Guide to the Jack O’Connell Hmong Collection, 1980-1990

Overview of the Collection

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Collection Number: University Historical Collection 283

Creators: O’Connell, Jack

Title: Jack O’Connell Hmong Collection

Dates: 1980-1990

Quantity: 0.8 linear feet (2 archives boxes)

Location of Collection: A10/2h

Languages: Collection materials are in English.

Summary: Various records relating to vocational-technical education and social assistance available to Eau Claire area Hmong refugees in the 1980s and 1990s.

Historical Note

Jack O’Connell, an Eau Claire area resident and English as a second language instructor at the Chippewa Valley Technical College in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, was an active participant in several Eau Claire organizations that served the Hmong immigrant community and appears to have been integral to the development of Hmong-oriented vocational and technical education in the Vocational, Technical, and Adult Education District One.

Content Description
The collection consists of various records – meeting minutes, agendas, grant applications, and correspondence – from several Hmong social service agencies, including the Eau Claire Hmong Mutual Assistance Association, the Indochinese Refugee Committee, and the St. Olaf Refugee Committee. Fragmentary records of VTAE District One vocational and technical courses for Hmong refugees contain curricular and limited student information. The collection also includes information on Hmong demographics in Wisconsin and newspaper clippings about the Eau Claire area Hmong population.

**Administrative Information**

**Acquisition Information:**

Donated to Special Collections & Archives, University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire prior to March 2006.

**Access Restrictions:**

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**Preferred Citation:**


**Processing Note:**

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**Arrangement:**

Flat arrangement; alphabetical order

**Subjects**

**Personal Names:**

O’Connell, Jack
Corporate Names:

Eau Claire Hmong Mutual Assistance Society (Eau Claire, Wis.)
Indochinese Refugee Committee (Eau Claire, Wis.)
St. Olaf Refugee Committee (Eau Claire, Wis.)
District One Technical Institute (Eau Claire, Wis.)

Subject Terms:

Hmong Americans – Wisconsin – Eau Claire
Hmong Americans – Education
Hmong Americans – Relocation
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