

Inventory of the

Prairie State Canoeists

Records

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INTRODUCTION

Margaret Strobel, president of the Prairie State Canoeists, donated the organization's records to the Northern Illinois Regional History Center on May 8, 2000. An addition was made to the collection on November 30, 2000 by Evelyn and Larry Tennyson. Several addenda to the collection were added at later dates.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The records for the Prairie State Canoeists are divided into two series: Organization Records and Trip Reports. Series I, Organization Records, consists the original Articles of Incorporation, by-laws and resolutions, and meeting minutes from 1988 to present. The meeting minutes before 1988 have been lost. Series II, Trip Reports, date from 1975 to 1998 and contain the reports written by the leader of each trips and a lists of participants. The Addendum to the collection contains newsletters dating from 1971 to the present.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Incorporated on January 20, 1971, the Prairie State Canoeists is a paddling club of people mainly from northeast Illinois. The purpose of the organization, as stated in its Certificate of Incorporation is to "operate exclusively for scientific, educational, pleasure, social, welfare and recreational purposes primarily for its members and incidentally for the benefit of the public generally, in the promotion and pursuit of canoeing, kayaking, and directly related activities including the establishment, maintenance and preservation of canoe trails and natural water courses, and including the conservation of natural resources; and also to engender and maintain an ecological awareness in its members and the public generally in support of these activities." The canoeists run about 120 canoe trips per year all over the United States but mainly in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Indiana.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Ecology
Prairie State Canoeists
Recreation

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
Series I. Organization Records		
1a	1	Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, and Annual Reports, 1971-1986, (1 volume)
	2	Articles of Incorporation, January 20, 1971
	3	By-Laws, 1995
	4	Resolutions, 1988-1997
	5	Board of Directors Meeting Minutes, January 9, 1988-October 23, 2005
1b	1	Financial Reports, September 1997-October 2000
	2	Officers Responsibilities, 1999, n.d.
	3	Past Officers and Board Members List, 1971-2000
	4	Membership Lists, (1995-2009)
	5	Membership Application, 1999
	6	Membership Survey, 1995
	7	Master Schedules, 1992-1993, 1995-1996, 2001
	8	Fall Dinner and Annual Meeting Programs, 1997, 1999-2003
	9	Newspaper Article, April 22, 1992
	10	Stationery, n.d.
	11	Badges (3) and Sticker (1), n.d.
	12	Illinois Paddling Council Brochure, n.d.; <u>Pole and Paddle</u> Newsletter, February 1999
	13	Illinois Rivers Appreciation Month Proclamation, May 10, 1977
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Series II. Trip Reports		
2	1	Apple River, IL, 1978, 1996, n.d.
	2	Arkansas Rivers, 1995
	3	Au Sable River, MI, 1980, 1996
	4	Aux Sable Creek, IL, 1978-1983
	5	Barbie Chain of Lakes, IN (See also Chain of Lakes), 1993-1994
	6	Bark River, WI, 1978-1998
	7	Big Bear/Little Bear Lakes, Vernon Hills, IL, 1992-1997
	8	Big Fork River, MN, 1982, 1986

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2	9	Big Pine Creek, IN, 1975-1995		
	10	Black River, WI, 1978-1998		
	11	Boardman River, MI, 1993		
	12	Bois Brule River, WI, 1978-1991		
	13	Booths/Shows, 1994-1998		
	14	Boundary Waters Canoe Area, MN, 1983-1996		
	15	Buffalo River, AR, 1981-1998		
	16	Bureau Creeks, IL, 1976-1990		
	17	Busse Reservoir, IL, 1980-1995		
	18	Calumet River, IL, 1975-1998		
	19	Canoecopia, Madison, WI, 1990-1997		
	20	Cartecay River, GA, 1994		
	21	Chain O' Lakes State Park, IL, 1983-1985		
	22	Chain O' Lakes State Park, IN, 1978-1998		
	23	Chatooga River, NC (See also Tocoa River), 1991, 1994		
	24	Chattahoochee River, GA, 1994		
	25	Chicago River, IL, 1975-1998		
	26	Colorado River, CO, 1980		
	27	Colorado Whitewater, CO, 1994-1998		
	28	Crab Orchard Creek, TN, 1994		
	29	Crawfish River, WI, 1978-1979, n.d.		
	30	Crystal/Waupaca Rivers, WI, 1982, 1984		
	31	Cumberland River, KY, 1991, 1994		
	32	Current River, MO, 1976-1998		
	33	Deep River, IN, 1989-1991		
	34-35	Desplaines River, IL, 1975-1998		
	36	Dowagiac River, MI, 1975-1998		
	37	Driftwood River, IN, 1989		
	3	1	Dupage River, IL, 1975-1998	
		2	Eagle Spring/Lulu Lake, WI, 1992-1997	
		3	Eel River, IN, 1990-1991	
		4	Eleven Point River, MO, 1987-1995	
		5	Elkhart River, IN, 1989-1992	
		6	Elkhorn Creek, KY, 1996-1998	
		7	Embarras River, IL, 1975-1980	
		8		
		9	Fawn and Pigeon Rivers, IN, 1987-1997	
10		Feast of the Hunter's Moon, IN, 1975-1991		
11		Finch Lake, 1983		
12		Flambeau River, WI, 1978-1997		

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3	13	Flatrock River, IN, 1989-1990		
	14	Flood's Farm, Oconomowoc, WI, 1977-1998		
	15-16	Fox River, WI and IL, 1975-1998		
	17	Fox River, WI, Portage to Green Bay, 1985		
	18	Freese's Follies Wherever, 1975-1991		
	19	Galena River, IL, 1975-1997		
	20	Grant River, WI, 1983-1996		
	21	Green River, KY, 1985		
	22	Hennepin Canal, IL, 1990-1997		
	23	Honey Creek, WI, 1990-1992		
	24	Horicon Marsh, WI, 1978-1994		
	25	I&M Canal (Historic), IL, 1975-1998		
	26	Illinois River, IL, 1994		
	27	Indian Creek, IL, 1993		
	28	Indian River, MI, 1992		
	29	Iowa River, IA, 1978-1996		
	30	Iroquois River, IL, 1975-1995		
	31	Island Lake, IL, 1990		
	32	Jack's Fork, MO, 1987-1996		
	33	Jordan River, MI, 1993		
	34	Kalamazoo River, MI, 1979, n.d.		
	36	Kankakee River, IN and IL, 1975-1998		
	36	Kaskaskia River, IN, 1975		
	37	Kickapoo Creek, Logan County, IL, 1994		
	4	1	Kickapoo River, WI, 1975-1998	
		2	Kishwaukee River, IL, 1975-1998	
		3	Lake Michigan, 1975-1996	
		4	Lake Shabbona, IL, 1980	
		5	Lake Superior, 1976-1993	
		6	Leaf River, 1975-1976	
		7	Lemonweir River, WI, 1981-1982	
		8	Little Manistee River, MI, 1983-1998	
		9	Lulu Lake, WI, 1995-1998	
		10	Mackinaw River, MI, 1975-1983	
		11	Manitowish River, WI, n.d.	
		12	Mazon River, IL, 1975-1997	
		13	Mecan River, WI, 1989-1998	
14		Menominee River, WI, 1982		
15		Michigama River, WI, 1978, 1982		
16		Michigan Whitewater, Upper Peninsula, 1996-1997		

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4	17	Mill Creek, IL, 1993-1998		
	18	Milwaukee River, WI, 1975-1994		
	19	Miscellaneous, 1982-1991		
	20	Missinabi River, Ontario, 1987		
	21	Mississinewa River, IN, 1989-1990		
	22	Mississippi River, 1979-1994		
	23	Missouri River, 1991		
	24	Montreal River, WI, 1984, 1990		
	25	Muckwonago River, WI, 1993-1994		
	26	Namekagon River, WI, 1979-1997		
	27	Nantahala River, NC, 1984-1995		
	28	Neuces River, Texas, 1993		
	29	Niabrara River, Nebraska, n.d.		
	30	Nippersink Creek, IL, 1975-1998		
	31	Obed River, TN, 1991, 1994		
	32	Oconomowoc River, WI, 1977-1990		
	33	Oconto River, WI, 1983-1997		
	34	Ontonagon River, WI, 1979-1994		
	35	Ozark Scenic Rivers (See also Jack's Fork, Eleven Point), 1989-1997		
	36	Pecatonica River, IL, 1975-1981		
	37	Pere Marquette River, MI, 1979-1998		
	38	Peshtigo River, WI, 1981-1996		
	39	Pierce Lake, IL, 1975-1979		
	40	Pigeon River, IN, 1976-1997		
	5	1	Pike River, Northern WI, 1976-1997	
		2	Pike River, Southern WI, 1992, 1994	
		3	Pine River, MI, 1975-1998	
		4	Pine River, WI, 1981, 1986	
		5	Piscasaw River, IL, 1992-1994	
		6	Platte River, NE, 1980	
		7	Popple River, WI, 1994, n.d.	
		8	Quetico Parl, Ontario, 1989-1995	
		9	Raccoon Creek, IN, 1989-1997	
		10	Raven Fork River, NC, 1994	
		11	Red Cedar River, WI, 1990	
		12	Red River, WI, 1977-1994	
		13	Rock River, WI/IL, 1975-1996	
		14	Root River, MN, 1995	
		15	Root River, WI, 1980-1994	

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5	16	Salt Creek, IL, 1981-1998		
	17	San Juan River, UT, 1989		
	18	Sangamon River, IL, 1976-1985		
	19	Scuppernong River, WI, 1980		
	20	Smith River, MT, 1996		
	21	Southeast Rivers (GA, TN, SC), 1991-1998		
	22	Southern Illinois Rivers, 1996		
	23	Spoon River, IL, 1980		
	24	St. Croix River, WI (See also Namekagon), 1983		
	25	St. Francis River, MO, 1984, 1995		
	26	St. Joseph River, MI, 1976-1997		
	27	Stillwater River, MT, 1994-1995		
	28	Strip Mines, Coal City, IL, 1975-1997		
	29	Sturgeon River, MI, 1993		
	30	Sugar Creek, IN, 1975-1998		
	31	Sugar River, WI, 1980-1998		
	32	Sylvania Wilderness Area, Upper Peninsula, Michigan, 1991-1996		
	33	Tampier Lake, IL, 1993, 1995		
	34	Telico River, TN, 1994		
	35	Temagami, Ontario, 1989		
	36	Theresa Wildlife Area, WI, 1985-1994		
	37	Thornapple River, MI, 1990-1992		
	38	Tippecanoe River, IN, 1976-1997		
	39	Turtle Creek, WI, 1989-1998		
	40	Valley Lake, IL; Middle Fork of Vermillion River, Danville, IL; Vermillion River, Utica, IL, 1980		
	41	Vermillion River, IL, 1975-1998		
	42	White River, IN, 1995		
	43	White River, WI, 1982-1996		
	6	1	Whitewater River, IN, 1982	
		2	Wisconsin River, WI, 1975-1997	
		3	Wisconsin Whitewater Rivers, WI, 1981-1998	
		4	Wolf River, WI, 1975-1994	
		5	Workshops/classes, 1981-1996	
		6	Yahara River, WI, 1996	
		7	Yellow River, IN, 1977-1979	
		8	Yellowstone River, MT, 1994	
		9	Youghigheny River, PA and WV, 1991-1996	

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