## **McLean County Museum of History**

# **Rock of Praisers Collection**

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## **Collection Information**

| VOLUME OF COLLECTION: | 1 Box   |
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| COLLECTION DATES:     | 1990 -  |
| RESTRICTIONS:         | None  |
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| ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:  | None  |
| OTHER FINDING AIDS:   | None  |
| LOCATION:             | Archives  |
| NOTES:                | See also  |

## **Brief History**

Michael Louanna Casey-Beich organized the Rock of Praisers in 1990 from her home at 1107 E Jefferson Street. Michael Louanna Casey-Beich is the daughter of David George Casey, and granddaughter of George Washington Casey, minister of the Apostolic Faith Assembly in Bloomington IL. She was married to Otto G. "Tony" Beich II. Rock of Praisers was a bible based organization for children in Bloomington, Illinois. Different groups within Rock of Praisers were Thunder Kidz and Kings Club.

## Scope

The collection includes newsletters, flyers, children's art work, correspondence and photographs.

## **Box and Folder Inventory**

### Folder 1: Newsletters, Minutes, Etc.

- 1.1 ROPpp Rap Report, 23 May 1992.
- 1.2 ROPpp Report, 30 June 1992.
- 1.3 RoPpp the Yoke Show, 7 Aug 1993.
- 1.4 ROPpp Newsletter, Oct 1994.
- 1.5 ROPpp Newsletter, undated.
- 1.6 Announcing contests, mailed 10 Oct 1995.
- 1.7 ROPpp Newsletter regarding 29 Sep 1995 shooting, undated.
- 1.8 ROPpp newsletter, undated, quotes from children about ROPpp.
- 1.9 ROP calendar, 1995.
- 1.10 Announcing contests, Sep 2000.
- 1.11 Song sheet, undated.
- 1.12 Thunderkidz daily routine, undated.
- 1.13 Our daily routine, undated.
- 1.14 Minutes of the first order of The Kings Club, undated.
- 1.15 Minutes of the first order of The Kings Club, undated.

#### Folder 2: Flyers

- 2.1 March and Pray the Yoke Away, 15 May.
- 2.2 Summer schedule for March & Prayer.
- 2.3 End of summer March & Prayer.
- 2.4 Bibleympics poster.
- 2.5 Announcement, Easter Sunday Inspirational Art Show and Sale, Miller Park Pavillion, undated.
- 2.6 Announcement, Thunder Kid contest, 9 Feb 1994.
- 2.7 Announcement, Let's All Love the Lord Contest, 1995.
- 2.8 Registration form, Let's All Love the Lord Contest, 1995.
- 2.9 Announcement, Biblelympics, 1996, two versions.
- 2.10 Thunder Kidz Personal Study, 1996.
- 2.11 Announcement, Labor Day March and Prayer, 1996.
- 2.12 Announcement, Fourth of July March and Prayer.

- 2.13 Announcement, Labor Day March and Prayer, 5 Sep 1994.
- 2.14 Prayer sheet, summer 1994.
- 2.15 Yoke Show, 17 August, 13 and 14 November 1993, seven versions of poster.
- 2.16 Project in the Projects, 1992.
- 2.17 Psalms and Proverbs contest rules.
- 2.18 1993 Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department's Music Under the Stars schedule.
- 2.19 Christian Happenings, Vol 2, Issue 4 Aug/Sep 1993.
- 2.20 Bloomington Parks and Recreation, Activities & Events, 1993.
- 2.21 Flyer, 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Gospel Festival, 18 Jan 1993.
- 2.22 Flyer, Fourth of July Praise Day, undated.

#### Folder 3: Art

- 3.1 Business card: RoPpp Art.
- 3.2 Copy of black and white drawing on posterboard with ribbon frame.
- 3.3 Folded cards with bible verses, mailed 12 Feb 1997.
- 3.4 Photocopy sheet of photographs, notarized 31 Dec 1992.
- 3.5 Reproduction of drawing by Michael L Casey Beich, 29 Dec 1993.
- 3.6 "That's what will happen if you're on drugs," art by unnamed child. undated.
- 3.7 Letter to President, undated.
- 3.8 "In my father's house are many mansions," colored art by Oscar, undated.
- 3.9 "Don't let gangs pull you (6 feet) under, drawing unsigned, undated.
- 3.10 "Let our light so shine," art by Oscar, undated.
- 3.11 "Thank you King Jesus," art by unnamed child, undated.

#### Folder 4: Photographs (photocopies)

- 4.1 Photo poster of Patrick Hosea, Ashley Stimeling, Oscar Beich, Otto Beich III, Rossie Beich, William Hosea, Brandi Barnes, Amy Stimeling.
- 4.2 Photo poster of Oscar Beich, William Hosea, Otto Beich, Sophia Mmorris, Rossie Beich, and Nadarane Casey.
- 4.3 Photo poster of Ottos Beich, William Hosea, Oscar Beich, Rossie Beich, Sphia Morris, Nadarane Casey.
- 4.4 Photo poster, no names, Summer 1993.
- 4.5 Photo poster, ROPpp the Yoke Show, Nov 13 and 14.
- 4.6 Photo poster, ROPpp the Yoke Show, list of names, Nov 13 and 14.
- 4.7 Photo poster, Rock of Praisers at Lawrence Irving Neighborhood Center, Summer 1994.
- 4.8 Original photos, Rock of Praisers Ballet, undated.
- 4.9 Photo poster, David George Casey family and Apostolic Faith Assembly, undated.
- 4.10 Laminated photo, reverse, "ROPpp The Yoke 1992."

#### Folder 5: Newspaper article

5.1 "2 teenagers wounded in separate shootings," Pantagraph, 25 Sept 1995.

#### Folder 6: Correspondence

- 6.1 Letter from Jesse Smart, Mayor, re Christmas tree lighting, 7 Dec 1992
- 6.2 Letter to Michael Beich from Antony, 4 Mar 1995.

- 6.3 Letter from Michael Beich to MCMH re eviction from club headquarters, with enclosures, 28 Feb 2000.
- 6.4 Letter from Michael Beich to MCMH re continued ministry, 14 Dec 2002.
- 6.5 Letter to President Clinton re Michael Beich needs full time employment, undated.

### Folder 7: Miscellaneous

- 7.1 Bookmarks (3)
- 7.2 RoP Business cards (19)

Includes one KJV Holy Bible.