

**Finding Aid for the Questers, Inc. Chief
Noonday Chapter #879 scrapbooks
Collection 395**

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Summary Information

Repository	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Creator	Questers, Inc. Chief Noonday Chapter #879.
Title	Questers, Inc. Chief Noonday Chapter #879 scrapbooks
Date [inclusive]	1977-2007
Extent	3.0 Linear feet 4 boxes
Language	English
Abstract	<p>The Questers, Inc. Chief Noonday Chapter #879 was a chapter of The Questers, an international organization whose purpose is to educate by research and study of antiques and to donate funds to the preservation and restoration of artifacts, existing memorials, historic buildings, landmarks, and educational purposes. This collection consists of several scrapbooks related to the formation and regular meetings of the Chief Noonday Chapter of The Questers. The scrapbooks include photographs, minutes, letters, and other materials related to the group from the years 1977-2007.</p>

Biographical/Historical note

The Questers is a non-profit international organization founded in 1944, with headquarters in Philadelphia, PA. The purpose of the Questers is to educate by research and study of antiques and to donate funds to the preservation and restoration of artifacts, existing memorials, historic buildings, landmarks, and educational purposes. There are approximately 900 chapters in the United States and Canada with 69 chapters throughout Michigan. Each chapter of the organization pays dues that go towards larger preservation and restoration projects, as well as to scholarships and fellowships. This collection is from the Chief Noonday Chapter #879, named for Noahquageshik or Nawquageezhig, also known as Chief Noonday, who led the Grand River Band of Ottawa Indians and had fought alongside Shawnee Chief Tecumseh. When traders arrived in the greater Grand Rapids area, the American Indian leader helped welcome new settlers.

Scope and Contents note

This collection primarily consists of several scrapbooks from the Questers, Inc. Chief Noonday Chapter #879. Included in the scrapbooks are photographs, minutes, letters, and other related materials from the years 1977-2007.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition note

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Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- records (documents)
- scrapbooks

Geographic Name(s)

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History

Subject(s)

- Antiques -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids
- Collectibles -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids
- Historic preservation -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids

Scrapbooks

Collection Inventory

Series I Scrapbooks 1977-2007

Box

Scrapbook 1977-1987

1

General note

Ink drawing on cover. "Chief Noonday of Questers Chapter 879" 1977-1987. Includes documents from the formation of the chapter, including a copy of the application for a chapter and a list of reasons for the name of the chapter.

Box

Folder

Letters from The Questers headquarters 1977-1987

1

1

Box

Red three-ring binder labeled "Christmas".

2

Black three-ring binder, including minutes 2002-2007

2

Blue three-ring binder, including minutes and chapter by-laws. 1987-2000

2

Box

Folder

Loose papers, Christmas related

2

1

Assorted papers

2

2

Scrapbooks

Questers booklets	2	3
Loose card from Carol Phelps. 2003	2	4
		Box
Scrapbook 1987-1992		3
Scrapbook 1992-2007		4