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## Summary Information

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| <b>Repository:</b>               | Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections   |
| <b>Title:</b>                    | Paul LaVanway Papers   |
| <b>ID:</b>                       | MS-061   |
| <b>Date [inclusive]:</b>         | 1840-2011  |
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| <b>Abstract:</b>                 | Papers, 1840-2011, consist of research material compiled by Paul LaVanway on topics including Keweenaw County roads and highways, Brockway Mountain Drive and Copper Country history in support of his publications. |

### Preferred Citation

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## Biography

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Paul LaVanway Sr., as of 2010, is the President and CEO of LignoTech USA Inc. at Rothschild, Wisconsin. Paul LaVanway is a summer resident of Copper Harbor Michigan, a member of the Keweenaw County Historical Society, and an amateur historian.

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## Collection Scope and Content Summary

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Papers, 1840-2011, consist of research material compiled by Paul LaVanway on topics including Keweenaw County roads and highways, Brockway Mountain Drive and Copper Country history in support of his publications. The collection includes maps, blueprints, photographs, personal interviews and photocopies from other archival collections and original documents compiled by Paul LaVanway while researching; "A History of Keweenaw County's Roads and Highways" tracing the route of Military Road through Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and "The Brockway Mountain Drive Story." Photographs include descriptions provided by Paul LaVanway. Subjects and research topics include but are not limited to Copper Country history, transportation and roads, the Great Depression and Copper Harbor.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Roads -- History -- Michigan -- Keweenaw County
- Keweenaw County (Mich.) -- History
- Eagle Harbor (Mich.) -- History
- Photographs
- Maps (Documents)
- Brockway Mountain Drive (Keweenaw County, Mich.) -- History
- Research (Document genres)
- Articles
- Correspondence
- Copper Harbor (Mich.)
- Calumet and Hecla Consolidated Copper Company
- Shoreline Resort (Eagle Harbor, Mich.)

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## Collection Inventory

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| <b>Presentations and Publications</b>  |                  |           |
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| <b>Title/Description</b>   | <b>Instances</b> |           |
| "A History of Keweenaw County's Roads"--LaVanway paper, 2007   | box 1            | folder 1  |
| KCHS summer program presentation: "History of the Military Road and Beyond", 2008  | box 1            | folder 12 |
| Dow Cabins and Restaurant at Jacob's Falls, 1949-circa 2010  | box 1            | folder 13 |
| LaVanway, "At the Top of Michigan: The Village of Copper Harbor" for Michigan History Magazine, 2008   | box 2            | folder 1  |
| LaVanway, "Corporate Retribution in the Keweenaw: The Case of Calumet & Hecla, Dr. Abrams and the Building of Eagle Harbor's Shoreline Resort", 2009 | box 2            | folder 3  |
| LaVanway, "Beach and Dune Erosion at Great Sand Bay", circa 2010   | box 2            | folder 4  |

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| LaVanway, "A Mystery Unfolds in Copper Harbor", undated   | box 2 | folder 5  |
| LaVanway, "A 75th Anniversary Celebration of Lakeshore and Brockway Mt. Drives", 2009   | box 2 | folder 6  |
| LaVanway, "The Brockway Mountain Drive Story", 2008   | box 2 | folder 7  |
| LaVanway, "The Brockway Mountain Drive Story", 2008   | box 2 | folder 8  |
| LaVanway, "The Brockway Mountain Drive Story" second edition, 2010  | box 2 | folder 9  |
| LaVanway, "Corporate Retribution in the Keweenaw: The Case of C&H, Dr. Abrams, and Eagle Harbor Resort," updated Sept. 2010, 2010 | box 2 | folder 11 |
| LaVanway, "Keweenaw County in the Great Depression: Work Relief, the Dole, and Long-Range Public Investment", 2011                | box 3 | folder 4  |

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## Research Materials

| Title/Description   | Instances |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Early Keweenaw roads--Copper Harbor, Ft. Wilkins, and Ft. Wilkins State Park area research materials, 1940-1988 | box 1     | folder 2  |
| Early Keweenaw roads--various research materials, circa 1850-circa 1890   | box 1     | folder 3  |
| Barry James paper, "Early Roads on the Keweenaw Peninsula", 1994  | box 1     | folder 4  |
| Military road--legislative background and history, 1863-2007  | box 1     | folder 5  |
| Military road--"Large parcel" land transfer records, 1840-1921  | box 1     | folder 6  |
| Military road--photographs of corduroy and plank road bridging remains, 2007                                    | box 1     | folder 7  |
| Military road map, actual route, and related, 1865-1878   | box 1     | folder 8  |
| Military road--proposed route, 1865   | box 1     | folder 9  |
| Military road map, actual route (Rockland, MI to Mi-WI state line), 1873  | box 1     | folder 10 |
| Keweenaw County roads--personal interviews, 2007  | box 1     | folder 11 |
| Interviews on Copper Harbor, 2007   | box 2     | folder 2  |
| "Corporate Retribution" research and correspondence, 1942-2009  | box 2     | folder 10 |
| Research materials--newspaper clippings, circa 1933-circa 2009  | box 2     | folder 12 |
| Research materials--WPA paperwork, 1937-1940  | box 2     | folder 13 |

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| Research material--Keweenaw County and Mountain Lodge,<br>2009-2010                                  | box 3       | folder 1 |
| Brockway Mountain Drive photographs, 1933-circa 1945   | box 3       | folder 2 |
| Oversize print: map of the Fort Howard to Fort Wilkins Military<br>Road from National Archives, 1878 | folder 14 N |          |
| Research material, The Snow Thermometer: A Keweenaw<br>landmark turns 50, 2008-2010                  | box 3       | Folder 5 |

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