

McLean County Museum of History

Normal Municipal Collection

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Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1894-2023
RESTRICTIONS:	None
PROVENANCE:	
REPRODUCTION RIGHTS:	Permission to reproduce or publish material in this collection must be obtained in writing from the McLean County Museum of History
ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	See also the following collections: All About Normal; B & N Water Collection; Normal Anti-Liquor Ordinance Petition 1866; and Normal Summer Theatre.

Scope

This collection includes Town of Normal publications—both general and department-specific—as well as an early ordinance book, and a petition regarding the establishment of a “Greater Normal Park District” in 1962.

Box and Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Town Publications

- 1.1 “1970 Annual Report to the Citizens of the Town of Normal,” published in newspaper style, 1970, unpagged.
- 1.2 Untitled booklet about Normal, directory of government services and buildings in Normal, their phone numbers, and their budgets, undated, 19pp.
- 1.3 “Your Town and You,” Booklet includes a directory of municipal services of Normal, 1979, 19 pp.
- 1.4 “Welcome to the town of Normal,” booklet about all the government services/facilities, stores, and publicly available events which can be found in Normal, undated, unpagged.
- 1.5 “Welcome to the town of Normal,” booklet about the dedication and opening of the new Normal City Hall and Police Complex including a list of various departments. Booklet ends with a list of historical highlights of the town’s history (1853 – 1976), 1976, unpagged. (2 copies.)
- 1.6 “The Town of Normal – ‘At Your Service’,” Booklet covering municipal services of Normal, undated, 12 pp.
- 1.7 “Town of Normal Human Relations Commission,” Pamphlet outlining the Human Relations Commission’s purposes, 1996, unpagged.

Folder 2: Charter, Ordinances

- 2.1 “Official Ordinances of the Town of Normal, Ill.,” book, 1908-1909, unpagged.
- 2.2 “Historical Data and Town Charter of the Town of Normal,” typed transcription, unpagged.

Folder 3: Police and Fire

- 3.1 “The Fire Laddies,” *The Normal Advocate*, December 22, 1894.
- 3.2 “Curious Contest Over the Old Normal Engine House,” *Pantagraph*, February 11, 1908.
- 3.3 “Normal Police Department 1998 Annual report,” unpagged.

Folder 4: Parks and Recreation

- 4.1 A collection of 7 cards from the Normal pool indicating Mary Knight finished their course on how to swim, 10 July 1969.
- 4.2 “The Town of Normal – Parks and Recreations,” booklet, 1978-1979, 12pp.
- 4.3 “Aquatic Center Rentals,” flyer, 2017.
- 4.4 “Community Activity Center Rentals,” flyer, 2017.
- 4.5 “Circus Experience Birthday Parties,” flyer, 2017.
- 4.6 Fall activity guide card with QR code, 2022.
- 4.7 Winter-Spring, Summer and Fall activity guide card with QR, 2023.

- 4.8 Winter-Spring activity guide card with QR code, 2024.
- 4.9 Summer card activity guide with QR code, 2024.

Folder 5: Greater Normal Park District

- 5.1 Original filing of Petition for Organization to Form Greater Normal Park District, 1 May 1962.
- 5.2 1-page summary of history of Greater Normal Park District Referendum.

Folder 6: Miscellaneous

- 6.1 Napkin, Normal City Hall Dedication. 2 July 1976.
- 6.2 “Plan It Normal”, Demographic Snapshot Survey, not filled out, 2015.
- 6.3 Normal Chamber of Commerce brochure. 1963, with attached donor’s note, 2000.
- 6.4 Town of Normal 2024 Events, including QR code, mailer.

Folder 7: Adopt-a-Park/Adopt-a-Street Program

- 7.1 Brochure describing Adopt-a-Park/Adopt-a-Street program, with cover letter from Jennifer Cowser, Town of Normal administrative assistant, undated.
- 7.2 Application form for program.
- 7.3 Lists of parks available for adoption and streets available for adoption, undated, 2pp.