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 Indian Pow-Wow at BlackHawk State Park
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Documents appear to have belonged to Dr. Roscoe Slack of 2602 LeClaire Street in Davenport.
 Timeline of approximately 1950-1980's
 Dr. Slack, a podiatrist, was a member of the Pow-Wow Council and served as vice-president for at least 12 years.

The Pow-Wow was held annually on Labor Day Weekend in Black Hawk State Park, Rock Island, Illinois beginning in 1940. Sponsor was the Indian Pow-wow Council (a non-profit corporation). Documents within this collection indicate monies earned by this organization were used to help Native American Indians with college expenses.

*Processing note: this collection was partially processed and a limited container list made in December 2010. All items foldered and fit in one archive & manuscript box.

Condition good in general.

Souvenir Programs – these contain informative articles about the Pow-wow, Blackhawk, etc.

Annual	Year	Price	Title
12 th	1951	10 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of the Sauk and Fox Tribes
20 th	1959	10 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of the Sauk and Fox Tribes
21 st	1960	10 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of the Sauk and Fox Tribes
22 nd	1961	10 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of Sauk and Fox Tribes
24 th	1963	10 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of Sauk and Fox Tribes
25 th	1964	15 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of Sauk and Fox Tribes
26 th	1965	15 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of Sauk and Fox Tribes
27 th	1966	15 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of Sauk and Fox Tribes
28 th	1967	15 cents	Indian Pow-wow Ceremonial Dances by the members of Sauk and Fox Tribes
29 th	1968	25 cents	Indian Pow-wow - Authentic Ceremonial Dances by Sauk and Fox Indians [2 copies]
30 th	1969	25 cents	Indian Pow-wow - Authentic Ceremonial Dances by Sauk and Fox Indians
31 st	1970	25 cents	Indian Pow-Wow – Authentic Ceremonial Dances by Sauk and Fox Indians
32 nd	1971	25 cents	Indian Pow-wow – Ceremonial Dances by Members of Sauk & Fox Tribes
33 rd	1972	25 cents	Indian Pow-wow – Ceremonial Dances by Members of Sauk & Fox Tribes

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34 th	1973	25 cents	Indian Pow-wow – Ceremonial Dances by Members of Sauk & Fox Tribes
36 th	1976	50cents	Indian Pow-wow – Ceremonial Dances by Members of Sauk & Fox Tribes
Unknown	Unknown, but possibly 1979	No price	The Traditional Labor Day Weekend Sauk and Fox Ceremonial Pow - Wow

Each program has several articles, some duplication from year to year. This is just a partial listing to give idea of content.

Year	Article Title	Highlights from article
1951	History of the Indian Pow-Wow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First held 1940 with 35 participants from Tama, IA ▪ Locations changed over years as grew ▪ 1942 dances put on by Sauk Indians from Oklahoma headed by blood descendants of Black Hawk ▪ 1943 program included participants from both Tama and Oklahoma ▪ 1948 Pow-Wow employed 80 Indians, half Sauk and half Fox with total paid admission of 8745 people ▪ 1949 first printed program which listed dances and explanations ▪ 1950 Indians encamped in Indian village
1951	“On the war path”	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Describes Black Hawk State Park
1951	Hauberg Indian Museum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dedicated on June 25, 1939 ▪ Includes wick-i-up and summer home which were constructed inside the museum by Jim Poweshiek and Sam Slick of Tama, IA
1959	History of the Indian Pow-Wow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Additional information for the 1950’s developments
1959	The Pow-wow Indians	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Historic information on the Fox Indians of Tama
1959	Black Hawk War	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪
1959	Black Hawk’s Watch Tower-The Scenes of Our Pow-Wows	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ More about Black Hawk and the war
1959	Black Hawk State Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Acquired by State of IL July 1, 1927 ▪ Site of Sauk-e-nuk, largest Indian village in N. America ▪ Finest feature is Watch Tower – a promontory 150 feet above Rock River providing unlimited view of

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		valley and surrounding country
1959	A Surprise Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three wives of directors were given Indian names
1959	Hauberg Indian Museum	

Other items include:

Biography of Dr. Roscoe Slack
 States he was VP of Indian Pow-wow Council for 12 years
 States he was Honorary Field Archaeologist for Davenport Public Museum

Correspondence

Richard D. and Leatrice Poweshiek to Dr. Roscoe Slack – regarding admission to University of Oklahoma after graduating from Haskell Indian Junior College. Includes their transcripts.
 1 July 1968
 1 May 1979
 8 Aug 1979
 20 Aug 1979
 25 Aug 1979
 1 Oct 1979
 George Buffalo Jr. to James L. Shaw 18 Aug 1977 regarding student grant applications
 Jerry Schaefer to Jess Foiles re: permit for 1975 Pow-wow
 Letter granting permission to film 1972 performance between Pow-wow council and Davidson Films

Newspaper clippings

The Daily Times
 Monday Jan. 18, 1954 page 1-G
 Indians Restricted Under Black Hawk Treaty Terms by Rex Ballard
 2nd in series of articles concerning the Black Hawk Treaty

*assume Daily Times and preceding Jan. 18th – original of the 1st article in series “Black Hawk Treaty Slated for ‘Home’ in Davenport” : apparently Fred Schwengel was involved in obtaining one of only two existing known copies of Black Hawk Treaty on behalf of Iowa Book Collectors Club Inc. [other copy @ National Archives per article] Indicates will be kept at Davenport Public Museum

Comment [kmo1]:

Times Democrat 1974; Focus Section; 3 part series by Dave Ramacitti
 10 Nov page 7-9 Saukenuk: When Rock Island Was an Immense Indian Village
 17 Nov page 10 Lifestyle at Saukenuk [mostly about culture]
 24 Nov page 12 mostly regarding artifacts located

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Rock Island News
12 Apr 1979 page 4, continued on page 34
John Henry Hauberg: A man of many facets
By Joan McGee; pictures

Organization records:

Council meeting notices, minutes, enclosures 1973-1975
List of Council officers 1975, 1976, 1979
Small black notebook containing notes and receipts for 1966 and 1971 Pow-wows
Receipts from 1977 and one from 1972 Pow-wows
Committee assignments and budget for 1974
Letterhead of the Indian Council

Pow-wow Contest Rules

Princess
Men's Freestyle Dance

Sheet music for dances

Shawnee Dance as sung by Jim Poweshiek; recorded by L.E. Watters
Friendship Dance
Buffalo Head Dance

"The Indian of Yestarday [sic], Today and Tomorrow" by Jonas M. Poweshiek

Signature in ink
No date
Poor condition

List of Indians of Sac & Fox Tribe in Iowa in WWII

Dated May 7, 1945
Sac & Fox Sub-Agency Toledo, IA
Lists name and ID#, age, rank, branch, date of entry, marital status, # of dependents,
approximate place of service, volunteer or drafted, remarks
**Note that Richard D. Poweshiek is listed on this with Jonas Poweshiek under Remarks

"How Mesquaki Children Should Be Brought Up"

Dictated by Harry Lincoln, of the Meskwaki to Truman Michelson
In: American Indian Life edited by Elsie Clews Parsons 1922, page 81
Typed date of Oct. 3, 1947

Grade transcripts [possibly for individuals seeking financial assistance]

Rhonda Sue Keahna from South Tame High School 1978
Carma J. Keahne from Des Moines Area Community College 1978

Transcription of a conversation between James Poweshiek and son at Pow-wow grounds 1942

Three typed pages numbered 1, 3, 4 indicating page 2 missing
John H. Hauberg likely the transcriptionist
Dated September 7, 1942

Genealogy chart – of Poweshiek?

Index card with handwritten information regarding Native American Indian beliefs about astronomy

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Packet of correspondence 1823-1830 from Department of the Army [carbon copies] – some duplicates

1823 letter from William Clark to Sec. of War Calhoun
From St. Louis Dec. 8, 1823

Expense estimates – Agency for Sauk & Fox Nations 1824-1825

Speech of Black Hawk to Sauk & Fox Spring 1831
Typed carbon copy
Five pages
Given upon receiving orders from Indian Agent in Rock Island to remove to the west
bank of the Mississippi

Miscellaneous