; and treasurer, Isaac Wyman. George Sluter served as a librarian.

The chapter held its first public meeting on November 13, 1853, in a suite of three rooms at the Mercantile Library in downtown St. Louis. Two hundred and ninety-eight new members attended, representing 12 different Christian denominations. The chapter held its next public meeting at the Second Presbyterian Church in St. Louis on November 20,

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1853. Ministers from eight different denominations participated in the ceremony. The principal speaker, the Reverend T. M. Cunningham, outlined the association's mission. Programs designed to improve the mental, social, and spiritual well-being of St. Louis' young men were to include science and Bible classes, lectures, discussion groups, and prayer meetings. Cunningham encouraged members to seek out new arrivals to the city and to take them to the YMCA, where they might be helped to find lodging and employment.

In June 1854, the St. Louis group sent a delegate to the YMCA's International Confederacy, and on February 16, 1855, it incorporated under the General Assembly of Missouri. F.A. Corbett served as president, A.A. Mellier as secretary, and Walter Sell as treasurer. Nine months later, on October 27, 1855, the association adopted a constitution and by-laws. During the Civil War, the Y identified itself with the United States Christian Commission. In times of war, the Y mobilized to support the armed services. Bedside and barracks visitations and open-air Bible readings were only a part of the YMCA's efforts; during the Second World War, YMCA aviation classes trained U.S. soldiers. By 1866, the St. Louis Y numbered 150 members. In 1870, the YMCA began a self-supporting German branch, and seven years later started a sixteen-member branch for Colored Men.

Initially, the YMCA limited its goals to promotion of young mens' spiritual development through an organization of lay volunteers. In keeping with the group's intention to develop the whole man and to reach out to all of society, later objectives expanded to include members' mental, social, physical, recreational, and vocational needs. These concerns would direct the organization's activities in the years to come.

In 1881, the St. Louis YMCA opened its first Medical Mission. By December of that year, 1200 people had received free treatment. The following year, the organization completed the construction of a small, 25-bed hospital. The St. Louis Y built its first gymnasium in 1886. In 1890, the St. Louis YMCA established a Board of Education, naming C.P. Curd as its director. By 1900, the Board's faculty, now numbering twenty-seven, taught thirty-one classes. YMCA education program expanded with the growth and new mobility of the American population. In the following decade, YMCA recreation, "Americanization," and English language classes were extended to serve St. Louis' expanding immigrant population.

With the foundation of the organization's first Railroad Branch in 1880, the YMCA applied its ideals of Christian fellowship to the needs of a mobile, industrial society. Established first in the East St. Louis rail hub, then at St. Louis' Union Station, Railroad Branches aimed to aid potential members arriving in the city by train. They also represented a new cooperative venture for the YMCA and evidenced the close ties between the association and the St. Louis business community. YMCA personnel staffed and managed these facilities and railroad companies supplied the necessary funding. After 1883, YMCA Ladies' Auxiliaries assisted in running rail branches.

Economic depression during the 1890s spelled hard times for the YMCA. By 1893, its Branch for Colored Men folded, and even its prosperous German Branch was in trouble.

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One member remarked that the Colored Branch "was not supported by the Colored people of the city," but this judgment proved premature. Within five years, a number of prominent black citizens had raised \$3500, purchased a house, and reorganized their group as the AfroAmerican Christian Home Association. Within twenty years, the renamed Negro Branch would initiate a \$100,000 building project.

Natural disasters worsened Y's already shaky position. The tornado of 1896 damaged the YMCA's 11th and Locust Street headquarters and destroyed the organization's South St. Louis and Eastside Railroad Branches. Still, the association looked to the future. Financed by a \$5000 bequest from the estate of Sarah Collier, the YMCA purchased a lot on Grand and Franklin Avenues in 1894. Two years later, the group began construction on a new central branch. The new headquarters on the Grand site was completed in 1898. Despite extraordinary expenses, the organization emerged from the 1890s free of debt.

Administrative restructuring complemented the ongoing building campaign. During the 1890s, the association adopted a Metropolitan Plan. According to the plan, a single Board of Directors oversaw operations of all the city's branches. Boards of Managers in each local branch saw to each facilities' day to day operation and advised the central board at monthly meetings. The Metropolitan Plan persisted until 1953.

To meet the expected flood of visitors to the 1904 Louisiana Purchase Exhibition, fair administrators provided space for a YMCA tent. At these quarters, from a "tabernacle" near the fair's Morocco Building, and in a summer-long series of open-air Bible meetings, YMCA volunteers provided fairgoers with lodging and religious instruction. In the process, the association gained wide exposure. The organization's commitment to public service and its campaign to "develop the whole man" outlasted the exhibition. Camp Ozark, the association's first summer camp for boys, opened in 1905. In 1912, the YMCA sponsored garden plots for city boys and, in 1915, founded its first Hi-Y clubs for high school students. During these same years, the association's citizenship, religion, and English language classes addressed the needs of the city's fast-expanding immigrant population.

American involvement in World War I presented the organization with a formidable, but not unfamiliar challenge. As it had during the Civil War, the YMCA moved to support the U.S. armed forces. YMCA volunteers visited the wounded in hospitals. Overseas Service Branches looked after soldiers' physical and spiritual needs. Disease, daily bombardments, and the adverse conditions on the Western Front failed to discourage Y preachers from holding Bible meetings.

Director of the YMCA's Boys' Work program, Harold S. Keltner's, solution to the problem of family dissolution was to promote father and son activities through the Y Indian Guide program. Founded in 1926, Kelter's plan harnessed a respectful, if sanitized depiction of the American Indian to its promotion of father and son togetherness. Like the organization's physical fitness, youth, and job training programs, it continued to grow. As many as 75 "tribes" made up the St. Louis Guide confederation. During the early 1970s,

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the formation of Y Indian Princess groups broadened membership to include daughters as well.

The Stock Market crash of 1929 posed additional challenges. The YMCA's great task, remarked President of the Board L. Ray Carter, was to "maintain normal living in abnormal times." YMCA job training and employment bureau programs, vocational guidance and counseling services, and recreational activities offered many men hope during the Great Depression. The organization offered free tuition and membership to those unable to pay. Youth programs addressed the needs of St. Louis' children.

YMCA programs were somewhat at odds with the prevailing mood, although the organization supported a number of charitable activities. The Pine Street Branch dispensed direct relief to St. Louis' Black community, for instance. Its main focus, even during the Depression's leanest years, remained character building. Substantial amounts of money went into the continuing expansion of the YMCA's physical plant and education programs. Construction began on a new building on the city's South Side. In 1935, the association, with support from local industries, opened its Day Cooperative College, a division of the Federal Relief Administration's Jefferson College. Participating students alternated six-week school terms with salaried jobs at local businesses.

American involvement in World War II marshaled the country's industrial and civilian resources to state service. The YMCA, with its extensive educational, recreational, and lodging facilities, represented an invaluable addition to the Allied war effort. As in the Civil War and the First World War, YMCA administrators moved to support U.S. armed forces. Association Branches provided lodging, recreation, and entertainment to troops in transit. The St. Louis YMCA's Jefferson College, in association with the U.S. Civil Aeronautics Authority, trained both military pilots and civilian men and women for technical jobs in the war industry. Each Saturday evening, the St. Louis Y offered soldiers the chance to socialize at USO dances.

YMCA volunteers were no less active on the war front. In cooperation with the International Red Cross, YMCA efforts monitored conditions in prisoner of war camps, and, with supplies of food, medicine, and books, attempted to relieve the hardship of prisoners themselves.

After World War II, the organization turned to the problems of postwar readjustment. In 1944, the St. Louis Y formed a committee to map out the agency's response to the problem of returning veterans. Having seen a good return on the Y's wartime and Depression-era counseling efforts, the committee recommended continuing the association's vocational guidance and job placement programs and appropriated \$17,500 support. Four full-time staff members addressed veteran concerns. Counselors modified job training, educational, and vocational programs to meet postwar conditions. Throughout the 1950s, the YMCA provided recreational and educational services for member families, which grew into the curriculum offered by the YMCA in the 1990s. In 2016, the YMCA of Greater St. Louis and YMCA of Southwest Illinois merged to form the Gateway Region YMCA.

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Newspaper clippings, 1950-1956
25th Anniversary of Carondelet building cornerstone, 1950
Affton recreation survey, 1955
Swimming, photographs and newspaper clippings, 1957-2002
Track and field, photographs and newspaper clippings, 1960-1969
Physical Education Department, 1960-1961
Boys Leaders Club and Girls Junior and Senior Leaders Club, 1960-1962

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Community Events, correspondence, and newspaper clippings, 1962-1969
Teen games, photographs, promotional materials, and a newspaper
clipping, 1970-1979
Presentation to the Southside Kiwanis Club, 1971
Program Brochure, 1973-1977 (5 folders)
Program Brochures, 1981-1988 (5 folders)
Program Brochure, 2003-2004, 2009
Day Camp, photographs, newspaper clipping, program
outline, 1976-1989
Special Programs, 1977-1978
Building Schedules, 1978
Program Brochures, schedules, and a photograph, 1978-1981
Attendance Rosters, 1979
Men's Basketball Scorebook, schedules, and a photograph,
1980-1981
Renovation Plan, 1981
Men's Basketball Scorebook, 1982

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Youth Sports, photographs and a certificate of eligibility for Health and
Physical Education Program for YMCA, 1982-1987
Long Range Plan, 1983
Newspaper Clippings, 1983
Partner Campaign, 1983
Open House, 1984-1985
Campaign, 1985
Budget, 1986
Capital Campaign, 1986
Front Desk log books, 1986
Front Desk log books, 1989-1992 (3 folders)
Program brochure and newspaper clippings, 1986
Auction, 1998

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Auction, 1989
Membership and census study, 1988
Long range plan, Carondelet and Southside, 1989

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Program brochures, press releases, newspaper clippings, 1989
Program brochures, press releases, newspaper clippings, 1990
Latch Key Program, 1990
Program brochures, press releases, newspaper clippings, 1991-1992
Teen Leaders, 1992-1996
Carondelet and Southside program brochures, 1994-1977, 1999
Newsletters, 2002
Staff meetings, 2003
Newsletters, program brochure, and Partner Campaign, 2005
Carondelet Family YMCA Vision Plan 2006
Newsletters and program brochures, 2007-2008
Carondelet Park Rec Complex, 2008-2010
Carondelet Initiative Survey, 2013
Building Committee, 2009
Carondelet Men's Club/Y Service Club
Newspaper clippings, 1973
Newspaper clippings, 1979-1980, 1991
Constitution and Bylaws, 1978, 1996, 2002
Meeting minutes, program booklets, and a newsletter, 1978
Meeting minutes, correspondence, a photograph, and a newsletter, 1979

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Meeting minutes, newsletters, flyers, and photographs, 1980-1981
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 1982-1983
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 1984-1986
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 1987-1988
Correspondence, meeting minutes, newsletters, photographs, and
newspaper clippings, 1989
Photographs, 1990-1993
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 1990-1992

Box 161

Meeting minutes, newsletter, and photographs, 1993-1995
Devotional booklets, 1990-1996
Chronological files, 1990-2004
High School Y's Men's International Convention, 1995
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 1996-1998
Meeting minutes and newsletters and photographs, 1999-2000
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 2001

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Meeting minutes, Newsletters, and Photographs, 2002-2003
Twenty fifth Anniversary, 2003
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 2004-2005
Meeting minutes, newsletters, and photographs, 2006-2010
Page Park Y Service, 2008

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Autobiography of Willis J. Potthoff, founder of YMCA Carondelet Book
Fair, 1999
Book Fair

Correspondence, reports, photographs, press releases, and a flyer,
1979

Photographs, newspaper clippings, and a flyer, 1980

Correspondence, flyers, reports, and a photograph, 1981

Slides, 1981, 1983, 1985-1986, 1989

Reports, flyers, photographs, and a press release, 1982

Reports, flyers, and correspondence, 1983

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Reports, Flyers, schedules, correspondence, and a newspaper
clipping, 1984

Correspondence, reports, flyers, newspaper clippings, and press
releases, 1985

Flyers, reports, correspondence, newspaper clippings, photographs,
a floor plan, and a press release, 1986

Photographs, flyers, reports, correspondence, and newspaper
clippings, 1987

Flyers, reports, correspondence, photographs, guidelines, and
newspaper clippings, 1988

Newspaper clippings, photographs, reports, flyers, correspondence,
and a floor plan, 1989

Photographs, flyers, newspaper clippings, correspondence, a
schedule and a press release, 1990

Flyers, reports, press releases, correspondence, newspaper
clippings, and a schedule, 1991

Photographs, newspaper clippings, reports, meeting minutes,
flyers, and a floor plan, 1992

Flyers, correspondence, reports, press releases, newspaper
clippings, photographs, and a schedule, 1993

Photographs, flyers, correspondence, press releases, newspaper
clippings, and meeting minutes, 1994

Photographs, meeting minutes, correspondence, press releases,
newspaper clippings, schedules, and a floor plan, (1 floppy
disk)

Floor plans, photographs, flyers, correspondence, meeting minutes,
schedules, and newspaper clippings, 1996 (1 floppy disk)

Correspondence, reports, and press releases, 1997

Schedules, flyers, correspondence, plans, reports, and a history,
1998

Photographs, flyers, and a report, Results summary report, 21st
Annual YMCA Book Fair, 1999

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Photographs, flyers, guidelines, reports, correspondence, and a newspaper clipping, 2000
Photographs, flyers, surveys, reports, and a booklet, 2001
Photographs, newspaper clippings, correspondence, surveys, flyers, and booklets, 2002
Photographs, program booklets, fact sheets, flyers, meeting minutes, and newspaper clippings, 2003
Correspondence, meeting minutes, flyers, and book fair notes, 2004
Photographs, flyers, survey responses, meeting minutes, and a newspaper clipping, 2005
Photographs, program booklets, meeting minutes, flyers, and schedules, 2006
Photographs, meeting minutes, flyers, newspaper clippings, and a program booklet, 2007
Photographs, flyers, meeting minutes, and schedules, 2008
Guidelines, meeting minutes, program booklets, and photographs, 2009
Photographs, meeting minutes, program booklets, and a newspaper clipping, 2010-2011

Box 165

Program Booklets, photographs, and reports, 2012- 2014
Meeting minutes, photographs, program booklets, and reports, 2015-2017

South Side/South City

History of South Side YMCA, 2020

Executive Directors

Harold Kettner (1929-1954), 1934-2007

Joe Causino (1954-1959), 1938-2007

Chronological Files

Photographs, newspaper clippings, and a draft of the History of South Side YMCA (2020), 1890-1935, 2020

Correspondence, photographs, board lists, newspaper clippings, and a survey of newspaper clippings, and a survey of South Side YMCA board members, 1936-1965

Correspondence, reports, and photographs, 1966-1975

Correspondence, membership reports, and lists, flyers, brochures, photographs, 1969-1975

PEAK Experience Program, 1975-1980.

Box 166

Newspaper clippings, photographs, long-range plan, and a program brochure, 1976-1985

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Photographs, St. Louis Public School Teachers strike, and soccer teams, 1979-1989
Photographs, auction, newspaper clippings, and teen leaders, 1985-2005
Long range planning committee of South Side YMCA and Carondelet YMCA, newspaper clippings, photographs, flyers, booklets, and a program catalog, 1986-1995
Board of Managers, meeting minutes, 1997-1998
Board of Managers, meeting minutes, 1999-2000
Meeting minutes, 2001-2002
Board of Managers, meeting minutes, 2003-2004

Box 167

Membership Satisfaction survey, 1998
Former South Side/South City YMCA building, 2007, 2018
Newspaper clippings and a program catalog, 2001-2000
South City Family YMCA building expansion presentations, 2007-2011

Literacy Council

History

History of the Literacy Council, 2004
Laubach Literacy Program, 1970

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Literacy volunteers, 1970-2000
Scrapbook, 1970-1980.
Scrapbook, 1981-1986.
Scrapbook, 1977-1988.

Box 168

Newsletters (Literacy Lingo), photographs, newspaper clippings, New Authors Library, and member directory, 1989-1990
Program booklets, newsletters (Literacy Lingo), New Authors Library, correspondence, and newspaper clippings, 1991-1992
Photographs, 1992-1996
Photographs, 2001-2005
Photographs, program booklets, newsletters (Literacy Lingo), New Authors Library, and reports, 1993-1994
Program booklets, New Authors Library, photographs, newsletters (Literacy Lingo, and materials pertaining to the Beginning Babies with Books program, 1995
Newsletters (Literacy Lingo) photographs, and program booklets, 1996-1998

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Beginning Babies with Books program, 1998
Photographs and Y Read programs, 1999

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Correspondence and testimonials, 2000
Newsletters, (New Readers Gazette, Reader, Read connection, and Lingo)
and newspaper clippings, 2000-2003
Newsletters (YRead connection, Lingo, YMCA Literacy, and YMCA
Literacy Programs), program booklets, and correspondence, 2004-
2007
Newsletters (YMCA Literacy programs), program booklets, and a
newspaper clipping, 2008-2011.

Habilitation Program

Photographs, 1985-1987
Photographs, 1994-1995
Newsletters, photographs, and flyers, 1987-1990
Minutes and grant proposal for Missouri Department of Mental Health, 1988-
1989
Photographs and newsletters, 1990-1994

Box 170

Perspective: Journal/Association of Professional Directors of YMCA's (contains
articles about Gateway Region YMCA's Habilitation Program by Debbie
Redmond), 1993
Photographs, a newsletter, and a monthly status report, 1996-2000.
Photographs and a newsletter, 1996-2006
Photographs, an essay, and a newspaper clipping, 2007-2017

Indian Guides

History

Harold Keltner, 1929-1930, 1946
Joe Friday (Ojibway American Indian, (1924-1937)
"One Family's Experience", by Chief W.H. Hefelinger, 1935

Chronological Files

How book (Nitonga Great Rivers Federation), no date
Region 5, Meshenuhwa Training Manual, no date
"Indian Guidelines for Dad and son," no date
A working manual for Dad showing purpose, program, philosophy of
Father-Son Indian-Guides, no date
Y-Trail Blazers, program guide, no date
Photographs, 1st and 2nd tribes, Longhouse meeting at South Side
YMCA, PowWows, early Indian Guide initiation and an early
meeting, 1926-1940
Photographs, Camping trips and father/son dinner, 1950-1951
Photographs Carondelet, 1960, 1965
Longhouse News, 1929
Longhouse News, 1930
Longhouse News, 1931
Longhouse News, 1936-1939
Longhouse News, 1950-1951
Chickasaw Tribe Wampum Baerer's Record, 1934

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Lake Geneva Conference and Indian Guides Manual, 1937
Correspondence 1936-193

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Harold Keltner Notes, 1938
Harold Keltner, correspondence and an essay, 1944
Vernon Wallingford, 1944
Constitution and bylaws, 1945
Father and Son "Y" Indian Guides, 1947, 1953, 1960
Father and Son "Y" Indian Guides, 1953
Father and Son "Y" Indian Guides, 1957
History (revised) by Harold Keltner, 1948
Indian Guides Museum, correspondence, flyers, a resolution, and a
newsletter, 1949-1971
Display photographs, 1950-1969
National Longhouse, 1950, 1953
National Executive Committee, meeting minutes, 1952-1959, 1967
Meeting minutes, programs, correspondence, photographs, and newspaper
clippings, 1960-1969
Program manuals, 1st through 3rd grades, 1960
Trail Blazer; North Central Area Camp Director's
Bulletin, Young Men's Christian Association, 1961
Ozark Nation Banquet, program outlines, a program booklet and a flyer,
1961-1962
"Song Kit" Manual, 1963
Publications, vacationing with Indians and Totem poles, 1965
National Longhouse, flyers, and photographs, 1965
Skillerama, program guide, 1968
St. Louis Federation 12th annual retreat program guide, 1968
Photographs, newspaper clippings, an award certificate and a brochure,
1970-1979

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Ozark Nation and Carondelet YMCA Indian Guides,
Pinewood Derby, flyers and photographs, 1971-1972.
Wyandotte Nation Y Guide Book, and YMCA Indian Guides, (West
County Branch), Sponsors Manual, 1971-1973.
Dad Organizer Manual, South County Branch, 1972, 1974.
The Father and Son Y-Indian Guide Manual, and More Fun for Parent-
Child Groups, National Y-Indian Guide Long House, 1973
Indian Princess Program brochure, 1973
36th and 38th Annual National Longhouse Convention, 1973, 1975
Shill-Wow, program guide, 1974
The Image Maker, Program Guide developed for the 37th
National Longhouse by Hadi-No-Sauni Federation, 1974
Webster Groves, 1975-1976

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YMCA Indian Maidens Notebook, 1976
YMCA Indian Princesses' Notebook, 1976
Carondelet YMCA, photographs, flyers, and a memo, 1976-1977
Big Braves Notebook, 1978
Newspaper clippings, 1980-1989
Newspaper Clippings and a press release, 1981, 1983-1992
Indian Guide resource and Tribal Notebook, 1982

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Photographs and slides

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Construction of East Belleville YMCA, 1995 (4 folders)
Trip to Columbia, September 28-October 5, 1986

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Trip to Columbia, September 28-October 5, 1986.

Slides

Carondelet Y's Men, Carondelet Y service, and book fair, 1979-1991,
1998
Carondelet Y's Men presentation slides, 1988
Downtown branch 1979-1983, 1995, 1997-1998
Downtown branch, 1979-1983, 1995, 1997-1998
Downtown YMCA corporate fitness, 1984-1989
Flood relief assistance ("Flood Camp"), aquatics, Camp Lakewood,
Downtown branch senior prom, West County branch, 1993