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Wheatland Diner Records, 1955-1973

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Scope and Content Note: This collection contains records of the Wheatland Diner, including correspondence, advertising, menu, recipe cards, blueprints and documents for the sale of the property. Newspaper articles report the plan for and delivery of the diner, fires, 1956 fatal accident, problems with teenage customers and the sale of the property.

Creator: Wheatland Diner, Inc. (Lancaster, Pa.)

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People:

Friend, Neal
Kusuplos, Spiros A.
Sanders, Ruth V.
Schaal, Dorothy C.
Snyder, Robert N.
Trott, M. William



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Processing History: Processed and finding aid prepared by high school intern, JP, Summer 2010. This collection has been documented, preserved and managed according to professional museum and archives standards. The collection was cataloged using DACS conventions.



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Box 1

Folder 1 Correspondence

Letter to Robert N. Snyder from "One who feels sorry for you." Sorry to hear about the damage teenagers caused. 24 March 1965.

Letter to Robert N. Snyder from Dorothy C. Schaal. A response to article in the newspaper. 26 March 1965.

Letter to Robert N. Snyder from Neal Friend. A response to how the restaurant has teenagers, personal experience at the restaurant. 10 April 1965.

Folder 2 Advertising

Placard. "Home of Fine Foods, Always Open." No date.

Newspaper advertisement for new carry-out services at the diner. October 15.

Auction flier with details about the property. 21 March 1968.

Newspaper advertisement for the diner's grand opening. 28 June 1955.

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Folder 3 Menu and menu pricing

Menu pricing guide. *Menu Pricing for the Restaurant Hotel and Institutional Trade*. Compliments of Swift & Company. No date.

Wheatland Diner menu. "Wheatland Diner: American Cooking with a Pennsylvania Dutch Accent." Instructions on back for assembly and disassembly of [dishwasher]. No date.

Folder 4 Agreement for Sale

Agreement for sale between Wheatland Diner, Inc. and Spiros A. Kusuplos. 15 November 1973



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Folder 5 Letterhead

Wheatland Diner and Restaurant, American Cooking with a Penna. Dutch Accent

Folder 6 Newspaper Articles

"E. Hempfield Planning Curfew Study"

"A Teen Speaks." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from "City Teenager."

"Letters: Friendly Lancaster." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from Mr. and Mrs. R. Swift of Philadelphia.

"Parents Bear the Responsibility." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from "An 18-year old."

"Curfew Urged at Terre Hill." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from "Concerned."

"Disgrace at the Diner." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from Mrs. Arthur Armstrong.

"Parents Must Bear Full Responsibility." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from "Yours for Fair Play."

"Why Doesn't The Owner Prosecute." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from "A Teenager's Parent."

"Disgrace at the Diner." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from Mrs. Arthur Armstrong.

"Parents Blamed." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from Rev. M. William Trott.

"Rowdy Minority." Letter to *New Era* editor from "Civic Minded."

"Public Aroused by Diner Delinquency: Owner of Wheatland Diner Says Parents, Police & Youths 'React'"

"Drunk and Disorderly Teens," *Lancaster New Era*. 23 March 1965.

"Rebuked Youth Pulls Knife on Cashier"

"Link to Diner Trouble Disclaimed." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from "Stevens Trade Student."



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"Six Hundred Teens Behave at Dance." Letter to *Lancaster New Era* editor from Ruth V. Sanders.

"Drunk, Disorderly Teens Force Diner to Cut Its Hours," by Dick Anglestein, *Lancaster New Era*. 22 March 1965.

"Driver Killed as Car Runs into Diner's Parking Lot," *Lancaster New Era*. 14 April 1956.

Folder 7 Newspaper Articles

"Diner Owner Says Young Hoodlums Out of Hand," incomplete article.

"Second Fire in Three Weeks at New Local Diner"

"Fire at New Wheatland Diner"

"Foundations Set for New Diner on Lincoln Hwy. West"

"Site-Bound Diner Causes Traffic Jam"

"Diner and Motel Development to go in Wheatland Hills" (2 copies)

"Two Diners Squeeze through Underpass"

"Fire at Diner Caused by Overheated Range"

Newspaper picture of one section of the diner being hauled into Lancaster.

"Plan Restaurant in W. Lancaster"

Newspaper picture of the 1956 fatal accident. *Daily Intelligencer Journal*. 16 April 1956.

Notice of articles of incorporation for Wheatland Diner, Inc. November 1954.

"Wheatland Diner Sold." 21 March 1968.

"Wheatland Diner Set for Auction March 21."

"Wheatland Diner Site is Unsold." 25 March 1968.

Newspaper advertisements for the auction of the diner.



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Job ad for Wheatland Diner.

Advertisements for commercial property available along Lincoln Highway.

Folder 8 Recipe Cards

A

B

Beef Heart
Individual Baked Beef Pie
Boiled Beef and Turnips
Braised Beef Sirloin Tips
Browned Beef & Buttered Noodles
Chipped Beef w/ Scalloped Potatoes in Casserole
Chipped Beef on Toast
Corned Beef & Cabbage
Sauer Beef Hash
Short Ribs of Beef
Yankee Pot Roast

C

Baked Chicken Pot Pie
Boiled Chicken Pot Pie
Boiled Chicken Pot Pie
Roast Spring Chicken
Baked Chicken W/ Buttered Noodles
Chicken & Waffle
Creamy Chicken on Patty Shell
Baked Cabbage Roll W/ Hamburger and Rice
Chili Con Carne
White Corn
Yellow Corn
Beef Croquettes
Chicken Croquettes
Ham Croquettes

D

Bacon Dressing



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E

Eggloaf

Egg Foo Young Patties

F

Bread Filling

Potato Filling

Fritters

G

Brown Gravy

Giblet Gravy

H

Roast Fresh Ham

Ham and Green Beans

Virginia Baked Ham

Baked Hamburger & Macaroni

Hamburger Mix

I

J

K

L

Liver and Onions

Baked Chicken Loaf

Ham Loaf

Meatloaf

Tuna Loaf



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Folder 9 Recipe Cards

M

Baked Macaroni and Cheese in Casserole

Mince Pie

Mc

N

O

PQ

Plain Pastry

Pepper Cabbage

Baked Stuffed Peppers w/ Ham or Hamburger

Pig in Blanket

Hash Brown Potatoes

Lyonnais Potatoes

Oven Brown Potatoes

Parsley Buttered Potatoes

Raw Fried Potatoes

Scalloped Potatoes

Candied Sweet Potatoes

Whole Brown Potatoes

Baked Pork Chops

Pork and Sauerkraut

Potato Pancakes

Baked Fresh Sausage

Smoked Sausage & Home Baked Beans in Casserole

Bar-B-Q'd Spare Ribs

R



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S

Chicken Salad
Egg Salad
Ham Salad
Potato Salad
Shrimp Salad
Tossed Salad
Tuna Salad
Waldorf Salad

Folder 10 Recipe Cards

T

Roast Fresh Beef Tongue
Roast Turkey

UV

Asparagus
Baked Beans
Baked Beans
Baked Lima Beans
French Cut Green Beans
Wax Beans
Lemon Buttered Beets
Harvard Beets
Broccoli w/Buttered Crumbs
Baked Carrots
Diced Carrots
Cauliflower Au Gratin
Baked Corn Pudding
French Fried Eggplant
Creamed Pearl Onions
Peas
Peas and Carrots
Buttered Spinach
Creamed Spinach w/ Bacon
Scalloped Tomatoes
Stewed Tomatoes
Buttered Turnips



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W

Welsh Rarebit

XY

Z

Chicken w/ Buttered Noodles

BR Peppers Stuffed w/ Ham w/ Candied Sweet Potatoes

Asparagus on Toast w/ Cheese Sauce + Broiled Bacon

Welsh Rarebit

Baked Tomato Stuffed w/ Chicken + Rice

Chopped Liver Sandwich

Egg & Mushroom Croquettes

Chicken w/ Buttered Noodles

Orange Pork Chops

Stuffed Hamburgers with Cheese + Tomato Sauce

Egg Burgers

Ham, Macaroni and Cheese Au Gratin

“Shifter” Sandwich

Tossed Salad

Cole Slaw



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Box 2

Blueprints

Floor Plan; Cross Section, Cellar and Foundation Plan; Side Elevation, Front Elevation. New Kullman Dining Car at Route 30, Lancaster. Robert N. Snyder and Donald F. Shadel, owners. Herman B. Gelfand, architect, Newark, NJ. 15 November 1954.

Floor Plan; Diner Chassis Plan, Floor Plan, Cellar and Foundation Plan; Side Elevation, Front Elevation. New Kullman Dining Car at U.S. Highway #13, Bristol. Albert Sinkewitch and Michael Hendrics. Herman B. Gelfand, architect, Newark, NJ. 30 November 1953.

Floor Plan; Dinner Chassis Plan, Cross Section, Cellar and Foundation Plan; Side Elevation, Front Elevation; Electric Plan; Electric Plan. New Kullman Dining Car at Route 30, Lancaster. Robert N. Snyder and Donald F. Shadel, owners. Herman B. Gelfand, architect, Newark, NJ. 15 November 1954.