

Guide to the Narragansett Dawn Collection

Collection Overview:

Creators: Mary Ella Glasko (Redwing), Ernest Hazard, Marion W. Brown

Extent: 1.5 Linear Feet

Abstract: The Narragansett Dawn was a monthly periodical published from May 1935-August 1936-for a total of eighteen issues. This collection is comprised of the original handwritten submissions from a variety of authors, which were then edited by Redwing and Ernest Hazard and served as the content for the published Narragansett Dawn. The handwritten submissions are arranged by subject and includes, but is not limited to; poetry, business directories, Narragansett language lessons, social notes, humor, editorials, stories and community notes, most of which were published. The collection also includes two ledgers for subscriptions and fourteen published issues housed in the Tomaquag Museum Archive.

Language of Materials: English, Narragansett

Repository: Tomaquag Museum Archive

Collection Number: Ms. Narragansett Dawn

Date Range: 1935 - 1937

Content: All items are related to the publication of the monthly periodical The Narragansett Dawn “published in the interest of the Narragansett Indian Tribe of Indians” from May 1935-October 1936 in two volumes for a total of eighteen issues.

Arrangement: Arranged categorically into three series; hand written submissions, ledgers and publications.

Series 1: Handwritten submissions

Series 2: Subscriber/Bookkeeping ledgers

Series 3: Published issues

Access & Use:

Access to Collection: Access to the collection is based upon staff availability and is by appointment only.

Use: Reproduction and use of materials may be subject to fees. The museum requests that a final copy of the publication or academic paper produced with our collection material is donated to the museum upon completion of project.

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About the Collection:

Acquisition: Donated by Redwing (Mary E. Glasko).

Processing Information: Rehoused, arranged and inventory created January-February 2023

About the Finding Aid

Author: Handwritten submission inventory and transcriptions, Kate Cullen-Fry, January-February 2023. Finding Aid by Anthony M. Belz, February 2023

Encoding: EAD

Descriptive Rules: DACS

Additional Information: Numbers 1-17 are digitized and available at [Digital Commons@URI](#)

Number 18 is digitized in the Tomaquag Museum Archives and is available upon request.

Series 1: Handwritten Submissions The original, handwritten submissions to the Narragansett Dawn, which were then edited and published. Note that certain items are transcribed and available upon request.

Inventory:

Folder 1: Narragansett Dawn Index; Creed; Intro (7 items)

- 1 half sheet handwritten paper outlining index
- 1 Narragansett Dawn General Index typewritten
- 1 handwritten paper outlining Dawn index
- 1 handwritten paper titled Narragansett Tribal Creed
- 1 handwritten half sheet paper titled Narragansett Dawn for June
- 1 handwritten half sheet letter describing Narragansett. Dawn
- 1 1/8th hand drawn prototype for The Narragansett Dawn cover

Folder 2: Narragansett Dawn Submissions (19 items)

- 1 half sheet typed poem titled THE WANDERER
- 1 typed paper titled Business Directory (1 copy) (May 1935)
- 2 half sheet handwritten papers for poem titled When the Muses Court the Hour 2
- 1 half sheet pamphlet titled Great Swamp Memorial Pilgrimage
- 1 typed flyer dated August 10th 1935 “Panny’s Musical Merrimacs”
- 1 paper typewritten - page 2 of poem (page 1 missing)
- 1 typewritten paper titled “ARTHUR C PARKER WINS 1936 AWARD”
- 1 half sheet typewritten paper titled “MOTHER’S PAGE”
- 1 typewritten paper titled “SUNRISE NEWS” (Transcribed)
- 1 typewritten paper titled “SUNRISE NEWS 2” (Transcribed)
- 1 typewritten paper titled “SUNRISE NEWS 3” (on back handwritten half sheet) (Transcribed)
- 1 half sheet handwritten paper titled “Indian Humor” by Fred V. Brown
- 3 handwritten pages front and back letter from Rising Sun to Princess Redwing (1 copy)
- 1/3 sheet handwritten on social notes (misc. notes)
- 1 half sheet handwritten paper on social notes and events
- 1 handwritten page titled social notes
- 1 handwritten page titled social notes
- 1 typewritten page titled SOCIAL NOTES Page 1
- 1 typewritten page titled MILESTONES (1 copy)

Folder 3: Narragansett Dawn Articles/Editorials (14 items)

- 2 handwritten pages titled “Trout Fishing” by Lone Wolf (1 copy; transcribed) (May 1935)
- 2 handwritten pages front and back titled “Succotash” by Mother Glasko (1 copy; transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page titled “Voting Two Generations Ago” (1 copy; transcribed) (May 1935)
- 1 half sheet handwritten labeled “Editorial for May” (transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page titled “THE MOTHER OF THE NARRAGANSETTS” by Mrs. Julia Davis (1 copy; transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page titled “Editorial by the Editor” (1 copy; transcribed)
- 4 typewritten pages titled “Chief Pine Tree” (transcribed) (May 1935 issue)
- 3 typewritten pages titled “Editorial by the Editor” (1 copy; transcribed)
- 3 page copy titled “TRADITION” (transcribed)
- 3 page copy titled “THE BROKEN TREATY” by Fred B. Brown (transcribed) (May 1935)
- 1 page copied titled “KEEPER OF RECORDS” (transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page titled “A Word of Welcome and Encouragement” (“What Cheer Netop!” By Prophet) by Ernest Hazard (transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page titled “TRUST AND WAIT” by Irving G. Hoff (transcribed)
- 2 typewritten pages titled “Chief Black Hawk Speaks:” by Chief Black Hawk (transcribed)

Folder 4: Narragansett Dawn Notes for Articles (22 items)

- 2 handwritten half sheet pages titled “pathfinder” “tomaquag” writing on back (transcribed)

- 2 handwritten half sheet notes front and back on social notes
- 1 half sheet poem “forenoon and afternoon”
- 1 handwritten page folded into squares poem “Thru the Valley of Many Shadows”
- 1 half sheet handwritten page titled “Four things we must learn”
- 2 mostly blank parchment papers with [1936?] written on both
- 1 half sheet handwritten story “Pat had 60 hats”
- 1 half sheet handwritten note-taking Noka genealogy
- 1 half sheet handwritten titled human philosophy
- 1 half sheet note on persons and places of employment
- 1 half sheet handwritten rough draft of Dawn cover
- 1 half sheet handwritten notes and questions on Indianhood and facts front and back
- 5 handwritten square sheets front and back titled “Ceremonies” (transcribed)
- 1 handwritten note page titled “Chief Sachem and members of the Narragansett Tribe” by Fred Brown (1 copy)
- 1 handwritten note page titled “The Algonquin, or Original men” by Fred Brown (1 copy)
- 3 handwritten note pages on notes for subjects for Dawn (copies for each)
- 1 half sheet typewritten titled “Ink”
- 1 handwritten sheet on Ink
- 1 sheet with writing at top “Old Indian John took it home”
- 2 page illegible black and white copies of notes
- 1 handwritten sheet with notes on Canonicus
- 1 handwritten sketched out prototype for Dawn Index

Folder 5: Narragansett Language (21 items)

- 1/8th handwritten sheet “intra pelliculam quemque”
- 1/8th handwritten sheet “words handed down by mouth”
- 1 typewritten sheet titled “Narragansett Tribal Creed”
- 2 handwritten sheets titled “Lesson 3 - Narragansett Tongue” (Transcribed)
- 1 handwritten sheet titled “imperative verbs” (1copy; transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page front and back titled “II” (1 copy; transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page titled “Chapter 2” (1 copy; transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page front and back titled “Water-tight basket” (1 copy; transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page titled “L.H. - - 9745 - - R Westerly Library” (1 copy; transcribed)
- 1 cardboard page handwritten “Quonsett Pt = Place of shells”
- 1 handwritten page titled “XX clothing” (transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page front and back titled “Chap. XIX of fishing” (transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page front and back titled “XXI of Religion” (transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page front and back titled “XXII gov.” (Transcribed)
- 3 handwritten pages titled “Chapter II” (transcribed)
- 1 handwritten page titled “Chap. III” (transcribed)
- 2 typewritten pages titled “Chapter 5” (transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page titled “Chapter 6 of the family and business of the house” (transcribed)
- 1 typewritten page (handwritten on bottom and back) titled “Cap. XVII of beasts” (transcribed)

- 4 typewritten pages on “Food Chapter 2” (transcribed)
- 15 handwritten half sheets front and back on language

Folder 6: Letters/Correspondence (17 items)

- 3 empty letter envelopes addressed to the Dawn
- 5 typewritten pages “COPIES OF LETTERS BEARING GREETINGS TO THE TRIBE” (transcribed)
- 1 typewritten letter from Dr. William Hale to Princess Redwing
- 1 typewritten letter dated April 15, 1975 from Gordon Loff to Redwing
- 1 typewritten letter dated July 22, 1937 from Peabody Museum to Redwing
- 1 typewritten letter dated Feb. 7th, 1935 from Rutland Daily Herald to Redwing
- 1 typewritten letter to Eagle Eye
- 1 typewritten page from the Narragansetts to State of Rhode Island
- 1 handwritten letter dated Feb. 1935 from Ernest to Redwing
- 1 typewritten letter from Redwing to Mr. and Mrs. Black Hawk
- 1 typewritten letter from Doris to Minnehaha
- 1 postcard addressed to Redwing
- 1 folded handwritten letter dated Jan. 21, 1936 from Stella M. Ives to Redwing
- 1 folded handwritten letter dated Aug 26 1936 from William L. James
- 1 handwritten letter dated June 2, 1936 from Marion Brown to Redwing
- 1 handwritten letter dated Nov. 14, 1936 from Marion to Redwing
- 1 handwritten letter from Marion Brown to Redwing

Folder 7: Subscription requests; payments and invoices (43 items)

- 1 Dawn order subscription to Mary Wilson
- 1/8th sheet of subscription order notes
- 1/8th sheet with address of Mrs. R.B. Mars
- 10 1/8th yellow sheets with lists of addresses and Dawn updates
- 1 folded page with names for money owed
- 1 folded handwritten page dated March 30th 1936 to Redwing
- 5 1/8th handwritten sheets for money orders
- 1 scrap of paper with name of Mr. Robert Drysdale address and payment
- 1 1/8th sheet with names of Miss C. M. Field and address
- 1 1/8th sheet dawn request dated Sept. 20th 1935 with address for Chief Sunset
- 1 half sheet with names and addresses
- 2 scraps of paper with names and addresses for Mr. Daniel Kay and Mrs. Arthur Collins
- 1 back of envelope with names and addresses
- 1 handwritten half sheet letter dated Sept. 9, 1935 from Clara Peckham to Ms. Peek
- 1 half sheet money order from Mrs. Harold C Burdick
- 1/8th handwritten sheet dated Mar 21, 1936 Marion N. Brown
- 1/8th handwritten sheet with list of money for advertisements
- 1 folded page dated Sept. 18, 1935 with list of subscriptions on front
- Series of handwritten half sheets with names, addresses and orders dated 1935

- 1 handwritten half sheet subscription for May issue of Dawn
- 1 handwritten half sheet money orders from Marion Brown with date of 1935
- 1 handwritten half sheet dated Feb. 9, 1936 subscriptions
- 1 handwritten lined sheet with names, addressees and dues
- 1 half sheet lined paper with money order at top
- 1 half sheet lined paper with address of Jason P
- 1 half sheet handwritten paper titled "June Dawns 27th 1936"
- 1 handwritten lined sheet dated May 13th, 1935 "Sale of Narragansett Dawn"
- 1 handwritten half sheet "report July 1936 Dawn"
- 1 handwritten sheet dated June 20 '35 subscriptions
- 1 handwritten sheet dated Feb. 29, 1936 Dawns sold
- 1 handwritten sheet subscriptions by Marion Brown dated July
- 1 handwritten sheet by Marion Brown "Books Dawn Sold for yearly subscription"
- 1 handwritten letter dated June 3, 1935 from Clara Peckham to Mrs. Peek
- 1 handwritten sheet titled Dawns Sold 1 year subscription by Marion Brown
- 1 handwritten sheet dated Oct. 6, 1935 Subscription of the Dawn
- 5 typewritten page Sales Summary dated July 1932
- 1 typewritten letter dated May 9, 1935 from Huntington Free Library and Reading Room to Redwing
- 1 half sheet typewritten letter dated 4/19/35 from West Unity Woolen Mills to Redwing
- 1 half sheet typewritten letter dated August 6, 1936 from Public Library of Newark New Jersey librarian Beatrice Winsor to Redwing
- 1 handwritten card dated August 20, 1936 from May Guervey to Redwing
- 1 half sheet typewritten letter dated July 15, 1935 from State of Rhode Island to Redwing
- 1 half sheet handwritten letter dated Feb. 18, 1936 from to Redwing
- 1 half sheet handwritten letter dated March 29th 1937 from Theodore Brown to Redwing

Folder 8: Miscellaneous (3 items)

- 5 half sheet handwritten pages titled "The Indian Chiefs Soliloquy" by Flying Squirrel
- 3 handwritten pages front and back on the story of Wequanantash (transcribed)
- 1 copy Providence Journal newspaper clipping

Series 2: Subscriber ledgers

Two ledgers, one large, one small documenting the subscribers of the Narragansett Dawn and bookkeeping for the publication.

1 large ledger

1 small ledger

Series 3: Published Editions

A collection of the published editions of the Narragansett Dawn. Missing from the archive are Volume 1 Number 3, July 1935, Volume 1 Number 6, October 1935, Volume 1 Number 12, April 1936 and Volume 2 Number 4 August 1936.

Volume 1 Number 1 May 1935	2 Copies
Volume 1 Number 2 June 1935	1 Copy
Volume 1 Number 4 August 1935	1 Copy
Volume 1 Number 5 September 1935	2 Copies
Volume 1 Number 7 November 1935	3 Copies
Volume 1 Number 8 December 1935	3 Copies
Volume 1 Number 9 January 1936	3 Copies
Volume 1 Number 10 February 1936	3 Copies
Volume 1 Number 11 March 1936	7 Copies
Volume 2 Number 1 May 1936	5 Copies
Volume 2 Number 2 June 1936	3 Copies
Volume 2 Number 3 July 1936	105 Copies
Volume 2 Number 5 September 1936	13 Copies
Volume 2 Number 6 October 1936	4 Copies