

**Collection name:** LaCross Boat Works Inc. Collection

**Collection number:** LBWI-1

**Dates:** 1951-1958

**Quantity:** 1 box

**Provenance note:** Business papers created by LaCross Family and gathered by Lorrie LaCross, daughter of business owner. Collection was donated to the library in 2009.

**Biographical & Historical Information:** The LaCross Family's first business ventures began in the early 1940s with cabinet making and general wood work. In 1951, brothers Arthur and Ernest, with sons Jim and Charles, began constructing wood filing cabinets in Alpena, MI, which were distributed through Leonard's Office Supply and Equipment Co. of Detroit. In 1955, the Kauffman Boat Works came under the ownership of the LaCross Boat Works, which constructed various wooden recreational motor boats over the next 40 years. The business closed in 2006.

**Scope & Content:** Early business ventures, boat images (1950s), brochures (1950s), financial statements (1950-1961), boat shows.

**Access:** Open for research.

**Preferred Citation:** LaCross Boat Works Inc. Collection, Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library.

**Contents:****Box 1 of 1:***Folder*

1. LaCross Boat Works Inc. DVD
2. Beginnings and Buildings (includes LaCross Wood Products)
3. Boats (photographs/slides)-1951, 1954, 1955, 1958, Undated
4. Boats (photographs/slides)-1957: Admiral, Boats (misc), Chief, Commander, Flagship, Huron Chief, Little Chief, Resorter, Skipper
5. Boats (photographs/slides)-1957: Big Chief
6. Boats (photographs/slides)-1957: Outboard Chief
7. Boats (photographs/slides)-1957: Super Chief
8. Brochures
9. Financial Reports
10. Presque Isle Wooden Boat Show, 1999