



Guide to the North Cass Community Union Records UR002715

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Detroit, MI 48202

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Summary Information

Repository:	Walter P. Reuther Library
Creator:	North Cass Community Union
Title:	North Cass Community Union Records
ID:	UR002715
Date [inclusive]:	1978-2003
Physical Description:	.95 Megabytes (3 Files)
Physical Description:	2.25 Linear Feet (1 MB, 1 SB, 1 OS)
Language of the Material:	English
Language of the Material:	Material entirely in English.
Abstract:	The North Cass Community Union Records reflects the organization's involvement, officially beginning in 1978, in community advocacy, development, and service to the North Cass neighborhood. Important subjects include: the Detroit Incinerator, Dally in the Alley, the Dodge Carriage House Restoration, tenant advocacy, University City, and the Cass Corridor Food Co-op.

Citation Style

"North Cass Community Union Records, Box [#], Folder [#], Walter P. Reuther Library, Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs, Wayne State University"

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History

The North Cass Community Union is a non-profit Michigan community advocacy, development, and service organization. They serve the area generally bounded by Warren Ave, Woodward Ave, Prentis St, and the John C. Lodge Freeway in Detroit. Incorporated in 1978, the NCCU has published community newsletters, sponsored community events, and pursued community advocacy projects such as: saving and rehabilitating neighborhood buildings slated for demolition, the development of a neighborhood park, the

fight to reconstruct the Historic Dodge Carriage House, tenant rights, and standing up against the Detroit Incinerator.

One of the most famous community events run by NCCU is Dally in the Alley. This Street Festival began as a block party in 1978. It was organized by WSU Law Student and North Cass Community Union member Linda Krupp and given the name Gallimaufry, meaning: a little of everything. It's first location was on a blocked off section of Second Ave between Hancock and Warren; featuring two-dozen vendors, hot dogs, children's face painting, a pet contest, and a "Why I Like North Cass" contest. In 1982, as the festival grew, they changed the name to Dally in the Alley. Through the years, Dally in the Alley evolved from a small neighborhood fair into a performing art and street festival and expanded to include Forest Ave. in 1997. Conceived as a celebration of the neighborhood's diversity, NCCU championed the festival as a way to emphasize community participation and involvement and showcase community artists from all artistic disciplines.

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Scope and Content

This collection consists of newsletters published by NCCU, as well as other community organizations, correspondence, meeting minutes, articles and newspaper clippings, NCCU founding documents, planned community events, materials relating to Dally in the Alley, photographs, flyers and posters, and other documents reflecting the activities of the North Cass Community Union.

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged into 2 series. Folders are arranged by subject.

Series 1: N.C.C.U. Files, 1978-2003 (Box 1-3) Series 2: Reuther Digital Repository, 2000

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Acquisition

This collection was donated to the Walter P. Reuther Library by Matt Klipper in August of 2016.

Processing History

Processed and finding aid written by Elizabeth Nicholson on February 18, 2019.

Access

Collection is open for research.

Use

Refer to the Walter P. Reuther Library "Rules for Use of Archival Materials." Restrictions: Researchers may encounter records of a sensitive nature – personnel files, case records and those involving investigations, legal and other private matters. Privacy laws and restrictions imposed by the Library prohibit the use of names and other personal information which might identify an individual, except with written permission from the Director and/or the donor.

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Related Materials

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Wayne State University Historic Advisory Committee Records, Beulah Groehn Croxford Papers, Carl Almlad Papers

Transfers

Photographs, negatives, and a VHS tape, (Box 3) were transferred to the AV Department.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Community organization
- Community development
- Community life
- Cass Corridor (Detroit, Mich.)
- Detroit trash incinerator
- Food cooperatives
- Dally in the Alley

Collection Inventory

Series 1: N.C.C.U. Files

Title/Description	Instances	
Articles and Newspaper Clippings, 1984-2015	Box 1	Folder 1
Cass Corridor Food Co-op, undated, 1988	Box 1	Folder 2
Center City Development Company- Founding Documents, 1978	Box 1	Folder 3
Citizens District Council Development Plan, 1986-1987	Box 1	Folder 4
Community Announcements and Events, undated, 1980s	Box 1	Folder 5
Correspondence, undated, 1970s	Box 1	Folder 6
Correspondence, 1980s	Box 1	Folder 7
Correspondence, 1990-2001	Box 1	Folder 8
Dally in the Alley: Posters, Flyers, Stickers, undated	Box 1	Folder 9
Dally in the Alley, 1982	Box 1	Folder 10
Dally in the Alley, 1983	Box 1	Folder 11
Dally in the Alley, 1984	Box 1	Folder 12
Dally in the Alley, 1985	Box 1	Folder 13

Dally in the Alley, 1986	Box 1	Folder 14
Dally in the Alley, 1987	Box 1	Folder 15
Dally in the Alley, 1988	Box 1	Folder 16
Dally in the Alley, 1989	Box 1	Folder 17
Dally in the Alley, 1990	Box 1	Folder 18
Dally in the Alley, 1991	Box 1	Folder 19
Dally in the Alley, 1992	Box 1	Folder 20
Dally in the Alley, 1993	Box 1	Folder 21
Dally in the Alley, 1994	Box 1	Folder 22
Dally in the Alley, 1995	Box 1	Folder 23
Dally in the Alley, 1996	Box 1	Folder 24
Dally in the Alley, 1997	Box 1	Folder 25
Dally in the Alley, 1998	Box 1	Folder 26
Dally in the Alley, 1999	Box 1	Folder 27
Dally in the Alley- CD, 1999-2000	Box 1	Folder 28
Dally in the Alley, 2000	Box 1	Folder 29
Dally in the Alley- Program Advertisements, 2000	Box 1	Folder 30
Dally in the Alley, 2002	Box 1	Folder 31
Dally in the Alley, 2003	Box 1	Folder 32
Dally in the Alley- Poetry, undated	Box 1	Folder 33
Detroit incinerator, 1987-1990	Box 1	Folder 34
Dodge Carriage House Restoration and Park Acquisition, 1990-2002	Box 1	Folder 35
Dodge Carriage House Restoration and Park Promotion, 2000	Box 1	Folder 36
Founding Documents, undated, 1978-1999	Box 1	Folder 37
Grants, 1985-1989	Box 1	Folder 38
Hogg, Francis- Notebook, 1980s	Box 1	Folder 39
Love Ball, 1987-1991	Box 1	Folder 40
N.C.C.U. History, undated	Box 1	Folder 41
N.C.C.U. Meeting Minutes and Materials, 1978-2000	Box 1	Folder 42
Newsletter: Black Cat, 1989-1991	Box 1	Folder 43
Newsletter: Cass Corridor Tennant Association News, 1987	Box 1	Folder 44
Newsletter Drafts and Notes, 1980s-1990s		

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Newsletter: North Cass Community Union Newsletter, 1978-1979	Box 1	Folder 46
Newsletter: North Cass Community Union Newsletter, 1980-1988	Box 1	Folder 47
Newsletter: North Cass Community Union Newsletter, 1995, 1999, 2000	Box 1	Folder 48
Newsletter: The Cass Corridor Citizen, 1990	Box 1	Folder 49
Newsletter: University City "A" Citizens' District Council/ UC"A" informer, 1983, 1986, 1987	Box 1	Folder 50
Newspaper: "The Community Reporter", ca. 1980s	Box 1	Folder 51
Phone and Contact Lists, undated	Box 1	Folder 52
University City #2- Housing Proposal Blueprints, undated	Box 1	Folder 53
Dally in the Alley- Posters, undated, 1980, 1986	Box 2	item 1
Dally in the Alley- Button, undated	Box 2	item 1
News Article, 2015	Box 2	item 1
Dally in the Alley- Program Guides, 1996-1999	Box 2	item 1
Photographs, undated	Box 3	Folder 1
Photographs- Love Ball, 1987	Box 3	Folder 2
Negatives- Love Ball, 1987	Box 3	Folder 3
VHS: Detroit Music Awards- Distinguished Achievement Award Dally in the Alley, 2002	Box 3	item 1

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Series 2: Reuther Digital Repository

Title/Description	Instances
Floppy Disk: Dally Interesting Facts, 2000	item 1
Floppy Disk: Dally- Did You Know, 2000	item 1
Floppy Disk: Dally- Ballet Renaissance, Dancing in the Corridor, 2000	item 1

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