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Bryan K. Whitehead Collection

Collection Number	MS 273
Title	The Bryan K. Whitehead Collection
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Special Collections & University Archives, Pittsburg, Kansas 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
Dates	1948-2005
Collection Size	23 linear feet
Creator	Bryan Whitehead
Scope and Content	A collection of programs, documents, brochures, maps, and postcards relating to railroads, music, and Bryan K. Whitehead's travels.
Access Restrictions	This collection is open for access. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections & University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University
Languages	English
Biographical Note	Bryan K. Whitehead (1925-2008) was born in Shawnee, Oklahoma to Joseph and Mary Miller Whitehead. He and his family moved to Pratt, Kansas in 1936 where he attended school until his high school graduation in 1942. Before attending Kansas State Teachers College of Emporia, Bryan worked as a Rock Island Railroad clerk. Bryan and Mary Hertlein were married in 1943. He served as a musician in the Army Air Corps during World War II, becoming an active musician among the community upon his return. Bryan performed in choral productions, in the Presbyterian Church, and in the Independence Symphony. He returned to working at the railroad until his retirement in 1985. After that, Bryan and Mary traveled the United States and abroad. Their travels followed symphonies and operas, trains, and other sights and events.

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- The Kansas City Symphony Society
- Kansas City Symphony
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- Friends of Jazz
- Friends of Symphony
- Des Moines Opera
- Season Subscriptions
- Lyric Opera Guild
- *We Got More Than We Gave: A History of the Kansas City Lyric Opera Guild*, Don F. Dagenais
- Scott Joplin Festival Sedalia; June 4 to 7, 1992
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- Folly Theatre
- Cathedral Artist Series
- KC Ballet
- WM. Jewell Fine Arts
- The Rep
- Chicago Lyric Opera
- Metropolitan Opera Guild
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- Presbyterian Church Choir
- KCKC Comm. Chorus England Tour; March 11-18, 1993
- KCKCC Community Choir
- Independence Symphony (2)

Box 8

- Contributions to Arts
- Kansas City Symphony Jazz, Ballet, and Theater
- Santa Fe Opera; August 19 to 23, 1998
- Lyric Opera Guild New York; December 13-18, 1993
- Lyric Opera Guild Chicago; September 17-19, 1993
- Paris Lyric Guild 3-20-98 to 3-28-98
- Lyric Guild – New York; November 19-23, 1992
- London 3-6-93 to 3-11-93
- Rail Travel Tour Branson Ozarks/Rail Music Tour; September 2-12, 1992
- Des Moines Metro Opera Programs

Box 11

- Metro Opera October 1986
- Sam Ramey – Basso, Lawrence 11-20-88
- Chicago Lyric Opera; Nov. 25, 26, 27, 1988
- Lyric Guild Trip New York; March 15 to 19, 1989
- Lyric Guild San Francisco; Oct. 5-9, 1989
- Spain by Train 1986
- Intl Railway Traveler
- Lyric/KXTR Tours
- Lyric Australia Tour 1986
- Santa Fe Opera
- Lyric Tour Seattle
- Chicago Lyric Opera 1985
- New York Opera Tour; October 5 to 9, 1988
- Met. Op. & New York; Oct 1987
- Chicago magazines
- Lyric Opera Programs

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- Lyric Guild: Omaha Domingo 9/3 - 4/89
- Train/Railway Maps, Guides, Programs, and Magazines

Box 12

- Chicago – Lyric Guild, Oct. 11-13, 1996
- Lyric Guild to Washington, DC & Baltimore, MD
- Des Moines Opera “Grasshoppers”; June 26-27-28, 1992
- Lyric Guild Trip New York; Feb 14-18, 1990
- Handbell Camp Parkville; July 22 to 26, 1991
- Lyric Guild Trip New York 3/27-32/91
- Lyric Guild Trip, Chicago Lyric Opera; January 10-12, 1992
- Aspen Music Festival 7-31-91 to 8-4-91
- Lyric Guild Trip New York: Oct. 23-27, 1991
- Lyric Guild Trip San Francisco; June 12-15, 1992
- Lyric CAN/CHGO Tour 1985
- Frisco Opera Trip; Sept 1986
- Festival of Fine Arts England/France 1984
- Lyric Opera Festival of Music at Sea Royal Viking Line; May 9 to 23, 1983
- Lyric Guild Trip Chicago; September 18-20, ‘92
- Lyric Guild Trip Chicago, January 10-12, 1992
- San Francisco Opera Programs: Il Barbiere di Siviglia, L’Italiana in Algeri, and Guillaume Tell
- Aspen Music Festival 1991
- Des Moines Metro Opera Program 1992

Box 13

- Des Moines Opera 7-12, 13, 14-1991
- Lyric Guild Trip San Francisco; Oct. 25-29, 1990
- Rail to the Maritimes; July 1990
- Nova Scotia Festival Guidebook
- Opera Theatre of Saint Louis: The Fifteenth Season, 1990
- Des Moines Opera Program; June 22-July 15, 1990
- Iowa Visitors Guide and Events
- San Francisco Opera Programs 1990 Season: Don Quichotte, Un Ballo In Maschera, Capriccio
- Performing Arts: American Conservatory Theater/1990-91 Season
- Des Moines Opera Program; June 21 – July 14, 1991
- Des Moines Opera Program; June 20 – July 13, 1986
- Des Moines Opera Program; June 23 – July 16, 1989
- Des Moines Opera Program; June 17 – July 10, 1988
- *Metro* News; Des Moines Metro Opera Newsletter – Spring 1988
- Correspondence over going to Omaha’s Fall Festival, 1998
- Correspondence over the Missouri Days schedule
- Alitalia, Trenton Junior College presents Italian Art Odyssey, May 15-19, 1988

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- Metro News; Des Moines Metro Opera Newsletter – Spring 1989
- Memorandum; January 9 & 26, 1988
- Grasshopper War newspaper clippings
- Metro News; Des Moines Metro Opera Newsletter – Winter 1988
- The Great Opera Express Ad
- Kansas City Newspaper Clippings, 1987 & 1989
- Canadian brochures, maps, programs, and guides
- American Amtrak guides

Series 2: Trains

Box 2

- Certificates of Shares of Chicago Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company, 1948, 1957, and 1968
- Railroad Bank 10 Dollars
- Cassette tapes of trains and a talent show
- Train Calendars 1993-2005

Box 3

- Midland Railway
- Brac Local No. 136
- Santa Fe No. 3751 Topeka Railroad Day; 9-6-1992
- NRHS San Jose Conv.; July 22-26, 1992
- Liberal Lodge No. 1107
- Retirement Plan Grand Lodge Staff
- Railroad Retirement/BA 6/Misc.
- Retirement Dinner 5/23/85
- Retirement 1985
- Railroad Retirement 4/1/1985
- Amtrak
- Conrail
- NARVRE KS. Legis. Comm.
- NARVRE
- Smoky Hill Railway
- Dodge C Ford and Burklin Railroad
- Durango Narrow Gauge RR

Box 10

- Train Magazines
- Tennessee Valley RR
- Railfan 6/16/89 to 6/23/89
- California RR – April 1989
- Rail Trail Center

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Box 18

- Clippings (2)
- National Railway Historical Society
- KC RR Museum and Hist. Society
- TCU Interchange
- UP 3985 92/93
- UP No. 3985
- Abilene & Smoky Valley Railroad Association
- RR, Miscellaneous (4)
- Train Publications/Papers
- 1994 Datebook
- Railfan Tour 6-5-90 to 6-13-90
- Colorado RR Tour August 1986

Box 19

- Classic Toy Trains
- Classic Trains
- Flyer, The
- Interchange
- Local, The
- Model Railroader
- Nat. Assoc. Railroad Passengers
- NARVRE Newsletter
- NR Bulletin (4)
- NRHS News
- Rail Reflection
- Rail Ties
- Trains (3)
- UTU News
- “Iron Horse Legacy” 1990, Jay Tschetter

Box 22

- Train Mural 12/3/98
- Train Whistle
- *National Railway Bulletin* Volume 60, Number 5, 1995 – Volume 64, Number 1, 1999
- Union Pacific Railroad Photos
- Train publications

Bag of train souvenirs, buttons, pins, and a conductor’s hat

Series 3: Travel

Box 4

- Greece/Venice 1983

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- San Francisco, CA 1986
- Germany Switzerland Austria 1981
- USSR 1983 #1, #2, #3
- London/Paris 1984
- Cape Girardeau, MO; Huntsville, AL; Chattanooga, TN 1988
- Cass Scenic Railroad 1989
- Montreal/Quebec 1984

Box 5

- New England
- Upper Miss. River Cruise 1980
- PA Fall 1988
- Hawaii ?
- 5-6 Hawaii 1989
- 5-1B New Zealand 1987
- 5-10 Hawaii
- 5-11 Pacific NW 1979
- 5-8 New England 1988
- 5-8B NE Postcards
- Mesa Verde, Colorado
- 5-12B Hawaii '75
- 5-12A Hawaii '75
- 5-12C
- 5-13

Box 6

- 6-8B Chicago '89
- 6-8A Chicago '89
- 6-7B Alaska '86
- 6-7A Alaska '86
- Brochures 6-3B
- St. Louis Docs 6-3A
- Canada '90 6-5B
- Canada '90 6-5A
- Hawaii Nov-Dec '89 6-4B
- Hawaii '80 6-4A
- Toronto '79 6-3C
- Toronto '79 6-3B
- Toronto '79 6-3A
- Canada 1979 6-2
- Chicago 1992 6-1
- Canada '85 10B
- Washington Dc 1982 11A
- Seattle '69 6-9

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- Canada '85 10A

Box 7

- *Where Washington* November '96 + Maps and Guides
- Bags from various US and European trips with postcards, maps, and brochures

Box 9

- New Zealand Rail Cruise Tour; February 12 to March 14, 1986
- NRHS Convention; June 12 to 17, 1990
- Alpine Tour; August 1981
- Delta Queen 10/87
- Alaska Rail Cruise Vancouver Expo '86
- Colorado travel guides and programs
- Alaska June 1986
 - Alaska Tour Brochures
- Canadian Rockies Tour June 1985
- Eureka Springs
- Panama Canal Cruise
- Hawaiian Cruise
- Various guides

Box 10

- Soviet Union
 - Russian Tour
- Travel and Politics:*
- Newspapers on Soviet Russia
 - Black binder with writing on the USSR 1983
 - Papers and Correspondence about Study Abroad in the Soviet Union (1980s)
 - Trade Union School Certificate

Box 20

- Caribbean Cruise
- International Tours: Spain
- New Orleans; May 1978
- Kansas Travel Guides, Brochures, and Maps
- Oklahoma and Missouri guides
- West United States Guides
- Miscellaneous News Articles
- Santa Fe; August 1978
- Washington-Baltimore

Box 23

- Hawaii 11/22/89 to 12/3/89

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- Las Vegas
- Various guides to various places
- Travel souvenir buttons, pins, matches, and coins

Series 4: Politics

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- Kansas Legislator directories, news, rules, and other Kansas government information; 1960s and 70s
- Kansas City Kansas Community College PACE papers
- PACE 4-9-83
- P.A.C.E.
- Heartland Labor Festival; Sept. 12 & 13, 1992
- Lottery
- Nader Public Citizen
- Supreme Court Kansas
- Supreme Court “The Brethren”
- Supreme Court US
- Vietnam/Antiestablishment Organization correspondence
- University newspapers
- Vietnam Pro & Con newspapers

Box 16

- Central Labor Councils
- Demo Committee 1986
- Thompson Murder
- Solidarity Singers
- Labor Kansas K.C., MO
- Legal and Judicial
- Solidarity Music
- Industrial Revenue Bonds
- KC Area Trans. Auth.
- K.C. MO – ATA & MARC & Miscl.
- KCK Taxation
- Pres. Bill Clinton, 1993
- Consumer Reports
- Common Cause
- Census 1980
- Airlines Misc.
- KCK Wya. County Democrats
- KCK Industrial Revenue Bonds
- KCK Convention Center
- KC KS Gov’t Commission
- KCK Form of Gov’t

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- KCK BD. O Public Utilities
- KCK Wyandotte County
- KCK Port Authority

Box 17

- 11-4 B
- Wya. Co. Politics 1984
- H.R. 6092 3/27/85
- R.C.P.L.
- Pratt
- News
- Wyandotte County Voter Party Affiliation
- Wyandotte County Precinct and Committee Info
- Wyandotte County Election
- Kansas Department of Transportation
- 11-4
- Campaign Ads and Info
- Campaign Pins, Buttons, and Stickers
- Address Cards
- Kansas State Flag Plate

Box 17 Overflow

- Ward II Precinct 4 B
- Wya. Demo 1982
- Pins

Series 5: Masonic, Organization, Personal

Box 14

- Abdallah Temple 1991 yearbook
- *Knight Templar* publication; Vol. XVI No. 7 to January 1974, Vol XX No. 1, July 1969
- Masonic
- Kilwinning Lodge No. 265 AF & AM; Grand Lodge and Misc.
- *The Kansas York Rite Light* Vol. 2, No. 1, April 1972 to Vol. 4, No. 2, September 1973
- *Shriner News: Imperial Council Publication*
- Abdallah Correspondence and News
- Strickland Lodge No. 452
- Sherman Lodge No. 369
- Masonic Box with meeting guides, correspondence, other papers, and mini Masonry Trowels

Box 22

- Session 1988
- Session 1987
- Nominating Committee

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- Search for Christ
- First Presbyterian Church

Box 21

- Quindaro Landfill
- Fred and Penn Valley
- Fred and Carol / Loans
- BKW – Misc. Correspondence
- Mix Correspondence
- Quindaro and Fred's Misc.
- Masonic Mail
- Personal Mail and Papers
- Masonic Pins
- Masonic Publications
- Photos

Box 22

- Urban Renewal
- SR 1858 4/26/85
- KC Labor Address and Tele.
- Marlin Cooper
- Bill Clause
- Chicago Phone Bank Photos 1994
- *Our Flag*
- Newspaper clippings 1981 and 1982
- *Electing Union Officers*
- AFL-CIO Codes of Ethical Practices
- Directory of Labor Organizations in Kansas
- *We are Involved!* A BRAC international affairs program report
- *Opera News*; November 2001 and December 2001
- Notebook
- Grammar notes
- *Soviet Life*; October 1972
- News Articles on Kennedy's Assassination