



## **Amish Scrapbooks (SP0022)**

**Collection Number:** SP0022

**Collection Title:** Amish Scrapbooks

**Dates:** 1989-1999

**Creator:** Gingerich, Noah, 1916-2006

**Abstract:** The papers consist of the writings of Noah Gingerich (1916-2006) on the lives of his family and friends. The bulk of his work was created for *Budget* newspaper, a paper specializing in reporting the lives of Amish and Mennonite community members in Sugarcreek, Ohio, and across the nation.

**Collection Size:** 1 cubic foot  
(56 folders)

**Language:** Collection materials are in English.

**Repository:** The State Historical Society of Missouri

**Restrictions on Access:** Collection is open for research. This collection is available at The [State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Springfield](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at [springfield@shsmo.org](mailto:springfield@shsmo.org). Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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**Donor Information:** The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Cindy Rinker on September 15, 2017 (Accession No. SPA0028).

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**Historical Note:**

Noah M. Gingerich was born in Bucklin, Kansas, on January 27, 1916, to Moses and Lydia Gingerich. He married Lucy Mullet on February 13, 1941. Together they had nine children but only six survived to adulthood. This included his children Roy Ringerich, Ruth Gingerich, Martha Fricke, Virginia Schlabach, Pauline Miller, and Luke Gingerich. He began his writing career in 1989 working for *Budget* newspaper, a paper in Sugarcreek, Ohio, dedicated to covering the news in the lives of Amish and Mennonite communities across the nation. He wrote for *Budget* until 1999.

In 2006, his book *The History of Pinecraft 1925-1960: A Historical Album of the Amish and Mennonites in Pinecraft, Florida* was published. This book contained letters from his time at *Budget*, as well as personal commentary. He died December 30, 2006, in Uniontown, Ohio, following a short illness.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged into the following three series:

Vacation  
Writings  
Correspondence

**Scope and Content Note:**

**Vacation**

This series includes photographs, papers, brochures, and artwork from the vacation taken to Ohio by Noah Gingerich and his family in 1990. This series is arranged chronologically.

**Writings**

This series includes newspaper clippings from Noah Gingerich's work for *Budget* newspaper from 1989 to 1999. The series is arranged chronologically and by topic.

**Correspondence**

This series includes letters written to and from Noah Gingerich. This series is arranged chronologically.

**Container List:**

f. 1-9	Vacation	
Box 001	f. 1-9	Vacation, 1990
f. 10-51	Writings	
	f. 10-46	Writings, 1989-1999
	f. 47	Editor's Corner, no date
	f. 48	Event Summary, no date
	f. 49	Food and Advice Columns, no date
	f. 50	Obituaries, 1997-1998
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	f. 52-55	Correspondence, 1990-1997
	f. 56	Family Records, no date

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