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MCPC Photo/Slide/Negative Binders: Finding Aid

Overview of Collection

Creator: Morris County Park Commission
Title: MCPC Binders
Date: 1970s-2005
Quantity: 33 Binders, 8 linear feet

Restrictions

Important Information for Users of the Collection

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Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

MCPC photographs, Courtesy of the Morris County Park Commission.

Acquisition Information

The images in the binders were created by MCPC staff over the course of many years and were stored in the MCPC Publicity Department offices until the winter of 2013 at which time they were moved Fosterfields for access. This Finding Aid will be updated if any additional binders are located.

Processing Information

Organized by Chris Rain, Melanie Bump, Bill Babakian, Madison High School staff and students, May 31, 2013 as part of the school's annual Day of Service.

Described by Chris Rain and Bill Babakian, July 2013.

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Biographical Note

The Morris County Park Commission was established in 1956 by voter referendum by authority of NJSA 40:37-95.1 et. Seq. Lewis Morris County Park in Morris Township was the first park dedicated in March 1958 with 350 acres. As of 2013, it is the largest park system in the State of New Jersey in acreage with over 18,704 acres of parkland. The Park Commission has 38 facilities including historic sites, golf courses, outdoor education and recreational sites, arboreta, conservation areas, 150 miles of trails, and an ice-

skating arena. Over 3.5 million people visit the Park Commission each year.

Scope and Content Note

The MCPC binders are organized into 33 binders, each one pertaining to a park or group of parks. They are arranged in alphabetical order by the name on the binder. There is a large diversity of materials relating to the various Park Commission properties including special events, park property, storm damage, and site history among others. Some binders contain only photographs, while others contain only slides, but most contain a combination of the two.

NOTE: Because of the volume of photographs in the binders, duplicates were pulled from the binders and discarded in order to save space. These photos were comprised mainly of photos from special events from the 1990s and early 2000s.

Arrangement

The MCPC Photo/Slide/Negative Binders are organized into 33 binders, each one pertaining to a park or group of parks. Within each binder are pages of photographs, negatives and slides. Oversized photographs are also stored in the pockets at the front of some binders. The binders are shelved in alphabetical order, which is reflected in this Finding Aid. There is no specific internal organization within each binder as they were put together prior to coming into the possession of Historic Sites. A future project to completely reorganize each binder should be considered. Included are the total number of photographs, negatives, and slides in each binder and a list of subjects of the images, which is not comprehensive. Upon receiving the binders, Collections staff largely left the original organization in place. Many pages contain multiple photos stored in one sleeve. Loose photos and slides were sorted and organized into the binder of the property to which they were relevant

Binder Contents List

Cooper Mill Binder

130 photos, 30 negatives, 17 full slide sleeves

Photo Subjects:

- 130 uncategorized photos

Slide Subjects:

- Heritage Day 1998
- Demonstrations
- Equipment
- Events
- Youth Programs
- Mill & Pond

Fosterfields Photo Binder

476 Photos, 18 slides, 18 negative strips

Photo Subjects:

- Farmhouse Dedication 2002
- Governor Whitman Garden State Preservation Program
- Bread Baking Workshop
- Cooking at the Willows 1992

Frelinghuysen Arboretum 1 Slides Binder

486 slides

Slide Subjects:

- Harvest Show
- Flower Arrangement
- Gingerbread
- Mansion in Winter
- People
- Plant Sale

- Weddings

Frelinghuysen Arboretum 2 Slides Binder

331 slides

Slide Subjects:

- Harvest Show
- Building and Landscape
- Construction
- Arbor Day
- Grounds and Garden

Golf (Flanders Valley, Pinch Brook, Sunset Valley, Berkshire Valley) Binder

33 slides, 251 photographs

A) Flanders Valley

Photo Subjects:

- 1999 Woman's Amateur Tournament.
- 1998 Mixed Tournament.
- 1996 Men's Tournament.

B) Pinch Brook

Photo Subjects:

- 1998 Mixed Tournament.
- 1998 Youth Tournament.
- 1996 Mixed/Senior Tournament.

Negative Subjects:

- 1998 Mixed Tournament.

C) Sunset Valley

Photo Subjects:

- 1996 Misc Photos.

D) Berkshire Valley

Slide Subjects:

- 1991 Construction

Great Swamp Slides Binder

24 slides, 512 photographs, 142 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- 61 uncategorized photos

Slide Subjects:

- Building and grounds (60 slides)
- Events (129 slides)

- Nature (18 slides)
- Recreation and Sports (34 slides)
- Visitors and Tours (74 slides)

Great Swamp Photo Binder

374 photographs in 11 pages, 55 negative strips

Photo Subjects:

- 9/98 Phase II Dedication Ceremony
- 1997 Fall Foliage
- 1996 Sugar Maple Photos

Negative Subjects:

- 1997 Earth Day

Hedden Binder

91 photos, 205 slides, 7 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- 91 uncategorized photos

Slide Subjects:

- Events

- Nature
- Park buildings
- Recreation

Kay Ctr, Black River, Hidden River Farm Binder

119 photos, 333 slides, 7 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- Kay Center

Slide Subjects:

- Buildings

- Events
- Nature
- Park Grounds
- Recreation and Sports

Lee's County Park Marina Binder

93 photos, 100 slides, 33 negative strips

Photo Subjects:

- Lake Events
- Dedication
- Marina

Slide Subjects:

- Boat Show 1995
- Negatives:
- Flood Damage

Lewis Morris County Park Binder

145 photos, 510 slides, 12 negative strips

Photo Subjects:

- Mixed Photos

Negative Subjects:

- Copies of photos

Slide Subjects:

- Events
- Construction Projects
- Nature
- Park Grounds and Buildings
- Recreation
- Visitors

Loantaka Brook Reservation Binder

232 slides, 174 photos, 7 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- Battle Re-enactment
- Lake

Slide Subjects:

- Events
- Park Grounds
- Construction
- Recreation
- Saturn Kids Kingdom 1996

Mahlon Dickerson Slides Binder

320 slides

Slide Subjects:

- Events
- Nature
- Park Facilities
- Recreation
- Sports

Mennen Arena Binder

400 photos, 360 slides, 33 negative strips

Photo Subjects:

- 2001 Halloween Skate
- Mennen Circus 2001

- Millennium on Ice 2000

Negative Subjects:

- Duplicates of Photos

Slide Subjects:

- Buildings
- Circus
- Events
- Hockey
- Skating

Mount Hope Historic Park Binder

9 photos, 5 press clippings, National Trails Day 1997 program, and supporting memos.

Subjects:

- June 7, 1997 National Trails Day Program
- Dedication of Mount Hope Historical Park
- Preparing for opening of park
- Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen awarded Great Horizons Award

Old Troy Park, Passaic River Park, Mount Hope Park Binder

99 photos, 82 slides

Photo Subjects:

- Sammis Tract
- Richard Mine
- Snake Hill

Slide Subjects:

- Picnics/People

Patriots Path Traction Line Binder

103 photos, 335 slides, 6 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- Mixed photos in no order
- Dedication

Slide Subjects:

- Mixed Slides in no order

Pyramid Mountain, Turkey Mountain Photos Binder

167 photos

Photo Subjects:

- Nature Walk
- Awards Breakfast
- Pine Hollow Wetlands
- Turkey Mountain
- Land Use
- Scenic Views
- Visitor Center

Pyramid Mountain, Turkey Mountain Slides Binder

180 slides

Slide Subjects:

- Croatian Camp
- Bear and Tripod Rocks
- Foliage and Nature
- Trails and Hikers
- TM- Nature Views
- Scenic Views
- Visitor Center

Silas Condict Binder

76 photos, 205 slides, 177 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- Speak Easy Day

Slide Subjects:

- Events

- Grounds
- Nature
- Recreation

Summerfest Photo Binder

636 photos, 101 Negatives

Photo Subjects:

- 1993
- 1996
- 1997
- 1998
- 1999
- 2001
- 2002

Summerfest Slides Binder

1000 slides

Slide Subjects:

- 1993
- 1994
- 1995
- 1996
- 1999

Tourne Park Binder

60 photos, 67 slides

Photo Subjects:

- Playground Dedication

Slide Subjects:

- Tourne Park through the Seasons

Various Special Events Binder

24 slides, 512 photographs, 142 negatives

Photo Subjects:

- 1998 Kids Art fest
- 2000 Kids Art fest
- 2001 Black River Park Day
- 2001 Gingerbread Show
- 2001 Outdoors Alive

- Tiffany & Co Recognition Ceremony
- Gillette Trail Dedication, 5/28/2002

Slide Subjects:

- 10/12/1960 Dedication

Volunteer Recognition Binder

341 photos, 58 slides, 45 negative strips

Photo Subjects:

- Mixed photos in no order

Slide Subjects:

- Mixed Slides in no order