## Calendar Collection

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### Collection Information

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Scope Note

This collection includes calendars from 1888 to present, most with connections to McLean County. Most calendars are promotional from local commercial ventures; others are from not-for-profits; and yet others are art calendars featuring local artists and scenes. Most calendars are monthly but a few are annual, quarterly or bi-monthly. Most are wall-hung styles but the collection also includes a few pocket sized, desktop, and magnetic calendars.

The folder number indicates the year of the calendar. If more than one folder is needed for a given year, the first folder is labeled with an “A” and the second with “B”, etc. Oversize items are stored in flat special boxes designated as “Sp1, Sp2, etc.” but are integrated into the folder numbering scheme.

Data listed includes title, sponsor, format, and special features.

Folder 1888
1.1888.1 Untitled, Clark’s Spool Cotton, annual, with drawing of young girl sewing.

Folder 1890
1.1890.1 Untitled, The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York (district office in Bloomington); monthly with February onward surviving.

Folder 1896
1.1896.1 “Germania,” Supplement to Germania No 64, annual, in German. Includes art and the poem “Bum Neuen Jahre 1896” on reverse. In two pieces.

Folder 1901
1.1901.1 “Frolie 1901 Fortune Telling Calendar,” The American Cereal Co., monthly, with astrological images and text plus ads for Quaker Oats.

Folder 1904
1.1904.1 “Placid Waters” Calendar for 1904

Folder 1905
1.1905.1 “Nature’s Remedy Cures Constipation & Dyspepsia,” R.R. Enlow Drugs (Bloomington), monthly, with drawing of outdoor scene.

1.1905.2 Untitled, Arnold Bros (Bloomington agents for Continental Fire Ins. Co.), monthly with February onward surviving. Features colonial scene of
George Washington.

**Folder 1909**
1.1909.1 Compliments of A.G. Erickson – Staple and Fancy Groceries and Meats
   Phone 110 1311 W. Olive St. Bloomington, Illinois

**Folder 1911**
1.1911.1 Untitled, Illinois State Normal University, trimester. Features photos of
   campus buildings.
1.1911.2 Untitled, illustration of Battle of Rogers’ Rock, M.H. Newton & Co.,
   Agents, Bloomington, IL

**Folders 1915**
1.1915 A.1 Untitled, The Colfax Garage (Colfax, IL), July 1915, with drawing and
   poem “Maud Muller”

**Sp1.1915 B.2** Untitled, monthly, includes reproduction of Chandler’s “The Camp Fire”
   viewed via open house door. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Folder 1916**
1.1916.1 Untitled, monthly, small calendar with Christmas tree picture.

**Folders 1917**
**Sp1.1917 A.1** Untitled, J. Keenan’s Bank of LeRoy, monthly with reverse side for notes,
   Owner recorded day by day notes including farming tasks. Tattered and in
   fragile condition. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Sp1.1917 B.1** “Pansies for Thoughts,” Herman Lundborg as representative for the
   Gerlach-Barklow Company and its “Art calendars de Luxe” Features
   poem of title name and tinted drawing of young woman with pansies.
   Bloomington City Directories of the time list Herman Lundborg as a
   ‘travelling salesman.” *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

1.1917 C.3.1 Untitled, dentist Dr. J.A. Moore (Bloomington), September 1917 with
   drawing of the Potomac River.

**Folder 1921**
1.1921.1 United States (small Uncle Sam child)
1.1921.2 Ireland (small Irish child)

**Folder 1922**
**Sp1.1922.1** “Bankers’ Art Calendar,” Wide-Awake Bank & Trust Co of Cincinnati,
OH, monthly but includes only cover and January. Includes reproductions of famous paintings and weekly quotes on personal financial matters. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Folder 1932**

**Sp1.1932.1** Untitled, Great States Home Life Insurance Company (of Bloomington), monthly with months July-December surviving. Includes photo of Washington’s Monument in DC. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Folder 1933**

1.1933.1 Untitled, W.H. Gronemeier Bakery (Bloomington); monthly with only December surviving. Features art of mother with infant.

**Folder 1935**

1.1935.1 “I.S.N.U. Souvenir Calendar 1935
Features photos of campus scenes and buildings.

**Folder 1937**

**Sp1.1937.1** Untitled, Chesapeake & Ohio Lines (Railway Company), quarterly, with drawings of the feline “Chessie” and young children in sleep-related poses. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Folder 1939**

1.1939.1 Untitled, G.N. Snyder Super-Service Store (of McLean) which features Richelieu Foods, monthly. Features several recipes and a photo of prepared foods each month.

1.1939.2 Untitled, small quarterly, with seasonal or holiday sketch for each month.

**Folder 1940**


**Folder 1941**

1.1941.1 Untitled, Standard Service Stations, monthly but only June, September and November are included. Features light-hearted drawings of youngsters at play, etc.

**Folder 1945**

1.1945.1 “Rich’s Corner Grocery We Aim to Please”
Folder 1946
1.1946.1 Master Hand Soap-Crown Manufactouring Company
Handy Home Hints-Calendar for 1946

Folder 1947
1.1947.1 “My Calendar of Memory for 1947,” Chadbands Jewelry Store
(Bloomington), pocket-sized booklet of monthly calendars. Includes some
owner’s notes of birthdays, etc.

Folder 1951
1.1951.1 “Burroughs Fuel & Heating Co.” Stokers, Furnaces, Coal. 106 S. Linden
Phone 9703-5, Normal Ill.

Folder 1953
Sp1.1953.1 “Birthday and Community Calendar,” W.S.C.S. of Downs, IL, many
business sponsors each month mostly from Downs and LeRoy. Calendar
has a variety of individuals’ birthdays, meetings of local organizations,
and social events of the area. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

Sp1.1953.2 “Home-Makers’ Calendar,” The Normal State Bank, Normal. *Oversized in
flat Special Box 1.*

Folder 1954
1.1954.1 Untitled, small blotter calendar of May 1954, McLean County Abstract
Company (Bloomington).

Folder 1967
1.1967.1 Untitled, Laesch Dairy Barn (Bloomington), monthly. Features monthly
pocket files and metal pencil holder.

1.1967.2 Untitled, First National Bank of Normal, monthly. Features photos of
presumably local school children in school activities.

Folder 1969
1.1969.1 “Make Way for Downtown Bloomington,” Downtown Retail Council,
monthly for March 1969-February 1970. Includes advertising rates for
radio and newspaper plus sketched ads for downtown shopping.

1/1969.2 Bloomington Federal Savings and Loan Association

Folder 1971
Folder 1973
1.1973.1 Untitled, Schilkofski & Huff Arco Oil Service, weekly, appropriate for wall hung or upright on desk.


Folder 1975
1.1975.1 Don Smith Paint & Wallpaper, Bloomington, Illinois
Paintin’ Place, Normal, Illinois

Sp1.1.1975.2 Famous Black Americans – Historical Calendar

Folder 1976
1.1976.1 McLean County Historic Sites Calendar, McLean County Bicentennial Arts Festival Committee, weekly desk calendar. Features mostly photos of local historic sites. 2 copies.

Folder 1979
1.1979.1 Untitled, Erickson’s Auto Service (Bloomington), monthly with March-December pages still attached. Includes “chalkboard” cleanable with damp cloth.

1.1979.2 1979 McKesson Appointment Calendar – Season’s Greetings Thrifty Drug Phone 827-0075 Towanda Plaza Bloomington, Illinois

Folder 1980
1.1980.1 Variety Liquor Cave Lounge (Bloomington) monthly

Folder 1981

Folder 1982


Folders 1984
1.1984 A.1 “Read all about it: 1984 Family Calendar,” The Pantagraph and Corn Belt
Library System, monthly. Featuring photos of children at local libraries plus listings of library events, etc.


1.1984 A.4 Untitled, Mace Printing & Office Supplies (Bloomington), monthly.

1.1984 A.5 Mace Downtown Bloomington – Printing & Office Supplies

Sp1.1984 B.5 Untitled, Pantagraph Printing and Stationery Company (Bloomington), monthly. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Folders 1985**

1.1985 A.1 Untitled, Clark Hull of State Farm Insurance, monthly, small easel desk calendar. Features miscellaneous quotes.


**Folder 1987**


1.1987.2 Untitled, Clark Hull of State Farm Insurance, annual.


**Folders 1988**

**Sp1.1988 B.2**  “100 Years Citizens Savings & Loan 1888-1988,” monthly. Features drawings by local artist Ralston Scott Jones of local historical sites and presumed events. 2 copies each signed by artist. *Oversized in flat Special Box 1.*

**Folder 1989**
1.1989.1 Untitled, Bob Knapp’s Brandville Restaurant and Catering Service (Bloomington), small monthly easel desk calendar


1.1989.3 S & S Liquors; “We Cater – Pay Less – Shop S & S” 703 N. Clinton – Bloomington, Ill. Phone 828-9125

**Folder 1991**

1.1991 A.2 Livingston & McLean Counties Union News
Serving the working people of Central Illinois
100 years of struggle January 1991

**Sp1.1991.B.1** Bloomington/Normal “The Pride of Illinois” Aerial view of downtown Bloomington looking east

**Folder 1992**


**Folders 1993**
1.1993 A.1 Untitled, First Federal Savings of Bloomington, small monthly desktop easel style, with photos of US sites.

Features photos of members at work.


1.1993 B.4 Automotive Classics – Bloomington Auto Body  Features photos of Classic Cars each month

Folders 1994


Folders 1995

Folders 1996


1.1996.5 ‘Season’s Greetings” Dixie Truckers Home (Features only one photo of the Café, Restaurant, Station)

Folder 1997


Folder 1998

Folder 2000


Folder 2001
1.2001.1 “Faces of the Nations,” Grand Village of the Kickapoo Park Foundation (LeRoy, IL), monthly. Features photos of tribal elders and dancers who have attended local pow wows in the past plus buffalo herd.


Folder 2002
1.2002.1 “Places of the Nation,” Grand Village of the Kickapoo Park Foundation (LeRoy, IL), monthly. Features historic maps plus photos of Kickapoo
people and related artifacts.


Folders 2003


Sp1.2003 B.4 Untitled, Ming’s Wok (Normal, IL), bimonthly. Features photos of Chinese cities and a menu of the Ming’s Wok restaurant. Scroll in flat Special Box 1.

Folder 2004


1.2004.3  “Pride of McLean County “ 2004 Barn Calendar (Barns of McLean Co.)

Folders 2005

monthly. Features historic photos of the period.


Folder 2006
1.2006.1  “Knot Ropes” 2006 Desktop Calendar by Elizabeth Stein (in plastic box)

1.2006.2  “Serenity Scenes Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb” One sheet.

Folders 2007
1.2007 A.1  “Hudson History 2007,” Hudson Public Library and Hudson History Club, monthly. Features historic photos and info on Hudson area.


Folder 2008


Folder 2009


1.2009.3  “Labor is the superior of capital…” Lincoln on Labor Grand Prairie Union News January 2009
**Folder 2010**


1.2010.2  “Serenity Scenes Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb” One sheet.

1.2010.3  “Illinois State Capitol – 2010 Architectural Calendar”

1.2010  30 years of the Union News 1980-2010

**Folder 2011**

1.2011.1  El Parton Autentica Comida Mexicana


**Folder 2012**


1.2012.3  “Serenity Scenes” Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb.

**Folder 2013**

1.2013.1  “McLean County Calendar 2013” Calvert & Metzler Memorial Homes.

1.2013.2  “Central Illinois 2013 Calendar” Produced by the Pantagraph.

1.2013.3  “Serenity Scenes Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb” One sheet.

**Folder 2014**

1.2014.1  “2014 HSCI Pet Calendar”

1.2014.2  “Serenity Scenes” Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb.

1.2014.3  Central Illinois 2014 Calendar produced by The Pantagraph

1.2014.4  Founders’ Grove Neighborhood Association 2014 Calendar

1.2014.5  Lexington’s Antique Buildings –Lexington Genealogical and Historical
Folder 2015
1.2015.1 Central Illinois 2015 Calendar
1.2015.2 McLean County Calendar 2015 “Calvert & Metzler Memorial Homes”
1.2015.3 2015 Catholic Art Calendar “my father’s love”

Folder 2016
1.2016.1 “McLean County Calendar 2016” Calvert & Metzler Memorial Homes.
1.2016.2 “2016 Calendar” Humane Society of Central Illinois
1.2016.3 Serenity Scenes” Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb.
1.2016.4 Antique Tractors –McLean County Farm Bureau

Sp1.2016.4 B.2 “Illinois Farm Bureau 15 Month Centennial Celebration Calendar – Sponsored by the IAA Credit Union” 100 Illinois Farm Bureau 2015-2016

Folder 2017
1.2017.1 “Serenity Scenes” Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb

Folder 2018
1.2018.1 Human Society of Central Illinois
1.2018.2 100 Years of Service 1918-2018 –Randolph Cooperative Grain Co.
1.2018.3 “Serenity Scenes” Photography & Text by Ruth Cobb.
1.2018.4 McLean County Barns 2018

Sp1.2018.4 B.5 B104 2018 Bloomington,-Normal
Sp1.2018.5 B.6 2018 Illinois Seasons of Light –Photograph by Robert Shaw
DJR Tax Service…Bloomington, IL 61701