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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Earl Shaffer Papers
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0828
Date:	(bulk 1803 - 2007, undated)
Extent:	16 Cubic feet (46 boxes, 14 oversize folders)
Creator:	Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002
Language:	Collection text is in English.
Summary:	This collection contains the trail diaries, papers, photographs and slides, and writings of Earl V. Shaffer, the man credited with being the first person to hike the entire Appalachian Trail (AT). His complete trail hikes took place in 1948, 1965, and 1998. He was also a hiking and nature enthusiast and advocate.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The collection was donated to the Archives Center, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian in April 2003 by John Shaffer, Earl V. Shaffer's brother.

Separated Materials

Materials at the National Museum of American History

The Division of Culture and the Arts contain the following:

Accession#: 2002.0195

Kodak camera used by Earl Shaffer on his first thru-hike of the Appalachian Trail in 1948 and the flannel shirt, cotton trousers, leather hiking boots, knit cap, and canvas backpack he used for his 1998 hike.

Accession#: 1999.0189

Backpack, boots, pith helmet, head net, poncho, and a cook-set, all used by Earl Shaffer on two of his hikes of the Appalachian Trail, 1948 and 1965.

Available Formats

Select diaries in Series 3 digitized in 2014.

Processing Information

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Restrictions

Collection is open for research. Use reference copies of diaries.

Conditions Governing Use

Copyrights to all donated materials, both printed and photographic, are retained exclusively by the Earl Shaffer Foundation.

Accruals

Addenda were donated by John Shaffer in 2004 and 2003; Earl Shaffer Foundation in 2007, 2008, 2009, and 2012; and David Shaffer in 2014.

Biographical / Historical

Earl Victor Shaffer (1918-2002) is credited as the first person to hike the entire Appalachian Trail (AT) from Georgia to Maine. Shaffer was born on November 8th, 1918 in York, Pennsylvania to Daniel and Frances Gallagher Shaffer. One of his most influential childhood friends was Walter Winemiller. Shaffer termed Winemiller, ". . . the most capable outdoorsman I had ever known." They grew up together in and around York. When WWII broke out Shaffer joined the Army and Winemiller joined the Marines. Shaffer served in the Army Signal Corps from April 15, 1941 to September 17, 1945. Three years and three months of his service was in the Pacific Theatre based in Hawaii but for a good amount of time on detached service on various outposts and combat islands. Winemiller died in the assault on Iwo Jima and Shaffer's decision to hike the AT in 1948 was in his own words a testament to his friend and ". . . to eradicate as much as possible the lingering effects of that wartime service in the tropics." He wrote that when he was in the army the three books he had with him were the Bible, an Oxford English Dictionary and a volume of Rudyard Kipling's poems. It was during his time in the army that his love of writing poetry manifested itself.

Shaffer hiked the entire AT for the first time in 1948 traveling south to north. This trek is detailed in his book *Walking With Spring*. For the rest of his life Shaffer was a trail enthusiast and participated in local and national hiking clubs and events. In 1951 Shaffer was named corresponding secretary for the Appalachian Trail Conference (ATC). Shaffer hiked the AT north to south in 1965. Shaffer lived his entire life in and around York, Pennsylvania. He wanted to purchase property for a permanent home near the Appalachian Trail. This dream almost became a reality in the 1980s when Shaffer purchased a small parcel of land near the trail. With the ramifications of the 1968 National Trails System Act and the land purchasing policies of the National Park Service conflicting with his desires Shaffer sold his land near the trail to the National Park Service and broke ties with the ATC over their handling of the affair.

Shaffer continued writing poetry throughout his life. He wrote prose almost always centered on his experiences in the army or while hiking. He self published *Walking With Spring* in 1981. In 1983, the ATC published the work with Shaffer donating his share of the proceeds to the ATC. In 1998, Shaffer decided to undertake a 50th Anniversary hike commemorating his 1948 hike of the entire AT. He was seventy-nine years old. He completed the hike in October 1998 and gained much national notoriety for it. Shaffer was a carpenter and beekeeper. He also refinished and repaired furniture. Shaffer never married but maintained ties to a large, extended, and supportive family. Shaffer's health gradually deteriorated after his last AT hike and he died on May 5, 2002. The Earl Shaffer Foundation was founded in his honor and is based in York, Pennsylvania.

Scope and Contents

The collection contains correspondence, trail diaries (including those from Shaffer's 1948, 1965 and 1998 hikes of the Appalachian Trail), maps and trail guides, writings (most notably drafts of *Walking With Spring*), galley proofs from his final book *Calling Me Back to the Hills*, and printed material from hiking and environmental organizations. The collection contains items relating to Shaffer's early life and education, such as diplomas, a baptismal certificate, papers from his years in elementary school, and materials relating to his Army service. One extremely important item found in Series 5 is an article by Benton MacKaye (founder of the AT) that is inscribed to Earl from the author. The bulk of the collection spans the years 1903-2002. There is one item from 1803 (a land deed) and one item each, compact discs, from 2004 and 2007. The collection is divided into five series. Addendums were donated in 2004, 2007, 2008, and 2012 consisting of additional letters and poetry, and a book of poetry entitled *South of the Sunset*.

Arrangement

This collection is divided into five series.

Series 1: Biographical information, 1803-2006

Subseries 1.1: Shaffer Family Papers, 1873-1998

Subseries 1.2: Education, 1918-1980, undated

Subseries 1.3: Army, 1940-1948, undated

Subseries 1.4: Personal Documents, 1803-2006, undated

Subseries 1.5: Correspondence, 1945-2005, undated

Series 2: Materials Related to Hiking, 1935-2002

Subseries 2.1: Trail Notes, Diaries and General Information, 1935-1998, undated

Subseries 2.2: Photographs and Slides, 1940-2001, undated

Subseries 2.3: Maps and Plats, 1936-1998, undated

Series 3: Writing and Related Materials, 1910-2007, undated

Series 4: Hiking Associations and Clubs, 1937-2002, undated

Series 5: Collected Publications, 1910-1999, undated

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Sports

Trails

Geographic Names:

Appalachian Trail

Geography -- Maine

Maryland

Pennsylvania

Tennessee

Virginia

West Virginia -- Trails and roads

Container Listing

Series 1: Biographical Information, 1803-2006, undated

This series contains materials relating to the Shaffer family as well as Earl Shaffer. This series is divided into five subseries: Subseries 1.1: Shaffer Family Papers, 1873-1998; Subseries 1.2: Education, 1918-1980; Subseries 1.3: Army, 1940-1948, undated; Subseries 1.4: Personal Documents, 1903-2006, undated and Subseries 1.5: Correspondence, 1945-2005. All series are arranged chronologically.

Subseries 1.1: Shaffer Family Papers, 1873-1998, undated

This subseries contains papers relating to the Shaffer family of York, Pennsylvania. There is minimal correspondence, some farming related documents, recipes and items pertaining to ship building at Hog Island, Pennsylvania and programs from YMCA events. There are religious tracts as well as school documents for some of the Shaffer children. There is one item dated 1873, a diploma for R. S. Seitz.

Box 37, Folder 7	Iron City College, diploma, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 1873
Box 1, Folder 1	Family papers, 1903-1936
Box 1, Folder 2	Family papers, 1944-1974, undated
Box 1, Folder 3	Correspondence, 1933-1998, undated
Box 1, Folder 4	Recipes, 1910, undated

Subseries 1.2: Education, 1918-1980

Subseries B, Education, 1918-1980 contain biographical material and papers relating to Earl Shaffer's school life from grade school through high school. This series contains report cards, school composition notebooks and diplomas. This series contains Shaffer's high school yearbook and a program from the 45th reunion, the one item from 1980.

Box 35, Folder 1	Vital records (baptismal certificates, diplomas), 1918-1935
Box 1, Folder 5	School papers, 1924-1935, undated
Box 1, Folder 6	Report cards, 1924-1933
Box 1, Folder 7	English composition notebook (6th Grade), 1929-1930
Box 1, Folder 8	Spelling composition notebook (6th Grade), 1929-1930
Box 1, Folder 9	Junior High School Diploma, 1932

Box 1, Folder 10	Art composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 11	Health composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 12	History composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 13	Music composition notebook, undated
Box 1, Folder 14	Poetry composition notebook, undated
Box 41, Folder 1	Programs, 1929-1945
Box 41, Folder 2	"The Tatler", school newspaper, 1935
Box 41, Folder 3	45th Reunion William Penn Senior High, York, Pennsylvania, 1980

Subseries 1.3: Army, 1940-1948, undated

This subseries contains military orders, correspondence, and various other materials relating to Shaffer's army life.

Box 1, Folder 15	Papers, 1940-1948, undated
Box 38, Folder 1	Papers, 1943-1945, undated
Box 1, Folder 16	Orders, 1942-1945
Box 41, Folder 4	Correspondence, 1941-1945
Box 1, Folder 17	Correspondence, 1942-1945
Box 1, Folder 18	Newsletters, Ernie Pyle article, 1943-1944, undated
Box 1, Folder 19	Mementos and papers, 1943-1948, undated
Box 1, Folder 20	Church programs, 1944-1945
Box 2, Folder 1	Discharge papers, 1945
Box 2, Folder 2	Veterans papers, 1946-1948
Box 2, Folder 3	Map of New Caledonia, undated

Box 41, Folder 5 German idioms, undated
 Germanic languages.

Subseries 1.4: Personal Documents, 1803-2006, undated

This subseries contains documents of a personal and business nature. There is a biography and poetry written by Shaffer about and inspired by close friend Walter Winemiller. This series contains Shaffer's tax, medical records, material relating to Shaffer's land purchases and a program from his memorial service in 2002. This series also contains materials relating to the settlement of Shaffer's estate.

Box 2, Folder 4 Business and financial papers, 1942-1997

Box 2, Folder 5 Newspaper and magazine articles, 1946-2000

Box 2, Folder 6 Publishing and writing, 1954-1955, undated

Box 2, Folder 7 Mailing addresses, 1962-1972, undated

Box 2, Folder 8 Environmental legislation, 1963-1990

Box 2, Folder 9 Medical documents, 1967-2001

Box 2, Folder 10 Dogs incident, legal, 1976-1977

Box 2, Folder 11 Tax documents, 1977-1992, undated

Box 2, Folder 12 Land tract 368-20 South Middleton, Pennsylvania, 1982-1985

Box 2, Folder 13 Lecture and appearance material, 1998, undated

Box 2, Folder 14 Media information for the 1998 AT hike, 1998

Box 2, Folder 15 Awards and certificates, 1999

Box 2, Folder 16 Shaffer, Earl V. memorial service, program, 2002

Box 3, Folder 1 Winemuller, Walter, biography and poetry, undated

Box 3, Folder 2 Nature images, undated

Box 3, Folder 3 Diary, 1948

Box 3, Folder 4 Song list, undated

Box 3, Folder 5	Business cards, undated
Box 40	Business cards Appalachian Trail Conference badge, and driver's license, 1975-1994, undated
Box 37, Folder 8	Peach Glen Meadows, 1984
Box 38, Folder 5	Greb property, settlement sheet, 1980
Box 41, Folder 6	News clippings, 1955-2006, undated
Box 41, Folder 7	Financial, 1990-2003, undated
Box 41, Folder 8	Veteran's Administration, health, 1995-2001
Box 37, Folder 1	Deeds, 1803-1980
Box 41, Folder 9	Certificate, 1999
Box 41, Folder 10	Shaffer, Earl V., obituaries, 2002
Box 41, Folder 11	Shaffer, Earl V. estate documents, 2002-2004, undated
Box 41, Folder 12	Inventory of auction items, undated
Box 41, Folder 13	Hall of Fame, application, undated

Subseries 1.5: Correspondence, 1945-2005, undated

This subseries contains correspondence of a personal and business nature, received and written by Shaffer. The bulk of this subseries is undated. There is some correspondence written by other family members.

Box 3, Folder 6	Correspondence, 1945-1949, undated
Box 3, Folder 7	Correspondence, 1950-1959, undated
Box 3, Folder 8	Correspondence received, Papendick, Martin D., 1951-1954
Box 3, Folder 9	Correspondence, 1960-1969, undated
Box 3, Folder 10	Correspondence, 1970-1979, undated
Box 4, Folder 1	Correspondence, 1980-1983

Box 37, Folder 2	Oversize Correspondence, 1983-1998, undated
Box 4, Folder 2	Correspondence, 1984-1989
Box 4, Folder 3	Correspondence, 1990-1997
Box 4, Folder 4	Correspondence received, 1998
Box 4, Folder 5	E-mail correspondence, 1998 AT hike, 1998
Box 43, Folder 1	E-mail correspondence, 1998 AT Hike, 1998
Box 5, Folder 1	Correspondence received, 1999
Box 5, Folder 2	Correspondence "Along the Appalachian Trail", 1999-2000
Box 5, Folder 3	Correspondence received, 2000
Box 5, Folder 4	Correspondence received, 2001
Box 5, Folder 5	Correspondence, 2002
Box 5, Folder 6	Correspondence, 2002
Box 5, Folder 7	Correspondence, 2002
Box 5, Folder 8	Correspondence written, 1972-1995, undated
Box 6, Folder 1	Correspondence, undated
Box 6, Folder 2	Correspondence, Appalachian Trail Conference, 1948-2000, undated
Box 38, Folder 6	Correspondence, undated
Box 42, Folder 1	Correspondence, 1945-2005, undated
Box 42, Folder 2	Correspondence, 1949-2003, undated

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Series 2: Materials Related to Hiking, 1935-2002, undated

Subseries 2.1: Trail Notes Diaries and General Information, 1935-1998

This subseries is arranged with Shaffer's trail diaries in chronological order, state informational files are arranged alphabetically and contain general information about the state and occasionally about trails located in the state. The diaries found in this series are reference copies of the original diaries. The original diaries remain intact and can be found in box 39 but due to preservation concerns they are not available for research.

- Box 6, Folder 3;
Box 39 [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1948
 1 Item (5.5" x 4.0".)
 [Image\(s\): Trail diary](#)
 [Digital Content](#)
 Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
 English.
 Trail diary written Shaffer during the first hike to cover the entire length of the
 Appalachian Trail.

 In Box 39.

 Ink on paper.

 Topic: Hiking
 Trails

 Place: Appalachian Trail

 Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century
- Box 6, Folder 4 Slide identification (AT hike), 1948
- Box 6, Folder 5 AT hike, reference notes, 1948
- Box 44 Lecture Slides, AT hike, 1948
- Box 6, Folder 6 "The Long Cruise" (typescript notes), 1949
- Box 6, Folder 7 AT trail hike Boy Scouts of America Troop #94, 1959
- Box 6, Folder 8;
Box 39 [Cascade Crest Trail hike diary], 1963 24 June
 1 Item (4.7" x 6.6".)
 [Image\(s\): Cascade Crest, trail diary](#)
 Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
 English.
 Yellow covered trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Cascade Crest
 Trail.

 In Box 39.

Ink on paper.

Topic: Hiking
Trails

Place: Appalachian Trail

Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 9 Tennessee hike, trail diary (reference copy), 1964
[Image\(s\)](#)

Box 39 [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1964
1 Item (4.2" x 6.1".)
Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
English.
1964 trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Appalachian Trail.

In Box 39.

Ink on paper.

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Topic: Hiking
Trails

Place: Appalachian Trail

Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 10; [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1965
Box 39 *1 Item (4.7" x 6.7".)*
[Image\(s\): AT hike, trail diary](#)
Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
English.
1965 trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Appalachian Trail.

In Box 39.

Ink on paper.

Topic: Hiking
Trails

Place: Appalachian Trail

Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 11 ATC conference trip, diary, 1975

Box 6, Folder 12 Pinchot Trail data, 1981, undated

- Box 6, Folder 13 Other hikers, 1985-1998
- Box 6, Folder 14;
Box 39 The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 1 [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1998
1 Item (8.8" x 7.1".)
[Image\(s\): The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 1](#)
Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
English.
Trail diary written Shaffer during 1998 hike of the Appalachian Trail.
In Box 39.
Ink on paper.
Topic: Hiking
 Trails
Place: Appalachian Trail
Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century
- Box 6, Folder 15;
Box 39 The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 2, 1998
- Box 6, Folder 16;
Box 39 The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 3 [50th Anniversary Trail Diary], 1998
1 Item (5.4" x 7.0".)
[Image\(s\): The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 3](#)
Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
English.
Diary of 50th anniversary Applachian Trail hike by Earl Shaffer.
In Box 39.
Ink on paper.
Topic: Hiking
Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century
- Box 6, Folder 17;
Box 39 The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 4 [Appalachian Trail hike diary], 1998 , undated
1 Item (4.6" x 6.5".)
[Image\(s\): The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, trail diary, book 4](#)
Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
English.
Light blue covered trail diary written by Shaffer on hike of the Appalachian Trail.
In Box 39.

Ink on paper.

Topic: Hiking
Trails
Place: Appalachian Trail
Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 6, Folder 18 [Appalachian Trail hike diary], undated
1 Item (4.9" x 6.7").
[Image\(s\): Trail diary](#)
Shaffer, Earl V., 1918-2002, Author
English.
Trail diary written Shaffer during the 50th anniversary hike to cover the entire length of the Appalachian Trail.

In Box 39.

Ink on paper.

Topic: Hiking
Trails
Place: Appalachian Trail
Genre/Form: Diaries -- 20th century

Box 7, Folder 1 The Long Cruise, 50th Anniversary AT hike, 1998
Box 7, Folder 2 Tour guides and brochures, 1939-1971, undated
Box 7, Folder 3 Supply and outfitters, 1940-1985
Box 7, Folder 4 Native American, 1957, undated
Box 7, Folder 5; Trail diary, undated
Box 39
Box 7, Folder 6; Trail diary, undated
Box 39
Box 7, Folder 7 Trail notes, undated
Box 7, Folder 8 Trail recommendations Cumberland Valley, undated
Box 7, Folder 9 Trail guides, Northeast, undated
Box 7, Folder 10 Hiking supply lists

Box 7, Folder 11	Maine, 1992-1998, undated
Box 7, Folder 12	Maryland, undated
Box 7, Folder 13	New Jersey, undated
Box 7, Folder 14	New York, 1943, undated
Box 7, Folder 15	North Carolina, undated
Box 7, Folder 16	Ohio, undated
Box 7, Folder 17	Pennsylvania, 1957-1988, undated
Box 7, Folder 18	Vermont, 1947
Box 7, Folder 19	Virginia, 1935-1949, undated
Box 7, Folder 20	West Virginia, 1982-1984
Box 38, Folder 7	Hiking materials, 1982, undated
Box 39	Original trail diaries, 1948-1998
Box 42, Folder 3	Switzerland <i>Excursions in the Jungfrau Region</i> , undated

Subseries 2.2: Photographs and Slides, , 1940-2002, undated, undated

This subseries contains the original slides taken by Shaffer on his initial 1948 hike and subsequently used for his lectures. There are also photo prints taken from the slides and photographs sent to Shaffer from correspondents and friends. This subseries is arranged by subject.

Box 40	Army photographs, 1940-1948, undated Image(s)
Box 34, Folder 1-3	Appalachian Trail, slides, 1948 Image(s)
Box 34, Folder 4-6	Appalachian Trail, photographs, 1948, undated Image(s)
Box 34, Folder 7	50th Anniversary Celebration Pine Grove Furnace State Park, 1937-1987
Box 34, Folder 8	Photographs, 1981-2001, undated

Box 46 Photographs, 1998-2002, undated

Box 45 Photographic slides, 1948-1979, undated

Subseries 2.3: Maps and Plats, 1936-1998

This subseries is arranged according to geographic location and size. This series contains maps collected by Shaffer, some used in his hiking. Some maps are annotated in Shaffer's hand. This series also contains land plats for various real estate parcels that Shaffer either purchased or had an interest in.

Box 7, Folder 21 Allegheny Trail, undated

Box 7, Folder 22 Appalachian Trail, Ashby Gap, 1935

Box 7, Folder 23 Baxter State Park, 1978

Box 7, Folder 24 Michaux State Forest Mount Alto State Forest, 1941

Box 7, Folder 25 Pacific Crest Trail, undated

Box 7, Folder 26 Pennsylvania, 1947, undated

Map-folder 1 Appalachian National Scenic Trail Plats Segment 368, 1980-1985

Map-folder 2 Illinois, 1976

Map-folder 2 Indiana, 1977

Map-folder 3 Alaska, 1975

Map-folder 3 Washington State, 1961

Map-folder 4 Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia, 1952-1975

Map-folder 4 Shenandoah National Park, 1996-1997

Map-folder 5 Pennsylvania, 1964-1977

Map-folder 6 North Carolina and South Carolina, 1976

Map-folder 7 Benton McKaye, undated

Map-folder 7 Chesapeake Bay, 1957

Map-folder 7	Central United States, 1977
Map-folder 7	Maryland, 1979-1980
Map-folder 7	Missouri, undated
Map-folder 7	National Capital Region, 1956
Map-folder 7	North Carolina, 1942
Map-folder 7	Ohio, undated
Map-folder 8	Maine, 1979-1993
Map-folder 8	New Hampshire, 1941
Map-folder 8	New York, undated
Map-folder 8	Northeastern United States, 1941
Map-folder 9	Pennsylvania, 1936-1998
Map-folder 10	Pennsylvania, 1956-1974
Map-folder 11	Atlantic Ocean, 1955
Map-folder 11	Canada, 1936
Map-folder 11	Europe, 1943
Map-folder 11	North Africa, 1954
Map-folder 11	Southeast Asia, 1955
Map-folder 11	South America, 1958
Map-folder 11	The World, 1949-1957
Map-folder 11	United States, 1976
Map-folder 12	Pennsylvania, 1947-1969

Map-folder 13	National Parks and National Forests, 1941-1958
Map-folder 14	York York County Pennsylvania, 1947-1958
Box 37, Folder 3	Miscellaneous, Undated
Box 37, Folder 4	Appalachian Trail maps, 1938, undated
Box 37, Folder 5	State forests (multiple states), undated
Box 37, Folder 6	Pennsylvania, 1876, undated
Box 37, Folder 9	Maine, 1935
Box 37, Folder 10	Appalachian Trail maps, 1937-1943
Box 37, Folder 11	National Forest maps, 1939-1962
Box 37, Folder 12	Eastern United States, multiple states, 1950-1955
Box 37, Folder 13	Pennsylvania, 1920-1946, undated
Box 37, Folder 14	Pennsylvania, 1956-1962
Box 37, Folder 15	Virginia, 1947-1952
Box 37, Folder 16	Washington State, 1950
Box 37, Folder 17	New Jersey, undated
Box 37, Folder 18	North America, undated
Box 37, Folder 19	South West Pacific, undated

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Series 4: Hiking Associations and Clubs, 1937-2002

This series is arranged alphabetically by organizational name and then chronologically within that organization. Materials found in this series are newsletters, some correspondence, magazines and informational materials relating to the listed hiking and trail organizations. This series also contains ATC guidebooks and publications.

Box 12, Folder 10-11	Adirondack Mountain Club, 1939-1943
Box 12, Folder 12	Alpine Club, 1959-1960
Box 12, Folder 13-16	Appalachian Long Distance Hikers Association, 1996-1999
Box 13, Folder 1-3	Appalachian Long Distance Hikers Association, 2000-2002
Box 13, Folder 4-5	Appalachian Mountain Club, 1960-1999, undated
Box 13, Folder 6	Appalachian Trail Conference (ATC) Guidebooks Southern Appalachians, 1937-1938
Box 13, Folder 7	ATC Guidebook Western North Carolina, 1938
Box 13, Folder 8	ATC pamphlets, 1939-2001
Box 13, Folder 9	ATC guides, 1973-1985
Box 13, Folder 10	ATC databooks, 1998, undated
Box 13, Folder 11	ATC, 1955-2001
Box 13, Folder 12	ATC, Trail Conference Programs, 1948-1979
Box 13, Folder 13	ATC, "The Appalachian Trail", publication #5, 1948-1950
Box 13, Folder 14	ATC, "Manual of Technique for Appalachian Trail Guidebooks and Amateur Map Making", publication #14, 1948
Box 13, Folder 15	ATC, "Suggestions for Appalachian Trail Users", publication #15, 1949
Box 13, Folder 16	ATC, "The Appalachian Trail", publication #17, 1949-1950
Box 13, Folder 17	ATC, "Trail Manual for the Appalachian Trail", publication # 1, 1951
Box 13, Folder 18	ATC, "The Philosopher's Guide to the Appalachian Trail", 1983

Box 13, Folder 19	ATC, "Plans for an Appalachian Trail Lean-To", undated
Box 14, Folder 1-23	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1948-1977
Box 14, Folder 24	ATC, "The Register", 1978
Box 14, Folder 25	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1978
Box 15, Folder 1	ATC, "The Register", 1979
Box 15, Folder 2	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1979
Box 15, Folder 3	ATC, "The Register", 1980
Box 15, Folder 4	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1980
Box 15, Folder 5	ATC, "The Register", 1981
Box 15, Folder 6	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1981
Box 15, Folder 7	ATC, "The Register", 1982
Box 15, Folder 8	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1982
Box 15, Folder 9	ATC, "The Register", 1983
Box 15, Folder 10	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1983
Box 16, Folder 1	ATC, "The Register", 1984
Box 16, Folder 2	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1984
Box 16, Folder 3	ATC, "The Register", 1985
Box 16, Folder 4	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1985
Box 16, Folder 5	ATC, "The Register", 1986
Box 16, Folder 6	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1986
Box 16, Folder 7	ATC, "The Register", 1987
Box 16, Folder 8	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1987

Box 16, Folder 9	ATC, "The Register", 1988
Box 16, Folder 10	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1988
Box 16, Folder 11	ATC, "The Register", 1989
Box 16, Folder 12	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1989
Box 43, Folder 8	ATC, "The Register", 1982-1988
Box 17, Folder 1	ATC, "The Register", 1990
Box 17, Folder 2	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1990
Box 17, Folder 3	ATC, "The Register", 1991
Box 17, Folder 4	ATC, "Appalachian Trailway News", 1991
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This series contains a wide variety of publications saved and or collected by Shaffer and/or his family. Perhaps one of the most important of these items is an inscribed copy of the article by Benton MacKaye advocating the creation of the Appalachian Trail. This series also contains copies of National Geographic and other magazines that ran articles about Shaffer focusing on his 1948 and 1998 thru hikes. This series is arranged chronologically.

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Box 31, Folder 16	<i>Trails A Literary Magazine of the Outdoors</i> , 1939
Box 31, Folder 17	<i>National Forests in the Southern Appalachians</i> , 1940
Box 31, Folder 18	<i>Camp and Trail</i> , 1942
Box 31, Folder 19	<i>Road to Health</i> , 1942
Box 31, Folder 20	"Outdoor Indiana", 1947
Box 31, Folder 21	<i>Blue Ridge Parkway</i> , 1947
Box 31, Folder 22	<i>Strength and Health</i> , 1948
Box 31, Folder 23	"Skyline Trail from Maine to Georgia", <i>National Geographic</i> , 1949
Box 32, Folder 1	"Chemical and Engineering News", 1951
Box 32, Folder 2	"Do You Want to Take a Walk?", <i>American Forests</i> , 1952
Box 32, Folder 3	<i>Hobnail News</i> , 1954, undated
Box 32, Folder 4	<i>The Practice of Silviculture</i> , 1954

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Box 32, Folder 6 *The Record*, 1957

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Box 32, Folder 13 "Reflections on a Lifetime", 1990

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Box 32, Folder 15 "One More Time", *National Geographic*, 1999

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This series contains Shaffers writings both prose and poetry. His lifelong passion for writing was inspired by his mother. Of interest are Shaffer's writings covering his army years and his later Appalachian writings. This series is arranged chronologically and topically. This series contains the page proofs for Shaffer's last book, *Calling Me Back to the Hills*. There is one compact disc of songs by Takoma Tedd based on poetry by Shaffer and a compact disc of Shaffer singing, *Trail of the Tropic Moon*. The bulk of this series is undated. The compact discs are the only two items for the years 2004 and 2007.

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