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# Eighth of August Homecoming Emancipation Celebration - Paducah, Kentucky (FA 635)

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*Descriptive Inventory*

**FA 635      EIGHTH of August Homecoming Emancipation Celebration –  
 Paducah, Kentucky**

1 box. 6 folders. 236 items. 2008. Originals, photographs, and digital videocassette tapes.

SC2012.179.36

***COLLECTION NOTE***

This collection features information about the Eighth of August Homecoming Emancipation Celebration held in Paducah, Kentucky. According to the Paducah *Sun* newspaper, this is the anniversary of the day the slaves of the region learned of their freedom. At this celebration, African Americans pay tribute to their heritage with a memorial service, homecoming picnic, salute to black music, and other such activities.

In Paducah, events are usually held at the W.C. Young Community Center. Several local African American churches participate in the festivities and hold services in honor of the celebration. The celebration is deeply associated with Christian beliefs as well as African American history. The celebration is sponsored by local businesses.

***SHELF LIST***

<b>BOX 1</b>	<b>EIGHTH of August Homecoming Emancipation Celebration</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>236 items</b>
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Vendor information and business cards	2008	9 items
Folder 3	Program	2008	1 item
Folder 4	Photographs	2008	222 items
Folder 5	Digital videocassette tapes	2008	2 items
Folder 6	Interview with James Dawson	2008	1 item

**BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

African Americans – History – Kentucky  
 Dawson, James (Informant) B1,F6  
 Emancipation Proclamation, 1863 – Realting to  
 Festivals – Paducah

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