### **SCLS File Naming/Organization**

All files should be saved to the external hard drive. (Usually named My Passport)

Do not use spaces. The only punctuation used can be underscore ( \_ ) or hyphen ( - ).

Each (Sub) Collection will have a parent folder of its own.

All items from that collection are housed in that parent folder.

Any item that is multiple pages will have a sub-folder of its own (within the parent folder)

When items are saved into sub-folders, use the same root name for the sub-folder, plus the files. The sequence (####) will then be automatically added to the file name by the software.

Any sequences not included in a sub-folder need to be manually added to the file name.

Multi-paged (files) items will appear in Recollection Wisconsin in the order they are saved, so sort/name accordingly. If by date, place the date at the beginning of the file name (yyyy-mm-dd format). If to be sorted by name, place a brief/descriptive name at the beginning of the file name. If to be sorted by item type/format place Photos /Postcards /etc. at the beginning of the file name.

\*\*Write the file name in PENCIL on the original item.

#### **Examples:**

#### Books/Scrapbooks:

Parent folder=Scrapbook Name (Or book name)

File names = Scrapbook\_Name\_01

Scrapbook\_Name\_02

Scrapbook\_Name\_03, etc

## Photographs/Postcards (Front Side Only):

Parent folder=Photos\_Library

File names = Library 01

Library 02

Library\_03, etc.

Parents folder=Photos Town

File names = Town 01

Town\_02, etc.

Instead of OR in addition to \_01/02\_03 a brief description can be included:

Parent folder=Photos\_Library

File names = Library\_ChildrensGroup

Library\_Staff

Library\_BuildingExterior\_01

Library\_BuildingExterior\_02

# Photographs/Postcards-(Front AND Back Side):

Parent folder name = Postcards\_Poynette

Subfolder name= Poynette\_MainSt\_01

File names (Postcard #1)= Poynette\_MainSt\_01\_A

Poynette\_MainSt\_01\_B

Subfolder name= Poynette\_MainSt\_02

File names (Postcard #2)= Poynette\_MainSt\_02\_A

Poynette\_MainSt\_02\_B

Subfolder name= Poynette\_Parade

File names (Postcard #3)= Poynette\_Parade\_A

Poynette\_Parade\_B

For multiple photos/postcards with the same brief description, add \_01/\_02/etc. for the end of the root file name of the subfolder.

Ex: Poynette\_MainSt\_01

Poynette\_MainSt\_02

Copy all files to all three hard drives. Keep one of the hard drives off-site in a safe place.