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2.13 Cubic Feet 6 boxes

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Biographical / Historical

The Historic Alexandria Foundation (HAF) is an organization of volunteers dedicated to preserving Alexandria's historic architecture. Initiated by members of the Alexandria Association, HAF obtained a charter from the State of Virginia in 1954.

Most of the earliest records originally belonged to Delos H. Smith, a charter member of HAF and its Board of Trustees. He also served on the Alexandria Board of Architectural Review from 1946 to 1953 and on the Old Town Civic Association Survey Committee.

Other early papers were collected by Magnum Weeks, a founding member, early president, and continuing director of HAF. Weeks also was a charter member of the Alexandria Association and a life member of the Alexandria Library Company.

Later papers in this collection relate to William Francis Smith's tenure as secretary and president of HAF. W. F. Smith is a retired banker who currently serves the community on the Alexandria Library Board, in the Alexandria Library Company, and as a local historian.

Content Description

Reports, minutes, correspondence, and surveys documenting HAF's formation, relationships to other volunteer organizations, and more than three decades of HAF's preservation projects and concerns. HAF also plaqued historic properties, sponsored the Alexandria Antique Show, and funded preservation grants. In addition, files of correspondence, programs, and publications from other historic preservation projects provide evidence for the history of preservation not only in Alexandria, but as a national movement during the late 1950's and early 1960's. Leaders in Alexandria's preservation movement appear in these records: Ethelyn Cox, Dorothy Kabler, William Kabler, J. C. Herbert Bryant, Howard Joynt, Hannon E. Norris, and Arthur J. Mourot. Among the historic sites documented are Lloyd House, Ramsey House, the McGuire House/Lyceum, Gadsby's Tavern, Carlyle House, the Alexandria Academy, and the 500 block of King Street. Other organizations mentioned include the Alexandria Association, the Gadsby's Tavern Society, the American Legion, the Alexandria Tourist Council, the Board of Architectural Review, the Alexandria Heritage Foundation, the Alexandria Historic Restoration and Preservation Commission, the Building Code Board of Appeals, and the Old Town Civic Association.

Related Materials

[Ethelyn Cox Collection \(MS287\)](#)

Publications: Cox's 1976 book, *Historic Alexandria, Virginia, Street by Street*, also resulted from HAF's survey projects. Catalogs from the Alexandria Antique Shows (1984 to the present) document HAF's relationship with that event. Alexandria Academy Building research.

Vertical Files: Clippings and articles related to HAF as well as the HAF periodical, *The Plaque*, published since 1984.

Keywords

Alexandria Academy
The Alexandria Association
Carlyle House (Alexandria, Va.)
Gadsby's Tavern Museum
Historic buildings -- Virginia -- Alexandria -- Conservation and restoration.
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Existence and Location of Originals

These records are often copies. The Historic Alexandria Foundation has working files of its own which may include the originals.

Arrangement

By function and subject, thereunder chronologically.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Reports and By-Laws

HAF Annual Reports

Unit Date 1968-1981

Text 1 (box)

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HAF Bylaws

Unit Date 1950-1987

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HAF Certificate of Incorporation

Unit Date 1950-1987

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Unit Date 1955

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HAF Committee Reports - Membership Committee

Unit Date 1958

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HAF Committee Reports - Planning Committee

Unit Date 1988

Text 1 (box)

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HAF Committee Reports - Preservation Committee

Unit Date 1954

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HAF Committee Reports - Research Committee

Unit Date 195?

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HAF Committee Reports - Survey Committee

Unit Date 1955-1961

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Series II: Correspondence

HAF Correspondence

Unit Date 1951-1955

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HAF Correspondence

Unit Date 1957

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Unit Date 1958

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HAF Treasurer's Reports

Unit Date 1982-1991

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Series IV: Miscellaneous**Historic Alexandria Antiques Show**

Unit Date 1988-1989

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HAF on Gadsby Renewal

Unit Date 1961-1962

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Urban Renewal

Unit Date 1962-1965

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Urban Renewal - High Rise Apartments

Unit Date 1960

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HAF Chart

Unit Date 1961-1962

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HAF Plaques

Unit Date 1982-1995

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HAF Preservation Fund and Grants

Unit Date 198?

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HAF Printed Material

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HAF Seal

Graphic Materials 2 (box)

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HAF Petitions & Resolutions

Unit Date 1956-1961

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HAF Statement

Unit Date 1954?

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HAF Statement on Generalized Land Use & Thoroughfare Plan

Unit Date 1962

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HAF Clippings

Unit Date 1954-1977

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Historic Building Inventories

Unit Date 1949-1952

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HAF Architectural Survey of North Washington Street

Unit Date 1956

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HAF Historic Building Census

Unit Date 1958-1959

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HAF Historic Building Inventory/Survey

Unit Date 1959-1960

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HAF Historic Building Survey

Unit Date 1962

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HAF Historic Buildings, King Street, 205-207, McGuire House, Christmas Tour

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Notes

Unit Date 1949-1960

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HAF Contacts and References

Unit Date 1951-1962

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Scribners Magazines - Model Towns

Unit Date 1912

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Flyers and Clippings - Preservation

Unit Date 1950-1962

Text 3 (box)

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National Trust Bylaws

Unit Date 1956-1961

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National Trust Annual Reports

Unit Date 1957-1961

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Container 6 (folder)

National Trust Meetings

Unit Date 1957-1962

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National Trust Press Releases

Unit Date 1953-1958

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National Trust Publications

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Preservation News

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Alexandria Academy Project

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Alexandria Association Records

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Alexandria City Council - Ordinances & Resolutions

Unit Date 1957-1961

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Container 13 (folder)

Alexandria Heritage Foundation Bylaws & Certificate of Incorporation

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Container 14 (folder)

Alexandria Historical Restoration & Preservation Commission Records

Unit Date 1962-1965

Text 3 (box)

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Alexandria Tourist Council

Unit Date 1961-1964

Text 3 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Board of Architectural Review Minutes

Unit Date 1946-1962

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Building Code Board of Appeals

Text 3 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Carlyle House

Text 3 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Gadsby's Tavern Society

Unit Date 1952

Text 3 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Old Town Civic Association

Unit Date 1953-1957

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HAF Records: Architecture Survey of Washington Street

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Maps related to Gadsby's Urban Development Project

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St. Augustine, Florida, Newspaper

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HAF membership file

Unit Date 1963-1970

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Series V: Antique Show Catalogs

Historic Alexandria Antiques Show Catalogue

Unit Date 1988

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Historic Alexandria Antiques Show Catalogue

Unit Date 1989

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Historic Alexandria Antiques Show Catalogue

Unit Date 1990

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Historic Alexandria Antiques Show Catalogue

Unit Date 1991

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