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THE MICHAEL WALLIS – ROUTE 66 COLLECTION

The Michael Wallis - Route 66 Collection, housed in 31 legal-sized document boxes and one oversize document box, is grouped into 3 series: **Series I** consists of travel brochures; maps; tourist information; articles pertaining to various cities, towns, people and sites along the route; events and celebrations; and memorabilia. **Series I** also includes the category, “All Around,” containing general material about the Route. **Series II** consists of material pertaining to the Route 66 Associations affiliated with each state. **Series III** consists of correspondence with prominent individuals, institutions and organizations, as well as friends and fans along the route—this series is currently unprocessed.

The collection is grouped alphabetically by state followed by “All Around.” Material for each state is arranged alphabetically by subject or name. This is followed by the Route 66 Association material, also arranged alphabetically by state.

The collection was a gift to the OSU-Tulsa Library by Michael Wallis and was organized by M. Burkart.

Series I
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BOX 1

- The Admiral (cruise ship)
 - Typed script
 - “The Admiral”
 - Brochure
 - The Admiral: St. Louis, Missouri
- Articles, press cuttings 1
 - Route 66 backer keep rolling along
 - Looking for kicks: they’re as close as Route 66
 - The Mother Road (2 copies)
 - Taking up where Steinbeck left off on Route 66
 - Driven by history (Columbia Daily Tribune; 11/8/92)
 - Route 66: How to save America’s main street (photocopy) (11/12/98)
 - Route 66: Only architecture and memories remain (photocopy)
 - Highway through history (photocopy)
 - Get your kicks (photocopy)(8/7/88)
 - 66 set scene for a thousand tales (photocopy)
 - Brochure
 - Why’d they name it that
 - Photo
 - Look here: Route 66 (St. Louis Dispatch; 1/31/93)
 - Satellite Café (photocopy)(8/8/1988)

- Articles, press cuttings 2
 - Early area roads (photocopy)
 - Watson Road (photocopy)
 - First Cloverleaf Interchange West of the Mississippi River
 - Along Route 66 Missouri (photocopy)
 - The rise and fall of the Choctaw Republic (1934)(photocopy)
 - Dictionary of American Food & Drink (photocopy)
 - Landmark on south side sold to investors (photocopy)
 - Nostalgic recollections and tales of old Route 66
 - Flyer
 - Main street of America (photocopy)
 - Tourists seek paved roads (photocopy)
 - Typed script
 - Old Route 66 in Missouri
 - Map
 - Tour historic Carthage (photocopy)
 - Newsletter
 - Show me Route 66 (photocopy)(July 1991)
 - Brochure
 - Missouri Masterpieces
 - Historic Carthage antique collectible craft shoppers' guide
 - Carthage: Missouri heritage at its best
 - See Victorian architecture at its best: Carthage, Missouri
- Carthage 1
 - Brochures
 - Carthage, Missouri
 - Christmas Light Display
 - Carthage
 - Carthage, Missouri invites you
 - Christmas in Carthage
 - Visit for a weekend
 - Typed script
 - 1995 Calendar of Events
 - Articles
 - A Carthage Chronicle
 - Discussion on 71 is part of long history (photocopy)
 - Newsletter

Mornin' Mail (4/17/98)

- Carthage 2

Newsletter

Federation news: Route 66 (Summer 1998)

Brochures

Carthage

Brewer's maple lane farm

Carthage Civil War Museum

Carthage Missouri

Grand Avenue Inn

Grand Avenue Inn

The Leggett House (2 copies)

Historic Phelps House

Powers museum

Precious moments chapel

Fountain of Angels

Precious moments chapel center

Precious moments chapel

Visit Red Oak

Articles

Personal tribute to God

Coupon

Powers Museum (3)

Shoe Wear House

Sirloin stockade

Postcard

Carthage Dill & Donut

Eco Lodge

Flyer

George Washington Carver

Stratford house inn

- Columbia

Article

Snapshots (Columbia Daily Tribune)

- Coral Court Motel 1

Brochure

Coral Court

Typed Script

National register of historic places inventory (12 pages)

Maps

Coral Court Motel

Route 66 (2 copies)

Photos

Coral court motel (8) (photocopies)

Flyer

Threat to coral court motel

- Coral Court Motel 2

Flyer

Remember Coral Court (2 copies)

Journal

SCA Journal (Fall 2000)

Typed script

“Michael Wallis Quote”

Notes

Several handwritten notes by Wallis

Agenda

The coral court tango agenda (5/1/94)

- Coral Court Motel 3

Articles

In a class by itself (photocopy)(10/4/87)

Coral court (photocopy)

The Coral court motel history and significance

Courting Coral (11/88)

It's just a few bucks for the historic coral court (4/12/94)

Old fashioned sin' in a new light

Hundred are shirting the issue (2/16/88)

Old fashioned sin' in a new light (photocopy)

Keeping coral court from losing its shirt (photocopy)

A summons to court (photocopy)

A dutiful proposal to save coral court (photocopy)

Too late to save coral courts? (photocopy)

Coral court's private executive suite (photocopy)

Motel buffs rejoice (historic preservation; 1990)

Deep sixty-sixed (St. Louis Dispatch; August 1993)

Sad state of affairs (St. Louis Dispatch; August 1993)

In a class by itself (St. Louis Dispatch; Oct. 1987) (photocopy)

Newsletter

SCA news journal (fall 1987) (photocopy)

Photos

Historic buildings in St. Louis County (photocopy)

Coral court (photocopy)

- Crestwood

Article

66 park-in may fade like U.S. 66 (photocopy) (10/9/89)

- Cuba

Articles

Cuba on the move

Mullally distributing company on the move in Cuba

Menu

Old 66 Cafe

- Defiance

Brochure

Daniel Boone's home

- Devil's Elbow

Postcard

Hooker cut at Devil's elbow

- Ted Drewes Frozen Custard Stand

Flyer

Directions to Ted Drewes frozen custard stand

Route 66 day at ted drewes (photocopy)

Magazine

St. Louis Dispatch Magazine (7/10/1988)

Articles

Ted Drewes (photocopy)

Mildred S. Drewes

- Eureka

Brochures

Antiques and crafts

The Wolf Sanctuary

- Events, coupons

Events

1995 Missouri getaway calendar of events

Coupons

1997 Fun money coupon book

- Fantastic Caverns
 - Brochure
 - Article
 - Fantastic caverns
- Fort Leonard Wood
 - Article
 - Ex-German POWs greeted with hugs, not guns at fort
 - Nazi sailors, captors reunite
 - By convention, the enemy within never did without (June 1995)
- Grand Avenue Inn
 - Brochure
- Hall-Moore Stuff Company
 - Flyer
- Jesse James Wax Museum
 - Postcards
 - John Tramell (2 copies)
 - Rudy Turilli
 - Jesse James Wax Museum
 - Brochure
 - Jessie James Wax Museum
 - See Jessie James Wax Museum
- Jennings
 - Article: North Twin Drive-In (photocopy)
- Joplin
 - Brochures
 - Calendar of events: Oct-Dec 1995
 - Postcards
 - Bob miller's restaurant
 - Spring river inn
- Kirkwood
 - Visitor's Guide
- Lambert's Café
 - Postcard
 - Norman Lambert

Brochure

Lamber'ts Café

Booklet

Lambert's cafe

- Lebanon

Brochures

Labanon: Historic Route 66 (2 copies)

Magazine

Briarwood

Flyer

Munger Moss Hotel

Munger Moss Sandwich shop

Postcard

Satellite cafe

- Maps

Missouri highway map

Missouri & Kansas: Route 66

Historic Missouri Route 66

Traffic map of Missouri

Main street USA: Route 66

- Marlborough

Article

Village sets up traffic cops in a fine fine business (photocopy)

- McKinley Bridge

Articles

Crossing the river (photocopy)

Another McKinley (photocopy)

Bridges at a glance (photocopy)

BOX 2

- Memorabilia

Signs

Route 66 (3)

Calendar

Missouri: Old Route 66 then and now: 1999

Postcard

Blue Swallow Motel

- Meramec Caverns 1

Brochure

Meramec Caverns (4)

Booklet

Meramec Caverns (2)

Christmas Card

From Meramec Caverns to Michael Wallis

Newsletter

Oklahoma Route 66 Association (October 1993)

Articles

Lester Dill: started at the top and worked down (photocopy)

Discovery of the astonishing Meramec Caverns (photocopy)

Meramec Caverns (photocopy)

Going underground (USA Today; 6/14/1991)

Postcard

Jesse James hideout

Underground entertainment

Meramec Caverns

Barn under a sign

The escape at Meramec caverns

- Meramec Caverns 2

Articles

Jesse James is alive in Lawton (The Lawton Constitution; 5/19/1948)

Booklet

“I knew Jesse James” by Rudy Turilli

“Meramec Caverns: Legendary hideout of Jesse James” by H. Dwight Weaver

- Old Chain of Rocks Bridge 1

Pamphlet

Old Chain of Rocks Bridge (2 copies)

Flyer

Trailnet, Inc.

Letter

To Michael Wallis from Jim Gilbert (spring 1998) (2 copies)

Fax

To Lynne Henson

Flyer

Wedding on the old chain of rocks bridge (3 copies)

Map

Wedding and reception map

Tickets

Wedding on the old chain of rocks bridge (2 copies)

Red Cedar Inn

VIP Parking

- Old Chain of Rocks Bridge 2

Pictures

Route 66

Red Cedar Inn

Wagon Wheel Motel

Pamphlet

The Old Chain of Rocks Bridge

Articles

Couple Weds on Old Chain of Rocks Bridge (photocopy)

Bridge lease is finalized (photocopy) (1/1/1997)

Riverside trail plan targets tourists (11/9/97)

The Current (January 1997)

Couple will tie the knot atop Old Chain of Rocks Bridge

Trail plan targets tourists (photocopy)

- Ozark Highlands Wineries

Brochure

- Onondaga Cave

Brochure

Onondaga Cave

Onondaga Cave State Park

Pamphlet

Caves of Missouri

- Onyx Mountain Caverns

Flyer

Onyx Mountain Caverns

- Osage Beach.

Brochure

Lee Mace's Ozark Opry

- Ottawa Country Spook Light 1

Articles

Oklahoma's unsolved mysteries (March 1994)

Legend of spooklight continues along state line (10/29/97)

- Folder
 - Tri-state spook light
- Ottawa Country Spook light 2
 - Typed script
 - Ottawa county spook light (2 copies)
 - Booklet
 - Various Ottawa county spook light flyers
- Pacific
 - Chamber of Commerce publications
 - D.J.'s Route 66 Café
- Red Cedar Inn
 - Articles
 - Red cedar inn restaurant
 - Time lined in cedar (photocopy)
 - Business Card
 - Red cedar inn
- Red's Giant Hamburgers
 - Brochure
 - Red's Giant Hamburgers
 - Articles
 - Red's sails into sunset (photocopy) (Route 66 Magazine/ winter 1997/98)
 - Red's giant hamburger (April 1982)
 - He's broken most of the rules, but Red's hamburgers still sizzle (photocopy)
 - Photos
 - Red's (photocopy)
- Restaurants
 - Restaurant directory and pocket menu from Steak 'n Shake
- Rolla
 - Brochures
 - Rolla area chamber of commerce
 - Articles
 - Missouri US 66
- Route 66 Motors
 - Articles
 - Route 66 Motors (photocopies)
 - Flyers
 - Route 66 Motors: Nostalgia and gift shop (2 copies)

- Route 66 State Park
 - Guide
 - Route 66 State Park
 - Article
 - Historic highway marks milestone (photocopy)
 - Route 66 state park will offer a road to vintage America
- Saginaw
 - Lakeside Cottages & Aviary
- Silver Dollar City
 - Brochure
- Sleeper
 - Article
 - It's no puzzle to Ozarks couple why their store is popular
- Springfield 1
 - Fact sheet
 - Springfield, Missouri (typed script; June 1988)
 - Map
 - City of Springfield
 - Brochure
 - Route 66: Springfield
 - Springfield: 1995 Area Visitors Guide
 - 1995-96 fall/winter calendar of events
 - 1995 holiday coupon book
 - 1995 coupon book
 - Winter glow '95
 - If you think this looks like fun
 - Wilson's Creek: National Battlefield
 - Articles
 - Springfield times (August 1984)
 - British film crew follows Route 66 to Springfield (photocopy)
 - Route 66 will be directed through Springfield again (photocopy)
 - Map
 - Springfield (3/22/36)(photocopy)
 - Springfield festival of lights map
 - Springfield
 - City map of Springfield
- Springfield 2

Brochure

Antiques

Bass Pro Shops

Buena Vista's Exotic Animal Paradise

Exotic Animal Paradise

Deer Lake Golf club

PFI Holiday 1993: Missouri's largest western store

Postcard

Rail Haven

Rock Fountain Court

Articles

Springfield Times

Heritage Bookmark

BOX 3

- St. James

Guide

Welcome to the Ozark Heritage Region: Visitor Information

Article

Visitors stop for the wine and then find more in St. James

- St. Louis 1

Guides

St. Louis map & guide

St. Louis: 1995 around town guide

Maps

East St. Louis

St. Louis and vicinity

Auto trails map & vicinity via McKinley Bridge (2 copies)

Magazine

Gateway Heritage (Summer 1997)

Where: St. Louis (June 1996)

- St. Louis 2

Articles

Get out (St. Louis Dispatch; 7/15/1998)

Missouri Trout (3/2/1995)

Author talks of Route 66 (3/15/1995)

What's doing in St. Louis (The New York Times)(9/7/1997)
Bridge problem falls through the cracks (3/3/1986)(photocopy)
The sophisticated traveler (New York Times Magazine)
Rhythms of the river (Home & Away)
Springtime (April 1989)
Downtown St. Louis may lose historic buildings (1/10/97)
Claiming the mother road (Times West Weekly)(10/4/1996)

- St. Louis 3

- Brochure

- Bevomill
 - Grant's Farm
 - Mississippi river Adventures
 - Missouri Botanical Garden
 - St. Louis Car Museum
 - St. Louis Zoo

- Map

- West Port Plaza

- St. Louis RV & Trailer how (March 1995)

- Articles

- RV's bringing Branson & more to St. Louis
 - RV and travel show at America's center
 - RVs for Everyone
 - RV show to offer something for everyone

- Folder

- RV Camping and Travel Show (contains various flyers)

- Stanton

- Brochure

- Antique Toy Museum.

- Steak'n Shake

- Menu (4 copies)

- Placemat

- This Old House (built in 1833)

- Flyer

- Times Beach

- Articles

- Route 66 state park will offer a road to vintage America
 - Ghost town of Times Beach still haunts St. Louis area

Dioxin-tainted town (photocopy)

Dioxin issue focuses on three major controversies in U.S. (photocopy)

- Tour guides

Brochure

The Missouri US 66 Tour Book

Typed Script

Missouri Route 66 Driving Guide by James Powell

- Union Station

Brochure

Union Station

St. Louis Union Station Guide

St. Louis Union Station

Magazines

Shopping Center World (May 1985)

St. Louis Commerce (October 1985)

Spirit of St. Louis

Historic Preservation (June 1985)

The Shopping Place: (28 July 1983)

The Rouse Company (Annual report: 1983)

Folder

St. Louis Union Station (empty)

Typed Script

St. Louis Union Station

St. Louis Union Station: Access and Parking

Original Construction Information: 1894

- Union Station 2

Typed Script

St. Louis Union Station

St. Louis Union Station: 1985

St. Louis Union Station: Entertainment Areas and Activities

St. Louis Union Station: The Rouse Company

St. Louis Union Station by Mathias J. DeVito

St. Louis Union Station: HCB Contractors

St. Louis Union Station: Communication Arts Incorporated

St. Louis Union Station: Faneuil Hall Marketplace

Map

St. Louis Union Station

Pictures

Original opening gala (9/1/1894)
St. Louis, MO: renovation and leasing
Model of St. Louis Union Station
Chestnut & 18th Street (8/22/1931)
Omni International hotel main lobby (black & white)
Omni international hotel main lobby (color)
Glass observation elevator (black & white)
Glass observation elevator (color)
View from balcony (black & white)
View from balcony (color)
20th Street (black & white)
20th Street (color)
Union Station main entrance (black & white)
Union Station main entrance (color)

Brochure

The Projects of the Rouse company (Fall 1983)

Folder

St. Louis Union Station (empty)

- Wallis notes (handwritten)
- Waynesville
 - Flyer
 - Hiway New & Used
- Webb City
 - Menu
 - Bradbury Bishop Deli
- Wildwood
 - Article
 - Historic Route 66 (Wildwood Gazette) (Dec-Jan 2001)