

Russell Magnaghi Collection MS-137

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Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections

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Summary Information

| Repository: Title: | Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections Russell Magnaghi Collection |
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| ID: | MS-137 |
| ID. | WI3-137 |
| Date [inclusive]: | Circa 1911-2013 |
| Physical Description: | 1.12 Cubic Feet 1 manuscript box (letter size), 1 oversize flat box |
| Language of the Material: | English and Italian |
| Mixed Materials [box]: | 1 |
| Mixed Materials [box]: | 2 |
| Abstract: | Collection, circa 1911-2013, of materials gathered or created by Russell Magnaghi on the Italian-American and Hungarian communities of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. |

Preferred Citation

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Biography

Russell M. Magnaghi was born in 1943 in San Francisco, where he was raised in an Italian-American community. After graduating from the University of San Francisco in 1965, he attended Saint Louis University, completing his master's degree in 1967 and his Ph.D in 1970. In 1969, he became part of the faculty of the Department of History at Northern Michigan University (NMU), where he has remained for the entirety of his professional career. Magnaghi's research interests are varied in nature and encompass such topics as Latin American history, comparative history of the Americas, and the history of American indigenous peoples. He is perhaps best known for his extensive work on Italians in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, a topic that first commanded his research interests in the early 1980s.

Magnaghi has been an active participant in local history causes and projects, the prolific author of more than 200 monographs and articles, and a presenter on scores of radio programs and conferences. He assumed the responsibility of co-editor of the "Discovery the Peoples of Michigan" series, a publication of Michigan State University Press, in 2003. In addition, he has served as the University Historian at NMU, the Director of the Center for Upper Peninsula Studies, and interim head of NMU's Department of History and Department of Philosophy.

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Collection Scope and Content Summary

Collection, circa 1911-2013, of materials gathered or created by Russell Magnaghi on the Italian-American and Hungarian communities of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Includes programs, tickets, booklets, and regalia from various Italian-American organizations and beneficial societies, a funeral flag from the Giordano Bruno Society, a compiled resource guide on Hungarians in the Copper Country, and various other materials.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Controlled Access Headings

- Hungarians -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Regalia
- Italians -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Fraternal organizations -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Italian Americans -- Societies, etc. -- Michigan -- Upper Peninsula
- Receipts (Financial records)
- Upper Peninsula (Mich.)
- Programs
- Pamphlets
- Printed ephemera
- Catholics
- Memorabilia

Collection Inventory

| Title/Description | Instances | |
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| Individual and group photographs, undated <u>Language of the Material</u> : Undetermined. | box 1 | folder 1 |
| Water meter ledger, 1934-1939 <u>Language of the Material</u> : English. | box 1 | folder 2 |
| Italian parish and Italian-American exhibit information, circa 1976 Language of the Material: Italian. | box 1 | folder 3 |
| Servian Orthodox Society, 1911-1917 | box 1 | folder 4 |

| Calumet and Laurium area receipts, ca. 1918-1930 Language of the Material: English. | box 1 | folder 5 |
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| Societa Italian di Mutua Soccorsa, Iron River, undated <u>Language of the Material</u> : Italian. | box 1 | folder 6 |
| Christopher Columbus Society, Calumet, MI, 1973-1978 Language of the Material: English. | box 1 | folder 7 |
| M.S. Giordano Bruno Society, Iron River, MI, ca. 1955 <u>Language of the Material</u> : English. | box 1 | folder 8 |
| Societa Italian de Beneficenza "Duca Deglia Abuzzi," Caspian, MI, ca. 1945 <u>Language of the Material</u> : Italian. | box 1 | folder 9 |
| Hungarians in the Copper Country, 2013 Language of the Material: English. | box 1 | folder 10 |
| Italian fraternal society artifacts | box 2 | folder 1 |
| "Magyar Reformatus Egyhaz/ Hungarian Reform Church in Kearsarge (Calumet Suburb) Michigan 1908-1952", 2013 | box 1 | folder 11 |

Language of the Material: Undetermined.