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1 box, 1.5 linear feet

Scope and Content
Material from 1966 to 2006 includes primarily photographs and newspaper articles that
chronicle the history of the Foundation.

Abstract
This collection contains newspaper articles and photographs that record the forty-year
history of The Eastern Orthodox Foundation, Penn Run, Pennsylvania, from its beginning
in 1966. EOF, a charitable organization that offers shelter to the homeless, was begun by
Ukrainian Orthodox Priest, Father George Hnatko, the driving force behind the
foundation. Material is included that documents the growth, challenges, and
accomplishments of EOF over a forty year period. Descriptions of Ukrainian Orthodox
talk and religious customs as well as accounts of holiday celebrations in local

Provenance
Materials collected and donated by Eastern Orthodox Foundation personnel.

Restrictions
None.

Processor
Jean Popovich

Contents Description
Contents of six albums and miscellaneous newspapers not arranged in chronological order
or according to subject matter.

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Album 1
1. Adopt Ukrainian School [Album 1]
2. Annual Pilgrimage [Album 1]
3. Center Helps Individuals [Album 1]
4. Chernobyl [Album 1]
5. Christmas [Album 1]
6. Christmas Angel [Album 1]
7. Cold Temperatures [Album 1]
8. Face Motel [Album 1]
9. Glucose Sensor [Album 1]
10. Haven Offers Home [Album 1]
11. Hunters Feed Hungry [Album 1]
12. Rev. Fr. George Hnatko [Album 1]
14. Shop and Shave [Album 1]
15. Ukrainian Folk Dancers and Musicians [Album 1]
16. Welcome Fest [Album 1]

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**Album 2**

17. Annual EOF Banquet [Album 2]
18. Cherryhill Manor Continues Tradition of Caring [Album 2]
19. Coffee Day [Album 2]
20. Dr. R. R. McLeod Honored by EOF [Album 2]
21. EOF Festival 1985 [Album 2]
22. EOF’s 5th Annual Testimonial Dinner For the Disabled [Album 2]
23. EOF’s “Handicapped of the Year” Awards Banquet [Album 2]
24. EOF Honors Attorney Joseph Mack [Album 2]
25. EOF Honors Handicapped of the Year and Volunteers [Album 2]
26. Feed For Hunters [Album 2]
27. Fr. George Hnatko [Album 2]
28. Fr. Hnatko Delivers Morning Invocation at Ceremony Honoring Veterans [Album 2]
29. Groundbreaking and Consecration of SS. Peter and Paul’s Ukrainian Orthodox Church [Album 2]
30. Groundbreaking for St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Orthodox Church [Album 2]
31. Memorial Day Celebration [Album 2]
32. Orthodox Christmas [Album 2]
33. Outstanding Handicapped Man Award [Album 2]
34. Peter Holubz, Jr. and Ethnic Culture [Album 2]
35. Photo of Fire That Destroyed St. John’s Ukrainian church Hall [Album 2]
36. Spring Party for Indiana County’s Residents [Album 2]
37. Strawberry Festival Benefit [Album 2]
38. Suit Against EOF [Album 2]

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**Album 3**

39. Aerial-View Photo of EOF [Album 3]
40. Bake Sale at EOF [Album 3]
41. Brooke Jennings—New EOF Director [Album 3]
42. Dr. Joseph Bentivegna—EOF Administrator [Album 3]
43. Double Cross Design at EOF [Album 3]
44. EOF Accepts Organ [Album 3]
45. EOF Christmas Events [Album 3]
46. EOF Food Concession at County Fair [Album 3]
47. EOF Worker Creates Hand-Crafted Entranceway [Album 3]
48. Fr. Hnatko at YMCA Annual Good Friday Breakfast [Album 3]
49. Fr. Hnatko with Indiana County Medical Auxiliary [Album 3]
50. Festival and New Dormitory Open House at EOF
51. Festival at EOF—1977 [Album 3]
52. Festival at EOF—1980
53. First EOF Drive Contributor [Album 3]
54. Gold Medal Winners—1979 [Album 3]
55. Jeff Steinberg Concert at EOF Celebration—1981 [Album 3]
56. Learn and Nocco Receive Life Achievement Awards [Album 3]
57. Mother’s Day Festival [Album 3]
58. Plans and Pledge Drive for EOF’s New Dormitory [Album 3]
59. Planting Project at EOF [Album 3]
60. Square Dancers Perform at EOF Annual Festival [Album 3]
61. Strawberry Festival [Album 3]
62. Strawberry Festival—1981 [Album 3]
63. Theater Benefit—1776 [Album 3]

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Album 4
64. Butler Halfway House, Indiana Prototype, Discussed by Panel [Album 4]
65. Center for Homeless Aids 1,800 [Album 4]
67. EOF Dedication [Album 4]
68. EOF Receives Donation from Church Mission Committee at Graystone United Presbyterian Church [Album 4]
69. EOF’s Transitional Living Center Marks Fifth Anniversary [Album 4]
70. EOF Food Drive [Album 4]
71. EOF Residents Learn the Art of Rug Braiding [Album 4]
72. Events Planned for EOF [Album 4]
73. Fr. Hnatko Addresses Indiana Hospital Nursing Class of 1971 [Album 4]
74. Fr. Hnatko Addresses Saltsburg Lions Club [Album 4]
75. Fr. Hnatko Honored as Ukrainian Man of the Year [Album 4]
76. Fr. Hnatko Launches Half-Way House Project for Torrance State Hospital [Album 4]
77. Fr. Hnatko Speaks at Blairsville Kiwanis Club [Album 4]
78. Fr. Hnatko Speaks on Half-Way House Services [Album 4]
79. Fr. Hnatko Receives Certificate of Appreciation at Goodwill Industries Opening [Album 4]
80. Fraternity’s Walk to Boost Transitional Living Center [Album 4]
81. Halfway House Helps Torrance State Hospital Guests on Recovery Road [Album 4]
82. Local Churchmen Hear Orthodox Center Plans [Album 4]
83. Hunter’s Breakfast at EOF [Album 4]
84. Morrison the Magician to Perform at Fund Raiser for EOF [Album 4]
85. Mrs. Flossie Palmer, EOF Secretary [Album 4]
86. Operation “Feed the Birds” [Album 4]
87. Pool Tournament at EOF Transitional Living Center [Album 4]
88. Saltsburg Memorial Day Services 1971 [Album 4]
89. Sorority Presents Slippers to Members of EOF
90. Transitional Living Center’s New Dining Room Building Dedicated [Album 4]
91. Thanksgiving Food Drive [Album 4]
93. Woodmen of the World Present Flag to Fr. Hnatko [Album 4]
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94. Ann and George Betsa, Steve Kostryk, Mike Julock Honored for Service to Church [Album 5]
95. Archbishop Mark Hundiak Makes Canonical Visit to Area [Album 5]
96. Bishop Constantine Makes Canonical Visit to Nanty Glo and Dixonville [Album 5]
97. Circus Kirk to Appear at EOF [Album 5]
98. Communities Prepare for 1983 Memorial Day Services [Album 5]
99. “Contact” Article on EOF’s Purpose [Album 5]
100. Dr. Joseph Angelo Principal Speaker at EOF’s Awards Banquet [Album 5]
101. Donation of St. Mary’s Sisterhood to EOF’s New Dormitory Fund [Album 5]
102. Eastern Orthodox Church Wedding: Ritual and Symbolism [Album 5]
103. EOF Festival as Dormitory Is Completed [Album 5]
104. EOF Festival 1982 [Album 5]
105. EOF’s Thirteenth Anniversary Festival [Album 5]
106. Fr. Hnatko at Indiana County Fair [Album 5]
107. Fr. Hnatko Honored as “Ukrainian of the Year” [Album 5]
108. Fr. Hnatko’s Ordination and First Divine Liturgy [Album 5]
109. Fr. Hnatko Speaks at Indiana Kiwanis Club Meeting [Album 5]
110. Fire at St. John’s Ukrainian Orthodox Church Pavilion [Album 5]
111. First Holy Communion at Holy Ascension Ukrainian Orthodox Church [Album 5]
112. Holy Ascension Ukrainian Orthodox Church Marks Fiftieth Anniversary [Album 5]
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114. “Messenger” Salutes St. John’s of Dixonville [Album 5]
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117. Pauline Linko Prepares for Marathon Pancake and Sausage Event [Album 5]
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121. Sanctuary in Indiana [Album 5]
122. Sirko Family Reunion [Album 5]
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132. EOF Festival [Album 6]
133. Fr. Hnatko Is Presented with Check from Goodwill Drive [Album 6]
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135. Miners Hospital Notes Diamond Jubilee [Album 6]
136. 3X4 Photos of Festivals and Activities at EOF
137. 3X4 Photos of Dining at EOF
138. 3X5 Photos of Ariel Views of EOF
139. 3X5 Photos of Fr. Hnatko at EOF
140. 3X5 Photos of George Hnatko, EOF Administrator
141. 3X5 Photos of Staff at Work at EOF
142. 3X5 Photos of EOF Residents on Field Trips and Picnics
143. 3X5 Photos of Residents Indoors at EOF
144. 3X5 Photos of Residents Outdoors at EOF
145. 3X5 Photos of Grounds and Buildings at EOF
146. 5X7 Photos of Fr. Hnatko and Residents at EOF
147. 5X7 Photos of Site and Buildings of EOF
148. 8X10 Photos of EOF’s Beginning
149. 8X10 Photos of Staff and Residents at EOF
150. 8X10 Photos of Fundraisers, Festivals, and Contributions to EOF
151. 8X10 Photos of Ariel Views of EOF
152. 8X10 Photos of Buildings and Interiors at EOF
153. Miscellaneous Instamatic Photos
154. Letterhead
155. Fundraising Folder
156. Welcome Fest Advertisement, 1997
157. “Place to Reflect” Photo
158. Foundation Marks 35th Year
159. Haven Offers Hope
160. Kiwanians Learn About EOF
161. Firm Foundation
162. Newspaper Clippings from The Ukrainian Orthodox World
163. Chapel’s Beauty Inspires Faith
164. Mother and Daughter (Mychalewych)
165. Doughboy
166. Newspaper Clippings from Indiana Gazette, 1997
167. Pen Pals
168. Baskets of Love
169. Indiana Rotary Club Help with Repairs at EOF
170. Welcome Fest 2004 at EOF
171. “Ready or Not” Three-Part Series on Impact of Deinstitutionalization
172. IUP Professors’ Award-Winning Film, Threatened Homes for the Homeless
173. EOF: A Case Study for Struggling Shelters
174. Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings
175. Local FEMA Housing Fund Allotted
176. Memorial Day, 2002
177. Future Farmers of America Help Landscape
178. Welcome Fest, 2001 Advertisement
179. Cassette Tape: Oral Interview, October 20, 2006