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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

MS134

Unit Date

1971-1999

Language

English .

Creator

Alexandria Antique Arts Association

Extent

1 Linear Feet 3 boxes

Repository

Local History and Special Collections Branch, Alexandria Library

Administrative Information

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Biographical / Historical

The Alexandria Antique Arts Association (AAAA) was an organization devoted to the collection and the appreciation of antiques and other collectibles. Founded in 1971 by Orva Heissenbuttel, the Alexandria group was the first of many such regional associations, also founded by Heissenbuttel, which were known collectively as the American Antique Arts Association. Members of the Alexandria chapter gathered at monthly meetings to discuss their collections and listen to speakers lecture on various topics relating to antiques, personal collections, and historical context. The group also sponsored tours of historic houses, gardens and museums. The AAAA disbanded in 1999.

Content Description

The collection consists of organizational records of the group, including minutes from the monthly meetings and membership rosters. Also included are copies of the newsletter of the American Antique Arts Association, originally named The Quad Anglo and later called The Journal. The collection includes newspaper clippings about the group and its activities, articles written by the group's founder, Orva Heissenbuttel, and articles about antiques and antique collecting. The collection also contains information about tours taken by the group, including pamphlets and brochures from places visited. Additionally, there is a group of photographs depicting members engaged in chapter activities.

Keywords

Antiques.

Antique collecting

Women -- Societies and clubs.

Historic buildings.

Heissenbuttel, Orva (Walker), 1927-2018

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in several series, reflecting the original grouping of the items. Some series are arranged chronologically (often in reverse chronological order), while others are not; the organization of each series reflects the original arrangement of the items by the AAAA. Series I Minutes; Series II Organizational Information; Series III Newsletter; Series IV Correspondence; Series V Tours; Series VI Antiques; Series VII Clippings; Series VIII Photographs.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Minutes

Minutes

Unit Date 1971-1979

Text 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Creator Lipscomb, Tura

Creator Lewis, Lois

Creator Keith, Jan (Race), 1922-2018

Creator Blair, Joan C.

Creator Berkhouse, Marjorie A.

Creator Sykes, Virginia L. (Virginia Louise Levy), 1918-2016

Creator Coffey, Grahame C. (Crichton), 1922-2018

Creator Shidler, Evelyn E.

Creator Kenny, Helen M., 1912-2008

Minutes

Unit Date 1980-1988

Text 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Creator Kenny, Helen M., 1912-2008

Creator Shidler, Evelyn E.

Creator Coffey, Grahame C. (Crichton), 1922-2018

Creator Jefferson, Marion

Creator Stockett, Celia L.

Creator Goergens, Evelyn P., 1907-1994

Minutes

Unit Date 1991-1998

Text 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Creator Jeffers, Irene

Creator Coffey, Grahame C. (Crichton), 1922-2018

Creator Morse, Virginia (Garbison), 1913-2002

Series II: Organizational Information**AAAA History**

Unit Date 1985

Text 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

AAAA Constitution and By-laws

Unit Date 1971

Text 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Membership Rosters

Unit Date 1987-1999

Text 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Membership Rosters

Unit Date 1971-1986

Text 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Officers

Unit Date 1971-1999

Text 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Publicity

Unit Date 1973-1991

Text 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Series III: Newsletter

Newsletter

Unit Date 1971

Text 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1973

Text 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1974-1975

Text 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1976-1977

Text 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1978-1979

Text 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1980-1981

Text 1 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1982-1983

Text 1 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1984-1985

Text 1 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1986-1987

Text 1 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1988-1989

Text 1 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1990-1991

Text 1 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1992-1993

Text 1 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1994-1995

Text 1 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1996-1997

Text 1 (box)

Container 23 (folder)

Newsletter

Unit Date 1998-1999

Text 1 (box)

Container 24 (folder)

Series IV: Correspondence**Carlyle House - Correspondence and Historical Information**

Unit Date 1974-1987

Text 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Creator Sykes, Virginia L. (Virginia Louise Levy), 1918-2016

Creator Netherton, Ross D. (Ross Dewitt), 1918-2010

Creator Claypool, Julia B.

Creator Borchardt, Susan A.

Creator Barclay, Winnette (Jennings), 1912-1984

Creator Werner, Dorothy J.

Creator Sundquist, Beth R.

Creator Fauber, J. Everette, Jr.

Creator Ford, Jerome S., 1917-1997

Keywords

Carlyle House (Alexandria, Va.)

Letters.

Reiss, Dorothy Eva, 1919-2008

Weir, Marie

Series V: Tours**Sites Visited**

Unit Date 1971-1972

Text 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Brochures

Unit Date 1977-1988

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Correspondence

Unit Date 1987

Text 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Series VI: Antiques**Pamphlets and Brochures**

Unit Date 1987-1990

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Series VII: Clippings**Obituaries**

Unit Date 1993-1997

Text 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Articles

Unit Date 1951-1987

Text 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Series VIII: Photographs**Photos from the Association's Albums**

Unit Date 1979-1998

Graphic Materials 3 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains 42 color photographs from the albums of the Alexandria Antique Arts Association.

Photos from the Association's Albums

Unit Date 1979-1998

Graphic Materials 3 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains 53 photographs from the Association's albums.