

# Ann Arbor

When John Allen and Elisha Rumsey established the town of "Annarbour" in 1824, the two land speculators named the settlement after their wives, both named Ann, and a grove of trees where the women preferred to meet.

From that bucolic beginning, Ann Arbor has grown into a city of more than 110,000 people. It is home to one of the nation's finest public universities, and has become a industrial hub for a variety of commercial enterprises, from automotive design to pizza.

Since its inception, the Bentley Historical Library of the University of Michigan has collected materials on the history of Ann Arbor and its residents. There are numerous collections that spotlight the city's culture, architecture, history, and a long tradition of social outreach.

This guide is designed to inform interested researchers of the existence of unique materials currently held by the Bentley Historical Library. Listed are manuscript collections and selected publications reflecting the life, history and culture of Ann Arbor. These materials are open to researchers for the study of the social, political, religious, and economic dimensions of this community.

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## **African-Americans**

The following collections include personal papers of prominent African-American citizens; local residents active in the abolitionist movement of the mid-nineteenth century; records of organizations and churches serving the local African-American community; and collections associated with Ann Arbor school desegregation efforts in the 1960s.

### **African American Cultural and Historical Museum of Washtenaw County.**

- African American Cultural and Historical Museum of Washtenaw County records, 1993-2000.
- 0.5 linear feet.
- Organization established in 1993 to research, collect, preserve and exhibit cultural and historical materials relating to the life and work of African Americans in Washtenaw County, Michigan.
- Record book containing minutes, program files, newsletters, correspondence, financial records, and constitution and by-laws; also scrapbook of clippings, programs, brochures, and other informational items.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Community Center**

- Ann Arbor Community Center records 1920s-1988
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Organization established to promote civic, cultural, and recreational interests and activities of Ann Arbor's African American community.
- Administrative reports, informational brochures, collected information, and photographs.
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### **Morris, Mildred**

- Ann Arbor Desegregation Pattern: Mirror of Urban Education (dissolution of Jones School), by Mildred Morris, 1973
- 1 v.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Public Schools**

- Ann Arbor Public Schools records, 1833-1994 bulk 1838-1976
- 19 linear ft. and 192 v.
- Administrative offices of the public school system of Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Minutes and agenda exhibits from meetings of the Ann Arbor Board of Education, 1939-1994. Correspondence of school superintendent and other school administrators, largely 1969-1970, special study reports, committee minutes, budget material, and historical materials on individual Ann Arbor schools; files relating to local school desegregation and race relations, 1965-1969; and local school records, especially Pittsfield Township, Ann Arbor Township, Webster Township, Scio Township, and Superior Township.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Beckley, G. (Guy), 1805-1847**

- Guy Beckley letters, 1839 and 1847
- 2 items
- Guy Beckley, Methodist minister and abolitionist in Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Letter, Nov. 7, 1839, to his brother-in-law Ralph Walker of Weathersfield, Vt., describing his journey to Michigan, conditions in Ann Arbor, and his thoughts on the death of his wife and abolitionism. Letter, Nov. 20, 1847, also to Ralph Walker, describing family affairs; letter completed after Beckley's death by his wife and children. Transcriptions of letters in collection.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Burgess, John M.**

- A study of the Negro in Ann Arbor, Michigan, [ca. 1931]
- 1 item (55 p.)
- Student at the University of Michigan.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Byrd, David R.**

- David R. Byrd papers 1930s-2000 bulk 1965-1973, 1981-1983
- 2.6 linear ft. (in four boxes), 1 portfolio, and 9 oversize folders
- David R. Byrd (1921-1987) was an African-American architect of churches, residential homes, offices, and schools in Washington, D.C. and Ann Arbor, Michigan. He served on the Board of Commissioners of Washtenaw County (1968-1972), and was an advocate for civil rights and affordable housing for the poor. This collection includes architectural drawings, reports, photographs, and personal and professional correspondence.
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**Byrd, Letitia J.**

- Letitia J. Byrd papers 1970-2004
- 1 linear ft.
- Letitia J. Byrd is an African-American local community leader and a counselor for Huron High School in the Ann Arbor Public School system. She is also very involved with other Ann Arbor community organizations. This collection includes photographs, professional correspondence, and documents recording her involvement with numerous local organizations and with the Ann Arbor School System.
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**Carpenter, Charles William, 1886-1971**

- Charles William Carpenter papers 1909-1970
- 1 linear ft. and 2 oversize folders
- Graduate of Tuskegee Institute in 1909, later pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Correspondence, including letters from Mr. and Mrs. Booker T. Washington, 1909-1915; and miscellaneous sermons, prayers, church bulletins, reports of the Second Baptist Church and other materials concerning his work with the Ann Arbor Human Relations

Commission, the Citizens Advisory Committee for a Workable Program, and the Ann Arbor Bus Committee.

- [Finding aid](#)

### **Carr, Marian**

- Marian Carr papers 1957-1963
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Member of the Ann Arbor Human Relations Commission; minutes and other materials relating to race relations in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Fields Family**

- Fields Family papers, 1900s-1950s
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan African American family.
- Scrapbooks on African American history compiled by an Ann Arbor High School class, 1934-1935; and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Foster, Theodore, 1812-1865**

- Theodore Foster papers, 1835-1862
- 1 linear ft. (3 boxes)
- Co-editor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Signal of Liberty; Superintendent of State Industrial School for Boys, and editor of Lansing State Republican.
- Scrapbook and anti-slavery papers of Foster including manuscripts on the Liberty Party, the Colonization Society, the slave trade and other aspects of slavery; also account books which include subscription lists for the Signal of Liberty; additional papers on philosophical, sociological and religious topics.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Hultquist, Donald E.**

- Donald E. Hultquist papers, 1962-1999 (bulk 1979-1987)
- 1.3 linear ft.
- Professor of biochemistry at the University of Michigan.
- Files related to civic activities and participation in University-wide debates on issues of public policy; include files from work on Citizens' Advisory Committee on Racial Balance and Equal Opportunity in Ann Arbor Schools, 1979; also papers dealing with debate within the University over classified and non-classified research sponsored by U.S. Department of Defense, 1968-1986.
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### **Jones, Lola M.**

- Lola M. Jones videotapes 1983-1995
- 96 videotapes (U-matic and VHS) in 8 boxes

- Producer of local Ann Arbor, Michigan, cable television programs highlighting achievements of African Americans in the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area.
- Videocassette copies of television program, "Another Ann Arbor" that featured interviews with local area and national African American public figures.
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#### **Lockett, Harold J., 1924-1994**

- Harold J. Lockett papers, 1969-1994
- 0.4 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan African American psychiatrist; member and president of Ann Arbor Board of Education; board member of the Ann Arbor Black Theatre; psychiatrist and director with the Hawthorn Center in Northville, Michigan.
- Biographical and personal materials; minutes of the board, clippings, and promotional materials for the Ann Arbor Black Theatre; and miscellaneous relating to the Hawthorn Center.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Morris, Mildred**

- Ann Arbor desegregation pattern: mirror of urban education (dissolution of Jones School), 1973
- 1 v.
- Student at the University of Michigan.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ragland, John, 1905-1981**

- John Ragland papers, ca. 1930-1944
- 14 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney.
- Miscellanea relating to the Colored Welfare League and other Ann Arbor, Michigan, Black community organizations.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Saturday Academy for African American Students**

- Saturday Academy for African American Students records 1963-1996 (bulk 1970-1996)
- 1 linear ft.
- The records of the Saturday Academy of African American Students covers the non-profit organizations efforts to promote academic achievement, inspire a love of learning, and close the achievement gap of African American students in the Ann Arbor Public Schools.
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#### **Sinclair, John, 1941-**

- John and Leni Sinclair papers 1957-1999
- 60.5 linear ft. (76 boxes), 1 oversize folder (UAI), and 1 oversize v.

- John and Leni Sinclair were leaders of the counterculture movement in Michigan, organizers of radical social, political, and cultural endeavors primarily in the areas of music, poetry, graphic design, and community welfare projects.
- Papers and photographs (1957-1979) relating to all phases of their careers, including participation in the Artists' Workshop in Detroit, the Rainbow Multi-Media Corporation, the White Panther Party and its offshoot, the Rainbow Peoples Party; also materials concerning the legalization of marijuana, radical politics, and prison reform. Also material, 1979-2000, relating to John Sinclair's work as a writer, performer, radio show host and music promoter.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Thomas, Charles, 1937-1994**

- Charles Thomas Jr. papers 1965-1994 (bulk 1968-1980)
- 4 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan civil rights activist known for his confrontational style and advocate of black economic development, welfare rights, affordable housing and other causes, and a founder of the Washtenaw County Black Economic Development League.
- Papers, primarily documenting his work with the WCBEDL, include correspondence, scrapbooks, trial transcripts, and photographs.
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#### **University of Michigan, Programs for Educational Opportunity**

- Programs for Educational Opportunity (University of Michigan) records 1969-1996, 1970-1986
- 22 linear ft.
- A race desegregation assistance center based at the University of Michigan, the Program for Educational Opportunity was established by funding through the 1964 Civil Rights Act. The program was expanded to encompass race, gender, and national origin equity in public schools in the Great Lakes region. Administrative files, topical files, workshop and task force material, handbooks, and material pertaining to desegregation and equality in public schools in Ann Arbor, Detroit, and elsewhere in Michigan and the Great Lakes region. Includes reports from school districts and histories of desegregation.
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#### **Wheeler, Albert Harold, 1915-1994**

- Albert H. and Emma M. Wheeler papers, 1938-1993, (bulk 1960-1977)
- 6 linear ft.
- Albert and Emma Wheeler were community and civil rights leaders from Ann Arbor, Michigan. Albert Wheeler was also professor of microbiology and dermatology at the University of Michigan. In addition, he and his wife helped to establish the local chapter of the NAACP. Albert Wheeler served as mayor of Ann Arbor, 1975 to 1978.
- The series in the collection are Personal/Biographical; NAACP/Civil Rights Activities; Mayoralty Files; University of Michigan; and Photographs. The collection documents the Wheelers' devotion to the cause of civil rights and their involvement with numerous civil

rights and community organizations. The collection also includes Albert Wheeler's mayoralty files.

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**Wickliffe, Letty M., 1902-**

- Letty M. Wickliffe papers ca. 1860s-ca. 1992 (bulk 1960s-1976)
- 0.5 linear ft. (2 boxes)
- Teacher; Ann Arbor, Michigan, community activist; member of the North Central Property Owners Association in Ann Arbor.
- Articles written for the local newspaper, awards, scattered correspondence, biographical information, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Woods, John A., 1914-1989**

- John A. Woods papers 1932-1989 (bulk 1970-1989)
- 1.5 linear ft.
- AME pastor with churches in Albion and Ann Arbor, Michigan. Sermons, biographical materials, scattered correspondence and minutes, newspaper clippings, and photographs.
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## Ann Arbor: Architects and Architecture

These resources include the personal papers of local architects and landscape architects; blueprints, photographs and drawings of prominent structures; and architectural histories.

### **Bourquin, Alice and Jessie**

- Alice and Jessie Bourquin papers 1905-1991
- 7 linear ft., 1 oversize and 17 folders of drawings and blueprints
- Landscape designers based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Planting and landscape plans, elevation drawings, and various other sketches for projects designed as students at the University of Michigan and subsequently for clients in Ann Arbor, Michigan and other residences in southeastern Michigan; files relating to Jessie Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Economic Expansion and Alice Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Transportation; also papers relating to joint projects and activities, including their association with Jens Jensen and their Hillwood subdivision in Ann Arbor; and photographs.
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### **Brigham, George Bickford, 1889-**

- George B. Brigham papers 1925-1967
- 3 linear ft. and 10 blueprint drawers
- Architect; professor of architecture at the University of Michigan.
- Client files, topical file, and miscellaneous presentation drawings.
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### **Brigham, Ilma Howe**

- George Bickford Brigham Jr. scrapbook, ca. 1912-1977
- 1 v. and 0.3 linear ft.
- George B. Brigham Jr. was an architect and professor of architecture who taught at the California Institute of Technology and the University of Michigan.
- Scrapbook compiled by Ilma Howe Brigham chronicling the life and career of George B. Brigham Jr. The scrapbook includes clippings, photographs (both personal and of the houses designed by Brigham), list of buildings designed, correspondence relating in part to pre-fabrication homes, copies of some papers and speeches, and personal memorabilia.
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### **Bund, Sally Linvill**

- Sally Linvill Bund papers, 1992-1993
- 1 folder (2 items)
- Historic preservation student at Eastern Michigan University.
- Research papers relating to the gateway of Forest Hill Cemetery, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and to Aubrey Tealdi and his design of Nichols Arboretum and the estate of Arnold H. Goss, both in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Byrd, David R.**

- David R. Byrd papers 1930s-2000 (bulk 1965-1973, 1981-1983)
- 2.6 linear ft. (in four boxes), 1 portfolio, and 9 oversize folders
- David R. Byrd (1921-1987) was an African-American architect of churches, residential homes, offices, and schools in Washington, D.C. and Ann Arbor, Michigan. He served on the Board of Commissioners of Washtenaw County (1968-1972), and was an advocate for civil rights and affordable housing for the poor.
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**Cheever, Noah W. (Noah Wood), 1839-1905**

- Noah W. Cheever papers, 1858-1905
- 2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney and judge.
- Legal and business papers relating to the administration of the estate of Hiram Arnold of Ann Arbor, Michigan; also papers of E. W. Morgan concerning his legal affairs and the Ann Arbor Forest Hill Cemetery Association; business ledgers, journals, records of law cases, and bank books; also architectural drawings made for Cheever by Arthur Marshall.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Corselius, Cornelia E.**

- Cornelia E. Corselius papers, 1909 and undated
- 1 v. (29 p.) and 2 folders
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, local historian.
- Research paper, 1909, entitled "Some of the early homes of Ann Arbor, Michigan," including photographs and other illustrations selected by Lucy Chapin (original and duplicate copy with minor variations); and undated paper about Washtenaw County Court House.
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**Dodge, Caroline Wilgus**

- Caroline Wilgus Dodge papers, 1859-1868 and 1959
- 1 folder
- Deeds, mortgages, insurance contracts, 1859-1868 of house on Washtenaw Avenue in Ann Arbor, Michigan, occupied by various families; also historical sketch and hand-drawn floor plan of the house made by Dodge.
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**Donaldson, John M., 1854-1941**

- John M. Donaldson architectural drawings, ca. 1881
- 1 folder
- Detroit, Michigan, architect.
- Elevations, sections, and floor plan of the First Unitarian Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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#### **Dreyfuss, Peter**

- Peter Dreyfuss papers, 1979
- 1 folder
- Student at the University of Michigan.
- Text and photographs evaluating several Ann Arbor, Michigan, office buildings architecturally.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Duff, Lela**

- Lela Duff papers, ca. 1890-1976 (scattered dates)
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, high school teacher and historian.
- Correspondence, essays, and collected clippings and other materials relating to her interest in the history and architecture of Ann Arbor, Michigan; manuscript history of Ann Arbor High School with accompanying letters of reminiscence from earlier graduates; and photos, both personal and collected historical images of Ann Arbor.
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#### **Eastern Michigan University. Historic Preservation Program.**

- Historic Preservation Program (Eastern Michigan University) student papers, 2010.
- 0.2 linear feet.
- Student research papers on Michigan modern architecture prepared for class taught by Ted Ligibel at Eastern Michigan University Historic Preservation Program. Papers document buildings in and around Ann Arbor, Mich.
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#### **Eaton, Leonard K., 1922-**

- Leonard K. Eaton papers, 1950-2004
- 4.5 linear feet and 1 oversize folder
- Professor of architectural history at the University of Michigan.
- Correspondence, topical files, college term papers written by Eaton, papers written by Eaton students (mainly concerning the architecture of Michigan buildings), and photographs; subjects include seventeenth century Dutch architecture, the Chicago school of architecture, and the career of Frank Lloyd Wright. Also included is Eaton's research file on the Palmer-Ryan House designed by Frank Lloyd Wright in Ann Arbor. The collection contains extensive correspondence with architect William Gray Purcell.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Forest Hill Cemetery (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Forest Hill Cemetery (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1857-2000
- 3 linear ft. and 12 oversize v.
- Articles of association and minutes of annual meeting, 1857-2000; board of directors minute book, 1857-1934; burial books, 1859-1981; deed books, 1859-1976; 1858 map of

cemetery plan; and miscellaneous microfilmed records, including plat books, assessment cards, burial cards, and lot owner cards.

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### **Frost, Wallace, 1892-1962**

- Wallace Frost papers, ca. 1939-1962
- 0.1 linear ft., 16 sets of blueprints, and 1 reel microfilm
- Detroit area architect.
- Blueprints of selected buildings, biographical materials, advertising and financial material relating to Pittsfield Village, Ann Arbor, Mich., and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Hildebrandt, H. Mark**

- H. Mark Hildebrandt collection, ca. 1895-1915, 1935, and 1972-1986
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Collected material includes letter of Ernest Wilby, 1935, describing his career as an architect and his association with Albert Kahn; records of Ann Arbor Pediatric Associates, 1972-1986; and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Kahn, Albert (1869-1942)**

- Albert Kahn papers, 1896-2008 (bulk 1902-1943)
- 13 linear ft, 4,875 architectural drawings in 24 drawers, and 85 photograph portfolios
- Prominent Michigan-based industrial architect, innovative designer of automobile plants and other factories, as well as many Detroit and University of Michigan commercial and institutional facilities.
- Papers and records of Albert Kahn and of his firm Albert Kahn Associates; includes correspondence, speeches, newspaper and journal articles, and project photographs. The project records consist of architectural and engineering construction drawings of many of his most significant designs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Koch, George A., 1918-2000**

- George A. Koch papers, 1880s-1990s
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Member of family of Ann Arbor, Mich., builders, owners of Koch Brothers Construction Co., Koch Building & Supply Co., and other firms.
- George Koch's writings about family members and the buildings they constructed, photocopies and clippings about family and buildings, and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Lane, Charles W. (Charles Wesley), 1919-**

- Charles W. Lane papers 1935-1997 (bulk 1958-1969)
- 4.5 linear feet in 6 boxes and 7 oversize folders
- Architect based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

- Project files relate to work with George Brigham and his system of constructing prefabricated homes, 1944-1947; files relating to design and construction of Huron High School in Ann Arbor; other projects concern design of mobile home parks and other Michigan school buildings.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Laubengayer, Jacob**

- Jacob Laubengayer specifications, [ca. 189-]
- 1 item
- Specifications written by architectural firm of Spier & Rohns, Detroit, Michigan, for proposed farm dwelling house to be built in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Lee, Joseph T. A.**

- Joseph T. A. Lee papers, 1964-1990
- 2.5 linear feet, 266 oversize drawings, and 1 oversize folder
- Joseph T. A. Lee was an Ann Arbor architect and Professor in the University of Michigan School of Architecture; chair of the steering committee for the Ann Arbor Area Goals Conference. He was one of the original owners of Kerrytown Market as well as its chief architect. Lee was also involved in several Ann Arbor development issues, including the debate over the Geddes-Fuller corridor.
- His papers include administrative and financial materials on the early development of Kerrytown (1966-1980) and clippings and other materials on his involvement in the Geddes-Fuller corridor debates. His papers also include architectural drawings of the Kerrytown Townhouse and Kerrytown Market Complexes as well as some photographs of early Kerrytown development.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Moncrieff, Frederick E.**

- Frederick E. Moncrieff papers, 1947-2000, bulk 1961
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Frederick Moncrieff worked as an editor, writer, photographer, and manager for the University of Michigan News and Information Services between 1946 and 1966. He accompanied the University of Michigan Symphony Band on its 1961 tour of the Soviet Union and the Near East. The majority of the collection is materials relating to this tour. Other items pertain to historic buildings in Ann Arbor and Camp Michigania.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Olmsted, Frederick Law, 1870-1957**

- Frederick Law Olmsted reports, 1916 and 1922
- 3 items
- Landscape architect.
- Reports on development of the city of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan campus by Frederick Law Olmsted and Olmsted Brothers, landscape architects, entitled "Preliminary report upon the development of the northeast portion of the university

property," "Proposed improvements for Ann Arbor, Mich.," and "Supplementary report upon the development of the university property."

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### **Osler, David W.**

- David W. Osler papers 1961-2008
- 1.3 linear ft. (in 2 boxes) and 5 drawers
- Ann Arbor, Michigan architect; architectural drawings, presentation boards, journal articles, publicity material, and brief project summaries.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Pond Family**

- Pond Family papers 1841-1939
- 9.6 linear ft. (13 boxes), 2 outsize drawers, and 1 microfilm roll
- Ann Arbor, Michigan and Chicago, Illinois family.
- Correspondence of Elihu B. Pond, editor of Michigan Argus, his sons, Chicago architects, Irving Kane and Allen Bartlit Pond, founders of firm of Pond & Pond, and other family members; include materials concerning family affairs, architectural projects, Jane Addams and the work of Hull House, European travels, politics especially as relates to period of the Civil War and the election of 1896; also photographs, architectural drawings and other visual materials.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Rasek, Curtis**

- The Gothic Revival in Ann Arbor: the Palmer-Ryan House, 1971
- 1 item
- Student in art history at the University of Michigan. Brief history of Ann Arbor, Michigan, house.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Rousseau, Albert J. J., 1886-1931**

- Albert J. J. Rousseau papers, [191-]-[192-]
- 0.2 linear feet and 1 oversize folder and 1 tube
- Professor of architecture at the University of Michigan.
- Architectural drawings of Rousseau's home, 2001 Vinewood, Ann Arbor, Mich., and other sketches and drawings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Rollet, Karen**

- Forest Hill: a cemetery in the American "rural" tradition, 1979
- 1 item (24 p.)
- Student in landscape architecture at the University of Michigan.
- Study of an Ann Arbor, Michigan cemetery.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Scott, George**

- George Scott papers, 1914
- 2 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan architect.
- Drawings and specifications of the J. F. Schaeberle residence in Ann Arbor, Michigan; reminiscences of Ann Arbor, 1879-1914.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Taylor, Howell**

- Howell Taylor papers, 1907-1956
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Architect and engineer from Adrian, and Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Correspondence and other papers concerning his attempts to participate in some branch of the service during World War I, his career as an architect and worker on the historic American buildings survey, and as a teacher in Beirut, Lebanon; also photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Twining, Herbert H., 1900-1971**

- Herbert H. Twining papers 1911 and 1927-1980
- 3 linear ft. and 2 outsize folders
- Pioneer in the private camping movement, founder and director of Al-Gon-Quian Boys Camp on Burt Lake in Cheboygan County, Michigan, and officer in the American Camping Association.
- Correspondence, articles, speeches and photographs; also Camp Al-Gon-Quian materials, including program files, reports, roster files, and published yearly programs; materials of King family, missionaries in China; and plans of Twining home in Ann Arbor, Michigan, originally designed by Albert Kahn and his associate Malcolm for Louis A. Strauss.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Class of 1870 (University of Michigan)**

- Class of 1870 (University of Michigan) specimen drawings, 1867-1868
- 1 v.
- Architectural drawings made by members of the class of 1870, including some of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and University of Michigan buildings and scenes.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Vaughn, E. J.**

- E. J. Vaughn papers, 1967-1968
- 2 linear ft.
- New York documentary film-maker.
- Research material relating to his study of the architectural history of Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Whitman, Bertha Yerex**

- Bertha Y. Whitman papers, 1930s-1960s and 1977-1978
- 1 folder
- Ann Arbor, Michigan resident, first woman architecture graduate of the University of Michigan.
- Reminiscence of her early career and miscellaneous articles; also photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Whittemore, Harlow Olin, 1889-1986**

- Harlow Olin Whittemore papers 1905-1986
- 5.5 linear feet (in 7 boxes)
- Landscape architect, professor of landscape architecture at the University of Michigan.
- Files relating to various Michigan projects, notably in Ann Arbor, Hartland, Hillsdale, and Highland Park; subject files on professional activities; and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)



## Arts

These collections include information on individuals and organizations associated with visual and performing arts, literature, and literary societies.

### **Albright, William**

- William Albright papers 1962-1998
- 52 linear feet in 83 boxes
- William Albright--organist, composer, and University of Michigan faculty member--was born in Indiana in 1944 and died in 1998. Albright earned three music composition degrees from the University of Michigan before becoming a member of the composition faculty at the U. of M. School of Music. Albright is probably best known for his piano and organ performance. He helped to bring about a revival of ragtime, and sought inclusion of ragtime and other types of popular music in many of his compositions. He composed for many single instruments--especially the organ--and ensembles, and for orchestra. He also composed hymns, and was the music director for the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan. He studied composition with Ross Lee Finney, George Rochberg, and Olivier Messiaen, among others, at Michigan and at summer workshops, and organ with Marilyn Mason.
- The collection includes biographical materials, correspondence, programs, professional files, University of Michigan School of Music files, and scores and recordings of William Albright works (including notes, sketches, and manuscripts) and works by his friends, students, and teachers.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **American Guild of Organists. Ann Arbor Chapter.**

- American Guild of Organists, Ann Arbor Chapter records, 1969-2009.
- 4 linear feet and 2 oversize volumes.
- Organizational archives, arranged chronologically, and including yearbooks, newsletters, board meeting notes, programs, clippings, and memorabilia; also photograph album commemorating 25th anniversary of the chapter; and scrapbook, 1969-1971, containing programs and clippings about chapter activities.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Amphictyonic Circle (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Amphictyonic Circle records, 1885-1889
- 1 v.
- Local chapter of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle.
- Minutes and membership roll.
- [Marilyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Art Association**

- Ann Arbor Art Association records 1909-1969
- 2.5 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.

- Constitution, by-laws, minutes of meetings, reports, membership lists, scrapbooks, correspondence and exhibit materials.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Camera Club.**

- Ann Arbor Camera Club records, 1968-2010.
- 1 linear foot.
- Organization established to "promote growth in the appreciation and skill in the making of photographs of all kinds."
- Newsletter ("The Wide Angle News"); also by-laws, membership materials, scattered correspondence, and contest material.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Dance Theatre**

- Ann Arbor Dance Theatre records 1963-1977
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan local repertory dance company.
- Bylaws, board minutes (fragmentary), newsletters, programs, and chronological files; also photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Film Festival.**

- Ann Arbor Film Festival records, 1963-1999.
- 0.5 linear feet (in 2 boxes).
- Established in 1963, the Ann Arbor Film Festival is an internationally recognized forum for independent filmmakers and artists.
- Programs, poster, advertising flyers, and news clippings and articles about the yearly festival.
- [Finding aid.](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Playmakers (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Playmakers records, 1924
- 1 folder
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, theatrical group.
- Membership list, fragmentary financial records, and photographic post cards of scenes from production.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Silent Film Society**

- Ann Arbor Silent Film Society records, 1982-1998
- 0.2 linear ft.
- The Ann Arbor Silent Film Society, founded in 1982, screens silent films and sponsors film festivals and other events for society members and their guests.
- Flyers and programs for the society's screenings and other events.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Street Art Fair (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Street Art Fair records 1960-2001 (bulk 1968-1991)
- 2.8 linear ft. (in 3 boxes) and 8 oversize v.
- Corporation administering the summer juried art fair in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The art fair is the oldest of three fairs that comprise the annual Ann Arbor art fairs.
- Minutes, bylaws, financials, and other materials relating to the administration of the art fair; also press materials, artists' evaluations, scrapbooks documenting development and history of the fair, and photographs and slides of the fair and the work of the artists.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra**

- Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra Records 1931-2003
- 6 linear ft.
- This record group contains the records of the Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra, the Women's Association for the Ann Arbor Symphony, and partial records for the Michigan Civic Orchestra Association. The record group includes administrative and functional records, photographs, and audio/visual concert recordings.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Women Painters**

- Ann Arbor Women Painters records 1951-1998
- 6 linear ft.
- Formerly known as the Women Painters' Group and affiliated, 1951-1960, with the Ann Arbor Art Association and the Women's City Club. In 2002, the name of the organization was changed to Ann Arbor Women Artists.
- Historian's books containing yearbooks, newspaper clippings, membership lists, officer reports, and exhibition material.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Bach, Frank, 1948-**

- Frank and Peggy Bach Papers, 1964-2003
- 9 linear ft. in 10 boxes, 2 oversize folders, 1 CD, 1 phonograph disk, 4 motion picture reels, and 1 artifact
- Frank and Peggy Bach were involved with the counterculture in Detroit and Ann Arbor beginning in the 1960s as musicians, performers, graphic designers, promoters, and activists for area jazz, blues, and pop acts. Frank Bach was also involved in community organizations supporting housing and economic development activities in Detroit.
- The collection documents the Bach's numerous professional activities and organizations, groups, and individuals with whom they were associated, including Rainbow Corporation and Rainbow Multi-media, Allied Artists Association of America, Strata Associates, Detroit Jazz Center, Grande Graphics, Morda-Sinclair & Associates, and John Sinclair. Detroit community organizations documented in the collection include the Creekside Community Development Corporation, the Jefferson-Chalmers Citizens' District Council, and the Jefferson East Business Association.

- [Finding aid](#)

**Cassidy, Jay, collector.**

- Jay Cassidy Ann Arbor Film Festival collection, 1967-1992.
- 0.5 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.
- Programs, advertising flyers, and other materials distributed and relating to the yearly programs of the Ann Arbor Film Festival. The collection also includes scattered programs from the Cinema Guild, an Ann Arbor, Michigan film society.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Chamber Music Society of Ann Arbor**

- Chamber Music Society of Ann Arbor records, 1920-1956
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Successor organization to Ann Arbor Matinee Musicale.
- Partial minutes, financial records, and membership material; also history of the organization and companion group, the Ann Arbor Wednesday Music Club, by Emil Lorch.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Dance Gallery Foundation.**

- Dance Gallery Foundation records, 1980-2008.
- 5.5 linear feet and 1 oversize box.
- Foundation based in Ann Arbor, Michigan established in 1984 as an umbrella organization for three modern dance companies (J. Parker Copley Dance Company, Peter Sparling Dance Company, Dance Gallery with Alan Lommasson). The foundation supported the companies and ran the Dance Gallery Studio which also offered classes and workshops for children and adults. In 2008 the Foundation ceased operation.
- Records document activities, performances, and fund raising for productions and programs sponsored by the Foundation. Material includes press clippings, programs, newsletters, photographs, and audio-visual material, including a capture of the Foundation's website.
- Copyright of all choreography (as recorded on videotape and DVD) and screen dance works remains exclusively with Peter Sparling.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Derr, Ellwood**

- Ellwood Derr papers, 1997
- 1 folder
- Professor of music at the University of Michigan
- Speech on Mark Twain's appearances in Ann Arbor and Twain's views on music, particularly on Richard Wagner, with transcripts of newspaper articles commenting on Twain.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Drama League of America. Ann Arbor Center**

- Drama League of America, Ann Arbor Center records, 1913
- 29 items
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**George Eliot Reading Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- George Eliot Reading Club records, 1918-1920
- 36 items
- Correspondence, poetry, program notes, and minutes.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Harkins, James E., b. 1859**

- James E. Harkins scrapbook, 1873-1901
- 1 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, hardware dealer and minstrel show entertainer.
- Scrapbook containing playbills, posters and newspaper clippings, recounting his theatrical activities.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Nell Gwyn's Company (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Nell Gwyn's Company records, 1930-1956
- 0.4 linear ft. (1 box) and 1 oversize folder
- Theatrical company.
- Programs, clippings, financial records, scattered correspondence, scripts, and research materials collected by James Umphrey for his thesis on the history of the company; also paintings of stage settings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)
- A history of the Nell Gwyn's Company of Ann Arbor, Michigan, by James R. Umphrey.
- 1 v.
- Unpublished University of Michigan student paper.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Hoag, Gerald H.**

- Gerald H. Hoag papers 1918-1978
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Ann Arbor (Mich.) theatre manager, later area manager of Butterfield Theatres, Inc.
- Personal correspondence, business memoranda, clippings, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Holland, Jeep, 1943-1998**

- Jeep Holland papers 1943-1998
- 12 linear ft. (in 13 boxes)
- Hugh "Jeep" Holland was the founder of the A-Square Record label in Ann Arbor in 1967, and consequently became an integral part of the southeast Michigan music scene in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

- The collection documents, in papers, photographs and sound recordings, Jeep's personal life, interests, and career.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Holmes Literary Society (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Holmes Literary Society records, 1907-1908
- 1 folder
- Program, and constitution and bylaws; also yearbook for 1908-09 for the Society, including photographic portraits of members.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Jones, Joyce, 1897-1980**

- Joyce Jones papers, 1930-1980
- 2 linear ft.
- University of Michigan botanist and Ann Arbor handweaver.
- Papers and photographs relating to her participation in various local art organizations, especially the Ann Arbor Art Association, the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the fine arts section of the Michigan Academy of Science, Arts, and Letters; and her participation in handweaving associations, including the Ann Arbor Handweaver's Guild, the Handweaver's Guild of America, the Michigan League of Handweavers, and the handweaving classes at the Y.M.-Y.W.C.A.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Kemnitz, Milton**

- Milton Kemnitz papers 1932-1995 (bulk 1960-1990)
- 3 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor-based artist specializing in images of local businesses and sites.
- The collection has been arranged in three series. The Artwork series includes drawings of buildings and other projects, publications containing reproductions of his work, and files relating to galleries, exhibits, auctions, and art fairs. The Supplemental Materials series concerns the art organizations and associations of which Kemnitz was a member, correspondence, and files pertaining to other activities, notably the Bird Hills Park controversy. The third series, Southern White Migration to Detroit in the 1930s, consists of research materials and reports resulting from Kemnitz' research as a member of a University of Michigan sociology seminar on metropolitan community organization. A portion includes Elmer Akers' research on the Black Legion.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Knoertzer, Joan**

- Joan Knoertzer papers, 1990 and 1998-2005
- 2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Mich., businesswoman, treasurer of the Kerrytown Book Festival.
- Records maintained as officer in various cultural and/or community organizations; include Kerrytown Book Festival, the Ann Arbor Cantata Singers, the University Club of Ann Arbor, and the Book Club of Detroit (as advocate for the Burton Historical

Collection). The collection also includes a noise compatibility study (1990) for the Ann Arbor Municipal Airport.

- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Michigan Theater Foundation.**

- Michigan Theater Foundation records, 1981-1996, bulk 1989-1995.
- 2.5 linear feet (in 3 boxes).
- Michigan Theater Foundation was formed in 1979 when it purchased the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor, Mich., a historic landmark built in 1928 and restored by the fundraising efforts of the Foundation.
- Administrative records, including materials of the Board of Trustees and administrative committees; grant proposals, materials related to fundraising and membership campaigns; descriptions of programs and events taken place at the theater; photographs.
- [Finding aid.](#)

### **Otto Family**

- Otto Family papers, ca. 1875-1927
- 1 folder
- Family of Henry Otto, Ann Arbor, Michigan, musicians.
- Clippings and other materials relating to the history of the Otto family band, known variously as the Ann Arbor City Band, Washtenaw Times Band, Ann Arbor Evening Times Band, and Otto's Knights Templar Band.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Owen, Charlotte Plummer**

- Charlotte Plummer Owen scrapbook, 1993-2005
- 1 v.
- Director of the U.S. Women's Marine Band, 1944-1945; later director of the Ann Arbor Summer Civic Band.
- Scrapbook of clippings, articles, programs, and photographs relating to her career and activities.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Power, Sadye**

- Sadye Power papers 1940-1979
- 2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader, and officer in various cultural, educational, and population control organizations.
- Files relating to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the Washtenaw County League for Planned Parenthood, the Merrill-Palmer Institute in Detroit, Greenhills School in Ann Arbor, the Alumnae Council of the University of Michigan, and the Ann Arbor Symphony.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Reinhart, Robert S.**

- Robert S. Reinhart papers, 1969-1994
- 1 folder
- Resident of Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Writings and collected materials relating to the history of circus in Ann Arbor.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Rogers, Randolph, 1825-1892**

- Randolph Rogers papers, 1853-1925
- 0.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Sculptor from Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Scattered correspondence, 1853-1884, mostly concerning his work; correspondence, 1892-1925, of his son John R. about his father; letter copy of biography of Rogers, probably written by his wife; articles of agreement for commissioning of various works; sketches by Rogers; accounts and miscellaneous papers; and photographs and other visual materials.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Schleede Family**

- Schleede Family papers, 1857-1966 (scattered)
- 0.7 linear ft.
- Frederick Schleede was an Ann Arbor bookbinder and stationer. His son Waldo Schleede was a Detroit music teacher and professional flutist with several nationally known symphonies.
- Biographical and personal materials, scrapbooks, published materials, and photographs. Also included are journals and scrapbooks (in German or containing German-language clippings) from the period of 1860s maintained by Frederick Schleede.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Siglin, Dave**

- Dave Siglin papers 1968-2008
- 2.5 linear ft. (in 3 boxes) and 2 oversized v.
- Program Director at the Ark, Ann Arbor, Michigan music club; administrative records relating to the management of the Ark, including artist's contracts and financial records, printed materials such as concert calendars, flyers, and posters, and photographs of Ark performances, informal snapshots and publicity photos of performers.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Sinclair, John, 1941-**

- John and Leni Sinclair papers 1957-1999
- 60.5 linear ft. (76 boxes), 1 oversize folder (UAI), and 1 oversize v.
- John and Leni Sinclair were leaders of the counterculture movement in Michigan, organizers of radical social, political, and cultural endeavors primarily in the areas of music, poetry, graphic design, and community welfare projects.
- Papers and photographs (1957-1979) relating to all phases of their careers, including participation in the Artists' Workshop in Detroit, the Rainbow Multi-Media Corporation, the White Panther Party and its offshoot, the Rainbow Peoples Party; also materials



concerning the legalization of marijuana, radical politics, and prison reform. Also material, 1979-2000, relating to John Sinclair's work as a writer, performer, radio show host and music promoter.

- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Slusser, Jean Paul, 1886-**

- Jean Paul Slusser papers 1905-1978
- 2 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.
- Artist, art critic, director of the University of Michigan Art Museum.
- Scrapbooks with clippings of Ann Arbor News art reviews, scrapbook, 1905-1907, concerning University of Michigan student life, topical files relating to his interest in art and cultural organizations, original scripts of lectures and radio talks.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Society for Musical Arts (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Society for Musical Arts records, 1964-1991
- 2 linear ft.
- Composed of Mu Phi Epsilon and Sigma Alpha Iota.
- Programs, clippings, announcements, and other materials relating to the concerts of the Society.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association.**

- Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association records, 1987-2008.
- 1.5 linear feet.
- The Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association was established in 1987 in Ann Arbor, Mich. as a volunteer organization. SEMJA provides jazz education to students at all levels through special programs in schools and in the community, supports live performances of jazz in Southeastern Michigan, provides information about jazz through publication of monthly newsletter "Update," provides a community for area jazz musicians and fans, and promotes the understanding of jazz as an art form.
- The Southeastern Michigan Jazz Association records collection includes organization's administrative and financial files, and visual material related to various SEMJA programs and activities. SEMJA by-laws and statement of purpose, annual and Board of Members meetings agendas, minutes and reports, lists of members, correspondence, and financial reports. Also included program descriptions, announcements, reports, and proposals, fliers, concert programs, and photographs taken during performances. Printed material includes SEMJA newsletters.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Sparling, Peter**

- Peter Sparling papers 1961-2005 (bulk 1970-2000)
- 6 linear ft.
- Peter Sparling is Professor of Dance at the University of Michigan School of Music. Well known as both performer and choreographer, whose Peter Sparling Dance Company is a

fixture on the Ann Arbor cultural scene, he has danced with Martha Graham and Jose Limon.

- Papers consist of materials relating to Sparling's dance training, performance, and teaching including background materials; choreography notes and sketches; correspondence; clippings and publicity from dance companies with whom he was associated; programs and reviews; photographs, video and film of performances; and posters.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Stanley, Jane C., 1863-1940**

- Jane C. Mahon Stanley journal, Mar. 1884-Oct. 1886
- 1 reel microfilm
- Watercolor artist who lived in Detroit and Ann Arbor, Mich.; mother-in-law of Dean Acheson.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Steering Committee for a Repertory Theatre (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Steering Committee for a Repertory Theatre papers, 1960
- 25 items
- Correspondence and newspaper clippings concerning a proposal to establish a professional repertory theatre.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Stephan, Art.**

- Art Stephan motion picture collection, 1960s-1980s.
- 28 film reels in 1 box.
- Ann Arbor, Mich. filmmaker and founder of the Ann Arbor Silent Film Society.
- Home movies, 5 16 mm film reels including Detroit Zoo and golf with other topics; 5 8 mm film reels including Saginaw Forest and Delhi Park with other topics; 18 super 8 mm film reels including a film autobiography, film accomplishment for Paul Bowles' "Music for a Farce," Ann Arbor Art Fair 1973, American Broach and Machine Company, Detroit Metro Airport 1972, Curwood Castle, Mr. Ann Arbor and Mr. Michigan contests, and other topics.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Teachout, John.**

- John Teachout phonograph record collection, 1950-1964 and undated.
- 67 phonograph records (in 3 boxes)
- Ann Arbor, Michigan record producer, head of Idiom Recording Company.
- Phonograph records produced by Idiom Recording of musical performances, dramatic readings of poetry spoken by Austin Warren, and some recordings of panel discussions on current events.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Tejada, Irene**

- Irene Tejada papers 1928-1998 (bulk 1950-1970)

- 2 linear ft.
- Assistant professor of art and of education at the University of Michigan, K-12 art teacher at University School (1955-1970), and professional artist.
- Emphasis on visual, teaching, and historical materials from University School, including slides and photographs of students in educational facilities.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Tsao, Makepeace Uho, 1918- collector.**

- Makepeace Uho Tsao ONCE Festival collection, 1962-1982, bulk 1963-1966.
- 0.3 linear feet (in 2 oversize folders).
- The ONCE Festival of music was founded by Ann Arbor, Mich. group of artists and musicians, the ONCE Group, in the late 1950s-early 1960s. The festival became an arena for avant-garde and experimental acoustic and electronic music performances.
- Posters, programs, and flyers advertising events of the ONCE Festival.
- [Finding aid](#).

**University of Michigan. Matthaei Botanical Gardens**

- Matthaei Botanical Gardens (University of Michigan) publications 1928-2006, (bulk 1970-2002)
- 1.4 linear ft.
- Contains annual reports, brochures and pamphlets, bulletins, histories, manuals and guidebooks, and reports. Also contains calendar of events from the Adult Education Program, programs from the Ann Arbor Flower and Garden Show, and newsletters from the Friends of the Matthaei Botanical Gardens.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Young Men's Literary Society of Ann Arbor (Mich.)**

- Young Men's Literary Society of Ann Arbor minutes, 1836-1837
- 1 v.
- [Marilyn Catalog Record](#)

## Civic Organizations

These resources include information about a variety of local civic organizations and clubs.

### **American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. Washtenaw County Chapter**

- American Gold Star Mothers, Inc. Washtenaw County Chapter records 1950-1975
- 1 linear ft.
- Organization of mothers of servicemen who died in action.
- Minute books, scrapbooks, photographs, citations and certificate of service, and miscellanea.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **American National Red Cross. Washtenaw County Chapter**

- American National Red Cross, Washtenaw County Chapter records 1916-1976
- 4 linear ft. and 1 oversize v.
- History; board minutes and other records of the chapter, and of the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti branches; activities files detailing work of chapter in matters of public health and wartime home services; newsletters; scrapbooks and newspaper clippings; and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Amphictyonic Circle (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Amphictyonic Circle records, 1885-1889
- 1 v.
- Local chapter of the Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle.
- Minutes and membership roll.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living**

- Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living records, 1977-1996
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Washtenaw County agency established to assist persons with disabilities.
- Areas of service include housing assistance, transportation, consultation, and matters relating to problems associated with independent living. Board minutes, 1977-August 1996.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Child Study Club (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Child Study Club records, 1934-1966
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Correspondence, constitution, financial records, and minutes of meetings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Citizens' Council**

- Ann Arbor Citizens' Council papers, 1937-1942 and 1957-1997
- 1 linear ft.

- Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic organization.
- Minutes, membership lists and other materials relating to issues of interest to the organization.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Community Center**

- Ann Arbor Community Center records 1920s-1988
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Organization established to promote civic, cultural, and recreational interests and activities of Ann Arbor's African American community.
- Administrative reports, informational brochures, collected information, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Community Fund Association (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Community Fund Association records, 1923-1924
- 40 items
- Correspondence, chiefly of Alfred H. White (chairman of the budget committee), financial records, and other papers.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Council for International Conciliation (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Council for International Conciliation records, 1944
- 8 items
- Organization supporting peace and world government (successor to the International White Cross).
- Minutes, notes, and correspondence.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor National Defense Committee (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor National Defense Committee records, 1940-1942, 1944, and 1946
- 0.3 linear ft. (300 items)
- Affiliated with the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies, known after 1941 as Citizens for Victory.
- Correspondence, membership roster, financial records, historical sketch, press reports, materials, 1941, on the St. Lawrence River Project. Correspondents include: Henry M. Bates, Prentiss M. Brown, Wallace Campbell, George A. Dondero, J. Ralston Hayden, Clare E. Hoffman, Frank Knox, Earl C. Michener, Thomas R. Peirsol, Arthur H. Vandenberg, and Roy O. Woodruff.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Garden Club**

- Ann Arbor Garden Club records 1930-1965
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Reports of the club's presidents and treasurers, committee reports, constitution and by-laws, membership records, and bulletins, 1933-1965.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Golf and Outing Club**

- Ann Arbor Golf and Outing Club records 1899-1999
- 3 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and 1 microfilm reel
- Correspondence, meeting minutes, lists of members and scrapbooks.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Historical Foundation**

- Ann Arbor Historical Foundation records, 1969-2004
- 0.4 linear ft.
- Organization created to support historical, architectural, and community preservation in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Correspondence, minutes, reports, etc.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Junior Chamber of Commerce (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Junior Chamber of Commerce records 1936-1985
- 14.3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Ann Arbor chapter of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, a young adult community service organization; minutes, project files, budgets, newsletters, photographs, and related material.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Navy Mothers' Club, no. 436**

- Ann Arbor Navy Mothers' Club, no. 436 records, 1942-1947
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor chapter of charitable and support organization of mothers of men serving in the U.S. Navy during World War II.
- Minutes, 1942-1947; correspondence; cash book, membership records, sheet music of club song, and bylaws and rituals booklet.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Public Schools Faculty Wives**

- Ann Arbor Public Schools Faculty Wives records, 1945-1990
- 1 linear ft.
- Minutes of meetings, newsletters, reports, correspondence, membership rosters, and related organizational materials.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Rod and Gun Club (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Rod and Gun Club records, 1896-1897
- 30 items and 1 v.
- Financial papers, membership lists, shooting records, and miscellaneous items.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Silent Film Society**

- Ann Arbor Silent Film Society records, 1982-1998
- 0.2 linear ft.
- The Ann Arbor Silent Film Society, founded in 1982, screens silent films and sponsors film festivals and other events for society members and their guests.
- Flyers and programs for the society's screenings and other events.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Ski Club (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Ski Club records, 1977-1980
- 2 linear in.
- Newsletters and membership rosters.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Stamp Club**

- Ann Arbor Stamp Club records, 1928-1961, 1999-[ongoing]
- 0.4 linear ft.
- Minutes, financial records, and newsletters.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Story League (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Story League programs, 1941-1956
- 2 folders
- Organization formed in 1940 for the purpose of telling stories.
- Programs include lists of members and schedules of events.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Temperance Society (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Temperance Society records, 1830-1832
- 8 items
- Minutes of meetings and report, 1830, concerning the quantity of liquor consumed in Ann Arbor yearly.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Rotary Club**

- Ann Arbor Rotary Club records 1931-2008
- 4 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor chapter of national service organization; administrative files, topical files, and publications.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Thrift Shop Association (Michigan)**

- Ann Arbor Thrift Shop Association (Michigan) records 1933-1996
- 2 linear ft. (in 3 boxes)
- Philanthropic organization established to aid the needy through the resale of merchandise.
- Minutes of board and general meetings, financial records, constitution and by-laws, history, and photographs.

- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Woman's Club (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Woman's Club (Mich.) records 1906-1983
- 3 linear ft.
- Minutes of meetings, annual reports, secretary and treasurer's books, scrapbooks, and miscellaneous clippings, budgets and newsletters.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Young Men's - Young Women's Christian Association (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Young Men's - Young Women's Christian Association (Mich.) records 1894-1956
- 2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Minutes of board meetings, membership and treasurer's records, scrapbooks, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Bassett, Ray E.**

- Ray E. Bassett scrapbook, 1914-1919
- 1 v. in 1 box
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, city forester.
- Scrapbook containing clippings and printed materials about his work, also the Boy Scouts, the YMCA, and Ann Arbor's patriotic activities during World War I.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Bonisteel, Roscoe O. (Roscoe Osmond), b. 1888**

- Roscoe O. Bonisteel papers 1903-1972
- 12 linear ft. (in 13 boxes) and 4 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney, Republican regent of the University of Michigan.
- Correspondence and other materials relating to state and local Republican party affairs, particularly the election of 1944 and the Constitutional Convention, 1961-1962; organizational files, primarily concerning activities with the Rotary Club, the Free and Accepted Order of Masons, the National Music Camp at Interlochen, the American Bar Association, the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, the Historical Society of Michigan, Cleary College, Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and the Wayne State University Board of Governors; and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Bonisteel Foundation**

- Bonisteel Foundation collection, 2009
- 1 folder
- The Bonisteel Foundation was established in Ann Arbor, Mich., to honor the memory of Roscoe Bonisteel, former regent of the University of Michigan. The foundation was dissolved in 2009. List of grants made by the foundation and memorandum by Francis X. Blouin about the foundation's records.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)



**Book and Thimble Club of Ann Arbor, Michigan**

- Book and Thimble Club of Ann Arbor records, 1918-[ongoing]
- 1 linear ft.
- Women's literary society.
- Minutes; booklets, containing programs, officers, and membership lists; and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Boy Scouts of America. Troop 3 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Boy Scouts of America, Troop 3 papers, 1927
- 1 folder
- Ten year history of Troop 3, Ann Arbor, Michigan, miscellanea, and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Brooks, Mary**

- Mary Brooks collection, 1890-1984 (bulk 1955-1984)
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Accumulator of district and local records of Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of World War I and of American Legion Auxiliary.
- Minute book and other records of Veterans of World War I district no. 6, 1963-1984; minutes and other records of district no. 2, 1955-1983; scrapbook and other records of ladies auxiliary to Ann Arbor barracks #2150; also records of American Legion Auxiliary, Chelsea, Michigan, 1944-1945, and 1969-1970; and miscellaneous state materials and publications.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Brown Family**

- Arthur Brown Family papers ca. 1873-1945
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.
- Correspondence, other papers and photographs of Arthur Brown, Ann Arbor attorney and mayor, and officer and director of the Washtenaw Abstract Company; also papers of his wife, Cora Pulcifer Brown, largely concerning work with Americanism Committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution during World War II.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Business and Professional Women's Club of Ann Arbor (Mich.)**

- Business and Professional Women's Club of Ann Arbor (Mich.) records 1920-1988
- 6 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Correspondence, minutes, publications, membership lists, histories, scrapbooks, and photographs relating to club activities, especially state and national conventions, 1921-1966.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Chapin, Charles A. (Charles Augustus)**

- Charles A. Chapin scrapbook, ca. 1840-1903

- 1 v. (ca. 60 p.)
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.
- Scrapbook containing clippings, programs, legal and business papers, and scattered correspondence mostly relating to Ann Arbor, Michigan, its business firms, churches, and organizations, and to the activities of its citizens.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Church Women United in Ann Arbor**

- Church Women United In Ann Arbor records 1941-2004
- 3.5 linear ft.
- Interdenominational church women's organization, formerly known as United Church Women of Ann Arbor.
- Minutes, reports, yearbooks, scrapbooks, photographs, sound recordings, and other files relating to activities and interests.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Club records, 1902-1946
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Social and cultural society made up largely of University of Michigan professors.
- Correspondence (1903-1932), constitution, minutes of meetings (1902-1927), eulogies (1917-1929), and papers presented at meetings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Community Farm of Ann Arbor.**

- Community Farm of Ann Arbor records, 1989-2010.
- 0.6 linear feet.
- Ann Arbor, Mich. member-owned, farmer-operated community supported agriculture farm established in 1988 and committed to biodynamic growing practices.
- Meeting minutes, budgets, correspondence, promotional leaflets and flyers, newsletters, newspaper clippings, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Daughters of the American Revolution. Sarah Caswell Angell Chapter (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Daughters of the American Revolution. Sarah Caswell Angell Chapter (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1896-2008
- 9 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 3 oversize v.
- Ann Arbor chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; minutes and other organizational records.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Daughters of the American Revolution. Keziah Cooley Goss Chapter (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Daughters of the American Revolution, Keziah Cooley Goss Chapter census, 1850
- 2 v.
- Typescript list of the residents of Washtenaw County, Michigan, townships.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

- Daughters of the American Revolution, Keziah Cooley Goss Chapter scrapbook, 1949-1956
- 1 v.
- Newspaper clippings, programs, letters, and photographs relating to the activities of the organization.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Duke, Kevin**

- Kevin Duke papers 1984-1998 (bulk 1987-1997)
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, active in local community groups and programs; a founder of Trailblazers of Washtenaw County, a non-profit agency operating a clubhouse rehabilitation center for the mentally ill; also active in Ann Arbor educational issues. Records of Trailblazers include bylaws, minutes, publications, and other administrative records; also files relating to involvement in other organizations for the mentally ill and Ann Arbor education.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Finley, William, 1810-1858**

- William Finley record book, 1849-1873
- 1 v.
- Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Membership list and other records, 1849, of the Washtenaw County Agricultural and Horticultural Society; also schedules and class records, ca. 1860, kept by the teacher of the school in District no. 9; and financial records, 1862-1873.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Freemasons. Ann Arbor Lodge, no. 85 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Free and Accepted Masons, Ann Arbor Lodge, No. 85 records, 1856-1868
- 1 oversize v.
- Masonic lodge established in Ann Arbor, Mich., in 1855 and disbanded in 1869.
- Annual returns of officers and members; minutes of meetings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Freemasons. Ann Arbor Lodge no. 544 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Freemasons, Ann Arbor Lodge no. 544 records, 1948-1969
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor Lodge no. 544 was chartered in 1927. It merged with Fraternity Lodge no. 262 in 1982.
- Correspondence, reports, programs, and other materials relating to the activities of the Lodge.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Freemasons. Fraternity Lodge No. 262 F. & A.M. (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Freemasons, Fraternity Lodge No. 262 (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records, 1869-2003
- 7 linear ft. and 24 outside v. (9 linear ft.)

- Freemasons' lodge formed in Ann Arbor, Mich. in 1869.
- Minutes, membership records, and other administrative materials.
- [Finding Aid](#)

**Freemasons. Golden Rule Lodge No. 159 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Freemasons, Golden Rule Lodge No. 159 (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records, 1864-1997
- 2 linear ft. and 18 oversize v.
- Freemason lodge formed in Ann Arbor, Mich. in 1865.
- Minutes of the special and regular meetings of the lodge, membership materials, by-laws, and some financial records. Included is a volume of memorial programs for past state grand masters.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Freemasons. Oriental Lodge No. 15 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Free and Accepted Masons, Oriental Lodge No. 15 records, 1849-1855
- 1 v.
- Charter and membership roll.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Golden Age Showcase (Organization)**

- Golden Age Showcase records, 1982-1996
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan organization established to preserve traditional craft work (quilting, knitting, woodworking, etc.) among seniors. The organization operated a store where the craft work could be displayed and sold.
- Subject files relating to the activities of the organization.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Grand Army of the Republic. Welch Post No. 137 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Grand Army of the Republic, Welch Post No. 137 records, 1883-1940
- 5 v. in 1 box and 1 oversize v.
- Minutes, financial records, and memorial records of deceased members.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Gray Panthers of Huron Valley**

- Gray Panthers of Huron Valley records 1979-2008
- 2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan-based chapter of the Gray Panthers.
- Subject files pertaining to chapter activities; administrative files include annual reports, correspondence, and newsletters.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Harms, George W., 1921-1993**

- George W. Harms papers 1915-1988 (bulk 1966-1988)
- 1 linear ft. and 1 outsize v.

- Veteran of World War II, later commander of Erwin Prieskorn Post No. 46 of the American Legion, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Subject files relating to veterans activities and his involvement in issues of concern to veterans; minutes of meetings of Ann Arbor, Michigan, post of the American Legion; and scrapbook of American Legion Post No. 46 containing letters from servicemen in Vietnam and photographs of post activities; also other photographs and videotapes.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Harriman, John**

- John Harriman Poster Collection, ca. 1985-2005
- 3 linear ft. (in 5 boxes) and 2 oversize folders
- William L. Clements Library staff member, collector of posters; event posters and announcements flyers advertising University of Michigan and Ann Arbor and other Michigan community events and activities.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Hays, Mary Lavinia Ives Campbell**

- Mary Lavinia Ives Campbell Hays papers, [ca. 1929-1967]
- 0.3 linear ft. (1 v. and 5 folders)
- Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Notes and other materials concerning the Ann Arbor Ladies Library Association, miscellanea, and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **HIV/AIDS Resource Center**

- HIV/AIDS Resource Center records 1986-2003
- 2 linear ft.
- Established in 1986 in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Michigan as Wellness Networks, Inc.-Huron Valley, the organization provides HIV and AIDS related services and information. The name of the organization was changed to HIV/AIDS Resource Center in 1993.
- Board meeting minutes and agendas, correspondence and memoranda, activity files, newspaper articles, and related records.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Humane Society of Huron Valley**

- Humane Society of Huron Valley records 1896-1970
- 1 linear ft.
- Board minutes, annual reports; photographs; also files relating to the construction and expansion of the shelter, to problems of dog control, and concerning local animal control ordinances.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Huron Hills Golf Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Huron Hills Golf Club records, 1924-1928
- 150 items
- Articles of association, membership lists, correspondence, minutes, and financial papers.

- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons. Phoebe Beal Circle**

- International Order of The King's Daughters and Sons. Phoebe Beal Circle (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1911-1994
- 2.0 linear ft.
- Minutes, group records, and other records.
- [Finding aid](#)

**International Order of The King's Daughters and Sons. Phoebe Beal Circle (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons, Goodwill Circle records, 1917-1968
- 8 v. (1 box)
- Formerly the Homeopathic Hospital Circle.
- Minutes of meetings, 1917-1929 and 1940-1968 and account book, 1932-1942.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Knights of Pythias. Temple No. 80 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Knights of Pythias, Temple No. 80 records, 1926-1964
- 1 linear ft.
- Minutes of meetings, financial records, and miscellanea; also records of Pythian Sisters.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Knights Templar (Masonic order). Ann Arbor Commandery, No. 13 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Knights Templar, Ann Arbor Commandery, No. 13 records, 1865-1951.
- 0.5 linear feet and 4 oversize volumes.
- Minute books, 1865-1868 and 1916-1948; and membership returns with names of officers and members.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Knights Templar (Masonic order). Ann Arbor Commandery, No. 13 (Ann Arbor, Mich.).**

**Ladies Auxiliary.**

- Knights Templar, Ann Arbor Commandery, No. 13, Ladies Auxiliary, records, 1968-1997.
- 1 linear foot.
- By-laws; minutes of meetings; albums containing certificates of appreciation and memorabilia; treasurer's records; and other miscellaneous materials.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society records, 1917-1975
- 0.6 linear ft. (3 v. and 4 items)
- German-American insurance and social society for working women.
- Minute books [in German until 1932], organization history, and membership list.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ladies Decoration Society (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Ladies Decoration Society minute book, 1873-1918
- 1 v.
- Women's organization concerned with the observance of Memorial Day.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor**

- Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor records 1866-1995
- 2 linear ft.
- Minutes, financial records, book lists, and clippings; also scrapbook, 1953-1968, concerning the Ann Arbor Public Library; commemorative tenth anniversary.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Lawyers' Wives of Washtenaw County**

- Lawyers' Wives of Washtenaw County records 1955-1980
- 0.3 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.
- Social organization of wives and widows of Washtenaw County lawyers.
- Records document history, membership, activities, and administration of the organization from 1955 to 1980.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan, Washtenaw County Chapter**

- Learning Disabilities Association of Michigan, Washtenaw County Chapter records 1968-1998
- 2.5 linear ft.
- Articles of incorporation, membership lists, minutes, reports, newsletters, correspondence, newspaper clippings, photographs, and other organizational materials.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Masonic Temple Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan.**

- Masonic Temple Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan minute book, 1929-1938.
- 1 volume.
- Association of the Masonic organizations of Ann Arbor.
- Minutes of meetings relating to management of the Masonic Temple building and to issues of mutual concern to the various local Masonic chapters.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Mothers of Men in Service. Unit 11 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Mothers of Men in Service, Unit 11 records, 1966-1969
- 1 item
- Minutes of board meetings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **National Society of New England Women. Ann Arbor Colony**

- National Society of New England Women, Ann Arbor Colony records, 1939-1984
- 0.3 linear ft.

- Scrapbooks, minutes, membership directories.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Neighborhood Senior Services**

- Neighborhood Senior Services records, ca. 1980-ca. 1990
- 1 linear ft.
- Volunteer organization in Ann Arbor, Michigan, formed to assist the elderly.
- Descriptions of the organization and its work.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **New York Society (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- New York Society records, 1860-1863
- 1 folder
- Organization founded in Ann Arbor, Michigan, by people native of, or descendants of people native of, New York State.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Numa Club of Ann Arbor**

- Numa Club of Ann Arbor records, 1960-1981
- 1 v.
- Women's auxiliary of Ann Arbor Lions Club.
- Membership books, clippings, photos, and miscellanea.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ozone House**

- Ozone House records 1970-2001
- 9.5 linear ft
- Shelter in Ann Arbor, Michigan, for runaway young people.
- The Ozone House records have been divided into seven series: Meeting Minutes; Grants and Funding; Worker Training; Publicity and Outreach; Topical Files; Drug Helpline; and Visual Materials. The records document the administration and various counseling, training, fundraising and outreach activities of the Ozone House.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Palestine Solidarity Committee. Ann Arbor, Michigan Chapter**

- Palestine Solidarity Committee, Ann Arbor, Michigan Chapter records, 1986-1988
- 1 folder
- Formerly the November 29th Committee for Palestine.
- Activity reports, flyers, and miscellanea.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Peel, Maria**

- Maria Peel scrapbook, 1896 and 1928-1932
- 1 item
- President of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Business and Professional Women's Club.



- Scrapbook containing clippings, letters, annual report and miscellaneous items relating to the Ann Arbor, Michigan, Business and Professional Women's Club; also letter, January 19, 1896, from Detroit, Michigan Board of Education to the Detroit Independent Women's Voters Association commending the association for arousing public interest in the Detroit school system.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Pierce, Mrs. N. H.**

- N. H. Pierce paper, 1878
- 1 item
- Paper concerning the history of the Ladies' Decoration Society, an Ann Arbor, Michigan, group founded to decorate the graves of Civil War soldiers on Memorial Day.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Power, Sadye**

- Sadye Power papers 1940-1979
- 2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader, and officer in various cultural, educational, and population control organizations.
- Files relating to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the Washtenaw County League for Planned Parenthood, the Merrill-Palmer Institute in Detroit, Greenhills School in Ann Arbor, the Alumnae Council of the University of Michigan, and the Ann Arbor Symphony.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Royal and Select Masters (Masonic order). Ann Arbor Council no. 86 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Royal and Select Masters, Ann Arbor Council no. 86 records, 1922-1967.
- 1 linear foot.
- Minutes of meetings, treasurer's record books, attendance register, annual returns to the Michigan Grand Council; and miscellaneous financial and membership material.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Royal Arch Masons. Washtenaw Chapter No. 6 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Royal Arch Masons, Washtenaw Chapter No. 6, Ann Arbor, Mich., records, 1849-1972.
- 3 linear feet and 1 oversize volume.
- The Washtenaw Chapter No. 6 of Royal Arch Masons received its charter in January 1850.
- Minutes of meetings, membership registers, reports to Grand Chapter of Michigan, and a financial ledger.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Slack, E. Elizabeth, 1881-1973**

- E. Elizabeth Slack papers, [ca. 1936-ca. 1961]
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader.

- Newspaper clippings and other materials relating to her work with Friends of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Ann Arbor Board of Education, the Northside Improvement Association, and other community organizations.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Soundings (Organization)**

- Soundings records 1977-1998 (bulk 1980-1994)
- 6 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, women's center founded in 1977 to help women cope with adjusting to life after widowhood or divorce.
- Soundings' main focus has been on job readiness, but it has offered workshops, programs, and individual and group counseling sessions on such topics as reentry into the workforce, assertiveness training, personal finance, and physical and emotional health and well-being. Records include background and history materials, administration, board of directors, grants and fundraising activities, finances, and audiovisual materials. Also includes the records of the Domestic Violence Project, Inc., a separate agency.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Summit Medical Center (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Summit Medical Center records 1969-2003 (bulk 1970-1985)
- 0.7 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan based non-profit charitable corporation established to provide low-cost health services to low-income individuals and families.
- The records document the administration and to a lesser degree, the activities of the Summit Medical Center corporation and its clinics. Photographs include portraits of founder, Edward Pierce, and other staff physicians; and photographs of building, staff, and patients.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Top Ladies of Distinction. Ann Arbor Chapter**

- Top Ladies of Distinction, Ann Arbor Chapter records 1982-1987
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan chapter of an African American women's organization.
- Minutes, correspondence, and subject files; also minutes and newsletters of Detroit area district of the organization.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Universities Committee on Post-War International Problems. Ann Arbor Branch**

- Universities Committee on Post-War International Problems, Ann Arbor Branch papers, 1943-1944
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Minutes, correspondence, resolutions of the Ann Arbor, Michigan, branch.
- Correspondents include: Joseph H. Ball, Harold H. Burton, Z. Clark Dickinson, Homer Ferguson, Carl A. Hatch, Ralph B. Perry, and Arthur H. Vandenberg.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. Richard N. Hall Post No. 422 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, Richard N. Hall Post No. 422 papers, 1920-1926
- linear ft. and 2 items [outsize]
- Correspondence, account book, and minutes of meetings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Washtenaw Council on Alcoholism**

- Washtenaw Council on Alcoholism records 1966-1988
- 0.7 linear ft.
- Washtenaw County, Michigan, citizens group concerned with alcohol-related problems.
- History, administrative records, and slides.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Center. Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency**

- Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Center. Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency, 1970-1988
- 16.75 linear ft.
- Records documenting coordination of substance abuse prevention and treatment efforts in Washtenaw and Livingston County, Michigan; subgroups include administrative files; records relating to the interaction of coordinating agency with direct care substance abuse services providers; collected materials pertaining to various professional and citizen advocacy groups concerned with the problem of substance abuse; and subject files.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Washtenaw County Dental Society Women's Auxiliary**

- Washtenaw County Dental Society Women's Auxiliary records 1946-1982
- 3 linear ft.
- President's books containing minutes, reports, and other organizational material.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Washtenaw Library Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Washtenaw Library Club records, 1903-1978
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Records of the Washtenaw Library Club, and its predecessor organization, the Ann Arbor Library Club.
- Minutes, program material, correspondence, and financial miscellanea.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project**

- Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project records 1993-2000
- 3.5 linear ft.

- Organization founded in 1995 to encourage increased visibility and acceptance and appreciation of the lesbian/gay/bisexual and transgender community in Washtenaw County through education and political action.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Washtenaw United Way**

- Washtenaw United Way records 1921-2001
- 18 linear ft. and 21 oversized v.
- Records of the Washtenaw United Way and its predecessor organizations, the Ypsilanti Community Chest, 1932-1971, and the Ann Arbor Community Chest, 1921-1971.
- Executive committee and board of director's minutes, manuals, reports, and scrapbooks containing clippings, photographs, and other organization papers.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **West Side Woman's Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- West Side Woman's Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1921-1988
- 1.5 linear ft.
- Minutes, treasurer's reports, scrapbooks, and other records detailing the activities to this community service organization.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Williams, David**

- David Williams papers, 1970
- 25 items
- Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan, member of Fraternity Lodge No. 262, Free and Accepted Masons.
- Research material on past masters of Fraternity Lodge 262.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Wolverine Cyclers (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Wolverine Cyclers records, 1890-1896
- 3 v. (1 box)
- Bicycle club. Minutes and financial records.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch**

- Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch records 1946-2008
- 2.75 linear ft. and 2 oversized v.
- Local branch of organization established to foster closer ties between city and country women and to stimulate interest in gardening and horticultural pursuits.
- Membership rosters, organizational files, historical information, files relating to fund raising and civic events, notably the Greens Market Sale and the Garden Walk tour of local gardens; also photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Woman's Relief Corps (U.S.). Estabrook Corps (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Estabrook Woman's Relief Corps records, 1939-1954
- 0.4 linear ft. (4 v.)
- Journal, 1953-1954, account book, 1947-1954, and scrapbooks, 1939-1941.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Woman's Relief Corps (U.S.). Welch Corps (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Welch Woman's Relief Corps records, 1938-1953
- 3 v.
- Minutes of meetings, 1947-1953, account book, 1938-1951, and member's ledger, 1941-1952.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Women's Crisis Center (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Women's Crisis Center (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1971-1990
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Women's support group founded in 1971 to aid and counsel victims of rape and abuse.
- Background materials, coordinator's files, publicity files, and visual materials.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Zonta Club of Ann Arbor, Michigan**

- Zonta Club of Ann Arbor, Michigan records 1972-1990 (bulk 1987-1990)
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor chapter of international women's professional and service organization.
- Administrative records, newsletters, yearly members booklets, correspondence, and other materials relating to club activities.
- [Finding aid](#)

## Commerce and Industry

These collections include information related to retail businesses and manufacturers; labor unions and trade guilds; business advocacy organizations; and non-profit cooperatives in Ann Arbor.

### Allmendinger Family

- Allmendinger Family papers 1824-2006 (bulk 1890-1986)
- 8 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and 1 oversize folder
- Ann Arbor German-American family, owners of the Allmendinger Organ Company which later became the Ann Arbor Organ Company.
- Correspondence, scrapbooks, family genealogy, photographs concerning family affairs, materials on Helene Allmendinger's radio show, examples of spirit messages received by Helene Allmendinger from deceased family members; information pertaining to the Ann Arbor Organ Company, and family members still living in Germany.
- [Finding aid](#)

### Armstrong, Solomon, 1821-1897

- Solomon Armstrong papers, 1823-1885
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Carpenter in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Contracts, legal papers, receipts, correspondence, and work records; also two account books of Sylvester Armstrong of Saratoga County, New York, 1823-1851.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### American Broach and Machine Company (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

- American Broach and Machine Company records, 1937
- 3 folders
- Materials collected by company attorneys relating to the organization of employees and subsequent strike at the Ann Arbor , Michigan plant; include legal documents, organizational material, news clippings, and union newsletters.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce

- Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce records 1919-1969
- 4 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Organizational records and photographs. Ann Arbor Charter Commission.
- [Finding aid](#)

### Ann Arbor Cooperative Society

- Ann Arbor Cooperative Society records 1936-1983
- 3 linear ft.
- As its name implies, the Ann Arbor Cooperative Society was a cooperative corporation that offered its members a wide range of services. These included a credit union, legal and tax preparation services, home insulation and maintenance services, memorial advising and planning services, vacation property, discount ticket sales to amusement

parks, and bulk purchasing. The records of the Society reflect its diverse activities, and include minutes, financial statements, audits, manager's reports, by-laws, news sheet, correspondence, and subject files relating to cooperative projects.

- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Foundry Company**

- Ann Arbor Foundry Company records, 1920-1973
- 0.3 linear ft. (4 v. and 2 folders)
- Industrial cooperative.
- Minute books, 1920-1973; legal papers; and biographical materials relating to one of its founders, Thomas Cook.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Junior Chamber of Commerce (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Junior Chamber of Commerce records 1936-1985
- 14.3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Ann Arbor chapter of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, a young adult community service organization; minutes, project files, budgets, newsletters, photographs, and related material.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Ann Arbor Thrift Shop Association (Michigan)**

- Ann Arbor Thrift Shop Association (Michigan) records 1933-1996
- 2 linear ft. (in 3 boxes)
- Philanthropic organization established to aid the needy through the resale of merchandise.
- Minutes of board and general meetings, financial records, constitution and by-laws, history, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Armstrong, Solomon, 1821-1897**

- Solomon Armstrong papers, 1823-1885
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Carpenter in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Contracts, legal papers, receipts, correspondence, and work records; also two account books of Sylvester Armstrong of Saratoga County, New York, 1823-1851.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **B. St. James (firm: Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- B. St. James ledger, 1911-1920.
- 1 volume.
- Ann Arbor, Mich. dry goods and notions store, owned by Bruno St. James Sr. The store was located at 126 S. Main Street.
- Record of debits and credits.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **B. E. Muehlig's Dry Goods Store (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- B. E. Muehlig's Dry Goods Store (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1900-1945
- 39 oversize v.
- B. E. Muehlig's was an Ann Arbor, Michigan dry goods store.
- Record book, 1916-1937, detailing daily sales, purchases, expenses, and bank account; record books of February inventories, 1900-1939 (5 volumes; scattered dates); cash books, 1912-1945 (26 volumes); journal, 1911-1932; and bill register, undated.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Bank of Washtenaw**

- Bank of Washtenaw records, 1836-1839 and 1851-1875
- 1 linear ft.
- Letterbook, collection register, stock ledger, register of discount, etc. 1836-1839; also letterbook, 1851-1875 of E. W. Morgan.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Bates Real Estate (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Bates Real Estate (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records ca. 1955-ca. 1980
- 10 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, real estate business.
- Information card file of homes for sale, including price, details about the house and the property, and photograph of the house.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Beal, Junius Emery, 1860-1942**

- Junius E. Beal papers 1869-1946
- 15.3 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, publisher of Ann Arbor Courier,
- Republican politician, and regent of University of Michigan. Correspondence, letter books, speeches, newspaper clippings, and photographs; papers (1909-1920) of Michigan Public Domain Commission, of which Beal was a member; papers (1877-1904) concerning Port Huron Gas Light Company; and printed material and miscellanea (1885-1905) concerning League of American Wheelmen and his interest in bicycling.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Beal, Rice Aner, 1823-1883**

- Rice Aner Beal papers 1843-1883
- 4 linear ft.
- Businessman, of Washtenaw County, Michigan, publisher of Ann Arbor Courier, and chairman of Executive Committee, Michigan Republican Party.
- Correspondence, account books, business records, receipts, deeds, and other financial records.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Beckwith, Cyrus W.**

- Cyrus W. Beckwith account book, 1825-1872
- 1 v. and 1 envelope.



- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.
- Record of general store and other business activities; also photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Beuhler, H. R.**

- H. R. Beuhler scrapbooks, 1916-1936
- 3 oversize v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.
- Scrapbooks containing newspaper clippings relating largely to local and national coal and building supply business conditions.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Blaich, George**

- George Blaich papers, 1865-1934
- 3 v. and 1 folder in 1 box
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, grocer.
- Account book, 1888-1934; scrapbooks containing business and advertising cards, newspaper clippings, and programs; and miscellaneous deeds and mortgages to Ann Arbor, Michigan, property; also photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Bottum, C. E. (Curtis Edward), 1927-2005**

- C. E. Bottum papers, 1954 and 1978-2002
- 0.4 linear ft.
- C. E. (Bill) Bottum, Jr. was a resident of Ann Arbor, Mich., chairman of Townsend and Bottum Inc., a construction company specializing in industrial and energy projects. He was noted for guiding his business on the principles of the Beatitudes.
- Speeches and other writings relating to his efforts to build his business on Christian and Theosophical principles. Some documents relating to the history and activities of Townsend and Bottum are included, along with one speech about the construction business (1954) by C. E. Bottum, Sr.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers International Union of America. Local No. 14 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers International Union of America, Local No. 14 records, 1901-1951
- 1 linear ft. (7 v.)
- Membership lists, minutes, and financial records.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators, and Paperhangers of America. Local 514 (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, Local 514 records, 1899-1942
- 2 linear ft. (21 v. and 1 folder)

- Minutes of meetings, roll book, financial records, and photograph.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Brown Family**

- Arthur Brown Family papers ca. 1873-1945
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.
- Correspondence, other papers and photographs of Arthur Brown, Ann Arbor attorney and mayor, and officer and director of the Washtenaw Abstract Company; also papers of his wife, Cora Pulcipher Brown, largely concerning work with Americanism Committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution during World War II.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Brown, Benjamin**

- Benjamin Brown account book, 1871-1887
- 1 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.
- Account book including record of money paid for relief of paupers.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Brown, William Ellis, 1896-1970**

- William E. Brown papers 1923-1972
- 11 linear ft. and 3 oversize v.
- Republican mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1945-1957.
- The collection consists of topical files on Ann Arbor municipal issues, business records from his real estate and automobile sales ventures, scrapbooks, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Brownson, William T.**

- William T. Brownson papers 1949-1975
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Labor relations specialist for the Lamar Pipe Company and the Michigan Concrete Pipe Association.
- Materials relating to his dealings with the Teamster's union; also papers concerning his work with an Ann Arbor, Michigan, citizens group formed to oppose proposed building on Stadium Blvd.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Burkhart, Ben**

- Ben Burkhardt papers, ca. 1900-1990s
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Ben Burkhardt was owner and manager of the Burkhardt Typesetting Company in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Financial ledger, 1946-1947; samples of printing, clippings, scanned photographs, and DVD interview.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Business and Professional Women's Club of Ann Arbor (Mich.)**

- Business and Professional Women's Club of Ann Arbor (Mich.) records 1920-1988
- 6 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Correspondence, minutes, publications, membership lists, histories, scrapbooks, and photographs relating to club activities, especially state and national conventions, 1921-1966.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Butts, William Henry**

- William Henry Butts notebook, 1876-1877
- 1 v.
- Student at the University of Michigan, later professor of mathematics.
- Notebook containing brief comments on student life and record of expenditures; and miscellaneous business records of Noah G. Butts, Ann Arbor, Michigan, real estate agent.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Carpenter, Daniel**

- Daniel Carpenter papers, 1857-1884
- 105 items
- Warfield, Massachusetts, businessman.
- Correspondence and business papers originating from agents in Michigan, particularly Livonia, Detroit, and Ann Arbor, dealing with lumbering, real estate, and business conditions.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Chapin, Charles A. (Charles Augustus)**

- Charles A. Chapin scrapbook, ca. 1840-1903
- 1 v. (ca. 60 p.)
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.
- Scrapbook containing clippings, programs, legal and business papers, and scattered correspondence mostly relating to Ann Arbor, Michigan, its business firms, churches, and organizations, and to the activities of its citizens.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Del-Rio Bar (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Del-Rio Bar scrapbook collection, 1971-1995
- 3 v. and 0.2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Mich., bar and restaurant, located at 122 W. Washington St. owned by Ernest Harburg, Victoria Harburg, and Rick Burgess. The bar was managed by consensus.
- Scrapbooks containing menus, photos, notes from customers and staff, clippings, and memorabilia. Also 4 folders of loose items from the scrapbooks, including agendas from staff meetings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **De Vine, Frank B.**

- Frank B. De Vine collection, 1915-1949
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Mich., attorney; born 1885.
- Printed records of legal cases appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court in which one party was represented by De Vine. Among the issues included are Ann Arbor's water system (Frederick and Flora Osborn vs. City of Ann Arbor, City of Ann Arbor vs. Edward D. Kinne, and Gustav A. Schenk vs. City of Ann Arbor), Michigan Wolverine Student Cooperative (vs. Wm. Goodyear and Co.), school annexation (Public Schools of the City of Ann Arbor vs. Township of Ann Arbor), siting of gas station (George Sandenburgh vs. Michigamme Oil Co.), Ann Arbor Press (Arthur J. Wiltse vs. Margaret Schaeffer et al.), and various business, traffic accident, and inheritance disputes.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Dieterle, Enoch, 1865-**

- Enoch Dieterle papers, 1879-1919
- 9 v. in 1 box and 7 items
- Funeral home director in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Account books, 1879-1919; four embalming certificates of Enoch Dieterle, 1896, 1901, and 1903; confirmation certificate of Dieterle, 1879; marriage certificate, 1891, of Dieterle; and photograph.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Dolph Funeral Home (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Dolph Funeral Home records, 1937-1953
- 1 linear ft.
- Listing of funerals, including biographical data on deceased, cost of services, and newspaper obituaries.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Drake, G. Claude**

- G. Claude Drake papers 1899, 1937-1944, and undated 0.3 linear ft.
- President of Quarry Drugstore, Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Pharmaceutical and soda fountain recipe books, account book of farm owned by Margaret Drake of Allentown, Michigan, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Duke, Kevin**

- Kevin Duke papers 1984-1998 (bulk 1987-1997)
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, active in local community groups and programs; a founder of Trailblazers of Washtenaw County, a non-profit agency operating a clubhouse rehabilitation center for the mentally ill; also active in Ann Arbor educational issues.
- Records of Trailblazers include bylaws, minutes, publications, and other administrative records; also files relating to involvement in other organizations for the mentally ill and Ann Arbor education.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Eberbach, Ottmar, b. 1845**

- Ottmar Eberbach papers, 1876 and 1887
- 2 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, pharmacist.
- Manuscript article, entitled, "On adulteration of common articles of food," and published article on pharmacy.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Foster, Calvin**

- Calvin Foster papers, 1931-1979
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Employee of the Ann Arbor, Michigan-based camera company, Argus, Inc.
- Collected materials relating to Argus and its predecessor firms, Cavac Corporation and International Radio Corporation, including dealer and employee newsletters, catalogs and promotional materials, clippings, visual materials, and miscellaneous.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Godfrey and Wheedon (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Godfrey and Wheedon journal, 1850-1852
- 1 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, merchants.
- Customer daily accounts.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Golden Age Showcase (Organization)**

- Golden Age Showcase records, 1982-1996
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan organization established to preserve traditional craft work (quilting, knitting, woodworking, etc.) among seniors.
- The organization operated a store where the craft work could be displayed and sold.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Goodrich, Chauncey S., 1787-1860**

- Chauncey S. Goodrich papers, 1831-1909
- ca. 60 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, merchant, magistrate and coroner.
- Correspondence concerning business and social affairs and pertaining to the activities of the militia; and 1835 militia commission from Governor Stevens T. Mason.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Grossman and Schlenker (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Grossman and Schlenker ledger, ca. 1886-1908
- 1 v.
- Hardware store operated by Charles Grossman and Christian Schlenker, later reorganized as Schlenker's Hardware Store.

- Undated store inventory, and miscellaneous accounts.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Harkins, James E., b. 1859**

- James E. Harkins scrapbook, 1873-1901
- 1 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, hardware dealer and minstrel show entertainer.
- Scrapbook containing playbills, posters and newspaper clippings, recounting his theatrical activities.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Hatch, Edward Walker, 1843-1916**

- Edward W. Hatch papers, 1865-1930
- 25 items and 2 v.
- Carpenter in Detroit, and Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Civil War pass, four items concerning his status as a Civil War veteran; account books of carpentry work; correspondence, 1927-1930, of his son Edward W. Hatch, largely with the U.S. Patent Office, and papers relating to the improvement of projectiles and airplane wings.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Henderson, William D., b. 1866**

- William Henderson papers, 1912-1953
- ca. 5 linear in. and 1 oversize folder.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, livery and garage owner.
- Scattered materials relating to his interest in horses and horse racing; also scrapbook of clippings, photograph album, photographs, and printed miscellanea.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Henne & Stanger**

- Henne & Stanger business records, 1905-1913
- 4 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, furniture, carpet, and drapery store.
- Daybooks, 1905-1908, and business ledger, 1907-1913.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Hicks, Evangeline Parker**

- Evangeline Parker Hicks papers, ca. 1830-ca. 1900
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.
- Ledgers and account books of local Ann Arbor, Michigan, business firms; also miscellaneous correspondence, deeds, and essays of Ann Arbor people.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Hill, George D.**

- George D. Hill papers 1843-1876

- 2 linear ft. and 1 oversize v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and surveyor general of the Dakota Territory; correspondence and business papers.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Hoag, Gerald H.**

- Gerald H. Hoag papers 1918-1978
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Ann Arbor (Mich.) theatre manager, later area manager of Butterfield Theatres, Inc.
- Personal correspondence, business memoranda, clippings, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Hobbs, Ruth and Wendell**

- Ruth and Wendell Hobbs papers, ca. 1929-1997 (scattered)
- 0.5 linear ft.
- Ruth Hobbs was an Ann Arbor, Michigan, realtor, civic leader, and active in Republican Party politics. Wendell Hobbs was an Ann Arbor real estate agent, also involved with local and state Republican Party affairs.
- The collection includes certificates of appreciation, letters of thanks from political dignitaries, clippings, items from scrapbooks, personal ephemera, and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Holland, Jeep, 1943-1998**

- Jeep Holland papers 1943-1998
- 12 linear ft. (in 13 boxes)
- Hugh "Jeep" Holland was the founder of the A-Square Record label in Ann Arbor in 1967, and consequently became an integral part of the southeast Michigan music scene in the late 1960s and early 1970s.
- The collection documents, in papers, photographs and sound recordings, Jeep's personal life, interests, and career.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **John W. Illi Bakery (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- John W. Illi Bakery ledger, 1902-1903
- 1 item (ca. 200 pp.)
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, bakery.
- Customer accounts with list of purchases.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Jones, Rembert**

- Rembert Jones account book, 1917-1936
- 1 v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan electrician and salesman of electrical and heating insulation.
- Record of business accounts.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Kellogg, Dan W., 1812-1885**

- Dan W. Kellogg papers, 1820-1862
- 0.6 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Troy, New York merchant and city official.
- Business records, letters from family and friends, and biographical sketch.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Kempf, Reuben, 1835-**

- Reuben Kempf papers, 1915
- 4 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, and former member of the state legislature.
- Letters from University of Michigan president James B. Angell congratulating Kempf on his support of certain bills relating to the University in the state legislature.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Koch, George A., 1918-2000**

- George A. Koch papers, 1880s-1990s
- 0.2 linear ft.
- Member of family of Ann Arbor, Mich., builders, owners of Koch Brothers Construction Co., Koch Building & Supply Co., and other firms.
- George Koch's writings about family members and the buildings they constructed, photocopies and clippings about family and buildings, and photographs.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Kvaran, Einar**

- Einar Kvaran papers 1980-1992
- 1 linear ft.
- Employee of the Michigan Federation of Food Cooperatives, The People's Wherehouse, Ann Arbor, Michigan; also union steward for the Industrial Workers of the World, Local 660.
- Reports, memoranda, notes, policies, and other papers relating to his work at the cooperative, and to union work and labor negotiations.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Lee, Joseph T. A.**

- Joseph T. A. Lee papers 1964-1990
- 2.5 linear ft., 266 oversize drawings, and 1 oversize folder
- Joseph T. A. Lee was an Ann Arbor architect and Professor in the University of Michigan School of Architecture; chair of the steering committee for the Ann Arbor Area Goals Conference. He was one of the original owners of Kerrytown Market as well as its chief architect. Lee was also involved in several Ann Arbor development issues, including the debate over the Geddes-Fuller corridor.
- His papers include administrative and financial materials on the early development of Kerrytown (1966-1980) and clippings and other materials on his involvement in the Geddes-Fuller corridor debates. His papers also include architectural drawings of the



Kerrytown Townhouse and Kerrytown Market Complexes as well as some photographs of early Kerrytown development.

- [Finding aid](#)

### **Lemble, George Francis**

- George Francis Lemble papers 1958-1968
- 2 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman, president of the Washtenaw Conservatives, active in local Republican Party affairs; correspondence and other papers relating to politics, the Board of Education, the Housing Commission and Police Department of Ann Arbor, and the Willow Run project of the federal anti-poverty program.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Mack & Company (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Mack & Company records 1858-1940
- 4.5 linear ft., 12 microfilm rolls, and 5 oversize v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, dry goods store.
- Ledgers, cash books, payroll books, sales books, and photographs; also records, 1902-1913, of the estate of Christian Mack, and records, 1874-1922, of the Mack Insurance Agency.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **McCallum, George P. (George Porterfield), 1871-1952**

- George P. McCallum collection, 1803-1865 (scattered dates)
- 1 folder
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.
- Collected material; include manifests of ships traveling on the Great Lakes, 1838 and 1852; cost estimates of transporting goods from Montreal to Mackinac; enrollment, 1865, of a Detroit, Michigan, schooner; and fragment of American Fur Company financial journal, June 1830, from Michilimackinac.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **C.H. Millen & Harlow Wagon Shop (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- C. H. Millen & Harlow Wagon Shop records, 1853-1875
- 2 v.
- Daybook, 1853-1854, of the wagon shop; accounts, 1860, of the Home Insurance Agency of New York, of which Millen was an agent; and account book, 1871-1875, of his general store.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Millen, George W., b. 1863**

- George W. Millen papers, 1898-1927
- 100 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, Republican state senator from Ann Arbor, 1918-1920, later member of the State Department of Conservation.

- Personal correspondence and papers concerning in part election campaign in 1918; also letters from nephew serving in the army during World War I.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Morgan Family**

- Morgan Family papers 1821-1893
- 1 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 1 oversize v.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan family.
- Ledger, of Elijah W. Morgan, attorney and businessman, compiled in the 1840's containing his comments and evaluations of business and professional abilities of early businessmen of Washtenaw County, Michigan; correspondence, autobiography, and other miscellaneous business papers and deeds; also correspondence, drawings, and writings of his wife Lucy Stow Morgan, including letter describing life and customs in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1831; and other papers of Elijah's parents, including autobiographies of Elisha Morgan and Polly Babcock Morgan.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Muehlig Funeral Chapel**

- Muehlig Funeral Chapel records 1846-1867 and 1882-1995 (bulk 1846-1867 and 1882-1916 )
- 2 linear ft.
- Firm established in Ann Arbor, Michigan in the mid-nineteenth century as a furniture-undertaking business.
- Ledgers and daybooks of furniture and undertaking business, 1846-1867; funeral record books, 1882-1916, containing such vital information as name, date of death, age, cause of death, and occupation; register, 1919-1940, of funerals, containing names only. The records from May 1909 through 1916 include occasional information about deceased's parents.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Mummery, Arthur E.**

- Arthur E. Mummery papers, 1884-1906
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan pharmacist.
- Legal and business papers, a few items of correspondence, eighteen volumes of personal, business, and organizational accounts.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Pettibone, Samuel**

- Samuel Pettibone account books, 1829-1832 and 1845-1849
- 3 v.
- Two volumes are of unknown firms (probably general stores) in Ann Arbor, Michigan and one volume of O. I. Fields general store in Novi, Michigan; contain entries for many of the prominent early settlers of the area.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Reichert, Rudolph E., 1887-1965**

- Rudolph E. Reichert papers 1907-1962
- 17.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan banker and commissioner of the Michigan Banking Department during the depression.
- Correspondence and other papers concerning his activities as banking commissioner and officer of the Michigan Bankers Association; includes letters from Mrs. Christine Reichert to her children while touring Europe, mainly Germany, on the eve of World War II, 1939; also letters between Reichert and British manufacturer in which British-American foreign policy is discussed, 1939-1945; and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

**Rinsey Family**

- Rinsey Family papers 1856-1950 (bulk 1913-1928)
- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan family, proprietors of Rinsey & Seabolt grocery store.
- Papers of David Rinsey, Ann Arbor, Michigan, grocer; also papers of his son George, a bank teller, and of George's wife, Ina Alexander Rinsey; including correspondence, legal documents, and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

**L.C. Risdon Hardware Dealer (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- L.C. Risdon Hardware Dealer account book, 1877-1882
- 1 v.
- Dealer in hardware, stoves, iron, steel, and other metal ware.
- [Mirllyn Catalog Record](#)

**Robison Family**

- Robison Family papers, [183- - 191-] (scattered dates)
- 5 linear in. and 1 folder
- James and Charlotte Benedict Robison family of Ann Arbor, Michigan, owners of the Palace Livery.
- Genealogical material and personal papers; also photographs relating to their livery business; photographs of Robison and Benedict family members; and autograph books of James W. and Cora Robison, and composition books of Catharine H. Hasbrouck and Catharine H. Young.
- [Mirllyn Catalog Record](#)

**Sample, George Washington, 1868-1945**

- George Washington Sample papers, 1891-1944
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversized folder
- Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and judge of Washtenaw County Circuit Court.
- Business accounts, letterbooks, and correspondence relating to Republican politics, particularly election campaigns of 1912 and 1936, and enforcement of the Prohibition

Amendment; and other papers concerning the career of Frank Knox and the coming of World War II. Correspondents include: Frank Knox (correspondence throughout), and Earl C. Michener, Mar. 23, 1936, Oct. 4 and Nov. 15, 1941; and photographs.

- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Schleede Family**

- Schleede Family papers, 1857-1966 (scattered)
- 0.7 linear ft.
- Frederick Schleede was an Ann Arbor bookbinder and stationer. His son Waldo Schleede was a Detroit music teacher and professional flutist with several nationally known symphonies.
- Biographical and personal materials, scrapbooks, published materials, and photographs. Also included are journals and scrapbooks (in German or containing German-language clippings) from the period of 1860s maintained by Frederick Schleede.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Schmid, J. G. Fred**

- J. G. Fred Schmid records, 1905-1924
- 4 v. in 1 box
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, saloon-keeper and landlord.
- Ledgers of accounts with customers, record of purchases, and tenant record book for room and stable rental.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Schnierle Brothers Center Market (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Schnierle Brothers Center Market records, 1906-1910
- 3 v.
- Ledgers and purchase book.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Scott, Evert Henry, b. 1850**

- Evert Henry Scott papers, 1869-1901 (scattered dates)
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Student at the University of Michigan, later Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.
- Volume containing notes on Edward Olney's mathematics course, 1869, and general business accounts, 1875-1885; also miscellaneous political correspondence with John T. Rich and John Patton, Jr., also photograph.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Siglin, Dave**

- Dave Siglin papers 1968-2008
- 2.5 linear ft. (in 3 boxes) and 2 oversized v.
- Program Director at the Ark, Ann Arbor, Michigan music club; administrative records relating to the management of the Ark, including artists' contracts and financial records,

printed materials such as concert calendars, flyers, and posters, and photographs of Ark performances, informal snapshots and publicity photos of performers.

- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Albert Sorg Paint Store (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Albert Sorg Paint Store records, ca. 1875-1901
- 4 v.
- Journals and ledgers detailing the sales and accounts of dealer in oils, paints and glass.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Staebler, Edward William, 1872-1946**

- Edward William Staebler papers 1870-1952 (bulk 1922-1944)
- 4 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and Democratic mayor of the city, 1927-1931.
- Mayoralty files; papers, 1922-1926, concerning the Ann Arbor Board of Education; also papers, 1922-1952, of Staebler and Son, automobile dealership.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Staebler, Michael, 1843-1928**

- Michael Staebler papers 1872-1934
- 13.5 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman, dealer in coal, farm machinery, bicycles, and automobiles; correspondence, letterbooks, and various record books of Ann Arbor business/enterprises owned and established by Michael Staebler and his family including Staebler and Elmer, Michael Staebler and Son, and Staebler and Sons.
- [Finding aid](#)

#### **Staebler & Sons (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Staebler & Sons records, 1914-1974.
- 0.5 linear feet and 1 oversize volume.
- Corporation established by Staebler family members in Ann Arbor, Mich., to sell and repair automobiles, bicycles, and other vehicles. The purpose of the firm was later broadened to include the buying, selling, and renting of real estate. The firm was dissolved in 1973.
- Minutes of meetings of stockholders, 1914-1973; financial records; various Staebler family warranty deeds.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Stern, Helmut**

- Helmut Stern papers, 1976-1980
- 1 folder
- President of Arcanum Corp., Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Correspondence with A. D. Moore, chiefly regarding Moore's writings on spherical objects and personal matters. Also copies of "Science vignettes" by Moore.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Thomson and Houston Electric Company (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Thomson and Houston Electric Company report, 1896
- 1 v.
- Report on the renovation of the company's light station.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Tibbals Family**

- Tibbals Family papers, ca. 1930-1993
- 1 linear ft. and 2 outsize folders
- Owners of Drake's Sandwich Shop, restaurant popular with University of Michigan students.
- Memorabilia and photographs relating to Drake's.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Tuomy Family**

- Tuomy Family papers 1840-1966 (bulk 1905-1945)
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Pioneer Ann Arbor, Michigan family, involved in farming, then real estate, developed the Tuomy Hills area of the city.
- Papers include personal and business correspondence of Cornelius and Kathryn Tuomy and of other family members; ledger books, 1868-1890, 1911-1938, and diaries, 1920-1921, 1925, 1926, 1936 concerning business and personal affairs; also papers of Kathryn G. Tuomy as president of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women; and photographs.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Walker, Warren E.**

- Warren E. Walker papers, 1880-1898
- 0.3 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan builder.
- Diaries, 1883-1885 and 1895, detailing business activities and building projects; accounts of building contracts, 1880-1898; water color of Miller Avenue at the railroad tracks; miscellaneous accounts and court records.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Washtenaw Abstract Company**

- Washtenaw Abstract Company records ca. 1824-1954
- 42 v., 1 linear ft., and 19 outsize folders
- Land title company based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.
- Abstracts of mortgages, deeds, and other legal papers recorded in Washtenaw County; and plat maps for Washtenaw County additions and subdivisions.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **White, Darwin E.**

- Darwin E. White photograph collection, 1912-1913.
- 2 items.
- Ann Arbor, Mich., photographer.
- Panoramic photographs (Dec. 15, 1912 and Jan. 26, 1913) of Barton Dam on the Huron River, Ann Arbor, Mich., under construction.
- Digital copies available. Reduced size prints available for research use.
- Original photographs in vault, staff use only, extremely fragile.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**S. Wood and Company (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- S. Wood and Company records, 1870-1890
- 2 linear ft.
- Dealer in lumber and building supplies, and such commodities as apples, pork, and wool.
- Business correspondence, ledgers, daybooks, letterbook, and other financial material.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

## Education

The following collections include information about the educators, administrators, and schools of Ann Arbor.

### **Ann Arbor (Mich.) Board of Education**

- Property description of the public schools of the city of Ann Arbor, Michigan with maps by Levi Douglas Wines, and, Descriptive analysis of social, economic, and educational factors in Ann Arbor by Eaton O. Bemis and Melvin A. Freel; edited by Lee M. Thurston, May 1933.
- 1 oversize v.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Club**

- Ann Arbor Club records, 1954-1972
- 2 linear in.  
Organization of graduates of Ann Arbor High School who received an athletic letter or award. Constitution, minutes, mailings, lists, and related materials.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Public Schools Faculty Wives**

- Ann Arbor Public Schools Faculty Wives records, 1945-1990
- 1 linear ft.  
Minutes of meetings, newsletters, reports, correspondence, membership rosters, and related organizational materials.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Public Schools**

- Ann Arbor Public Schools records, 1833-1994 (bulk 1838-1976)
- 19 linear ft. and 192 v.  
Administrative offices of the public school system of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Minutes and agenda exhibits from meetings of the Ann Arbor Board of Education, 1939-1994. Correspondence of school superintendent and other school administrators, largely 1969-1970, special study reports, committee minutes, budget material, and historical materials on individual Ann Arbor schools; files relating to local school desegregation and race relations, 1965-1969; and local school records, especially Pittsfield Township, Ann Arbor Township, Webster Township, Scio Township, and Superior Township.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Bowen, Barbara L., collector.**

- Barbara L. Bowen photograph, 1930.
- 1 item.  
Group portrait of the Mack School (Ann Arbor, Mich.) girl's field ball team.  
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### **Burnham, Bert W.**



- Bert W. Burnham papers, 1849-1922
- 31 items and 2 v.  
School district enumerator of Ann Arbor and Scio Township, Michigan.  
School expense book, census reports, attendance reports, assessments, and receipts.  
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**Butler, Leslie A.**

- Leslie Anderson Butler papers, 1922-1960
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Educator and superintendent of schools in Ann Arbor and Grand Rapids, Michigan.  
Correspondence and other materials relating to activities in education.  
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**Byrd, Letitia J.**

- Letitia J. Byrd papers 1970-2004
- 1 linear ft.  
Letitia J. Byrd is an African-American local community leader and a counselor for Huron High School in the Ann Arbor Public School system. She is also very involved with other Ann Arbor community organizations.  
This collection includes photographs, professional correspondence, and documents recording her involvement with numerous local organizations and with the Ann Arbor School System.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Clark, Mary H., d. 1875**

- Mary H. Clark papers, 1848-1861
- 2 linear in. in 1 box  
Principal of Misses Clark's School, private school for girls in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Letters and autographs of various dignitaries, notably Garibaldi, Edward Everett, Charles Scribner, William S. Sprague, William Cullen Bryant, and Lewis Cass; essay by Clark, 1852; and collected materials relating to Clark and her school, including diplomas and scrapbook of pressed Michigan wildflowers.  
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**Cummings, Willard**

- Willard Cummings paper, 2005
- 1 folder  
Ann Arbor, Mich., researcher.  
History of the Ann Arbor Union High School.  
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**Devin, Alice**

- Alice Devin letters, 1870-1872
- 19 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, high school student. Letters about social life in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and at the University of Michigan.

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**De Vine, Frank B.**

- Frank B. De Vine collection, 1915-1949
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Mich., attorney; born 1885.

Printed records of legal cases appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court in which one party was represented by De Vine. Among the issues included are Ann Arbor's water system (Frederick and Flora Osborn vs. City of Ann Arbor, City of Ann Arbor vs. Edward D. Kinne, and Gustav A. Schenk vs. City of Ann Arbor), Michigan Wolverine Student Cooperative (vs. Wm. Goodyear and Co.), school annexation (Public Schools of the City of Ann Arbor vs. Township of Ann Arbor), siting of gas station (George Sandenburgh vs. Michigamme Oil Co.), Ann Arbor Press (Arthur J. Wiltse vs. Margaret Schaeffer et al.), and various business, traffic accident, and inheritance disputes.

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**Duff, Lela**

- Lela Duff papers, ca. 1890-1976 (scattered dates)
- 0.5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, high school teacher and historian.

Correspondence, essays, and collected clippings and other materials relating to her interest in the history and architecture of Ann Arbor, Michigan; manuscript history of Ann Arbor High School with accompanying letters of reminiscence from earlier graduates; and photos, both personal and collected historical images of Ann Arbor.

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**Fields Family**

- Fields Family papers, 1900s-1950s
- 0.3 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan African American family.

Scrapbooks on African American history compiled by an Ann Arbor High School class, 1934-1935; and photographs.

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**Gallup, Albert E.**

- Albert E. Gallup papers, 1892-2006
- 0.4 linear ft. and 1 outsize folder

Administrator at Huron High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Collected flyers and leaflets relating to student activism at the high school; transcript of oral history interview by Marjorie Barritt (2006); also visual materials.

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**Gilbert, Mabelle Agnes**

- Mabelle Agnes Gilbert papers, 1889-1914
- 4 linear ft.

Student at the Ann Arbor (Mich.) School of Music, and music teacher in West Bay City (Mich.).

School grade reports, 1889-1896, diaries, 1895-1907, account books, 1901-1914, recording payment for music and dancing lessons, and scrapbook, 1897-1899, while a student in Ann Arbor, Michigan; also photographs.

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#### **Goodman, Grant Kohn, 1924-**

- Grant K. Goodman papers, 1989-1990
- 0.3 linear ft.

Member of the U.S. Army Japanese Language School held at the University of Michigan during World War II; and organizer of 1990 reunion.

Papers relating to reunion in Ann Arbor of members of the school in 1990.

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#### **Haisley, Otto Webster, 1884-1959**

- Otto Webster Haisley papers, 1917-1959 (bulk 1940-1953)
- 2.3 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan educator and superintendent of schools; personal and professional papers relating to his work as school superintendent; also publications, speeches, correspondence, family materials, and photographs.

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#### **Hall, Arthur Graham, 1865-1925**

- Arthur Graham Hall papers, 1917-1919
- 100 items

Chairman of the executive committee of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Board of Education. Correspondence, minutes and reports concerning superintendent of schools Herbert Slauson and the work of the board of education.

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#### **Heusel, Ted**

- Ted Heusel papers 1968-1974
- 4 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, radio personality and member of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Board of Education, 1968-1973.

Materials relating to his service on the school board; subjects covered include disruptions in the schools, teacher strikes, alleged racial and sexual bias in the school system, and the searches for school superintendents.

[Finding aid](#)

#### **Hill, Katharine**

- Katharine Hill letters, 1943-1946
- ca. 25 items

Teacher at University High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Letters from former students serving in the military during World War II.

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**Hultquist, Donald E.**

- Donald E. Hultquist papers, 1962-1999 (bulk 1979-1987)
- 1.3 linear ft.

Professor of biochemistry at the University of Michigan.

Files related to civic activities and participation in University-wide debates on issues of public policy; include files from work on Citizens' Advisory Committee on Racial Balance and Equal Opportunity in Ann Arbor Schools, 1979; also papers dealing with debate within the University over classified and non-classified research sponsored by U.S. Department of Defense, 1968-1986.

[Finding aid](#)

**Lane, Charles W. (Charles Wesley), 1919-**

- Charles W. Lane papers 1935-1997 (bulk 1958-1969)
- 4.5 linear ft. in 6 boxes and 7 oversize folders Architect based in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Project files relate to work with George Brigham and his system of constructing prefabricated homes, 1944-1947; files relating to design and construction of Huron High School in Ann Arbor; other projects concern design of mobile home parks and other Michigan school buildings.

[Finding aid](#)

**Lawton, F. C.**

- F. C. Lawton letter, November 30, 1888
- 1 item

Letter from Albert A. Stanley, director of the Ann Arbor School of Music, regarding the possibility of Lawton joining the faculty.

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**McClure, Katherine A.**

- Katherine A. McClure papers, ca. 1900 and 1941-1950
- 0.2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Katherine (Truax) McClure was a native of Big Rapids, Michigan, who later moved to Ann Arbor where she became an elementary school teacher at Angell School.

Personal correspondence, 1941-1950, exchanged with several friends, including one in the military, and from family remaining in Big Rapids; and collected photographs.

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**Montgomery, Patricia Clancy, 1934-**

- Patricia Clancy Montgomery papers 1973-2004
- 12 linear ft.

Educator, founder of Clonlara School in Ann Arbor, speaker and activist on behalf of home schooling and alternative methods of education.

The collection includes files relating to Clonlara School and to the Clonlara Home Based Education Program, as well as to Montgomery's work with various organizations,

including the National Coalition of Alternative Community Schools and the National Homeschool Association.

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**Morris, Mildred**

- Ann Arbor desegregation pattern: mirror of urban education (dissolution of Jones School), 1973
- 1 v.  
Student at the University of Michigan.

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**Parker, Gertrude Mary Bundy.**

- Gertrude M. Bundy Parker papers, 1887-1892.
- 1 folder.  
Graduate of Ann Arbor High School and the University of Michigan, class of 1892. She later married Lewis W. Parker.  
Commencement and other programs, letters relating to activities and concerns, and other memorabilia.

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**Powrie family.**

- Emerson F. Powrie and Gwendolyn Sutton Powrie papers, 1947-1972, bulk 1956-1970.
- 2.5 linear feet (in 3 boxes).  
Emerson F. Powrie served as a Principal in several Ann Arbor, Mich. public schools in the 1950s-early 1970s. During his tenure the schools underwent important restructuralization and desegregation, and were engaged in experimental teachers education programs and Midwest Program on Airborne Television Instructions.  
Gwendolyn Sutton Powrie was a University of Michigan School of Education Master's degree recipient (1953). She taught at the Michigan School for the Deaf in Flint, Mich. Administrative records of Ann Arbor schools contain enrollment numbers, studies and reports about racial and socio-economic composition of student body, and official memoranda. Also included are school directories and reports; Powrie's selected correspondence; student and P.T.O. publications and newsletters. The Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor files contain correspondence, reports, and printed materials of the Kiwanis Club. Gwendolyn Sutton Powrie's writings and research materials on the subject of teaching the hearing-impaired children, including English translations of works by Karl Brauckmann and Marta Limprecht.

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**Saturday Academy for African American Students**

- Saturday Academy for African American Students records 1963-1996 (bulk 1970-1996)
- 2 linear ft.  
The records of the Saturday Academy of African American Students cover the non-profit organization's efforts to promote academic achievement, inspire a love of learning, and close the achievement gap of African American students in the Ann Arbor Public Schools; included are board minutes, background information, book lists, photographs,

and related material; also included are miscellaneous files of William Ratcliff documenting his association with other education and African American organizations.  
[Finding aid](#)

**School District No. 2 Fractional (Ann Arbor and Superior, Mich.)**

- School District No. 2 Fractional (Ann Arbor and Superior, Mich.) records, 1866-1935 (scattered)
- 11 v. (in 1 box)  
School building known as Dixboro School.  
Record books include proceedings of school district meetings and of district board, school census, treasurer's accounts, and registers containing student attendance and promotion information.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Schreiber, Allan**

- Allan Schreiber papers 1968-1988
- 2.4 linear ft.  
Allan Schreiber, a teacher at Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor, was part of an initiative in the 1970s to develop an alternative high school, known as Earthworks. Schreiber was a teacher and the head of Earthworks for most of its existence. The papers include materials on Earthworks background and history, founding and planning materials, correspondence, materials on the merger with Community High School, printed works and annual reports, evaluations and studies of the school, field trip logs, and audiovisual material.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Slack, E. Elizabeth, 1881-1973**

- E. Elizabeth Slack papers, [ca. 1936-ca. 1961]
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader.  
Newspaper clippings and other materials relating to her work with Friends of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Ann Arbor Board of Education, the Northside Improvement Association, and other community organizations.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Smith, Roberta Holland.**

- Roberta Holland Smith papers, ca. 1900-ca. 2000.
- 0.6 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.  
Family historian and genealogist from Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Autobiography and other writings about the Holland, Schmid, and Kingsbury families; also materials about the Ann Arbor High School Class of 1939, genealogical materials and portraits of family members.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Staebler, Edward William, 1872-1946**

- Edward William Staebler papers 1870-1952 (bulk 1922-1944)

- 4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and Democratic mayor of the city, 1927-1931. Mayoralty files; papers, 1922-1926, concerning the Ann Arbor Board of Education; also papers, 1922-1952, of Staebler and Son, automobile dealership.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Stewart, John Alexander, 1852-1914**

- John Alexander Stewart diaries, 1868-1877
- 4 v. (1 box)  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, schoolteacher and administrator. Diaries recording student activities at the Union School in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and later at University of Michigan, and comments on teaching, church activities, and personal reading.  
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### **Student Advocacy Center of Michigan**

- Student Advocacy Center of Michigan records, 1975-2004 (bulk 1999-2003)
- 2.5 linear ft.  
The Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (SAC), established in 1975 in Ann Arbor, was the only organization in Michigan, providing non-legal advocacy to students and their parents who were eligible for general and special public education programs. SAC was involved in numerous controversies involving public school policies and practices. Ruth Zweifler, founding member and director, led SAC and built a statewide presence through activism for students and parents. Records include clippings which describe various interventions, in particular the 1979 Black English case in Ann Arbor.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Tejada, Irene**

- Irene Tejada papers 1928-1998 (bulk 1950-1970)
- 2 linear ft.  
Assistant professor of art and of education at the University of Michigan, K-12 art teacher at University School (1955-1970), and professional artist. Emphasis on visual, teaching, and historical materials from University School, including slides and photographs of students in educational facilities.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **University of Michigan, Programs for Educational Opportunity**

- Programs for Educational Opportunity (University of Michigan) records 1969-1996, 1970-1986
- 22 linear ft.  
A race desegregation assistance center based at the University of Michigan, the Program for Educational Opportunity was established by funding through the 1964 Civil Rights Act. The program was expanded to encompass race, gender, and national origin equity in public schools in the Great Lakes region.

Administrative files, topical files, workshop and task force material, handbooks, and material pertaining to desegregation and equality in public schools in Ann Arbor, Detroit, and elsewhere in Michigan and the Great Lakes region. Includes reports from school districts and histories of desegregation.

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### **University of Michigan. University School**

- University School (University of Michigan) teacher bulletins, 1929-1970
- 41 v.  
Bound volumes containing bulletins to faculty and staff of the demonstration elementary and high school operated by the University of Michigan. Includes policies and procedures, schedules, class rosters, curriculum details, communications to parents, and various forms.

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- University School (University of Michigan) records, 1920-1975 (bulk 1930-1960)
- 8 linear ft.  
Demonstration school operated by the University of Michigan School of Education, 1924-1969.  
Records include annual reports, staff bulletins, publicity, photographs, faculty minutes, building plans, and curriculum material; also records pertaining to the closing of the schools, and a historical file on the founding of the schools including correspondence of Allen S. Whitney.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Williams, Jessie E. (Jessie Evelyn), 1868-**

- Jessie E. Williams papers, [184-]-1963
- 1 v. and 50 items  
Teacher and poet from Ann Arbor and Mt. Clemens, Michigan, later Seattle, Washington. Scrapbook of manuscripts of poetry and prose, and letters and clippings; also papers relating to teaching career; earlier collected materials; and photographs.

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### **Wines, Harold D.**

- Harold D. Wines scrapbook, ca. 1900-1938
- 1 v. (128 p.) in 1 box  
Student at the University of Michigan, later Ann Arbor, Michigan, engineer. Scrapbook containing clippings and other memorabilia relating to student life at the University of Michigan, 1908-1912, to his engineering career, and to the life of his father Levi D. Wines, Ann Arbor, Michigan, high school teacher; also photograph.

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### **Wines, Levi Douglas, 1852-1938**

- Levi Douglas Wines papers, 1874-1887, 1914, and 1925
- 0.3 linear ft. (35 items and 3 v.)  
Mathematics teacher at Ann Arbor (Mich.) High School.



Reports and newspaper clippings relating to Ann Arbor, Michigan, residents and events, including material on the city's parks; also personal account book, 1874-1884, and miscellaneous family material.

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## Ethnic Groups

These resources document some of the ethnic groups of Ann Arbor.

### Allmendinger Family

- Allmendinger Family papers 1824-2006 (bulk 1890-1986)
- 8 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and 1 oversize folder  
Ann Arbor German-American family, owners of the Allmendinger Organ Company which later became the Ann Arbor Organ Company.  
Correspondence, scrapbooks, family genealogy, photographs concerning family affairs, materials on Helene Allmendinger's radio show, examples of spirit messages received by Helene Allmendinger from deceased family members; information pertaining to the Ann Arbor Organ Company, and family members still living in Germany.  
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### Achenbaum, W. Andrew

- Ann Arbor's German church split of 1875: a case study in intra-ethnic relationships, 1973
- 1 item  
Student paper written for University of Michigan anthropology class relating in part to the establishment of Zion Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### Belser, Hermann Frederick, 1829-1900

- Hermann Frederick Belser papers, 1847-1928
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Lutheran pastor to the United States from Germany, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Autobiography covering the years 1829-1856, and concerning his education in Germany and his immigration to America in 1853; journals, 1853-1855, concerning his pastorate in Huntington, Indiana; miscellaneous legal documents, clippings, and family material; and photographs.  
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### Herzberg, Nancy

- The German-American community in Ann Arbor, Michigan, December 1972
- 1 item (37 p.)  
Students at the University of Michigan.  
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### Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

- Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society records, 1917-1975
- 0.6 linear ft. (3 v. and 4 items)  
German-American insurance and social society for working women.  
Minute books [in German until 1932], organization history, and membership list.  
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### **Nanry Family**

- Nanry Family papers, 1839-1856 and 1977
- 13 items  
Irish immigrant family of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Correspondence between family members in New York City and Ann Arbor, Michigan,  
and a genealogical report from Ireland.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Pfabe, Caroline**

- Caroline Pfabe letters, 1898 and undated
- 2 items  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan  
Letters of German immigrant commenting on family members and daily life in Ann  
Arbor, Michigan.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Pressel, Daniel**

- The Jewish community of Ann Arbor before 1870, 1975
- 1 item  
Student at Huron High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
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### **Reichert, Jacob, b. 1851**

- Jacob Reichert papers, 1869-1870 and undated
- 4 items  
German immigrant to Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Letters to his cousin in Germany about his life in Michigan; also undated newspaper  
obituary.  
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### **Rominger, Marie**

- Marie Rominger papers, [193-?]
- 2 items  
Historical sketches concerning the influence of Germans on the development of Ann  
Arbor, Michigan and on the mineral springs and health baths in the Ann Arbor area in the  
19th century.  
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### **Schleede Family**

- Schleede Family papers, 1857-1966 (scattered)
- 0.7 linear ft.  
Frederick Schleede was an Ann Arbor bookbinder and stationer. His son Waldo Schleede  
was a Detroit music teacher and professional flutist with several nationally known  
symphonies.

Biographical and personal materials, scrapbooks, published materials, and photographs. Also included are journals and scrapbooks (in German or containing German-language clippings) from the period of 1860s maintained by Frederick Schleede.

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### **University of Michigan, English 325**

- English 325 (University of Michigan) papers, 1978
- 1 linear ft.

University of Michigan class requiring in part an oral history project.

Soundtapes of interviews and transcripts of interviews concerning Ann Arbor German parochial schools before World War I; Arthur Gallagher, editor of the Ann Arbor News; the Ann Arbor German community, being the remembrances of Margaret Louise Seeger; and the abortion movement in Ann Arbor.

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### **Whitehouse, Frank**

- Frank Whitehouse papers, 1827-1840
- 12 items

Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Letters of missionaries of the American Home Missionary Society concerning conditions in Ann Arbor, Niles, and Detroit, Michigan; also a letter to family from a German immigrant to Ann Arbor.

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### **Wurster, C. Victor**

- C. Victor Wurster reminiscences, undated
- 4 p.

Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Reminiscences describing social events and customs among Ann Arbor, Michigan's German community; also photographs.

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## Families

These collections include genealogical research and the personal papers of Ann Arbor's prominent families.

### Allmendinger Family

- Allmendinger Family papers 1824-2006 (bulk 1890-1986)
- 8 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and 1 oversize folder  
Ann Arbor German-American family, owners of the Allmendinger Organ Company which later became the Ann Arbor Organ Company.  
Correspondence, scrapbooks, family genealogy, photographs concerning family affairs, materials on Helene Allmendinger's radio show, examples of spirit messages received by Helene Allmendinger from deceased family members; information pertaining to the Ann Arbor Organ Company, and family members still living in Germany.  
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### Bach Family

- Bach Family papers 1862-1943
- 0.4 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, family. Family correspondence, photographs, and miscellanea.  
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### Blunt, Katherine Koch

- Katherine Koch Blunt papers, ca. 1870-1980
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Birmingham, Michigan, resident.  
Scrapbook, ca. 1931-1942, detailing in part her activities at the University of Michigan, M.A., 1934; also collected clippings, photographs, legal miscellanea, and writings about members of the Koch family of Ann Arbor.  
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### Bronson, Margaret

- Margaret Bronson papers, 1964-1965
- 1 folder  
Genealogical file relating to the Campbell family of Ann Arbor.  
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### Brown Family

- Arthur Brown Family papers ca. 1873-1945
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Correspondence, other papers and photographs of Arthur Brown, Ann Arbor attorney and mayor, and officer and director of the Washtenaw Abstract Company; also papers of his wife, Cora Pulcifer Brown, largely concerning work with Americanism Committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution during World War II.  
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### **Campbell Family**

- Campbell Family papers 1860-1865 and 1879-1949
- 2 linear ft.  
Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor, Michigan, area family; correspondence, diaries, and other family materials.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Chapin, Volney**

- Volney Chapin scrapbook, ca. 1835-1868
- 1 v. (oversize)  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Scrapbook containing genealogical information, and business and legal papers relating in part to Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Chipman Family**

- Chipman family papers 1925-1964
- 2.3 linear ft.  
Chipman family of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Hope Chipman was a teacher at University School of the University of Michigan. Letters of sisters Hope and Dorothy; also letters exchanged with their mother Janet Chipman; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Condon Family**

- Condon Family papers, 1900-1923
- 34 items  
The William Condon family of Ann Arbor and Hancock, Michigan.  
Personal correspondence and scattered business papers; also photographs.  
Correspondents include: Emmet Hall Pomeroy.  
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### **DeBoer, Robby, 1957-**

- Robby DeBoer collection, 1977-2006, bulk 1991-2006.
- 20 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.  
Litigant with her husband Jan DeBoer in case involving custody of their adoptive child "Baby Girl Clausen" (known nationally as Baby Jessica). The court ruled against the DeBoers and the child was returned to her biological parents. During the trial, the DeBoers and their supporters established a national child advocacy organization, that came to be called "Hear My Voice." This organization was dissolved in 2008.  
The collection documents the case of "Baby Girl Clausen" through court transcripts and related material, through the publicity, both print and audio-visual, surrounding the case, and through the correspondence received by the DeBoers and the organization set up to support them. In addition, there are records of the Hear My Voice organization, including minutes of the board of directors, materials relating to similar cases in other states, files

pertaining to activities of Hear My Voice chapters in other states, and accumulated material on pending state and national legislation on the topic of adoption law.

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### **Dennis Family**

- Dennis Family correspondence, 1832-1863
- 8 items  
Frederick Dennis family of Lyons, New York.  
Letters from relatives in Michigan describing pioneer life in Ann Arbor and Saginaw, Michigan; also one letter discussing the supplying of Fort McHenry during the Civil War. Correspondents include: Cody Burnett, Frederick Dennis, James Dennis, Eunice Gifford, Arthur Henderson and John Henderson.  
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### **Dillman Family**

- Dillman Family papers, 1873-1936
- 6 linear ft. (4 v. and ca. 35 items)  
Northern Ohio and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Diary, 1873-1903, of George Dillman, Lutheran minister in various northern Ohio communities; diary, 1920-1923, of his wife, Emma A. Umstead Dillman; diaries, 1900-1936 (scattered dates), of their son, Theodore A. Dillman, Ann Arbor, Michigan, physician; and miscellaneous genealogical materials, correspondence, and photographs.  
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### **Douglass Family**

- Douglass Family (Detroit and Ann Arbor, Mich.) papers 1812-1911 (bulk 1837-1900)
- 9 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 3 oversize v.  
Papers of Benjamin Douglass and his sons, Samuel T. Douglass, Detroit attorney and jurist, and Silas H. Douglas, professor of chemistry at the University of Michigan, and member of Douglass Houghton's Northern Michigan survey.  
Correspondence, scrapbooks, letter books, and miscellanea concerning family affairs, business and university activities; also contains records of the Douglass and Walker and Campbell Law Firm; and papers of individual members of Silas Douglass' family, including his wife Helen Welles Douglas, their children Samuel T. Douglas, Marie Louise Douglas, and Catherine Hulbert Douglas, and other Douglas and Welles family members; and photographs.  
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### **Dow, Sybil M.**

- Sybil M. Dow letters, 1930s-1950s.
- 2 linear feet.  
Graduate of the University of Michigan; wife of University of Michigan history professor Earle W. Dow.  
Letters to her family, especially her son Philip Dow, describing activities, friendships, family matters, and social life in Ann Arbor and at the University of Michigan. The

letters are long, well-written, and include comments about university faculty and wives. The letters are largely undated.

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### **Evans Family**

- Evans Family papers, 1870s-1970s
  - 0.1 linear ft. and 1 outsize folder
- Family of Frederick J. Evans of Ann Arbor and Battle Creek, Mich.  
Genealogical material and photographs of the Evans and related families.

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### **Fields Family**

- Fields Family papers, 1900s-1950s
  - 0.3 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan African American family.  
Scrapbooks on African American history compiled by an Ann Arbor High School class, 1934-1935; and photographs.

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### **Foster Family**

- Foster Family papers, ca. 1903-1961
  - 2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Residents of Ann Arbor and Lansing, Michigan.  
Diaries, correspondence, calendars, and photograph albums of Margaret Pattengill Foster; album and loose photographs of Theodore G. Foster, relating to University of Michigan student life.

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### **Geddes Family**

- Geddes and Randall Family papers 1835-1909
  - 1 linear ft. and 3 outsized v.
- The Geddes and Randall Family papers record early life in the Ann Arbor, Michigan area.  
The papers include financial records of paper and sawmills, pioneer reminiscences, personal photographs, and genealogical materials.

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### **Geddes and Randall Families**

- Geddes and Randall Families papers 1771-1950 (bulk 1825-1918)
  - 4 linear ft.
- This collection is comprised of papers of John Geddes, an early Washtenaw Country settler. The highlight of the collection is the correspondence between John Geddes and his brother William from the first half of the nineteenth century, large portions of which were transcribed by the donor, Russell E. Bidlack. The collection also contains papers from John Geddes' daughter--Sarah Geddes Randall--and her family, as well as notes and



correspondence regarding the collection and secondary source material compiled by Professor Bidlack.

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### **Green Family**

- Camilla and Ethel Green Family papers, 1827-1988 (bulk 1910-1955)
  - 8 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder
- Camilla and Ethel Green were mother and daughter who resided in the Ann Arbor, Michigan area from the late 1800s through their deaths in 1955 and 1988, respectively. Both women corresponded prolifically with their family, friends and former students. This collection consists primarily of their letters, which are largely organized chronologically if not already grouped by correspondent.

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### **Hallock Family**

- Hallock Family papers, 1870s-1984 (scattered)
  - 1 folder
- Ann Arbor, Michigan family.  
Typescripts of family letters written ca. 1870 and other Hallock family information; also photographs.

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### **Heusel Family**

- Heusel Family papers, 1900s?-1956
  - 4 linear ft.
- Residents of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Notebooks and journals, 1945-1956, of Fred J. Heusel concerning the various trips taken throughout his life; and scrapbooks, 1940-1956, of Edith F. Heusel, including newspaper clippings relating to the history of Ann Arbor and University of Michigan, and obituaries of local and national celebrities; also photographs.

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### **Hobart Family**

- Hobart Family letters, 1849-1893 (scattered dates)
  - 1 folder
- Ohio and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Family letters, including two from N. H. Pierce, woman physician from Ann Arbor, Michigan, who specialized in magnetic treatments.

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### **Hodges, Nan Powell**

- Nan Powell Hodges papers, 1977-1981
  - 3 items
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, local historian.

Research papers relating primarily to the history and restoration of Cobblestone Farm in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and to activities of the Maynard and Ticknor families, and the life of Orrin (Orin) White.

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### **Inglis Family**

- Inglis Family papers, [ca. 1867]-1969
- 0.3 linear ft.

Detroit and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.

Family history and genealogy; records of David Inglis, Detroit physician, including journal of trip to Hamburg, Germany, 1872, compositions, and letter, 1867, concerning student life at the University of Michigan, and medical lecture, 1877; his wife, Jenny Baxter Inglis; papers of children Henry Baxter Inglis, and Dorothy Inglis Milliken; miscellanea of other family members; and photographs.

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### **Irwin Family**

- James and Sybil Irwin Family papers 1815-1987 (bulk 1832-1946)
- 6.3 linear ft. (in 8 boxes)

James and Sybil (Hunter) Irwin were early settlers of Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Their two sons, John E. and (James) Leman Irwin, fought in the Civil War as volunteer members of the 20th Michigan Infantry.

Correspondence, diaries, and ledgers from these and other branches of the family are preserved in the Irwin family papers.

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### **Jones Family**

- Jones Family papers, 1860-1950
- 0.7 linear ft. (2 boxes) and 1 oversize folder

Ann Arbor, and Stony Creek, Michigan family.

Papers, 1871-1888, of Elisha Jones, professor of Latin at University of Michigan, including correspondence relating to his European travels, and miscellaneous legal papers; paper, 1860-1902, of his half-brother Joseph Comstock Jones, school superintendent and textbook publisher, including correspondence and other materials relating to his work; papers, 1876-1950, of Joseph's wife, Alice Van Hoosen Jones, including correspondence with her sister Bertha Van Hoosen, letters of condolence upon the death of her husband, and material concerning her personal life; also photographs and miscellanea.

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### **Judson, Helen G.**

- The George Dolan Bailey Family in America, 1805-1960, 1960
- 1 v. (ca. 30 p.)

Genealogical information about this Ann Arbor, Michigan, family, including photograph portraits of family members.

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### **Kempf, Edith Staebler**

- Edith Staebler Kempf papers, 1857-1970s
- 0.3 linear ft.  
Papers and photographs collected by Edith Staebler Kempf relating to the Kempf, Widenmann and Staebler families of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Scrapbook, 1880-1897, on musical performances of Reuben H. Kempf and his wife Pauline Widenmann Kempf; and miscellaneous correspondence, clippings and memorabilia.  
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### **Kennedy Family**

- Kennedy Family papers 1860s-1982
- 3 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan family; papers, 1904-1928, of James A. Kennedy, Sr., Presbyterian clergyman; papers, 1925-1969, of James A. Kennedy, Jr., Ann Arbor, Michigan attorney, largely concerning organizational activities; and papers of Mrs. James A. Kennedy (nee Elizabeth Earhart), 1950-1956, concerning her activities in Ann Arbor civic and social organizations and miscellaneous Earhart family materials.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Kenny Family**

- Kenny Family papers, [ca. 1828-ca. 1943]
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Webster Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, family.  
Diary, 1828, of Munnis Kenny describing trip from Vermont to Ann Arbor, Michigan; diaries, 1900 and 1902, of Bert Kenny, Dexter farmer and township supervisor; diary, 1943, of family member; genealogical notes and correspondence; and photographs.  
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### **Kingsley Family**

- Kingsley Family papers, 1830-1901
- 16 items and 1 oversize folder  
James Kingsley family of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Twelve letters, several of which discuss the death of Frank Kingsley, member of Co. H., 20th Michigan Infantry, who was killed in action at Spotsylvania, Virginia in 1864; marriage license, 1830, of James Kingsley; two war records of Frank Kingsley; miscellaneous land documents; and photographs.  
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### **Latson Family**

- Latson Family papers, ca. 1866-1918
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan family.

Correspondence, legal papers, and other papers concerning family matters and the William C. Latson Farm, Webster Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan; also papers concerning Andrew Smith, father-in-law of William C. Latson; and photographs.

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### **Maier Family**

- Maier Family papers, 1895-1940
- 0.3 linear ft. (4 v. and 1 folder)

Family of David Maier of Northfield Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Farm account books and treasurer's book of Fractional School District 3, Ann Arbor and Northfield Townships.

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### **Malcolm family.**

- Malcolm family papers, 1856-1910.
- 1 folder.

The family of George Malcolm (1832-1904) and Aneliza Robinson (1836-1902) of Scotland, Ont., and their children, chiefly Emma Clarissa Malcolm (1872-1848) and John Karl Malcolm (born 1878) of Ann Arbor, Mich., and a cousin Millard Filmore Malcolm (1865-1902), also of Ann Arbor, Mich.

Letters between family members in Scotland and Mount Brydges, Ont., and Ann Arbor and Durand, Mich., relating to family activities.

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### **Martin, Julia Bird**

- Julia Bird Martin papers 1796-1965
- 1 linear ft. (in 2 boxes) and 1 oversize folder

The Slatford Bird families were residents of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence and family papers, including letters, 1851-1853, of John Slatford written from the California gold fields describing his activities.

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### **Maulbetsch, John**

- John Maulbetsch scrapbooks, 1911-1914
- 4 v. (in 1 box)

Student at the Adrian College and University of Michigan where he was member of the football team.

Scrapbooks containing clippings largely relating to the activities of the University of Michigan football team, also programs, photographs, and other memorabilia; and scrapbook of Ida E. Cappon, 1914, mainly relating to football career of Maulbetsch, her future husband.

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### **Maynard, Mary Wilcoxon**

- Mary Wilcoxon Maynard papers, 1853-1896
- 4 v. in 1 box

Wife of Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman John W. Maynard.  
Diaries (1869, 1874, and 1889); also notebook (1853-1896) containing a few diary entries, list of persons attending the sixtieth wedding anniversary of the Maynards, and accounts.

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### **McDonald, Marion**

- Marion McDonald expense daybooks, 1943-1980
- 0.9 linear ft. (17 v.)  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Daybooks listing daily expenses.

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### **McOmber, Margaret**

- Margaret McOmber scrapbook, 1929-1930
- 1 v. (in 1 box)  
1930 graduate of University High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Programs, clippings, and scattered family photographs.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Morgan Family**

- Morgan Family papers 1821-1893
- 1 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 1 oversize v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan family. Ledger, of Elijah W. Morgan, attorney and businessman, compiled in the 1840's containing his comments and evaluations of business and professional abilities of early businessmen of Washtenaw County, Michigan; correspondence, autobiography, and other miscellaneous business papers and deeds; also correspondence, drawings, and writings of his wife Lucy Stow Morgan, including letter describing life and customs in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1831; and other papers of Elijah's parents, including autobiographies of Elisha Morgan and Polly Babcock Morgan.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Nanry Family**

- Nanry Family papers, 1839-1856 and 1977
- 13 items  
Irish immigrant family of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Correspondence between family members in New York City and Ann Arbor, Michigan, and a genealogical report from Ireland.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Newton, Kelley**

- Kelley Newton papers, 1834-1865 (scattered dates)
- 15 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.  
Land grants, deeds, and Civil War commissions of members of the Kelley family of Washtenaw and Livingston County, Michigan.

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**Otto Family**

- Otto Family papers, ca. 1875-1927
- 1 folder  
Family of Henry Otto, Ann Arbor, Michigan, musicians.  
Clippings and other materials relating to the history of the Otto family band, known variously as the Ann Arbor City Band, Washtenaw Times Band, Ann Arbor Evening Times Band, and Otto's Knights Templar Band.

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**Pack Family**

- Pack Family papers, [ca. 1892-ca. 1970]
- 30 items  
Ambrose C. Pack and son, Philip C. Pack of Ann Arbor, Michigan, officers in Michigan National Guard.

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**Parker, Franklin Leonidas, 1820-1894**

- Franklin L. Parker papers 1816-1911
- 12 linear ft. and 1 oversize v.  
Papers of Franklin L. Parker and the Parker family of New York (State) and Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Family correspondence, business papers, diaries, 1850-1893, and other materials concerning land transactions.

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**Pattengill Family**

- Pattengill Family papers 1767-1963
- 2 linear ft.  
Lansing and Ann Arbor, Michigan families; correspondence, photographs, clippings, and other family documents.

[Finding aid](#)

**Patterson Family**

- Patterson Family papers 1825-1931
- 3 linear ft. (in 4 boxes)  
New York State and Ann Arbor, Michigan family; family correspondence, business papers, student notebooks, photograph albums.

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**Pierce, Edward Hartley, b. 1855**

- Edward Hartley Pierce papers, 1926
- 25 p.  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Reminiscences of life in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and genealogy and family history of the Saunders and Pierce families.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Pond Family**

- Pond Family papers 1841-1939
- 9.6 linear ft. (13 boxes), 2 outsize drawers, and 1 microfilm roll  
Ann Arbor, Michigan and Chicago, Illinois family.  
Correspondence of Elihu B. Pond, editor of Michigan Argus, his sons, Chicago architects, Irving Kane and Allen Bartlit Pond, founders of firm of Pond & Pond, and other family members; include materials concerning family affairs, architectural projects, Jane Addams and the work of Hull House, European travels, politics especially as relates to period of the Civil War and the election of 1896; also photographs, architectural drawings and other visual materials.

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### **Rinsey Family**

- Rinsey Family papers 1856-1950 (bulk 1913-1928)
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan family, proprietors of Rinsey & Seabolt grocery store. Papers of David Rinsey, Ann Arbor, Michigan, grocer; also papers of his son George, a bank teller, and of George's wife, Ina Alexander Rinsey; including correspondence, legal documents, and photographs.

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### **Robison Family**

- Robison Family papers, [183- - 191-] (scattered dates)
- 5 linear in. and 1 folder  
James and Charlotte Benedict Robison family of Ann Arbor, Michigan, owners of the Palace Livery.  
Genealogical material and personal papers; also photographs relating to their livery business; photographs of Robison and Benedict family members; and autograph books of James W. and Cora Robison, and composition books of Catharine H. Hasbrouck and Catharine H. Young.

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### **Rominger Family**

- Carl Rominger Family papers 1840-1945
- 5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Family correspondence of Carl, physician and geologist, his wife Frederika, his son Louis, and his daughter Julia; journals, 1861-1905, of Carl Rominger, including notes on his expeditions as State Geologist of Michigan, and other travels through New York, Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Ohio; and miscellaneous scrapbooks and account books; also photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Ryan, Milo S.**

- Home is a town called Ann Arbor, 1976-1979
- 1 reel microfilm  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident, later professor at the University of Washington.  
A remembrance of the Ryan-Pulcipher families and of the life, people, and institutions of Ann Arbor largely in the first decades of the twentieth century; also photographs.  
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**Schleede Family**

- Schleede Family papers, 1857-1966 (scattered)
- 0.7 linear ft  
Frederick Schleede was an Ann Arbor bookbinder and stationer. His son Waldo Schleede was a Detroit music teacher and professional flutist with several nationally known symphonies.  
Biographical and personal materials, scrapbooks, published materials, and photographs. Also included are journals and scrapbooks (in German or containing German-language clippings) from the period of 1860s maintained by Frederick Schleede.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Schmid, Emma Marie**

- Emma Marie Schmid papers, 1812-1865 (scattered dates)
- 11 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.  
Legal documents and other papers relating to her ancestors, the Schmid-Mann families of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Smith, Roberta Holland.**

- Roberta Holland Smith papers, ca. 1900-ca. 2000.
- 0.6 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.  
Family historian and genealogist from Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Autobiography and other writings about the Holland, Schmid, and Kingsbury families; also materials about the Ann Arbor High School Class of 1939, genealogical materials and portraits of family members.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Tibbals Family**

- Tibbals Family papers, ca. 1930-1993
- 1 linear ft. and 2 outsize folders  
Owners of Drake's Sandwich Shop, restaurant popular with University of Michigan students.  
Memorabilia and photographs relating to Drake's.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Tinkham Family**



- Tinkham Family papers 1875-1963
- 1 microfilm roll  
Branch County and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family. Family papers, reminiscences of Russell and Ralph R. Tinkham, and other papers relating to studies at the University of Michigan and elsewhere.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Tuomy Family**

- Tuomy Family papers 1840-1966 (bulk 1905-1945)
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Pioneer Ann Arbor, Michigan family, involved in farming, then real estate, developed the Tuomy Hills area of the city.  
Papers include personal and business correspondence of Cornelius and Kathryn Tuomy and of other family members; ledger books, 1868-1890, 1911-1938, and diaries, 1920-1921, 1925, 1926, 1936 concerning business and personal affairs; also papers of Kathryn G. Tuomy as president of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Twichell Family**

- Twichell Family papers 1831-1975 (bulk 1844-1975 )
- 3.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Hamburg, Livingston County, and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Correspondence, newspaper clippings and photographs of the Lohmiller, Twichell, and Hollister families.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **White Family**

- White Family papers, 1822-1899 and 1949
- 1 folder and 1 oversize folder  
New York state and Ann Arbor, Michigan family.  
Genealogical materials, land grants and deeds, commissions, and other documents of various family members; and photographs.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Wood, Norman Asa, 1857**

- Norman Asa Wood papers, 1848-1957
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Curator of Birds at University of Michigan Museum.  
Genealogical materials on the Wood and Phelps families of Lodi Township and Ann Arbor, Michigan; scrapbooks of miscellaneous items, including obituaries, news of the Wood family, sheep breeding in Washtenaw County, Michigan, and ornithological affairs; volume of flock records of Wood's merino sheep; and photographs.  
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## Government and City Services

These collections include records from various government agencies and commissions, as well as personal papers of individuals holding public office.

### **Abbott, Horatio J. (Horatio Johnson), 1876-**

- Horatio J. Abbott papers, 1906-1948
- 2 folders Real estate agent, postmaster, and Democratic national committeeman, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence, clippings, photographs, and miscellanea, relating to Democratic Party politics, especially concerning the national campaign of 1932. Correspondents include: Wilber M. Brucker, William A. Comstock, John W. Davis, James A. Farley, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Woodrow Wilson.

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### **Ann Arbor (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor (Mich.) records 1830-1989
- 4 linear ft. and 25 oversize v.

Records of the city of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Town council and common council proceedings, 1834-1919, accounts, 1857-1861, assessment rolls, 1830 and 1839, plats of the wards, 1912, election returns, 1847-1852, scrapbooks, 1904-1951, and papers concerning a proposed art museum, street railways and interurbans, the Ann Arbor Railroad, and the Charter Commission of 1920; also records of the former city of East Ann Arbor, the Village of Ann Arbor (Lower Town), and the Ann Arbor Park Commission.

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### **Ann Arbor Anti-Substance Abuse Task Force**

- Ann Arbor Anti-Substance Abuse Task Force records 1987-1992
- 1 linear ft.

Task Force established by the Ann Arbor City Council on May 16, 1988 in response to a perceived growth in drug use and abuse in Ann Arbor.

Letters and memoranda of Terry Martin, Task Force Chair, agendas and meetings of minutes, collected data and final report to council, and other assorted clippings and documents.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Bicentennial Commission (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Bicentennial Commission records 1975-1976
- 1 linear ft.

Minutes, publicity, and project files relating to the city's observance of the nation's bicentennial.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Charter Commission (Ann Arbor, Mich. : 1953-1955)**

- Ann Arbor Charter Commission (Ann Arbor, Mich.: 1953-1955) records 1938-1955

- 2 linear ft.  
Commission established to recommend revision of the Ann Arbor, Michigan, city charter. Correspondence, petitions, 1949, requesting appointments of commissioners, minutes, financial statements, and drafts of proposed charter at various stages of revision, also recommendations of the League of Women Voters.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor Commission for the University of Michigan Sesquicentennial**

- Ann Arbor Commission for the University of Michigan Sesquicentennial notebook, 1964-1967
- 1 v.  
Mrs. Elizabeth Kummer, secretary-treasurer.  
Minutes, progress reports, and miscellanea relating to Ann Arbor's role in the 150th anniversary of the University of Michigan.  
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### **Ann Arbor (Mich.) Fire Department**

- Ann Arbor (Mich.) Fire Department records 1850-1962
- 2.5 linear ft. (in 3 boxes) and 8 oversize v.  
Minute books of the Fire Department and of related voluntary fire companies; also other administrative records, including records of expenditures and salaries, and records detailing individual fires; and record books, 1876-1899, of city poor relief (then administered by the Fire Department); also photograph.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor (Mich.) Government Publications**

- Ann Arbor (Mich.) government publications ca. 1956-2001
- 3 linear. ft.  
Scattered publications of various city offices.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor (Mich.: Township)**

- Ann Arbor Township Records 1820s-1896
- 11 linear ft. and 100 oversize v./bundles  
Township record books, 1845-1902; registers of births, 1906-1943; registers of deaths, 1897-1912; poll books, tally sheets, and statement of votes from polls within township; records relating to surveys, repairs, etc. of township roads; reports and compiled statistics pertaining to township schools; property assessment roll books; and other miscellaneous records.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor (Mich.). Planning Commission**

- Ann Arbor Planning Commission publications ca. 1961-1997
- 3 linear ft.  
Publications of the Ann Arbor Planning Commission including annual reports, capital improvement budgets, and planning studies and reports.

[Finding aid](#)

**Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission**

- Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission Records 1957-1993
- 12 linear ft.

Agency of the city of Ann Arbor established in 1957 as the Human Relations Commission to investigate and deal with issues of racial discrimination in housing and employment. The name of the agency was changed in 1970 to the Human Rights Commission. The scope of the Commission came to include complaints of discrimination against women, gays, and the disabled.

The record group provides substantial documentation of issues of racial discrimination in employment and housing in Ann Arbor, Michigan in the period of 1957 to 1993. Included are files relating to the establishment of the commission, minutes (through 1993 with some gaps), memoranda (1968-1970), topical files, early case files (1965-1970), and student intern projects and reports of members of the community practice program within the University of Michigan School of Social Work.

[Finding aid](#)

**Ann Arbor (Mich.). Sesquicentennial Commission**

- Ann Arbor Sesquicentennial Commission records 1972-1974
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize v.

Agency established to plan and coordinate activities in celebration of Ann Arbor, Michigan's, sesquicentennial. Minutes, printed matter, and administrative files of Douglas Crary, commission chairman; scrapbook relating to celebratory events and projects; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Ann Arbor Transportation Authority**

- Ann Arbor Transportation Authority history, 1978
- 1 v.

History of public transit in Ann Arbor, Michigan, prepared for the Ann Arbor Transportation authority by Nancy K. Murphy.

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**Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti Urban Area Transportation Study Committee**

- Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti Urban Area Transportation Study Committee Publications 1965-1982
- 0.2 linear ft.

Annual reports and serial publications the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti Urban Area Transportation Study Committee on issues related to planning transportation systems in the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti and Huron River corridor area.

[Finding aid](#)

**Armstrong, William J.**

- William J. Armstrong papers, 1937-1956
- 50 items

Engineer, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Research materials relating to the "Chicago Road" across southern Michigan and the original land survey of Washtenaw County, Michigan.

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**Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May**

- Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May records, 1908-1965(scattered dates)
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, engineering firm.

Reports and other materials relating to various Michigan light and power projects, sewage treatment plants, and waterworks.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Bassett, Ray E.**

- Ray E. Bassett scrapbook, 1914-1919
- 1 v. in 1 box

Ann Arbor, Michigan, city forester.

Scrapbook containing clippings and printed materials about his work, also the Boy Scouts, the YMCA, and Ann Arbor's patriotic activities during World War I.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Belcher, Louis D., 1939-**

- Louis D. Belcher papers 1968 and 1976-1985
- 16 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1978-1985. Mayoralty files and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Bonisteel, Roscoe O. (Roscoe Osmond), b. 1888**

- Roscoe O. Bonisteel papers 1903-1972
- 12 linear ft. (in 13 boxes) and 4 v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney, Republican regent of the University of Michigan.

Correspondence and other materials relating to state and local Republican party affairs, particularly the election of 1944 and the Constitutional Convention, 1961-1962;

organizational files, primarily concerning activities with the Rotary Club, the Free and Accepted Order of Masons, the National Music Camp at Interlochen, the American Bar Association, the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, the Historical Society of Michigan, Cleary College, Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and the Wayne State University Board of Governors; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Bourquin, Alice, 1909-1995**

- Alice and Jessie Bourquin papers 1905-1991
- 7 linear ft., 1 oversize and 17 folders of drawings and blueprints

Landscape designers based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Planting and landscape plans, elevation drawings, and various other sketches for projects designed as students at the University of Michigan and subsequently for clients in Ann

Arbor, Michigan and other residences in southeastern Michigan; files relating to Jessie Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Economic Expansion and Alice Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Transportation; also papers relating to joint projects and activities, including their association with Jens Jensen and their Hillwood subdivision in Ann Arbor; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Brater, Elizabeth S.**

- Elizabeth S. Brater papers, 1989-2010, bulk 1996-2010.
  - 19.75 linear feet (in 20 boxes) and 1 oversize folder.
- Elizabeth S. Brater was elected as a Democrat to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1995 and served until 2000. In 2003, she was elected to the State Senate, where she served until 2010. Previously, she served as a member of the Ann Arbor City Council (1988-1993) and Mayor of Ann Arbor (1991-1993).

Legislative records from Brater's service in Michigan's House of Representatives and Senate, including handwritten notes on policy issues, correspondence (including printed email), collected research materials, and news clippings. The collection is particularly strong in documenting Brater's service on the Department of Natural Resources and Department of Environmental Quality subcommittees, as Minority Vice chair of Judiciary and Corrections on the State Appropriations Committee, and as a member of the Governor's Land Use Leadership Council.

The collection is closed to research use until Jan. 1, 2021.

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### **Brazer, Marjorie Cahn**

- Marjorie Cahn Brazer papers 1955-1992
- 2 linear ft.

Secretary of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Transportation Authority (AATA).

Minutes, 1969-1973, financial statements, reports, and photographs of the AATA largely concerning the problems of mass transportation and the development of the "Dial-a-Ride" system; also papers concerning the development of streets and automobile parking facilities in the city.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Brigham, Charles H. (Charles Henry), 1820-1879**

- Charles H. Brigham papers, 1849 and [184-]
- 1 folder

Resident of Ann Arbor, Mich.; a clergyman and member of the Michigan State Board of Health.

Personal correspondence (received while living in Massachusetts) and a paper on "the conflict of duties."

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### **Brown Family**

- Arthur Brown Family papers ca. 1873-1945
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.

Correspondence, other papers and photographs of Arthur Brown, Ann Arbor attorney and mayor, and officer and director of the Washtenaw Abstract Company; also papers of his wife, Cora Pulcifer Brown, largely concerning work with Americanism Committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution during World War II.

[Finding aid](#)

**Brown, William Ellis, 1896-1970**

- William E. Brown papers 1923-1972
- 11 linear ft. and 3 oversize v.

Republican mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1945-1957.

The collection consists of topical files on Ann Arbor municipal issues, business records from his real estate and automobile sales ventures, scrapbooks, and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Bulkley, Jonathan W.**

- Jonathan W. Bulkley papers 1973-1976
- 2 linear ft.

Member of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Housing Commission, president of the commission, 1974-1976.

Working files, including records of meetings, policy statements, and staff materials documenting the work of the commission.

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**Bullard, Perry**

- Perry Bullard papers 1969-1992
- 67 linear ft.

The Perry Bullard Papers (1973-1992) document Bullard's service as a state representative from Michigan's 53rd district, primarily between the years of 1980 and 1992.

The collection contains correspondence, newspaper clippings, committee reports and studies, bills, and briefing material on issues that came before the Michigan House of Representatives between 1973 and 1992.

[Finding aid](#)

**Burns, Eunice**

- Eunice Burns papers 1960-2003
- 3.5 linear ft.

Democratic member of the Ann Arbor City Council (Mich.); also member of the Ann Arbor Planning Commission, the Ann Arbor Development Authority, and the Huron River Watershed Council.

The collection includes correspondence, reports, minutes, and other materials largely concerning her organizational activities.

[Finding aid](#)

**Byrd, David R.**

- David R. Byrd Papers 1930s-2000 (bulk 1965-1973, 1981-1983)
  - 2.6 linear ft. (in four boxes), 1 portfolio, and 9 oversize folders
- David R. Byrd (1921-1987) was an African-American architect of churches, residential homes, offices, and schools in Washington, D.C. and Ann Arbor, Michigan. He served on the Board of Commissioners of Washtenaw County (1968-1972), and was an advocate for civil rights and affordable housing for the poor.
- This collection includes architectural drawings, reports, photographs, and personal and professional correspondence.
- [Finding aid](#)

### **Cappaert, Leroy**

- Leroy and Lael Cappaert papers 1947-2002
- 4 linear ft.

LeRoy Cappaert was a teacher and Democratic city councilman from Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1964-1970, delegate to the 1968 Democratic National Convention, and member of the Coalition for Peace in Central America, and organization established to provide assistance to Ann Arbor's sister city, Juigalpa, Nicaragua. Lael Cappaert was a librarian, also active in political and community causes.

Papers and notebooks concerning LeRoy's election campaigns for the city council, his council activities, his work as delegate at the Democratic National Conventions of 1964 and 1968, and the 1968 Presidential campaign of Senator Eugene McCarthy, his work with the Coalition for Peace in Central America; memoirs of his wife Lael Cappaert, pictorial history of their daughter Andrea Lael Cappaert; audio-visual material; and scrapbooks.

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### **Carr, Marian**

- Marian Carr papers 1957-1963
- 0.3 linear ft.

Member of the Ann Arbor Human Relations Commission; minutes and other materials relating to race relations in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Caswell, Harrison H., 1892-**

- Harrison H. Caswell papers, 1910-1965
- 0.2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

General manager of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Board of Water Commissioners.

Correspondence, reports, and miscellanea relating to his professional activities; also paper entitled, "Masonic meeting places, halls and temples, committees, associations and corporations, building sites, furniture, history and stories relating thereto, in Ann Arbor, Michigan, for period 1826 to 1965.

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### **Chapin, Jan**

- Jan Chapin collection, 1973-1999
- 1 oversize folder (in 1 box)



Ballots from Ann Arbor, Mich., city elections, 1974-1999, including text of proposals; also printed portraits of Ann Arbor city officials, 1973-1991.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Copeland, Royal S. (Royal Samuel), 1868-1938**

- Royal S. Copeland papers 1892-1938

- 37 linear ft., 45 oversized v., and 1 oversized folder

Professor of homoeopathic medicine at University of Michigan, mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, dean of the New York Homeopathic Medical College and director of Flower Hospital, New York City Commissioner of Public Health, and Democratic U. S. Senator from New York, 1923-1938.

Personal and medical correspondence, speeches, scrapbooks containing food and health articles, photographs, and other papers concerning his medical and political interests.

Correspondents include: Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, Eleanor Roosevelt, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Alfred E. Smith.

[Finding aid](#)

**Creal, Cecil O., 1899-**

- Cecil O. Creal papers 1959-1965

- 8.2 linear ft.

Republican mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence, reports, newspaper clippings, and photographs, concerning the work of city departments and such issues as tax assessments, highway construction, the building of a new city hall, the fair housing ordinance and urban renewal.

[Finding aid](#)

**Crump, Jean C.**

- Jean C. Crump papers 1966-2000

- 5.5 linear ft.

Member of the Ann Arbor League of Women Voters.

Election files, 1968-2000, include clippings, informational flyers, meeting minutes and agenda, and voting materials for Ann Arbor primary and general elections; local issues files relate to Ann Arbor minor parties, the presidential primary, and the county medical care facility among other topics.

[Finding aid](#)

**Dean, Henry Stewart, 1830-1915**

- Henry Stewart Dean papers, 1862-1916

- 1 folder, 2 v., and 1 oversize folder

Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan, officer in the 22nd Michigan Infantry during the Civil War, later regent of University of Michigan.

Diaries, 1864-1865, and miscellaneous citations, commissions, and legal documents relating to his military service and his work as regent; also statement (notarized by Dean) of Victor C. Vaughan pertaining to the Douglas-Rose dispute, 1878.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Democratic Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Democratic Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1959-2002 (bulk 1979-1985)
- 2.3 linear ft.

Files relating to local campaigns and to party organization.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Duke, Kevin**

- Kevin Duke papers 1984-1998 (bulk 1987-1997)
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, active in local community groups and programs; a founder of Trailblazers of Washtenaw County, a non-profit agency operating a clubhouse rehabilitation center for the mentally ill; also active in Ann Arbor educational issues. Records of Trailblazers include bylaws, minutes, publications, and other administrative records; also files relating to involvement in other organizations for the mentally ill and Ann Arbor education.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Eldersveld, Samuel James**

- Samuel James Eldersveld papers 1957-1959 and 1997
- 4 linear ft.

Democratic mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1957-1959; mayoralty subject files.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Harris, Robert J.**

- Robert J. Harris papers ca. 1959-ca. 1963 and 1969-1973
- 43.5 linear ft.

Democratic mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan; University of Michigan law school professor.

Papers include mayoralty files relating to city politics and municipal issues, including the affairs of the police department and other city departments, the Ann Arbor Transportation Authority, the Model Cities Program, and the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG); and scattered law school course and research materials, ca. 1959-ca. 1963.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Harvey, Douglas J.**

- Sheriff Douglas J. Harvey reflects on the "Michigan murders"- [videorecording]. 2011 June 29.
- 1 DVD (30 min.)

Douglas J. Harvey was sheriff of Washtenaw County, Mich., from 1965 to 1972. Video of a talk delivered to the Kiwanis Club Ann Arbor Morning Edition describing the investigation of murders committed by John Norman Collins in Washtenaw County, Mich., 1967-1969. The DVD also includes commentary by Harvey and former Ann Arbor News reporter William Treml relating to other events during his tenure as Washtenaw County Sheriff.

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### **Hulcher, Wendell E. (Wendell Ellsworth), 1922-1999**

- Wendell E. Hulcher papers 1959-1971
- 35 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, Republican city councilman, 1960-1964; mayor, 1965-1969, and deputy director of the U.S. Office of Intergovernmental Relations; councilman and mayoralty files; also materials concerning his activities with several U.S. government agencies and Florida Southern College.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Human Rights Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Human Rights Party of Ann Arbor records, 1970-1979 (bulk 1971-1975)
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
The Human Rights Party (HRP) of Ann Arbor was a radical socialist third party that influenced local politics in the period 1971 to 1975. The party grew out of the Radical Independent Party (founded 1970) and was renamed Socialist Human Rights Party in 1976.

The record group contains organizational and campaign documents of several parties including predecessor and successor parties to HRP. Campaign materials, platforms, position statements and numerous newspaper clippings along with committee and meeting minutes form the bulk of the records of this activist organization.

[Finding Aid](#)

### **Huron River Watershed Council**

- Huron River Watershed Council records 1965-2006
- 3 linear ft. and 1 CD-ROM  
Council was established in 1965 to promote and coordinate studies and plans regarding the water resources of the Huron River watershed. Executive committee files including minutes and agendas, reports and correspondence; also annual reports and financial statements, and newsletters and published research studies and reports.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Huron River Watershed Intergovernmental Committee**

- Huron River Watershed Intergovernmental Committee publications 1958-1963
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Publications of the Huron River Watershed Intergovernmental Committee, mainly Watershed news publications as well as annual reports.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Kolb, Chris**

- Chris Kolb papers 1997-2006
- 1 linear ft.  
Chris Kolb was a Democratic State Representative for the Michigan House of Representatives representing the 53rd district (Ann Arbor and Pittsfield Township) from January 2001 to January 2007.

Kolb's papers include legislative files mainly relating to gay issues, including gay marriage and hate crime legislation.

[Finding aid](#)

**Larcom, Guy C.**

- Guy C. Larcom papers 1956-1973
- 10.3 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, city administrator.

Correspondence concerning city business, reports to city council, topical files relating to the operation of city departments and to municipal issues; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**League of Women Voters of the Ann Arbor Area. Michigan Historical Collections staff**

- League of Women Voters of the Ann Arbor Area records 1920-1993
- 11 linear ft.

Administrative and organizational records; files relating to elections and local and state issues.

[Finding aid](#)

**Mayer, Frederick W.**

- Frederick Mayer papers, 1976-1980
- 0.3 linear ft.

Member of the Ann Arbor, Michigan, Public Library Advisory Committee.

Agenda and minutes of meetings of Ann Arbor Public Library Advisory Committee, reports and other papers relating to Ann Arbor branch libraries.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Maynard, William Sumner, 1802-1866**

- William S. Maynard papers, 1836-1857 and 1932
- 9 items

Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Letter, 1843, of William Woodbridge concerning the University of Michigan, and correspondence, 1932, of Milo Quaife, Alexander Ruthven and Frank Robbins

commenting on it; stock certificate, 1836, of the Ann Arbor Land Company; and wedding certificate, 1857, of Deborah Lansing and Maynard; and photograph.

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**McCallum, George P. (George Porterfield), 1871-1952**

- George P. McCallum papers, 1899-1968
- 2 linear ft.

Republican state representative, 1899-1902, from Delta County, Michigan, and state senator, 1937-1939, from Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan.

Scrapbooks, 1899-1909, with newspaper clippings concerning his political career and miscellaneous campaign speeches; diaries, 1903-1952, recording his appointments and comments on the weather; papers, 1911-1952, with material on his real estate interests;

and photographs; also papers and photographs, 1955-1968, of George P. McCallum, Jr., manager of the Ann Arbor News and chairman of the board of Booth Newspapers, Inc. [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Meyer Family**

- Henry J. Meyer and Suzanne M. Meyer papers, 1867-2000 (bulk 1926-2000)
- 1.3 linear ft.

Henry J. Meyer was a social worker and University of Michigan professor of sociology. Suzanne M. Meyer was secretary of the Ann Arbor Human Relations Commission, also assistant to the director of student activities and organizations at the University of Michigan. She was also involved both in the Tutorial and Cultural Relations Project and the Opportunity Awards Program.

The collection includes professional papers and files relating to their travels and activities abroad.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Michigan. Justice of the Peace (Ann Arbor)**

- Ann Arbor Justice of the Peace docket books, 1830-1833 and 1851-1870
- 2 v.

Cases heard before Martin Davis, 1830-1833, David T. McCollum, 1851-1868, and Patrick McKernan, 1869-1871.

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### **Millen, George W., b. 1863**

- George W. Millen papers, 1898-1927
- 100 items

Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, Republican state senator from Ann Arbor, 1918-1920, later member of the State Department of Conservation.

Personal correspondence and papers concerning in part election campaign in 1918; also letters from nephew serving in the army during World War I.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Moore, Arthur Dearth, 1895-**

- Arthur D. Moore papers 1916-1984
- 8 linear ft.

Professor of electrical engineering at University of Michigan and Ann Arbor, Michigan city councilman.

Correspondence and other materials concerning professional interests and inventions, council activities, particularly urban renewal and effort to improve methods of garbage disposal and halt spread of trichinosis; and files relating to professional society, Tau Beta Pi, activities.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Palmer Family**

- Palmer Family papers, 1853-1940
- 1 linear ft.

Charles Henry Palmer family of Pontiac, Michigan.

Palmer was an investor in, and developer of, mines and railroads in the state's upper peninsula. He was regent of the University of Michigan, 1852-1859. Palmer and his wife Betsey had four children: Charles, Clarence, Virginia, and Philomela. The collection has been arranged by name of family member. The Charles Henry Palmer subgroup includes business correspondence relating to northern Michigan mining business affairs and other real estate and railroad investments; also copies of letters from Henry P. Tappan written while traveling in Europe. The Charles H. Palmer Jr. subgroup includes business papers and University of Michigan student notebooks, ca. 1863, on lectures of De Volson Wood and Andrew D. White. Other materials include photocopied diary, 1895-1896, of Elizabeth Palmer Bradfield, and astrological information on Palmer family members.

[Finding aid](#)

**Pierce, Edward, 1930-**

- Edward Pierce papers 1960s-1987 and 1987
- 5 linear ft.

Dr. Edward Pierce was active in both medicine and politics in Michigan. He was well-known for his conception of and work at the Summit Medical Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan, a center offering medical services for low-income individuals. His political career included a seat on the Ann Arbor City Council, a term as Michigan State Senator and Mayor of Ann Arbor.

The papers relate primarily to his political career, with the bulk of the papers focusing on his term as mayor of Ann Arbor from 1985 to 1987. Other papers refer to his campaigns for Congress, Senate, and governor.

[Finding aid](#)

**Pollard, William**

- William Pollard papers 1961-1995 (bulk 1972-1983)
- 3 linear ft.

Member of the Ann Arbor Airport Advisory Committee; collected materials detailing operation of the airport and dispute over the proposed airport expansion.

[Finding aid](#)

**Reichert, Rudolph E., 1887-1965**

- Rudolph E. Reichert papers 1907-1962
- 17.5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan banker and commissioner of the Michigan Banking Department during the depression.

Correspondence and other papers concerning his activities as banking commissioner and officer of the Michigan Bankers Association; includes letters from Mrs. Christine Reichert to her children while touring Europe, mainly Germany, on the eve of World War II, 1939; also letters between Reichert and British manufacturer in which British-American foreign policy is discussed, 1939-1945; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Sallade, George Wahr, 1922-**

- George Wahr Sallade papers 1952-1993
- 5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney and local Democratic Party activist. Political files relating to his various campaigns for office (Ann Arbor city council, Michigan House of Representatives, U.S. Congress, and Michigan State Senate among others); papers relating to his service in the state House, 1955-1958; his activities with Washtenaw County, Michigan, and Second Congressional District Democratic affairs; also letters received from Lt. Lee M. Cecil, 1952-1954, describing his experiences as a soldier during the Korean War; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Sample, George Washington, 1868-1945**

- George Washington Sample papers, 1891-1944
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversized folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and judge of Washtenaw County Circuit Court. Business accounts, letterbooks, and correspondence relating to Republican politics, particularly election campaigns of 1912 and 1936, and enforcement of the Prohibition Amendment; and other papers concerning the career of Frank Knox and the coming of World War II. Correspondents include: Frank Knox (correspondence throughout), and Earl C. Michener, Mar. 23, 1936, Oct. 4 and Nov. 15, 1941; and photographs.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Slack, E. Elizabeth, 1881-1973**

- E. Elizabeth Slack papers, [ca. 1936-ca. 1961]
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader. Newspaper clippings and other materials relating to her work with Friends of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Ann Arbor Board of Education, the Northside Improvement Association, and other community organizations.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Smith, Shirley Wheeler, 1875-1959**

- Shirley Wheeler Smith Papers 1881-1959
- 15 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Vice-president and secretary of the University of Michigan; correspondence; research materials for his biographies of university presidents; files relating to activities on the Ann Arbor City Council; course notes from classes at the University of Michigan; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Staebler, Edward William, 1872-1946**

- Edward William Staebler papers 1870-1952 (bulk 1922-1944)
- 4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and Democratic mayor of the city, 1927-1931. Mayoralty files; papers, 1922-1926, concerning the Ann Arbor Board of Education; also papers, 1922-1952, of Staebler and Son, automobile dealership.

[Finding aid](#)

**Staebler, Neil, 1905-**

- Neil Staebler papers 1944-1992
- 319.5 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman and attorney, chairman of the Michigan Democratic Party State Central Committee, U. S. Congressman-at-large, 1963-1964, gubernatorial candidate in 1964, member of the U. S. Federal Election Commission, 1975-1978. Chronological, congressional and topical files relating to political and personal activities; include political files detailing state election campaigns 1948-1964, particularly the campaigns of G. Mennen Williams and John B. Swainson; also photographs and transcript of oral interview, 1979.

[Finding aid](#)

**Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission**

- Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission publications 1948-1980
- 2 linear ft.  
Various publications of the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission, also includes publications of the predecessor organization Washtenaw County Planning Commission. Washtenaw County (Mich.) [1824-1946]

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**Washtenaw County (Mich.)**

- Washtenaw County (Mich.) records 1824-1946
- 14 linear ft. (in 16 boxes), 16 oversize v., 1 oversize folder  
Correspondence files of the county clerk, register of deeds, county treasurer, and other county offices; also township poll lists, political party enrollment books, list of Civil War volunteers, record of county soldiers and sailors during World War I, and miscellaneous welfare records.

[Finding aid](#)

**Washtenaw County (Mich.) publications**

- Washtenaw County (Mich.) publications, 1952-1981 1952-1981
- 1 linear ft.  
Miscellaneous publications of various Washtenaw County government offices and departments.

[Finding aid](#)

**Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project**

- Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project records, 1993-2000
- 3.5 linear ft.  
Founded in 1995, the Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project (WRAP) was an outgrowth of an earlier organization, the Ann Arbor/Washtenaw County chapter of the Michigan Campaign for Human Dignity. The statewide organization of the Michigan Campaign for Human Dignity was established to enlist opposition to a state ballot initiative that would deny equal



discrimination protection to gay men and lesbians. After the initiative failed, members of the Washtenaw MCHD then decided to focus their attention on grassroots work within Washtenaw County, devoting themselves to increased visibility and acceptance and appreciation of the lesbian/gay/bisexual and transgender community through education and political action. To this end, they formed a new political action group, the Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project. Records, 1993-1995, of Washtenaw County chapter of Michigan Campaign for Human Dignity; minutes of meetings, print-outs of electronic communications and other administrative files; records pertaining to education and outreach efforts, such as the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network (GLSEN), and the Rainbow Oasis Center; also files detailing political action events, including National Coming Out Day.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Wedemeyer, William Walter, 1873-1913**

- William Walter Wedemeyer papers 1890-1913
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan attorney, American consul in British Guiana in 1905, and U.S. Congressman, 1911-1913.

Political and business correspondence, notes and addresses, and other materials relating to his business interests and political career; also papers concerning his trips to Alaska, British Guiana, and Panama.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Weeks, Robert P. (Robert Percy), 1915-**

- Robert P. Weeks papers 1961-1970
- 1 linear ft.

Member of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) City Council, 1964-1968, and chairman of Ann Arbor Housing Commission, 1969-1970.

Correspondence, speeches, resolutions, and newspaper clippings concerning his activities on the city council and his interest in public housing.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Wheeler, Albert Harold, 1915-1994**

- Albert H. and Emma M. Wheeler papers, 1938-1993, (bulk 1960-1977)
- 6 linear ft.

Albert and Emma Wheeler were community and civil rights leaders from Ann Arbor, Michigan. Albert Wheeler was also professor of microbiology and dermatology at the University of Michigan. In addition, he and his wife helped to establish the local chapter of the NAACP. Albert Wheeler served as mayor of Ann Arbor, 1975 to 1978.

The series in the collection are Personal/Biographical; NAACP/Civil Rights Activities; Mayoralty Files; University of Michigan; and Photographs. The collection documents the Wheelers' devotion to the cause of civil rights and their involvement with numerous civil rights and community organizations. The collection also includes Albert Wheeler's mayoralty files.

[Finding aid](#)

**Young, Leigh Jarvis, 1883-1960**

- Leigh Jarvis Young papers, 1908-1960
- 1 linear ft.

Professor of forestry at University of Michigan; director of the Michigan Department of Conservation, 1927, and mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence, photographs, and other papers concerning his work at University of Michigan, in the Michigan Department of Conservation, and as mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan; and seven volumes of his student notebooks on University courses in botany, economics, geology, psychology, forest engineering, entomology, forest botany, and dendrology. Correspondents include: Fred Green, Apr. 1927, William B. Mershon, Apr. 1927, Chase S. Osborn, Jan. 1927, and Gifford Pinchot, Dec. 1925.

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## Media

These collections include the records and papers of media outlets and journalists.

### Allmendinger Family

- Allmendinger Family papers 1824-2006 (bulk 1890-1986)
- 8 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and 1 oversize folder  
Ann Arbor German-American family, owners of the Allmendinger Organ Company which later became the Ann Arbor Organ Company.  
Correspondence, scrapbooks, family genealogy, photographs concerning family affairs, materials on Helene Allmendinger's radio show, examples of spirit messages received by Helene Allmendinger from deceased family members; information pertaining to the Ann Arbor Organ Company, and family members still living in Germany.  
[Finding aid](#)

### Baughn, Edward F., 1912-

- Edward F. Baughn papers, 1936-1986
- 0.2 linear ft. (4 folders)  
Owner of WPAG radio and television stations in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Clippings, photographs, and miscellanea relating to his career in broadcasting.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### Beal, Junius Emery, 1860-1942

- Junius E. Beal papers 1869-1946
- 15. 3 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, publisher of Ann Arbor Courier, Republican politician, and regent of University of Michigan.  
Correspondence, letter books, speeches, newspaper clippings, and photographs; papers (1909-1920) of Michigan Public Domain Commission, of which Beal was a member; papers (1877-1904) concerning Port Huron Gas Light Company; and printed material and miscellanea (1885-1905) concerning League of American Wheelmen and his interest in bicycling.  
[Finding aid](#)

### Beal, Rice Aner, 1823-1883

- Rice Aner Beal papers 1843-1883
- 4 linear ft.  
Businessman, of Washtenaw County, Michigan, publisher of Ann Arbor Courier, and chairman of Executive Committee, Michigan Republican Party. Correspondence, account books, business records, receipts, deeds, and other financial records.  
[Finding aid](#)

### De Vine, Frank B.

- Frank B. De Vine collection, 1915-1949
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Mich., attorney; born 1885.

Printed records of legal cases appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court in which one party was represented by De Vine. Among the issues included are Ann Arbor's water system (Frederick and Flora Osborn vs. City of Ann Arbor, City of Ann Arbor vs. Edward D. Kinne, and Gustav A. Schenk vs. City of Ann Arbor), Michigan Wolverine Student Cooperative (vs. Wm. Goodyear and Co.), school annexation (Public Schools of the City of Ann Arbor vs. Township of Ann Arbor), siting of gas station (George Sandenburgh vs. Michigamme Oil Co.), Ann Arbor Press (Arthur J. Wiltse vs. Margaret Schaeffer et al.), and various business, traffic accident, and inheritance disputes.

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### **Foster, Theodore, 1812-1865**

- Theodore Foster papers, 1835-1862
- 1 linear ft. (3 boxes)

Co-editor of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Signal of Liberty; Superintendent of State Industrial School for Boys, and editor of Lansing State Republican.

Scrapbook and anti-slavery papers of Foster including manuscripts on the Liberty Party, the Colonization Society, the slave trade and other aspects of slavery; also account books which include subscription lists for the Signal of Liberty; additional papers on philosophical, sociological and religious topics.

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### **Fulton, Douglas**

- Douglas Fulton papers 1950-1999
- 10.3 linear ft. (in 12 boxes)

Outdoor writer and photographer for The Ann Arbor News, advocate of environment issues, author of local interest and music review columns; articles written and photographs taken by Fulton, personal correspondence and documentation of awards received.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Gallagher, Arthur**

- Arthur Gallagher papers 1947-1992 (bulk 1947-1976)
- 8 linear ft.

Editor of the Ann Arbor News, 1954-1976.

Personal and professional correspondence, photographs, editorials, editorial topical files, and speeches; also organizational files relating to the Booth Newspaper chain and the Ann Arbor News, and to other professional, civic, and charitable organizations, notably the Michigan Press Association, the University Press Club of Michigan, and the Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Heusel, Ted**

- Ted Heusel papers 1968-1974
- 4 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, radio personality and member of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Board of Education, 1968-1973.

Materials relating to his service on the school board; subjects covered include disruptions in the schools, teacher strikes, alleged racial and sexual bias in the school system, and the searches for school superintendents.

[Finding aid](#)

**Hilton, John**

- John Hilton collection, 1982-1983
- 0.3 linear ft.

Writer for the Ann Arbor Observer.

Cassette tapes of interviews with University of Michigan administrators, regents, faculty, and friends and family of Harold Shapiro, relating mainly to his career and presidency at the University of Michigan; also partial transcripts and summaries of interviews.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Kraus, John Daniel, 1910-2004**

- John D. Kraus papers, 1936-1941
- 0.1 linear ft.

Radio astronomer; professor of electrical engineering and astronomy at Ohio State University; 1933 Ph.D. in physics from the University of Michigan; son of Edward H. Kraus.

Station register of amateur radio station W8JK (1939-1941), and photographs. Among guests signing the register were Enrico Fermi and Werner Heisenberg.

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**MacDonald, Kenneth H. (Kenneth Hugh), 1921-1989**

- Kenneth H. MacDonald papers 1932-1989
- 2 linear ft. (3 boxes), 2 oversize v. and 1 oversize folder

Owner and operator of a network of Michigan radio stations, including WSAM in Saginaw, Michigan.

Biographical files relating in part to his Ann Arbor and Saginaw, Michigan, civic activities; scrapbooks, advertisements and other materials relating to WSAM radio station; files detailing his involvement with the National Association of Broadcasters; scrapbooks documenting career.

[Finding aid](#)

**Martin, Margaret Nickerson, d. 1960**

- Margaret Nickerson Martin papers, 1933-1959
- 0.4 linear ft.

Jackson and Ann Arbor, Michigan poet and newspaper columnist.

Correspondence, articles, poems, and photographs. Correspondents include: Albert Einstein, Herbert Hoover, Fiorello La Guardia, Jan Masaryk, Chase S. Osborn, and John J. Pershing.

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**McCallum, George P. (George Porterfield), 1871-1952**

- George P. McCallum papers, 1899-1968

- 2 linear ft.  
Republican state representative, 1899-1902, from Delta County, Michigan, and state senator, 1937-1939, from Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan.  
Scrapbooks, 1899-1909, with newspaper clippings concerning his political career and miscellaneous campaign speeches; diaries, 1903-1952, recording his appointments and comments on the weather; papers, 1911-1952, with material on his real estate interests; and photographs; also papers and photographs, 1955-1968, of George P. McCallum, Jr., manager of the Ann Arbor News, and chairman of the board of Booth Newspapers, Inc.  
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### **Merry, Ellis B., 1907-1989**

- Ellis B. Merry papers, 1907-1988 (bulk 1950s-1980s)
- 2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Senior and executive vice president of the National Bank of Detroit, later chairman of the board.  
The collection concerns business activities, personal interests, and travels. Included are business and personal correspondence, journals, travel materials, and other materials relating in part to his interest in amateur radio.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Pond Family**

- Pond Family papers 1841-1939
- 9.6 linear ft. (13 boxes), 2 outside drawers, and 1 microfilm roll  
Ann Arbor, Michigan and Chicago, Illinois family.  
Correspondence of Elihu B. Pond, editor of Michigan Argus, his sons, Chicago architects, Irving Kane and Allen Bartlit Pond, founders of firm of Pond & Pond, and other family members; include materials concerning family affairs, architectural projects, Jane Addams and the work of Hull House, European travels, politics especially as relates to period of the Civil War and the election of 1896; also photographs, architectural drawings and other visual materials.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Stace, Arthur W. (Arthur William), 1875-1950**

- Arthur W. Stace papers 1927-1950
- 3 linear ft.  
Newspaperman, editor of the Ann Arbor News.  
Correspondence, reports, photographs, and other materials largely concerning his newspaper career with Booth Newspapers, Inc.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **University of Michigan. Campus Broadcasting Network**

- Campus Broadcasting Network (University of Michigan) records 1953-1989
- 6.5 linear ft.  
Campus radio broadcasting stations at the University of Michigan.  
Minutes of board of directors meetings, 1953-1989, general manager's files, and topical news files containing material concerning student protests, local Ann Arbor and state

politics, and issues of concern to the students and administration of the University of Michigan; and printed material.

[Finding aid](#)

### **University of Michigan. English 325**

- English 325 (University of Michigan) papers, 1978
- 1 linear ft.

University of Michigan class requiring in part an oral history project.

Soundtapes of interviews and transcripts of interviews concerning Ann Arbor German parochial schools before World War I; Arthur Gallagher, editor of the Ann Arbor News; the Ann Arbor German community, being the remembrances of Margaret Louise Seeger; and the abortion movement in Ann Arbor.

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### **Washtenaw Broadcasting Company (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Washtenaw Broadcasting Company historical sketch, 1945
- 2 items

Historical sketch and attached program schedule for radio stations WPAG and WGUN.

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### **Yates, Peter, 1941-**

- Peter Yates photograph collection 1978-1990
- ca. 5200 35mm negative strips in 3 boxes

Ann Arbor, Michigan photographer.

Photographic images taken to accompany articles in the Ann Arbor Observer. Images include Ann Arbor businesses, buildings, neighborhoods, parks, landmarks; also photos of local personalities, politicians, business people, and University of Michigan faculty and staff members.

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## Neighborhoods

These resources include materials related to Ann Arbor's housing subdivisions; neighborhood associations; plat maps and historical research materials; and the papers of residential activists.

### **Ann Arbor Hills Association**

- Ann Arbor Hills Association records 1924-1995 (bulk 1940-1995)
- 4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor neighborhood association.  
Correspondence, constitution, bylaws, minutes, financial records, and other working papers.  
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### **Bourquin, Alice, 1909-1995**

- Alice and Jessie Bourquin papers 1905-1991
- 7 linear ft., 1 oversize and 17 folders of drawings and blueprints  
Landscape designers based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Planting and landscape plans, elevation drawings, and various other sketches for projects designed as students at the University of Michigan and subsequently for clients in Ann Arbor, Michigan and other residences in southeastern Michigan; files relating to Jessie Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Economic Expansion and Alice Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Transportation; also papers relating to joint projects and activities, including their association with Jens Jensen and their Hillwood subdivision in Ann Arbor; and photographs.  
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### **Cares, Charles W.**

- Charles W. Cares, Jr. drawings, 1951-2005.
- 7 outsize folders (in 2 drawers).  
Landscape architect in Ann Arbor, Michigan and professor of landscape architecture at the University of Michigan, 1959-1986, also director of Nichols Arboretum 1968-1986.  
Plantings and landscape plans and drawings for clients primarily in Ann Arbor and Southeastern Michigan including the University of Michigan. Drawings include Edsel and Eleanor Ford residence, Ithaca College, Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum.  
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### **Central Title Service**

- Central Title Service records, 1880s-1980s
- 12 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor title insurance company.  
The record group consists of packets of title abstracts for named subdivisions and additions in Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Saline, Dexter, and other communities in Washtenaw County. The principal series is arranged alphabetically by name of subdivision with a smaller series of miscellaneous (largely unnamed) parcels of property in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti (with a scattering of other cities and villages included.)



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**Duke, Kevin,**

- Kevin Duke collection of real estate publications, 1990s-2000s.
- 1 linear foot (in 2 boxes).

Collection of real estate brochures, development maps, and advertisements for Ann Arbor, Mich. area. Material is arranged in alphabetical order by property or developer name.

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**Frost, Wallace, 1892-1962**

- Wallace Frost papers, ca. 1939-1962
- 0.1 linear ft., 16 sets of blueprints, and 1 reel microfilm

Detroit area architect.

Blueprints of selected buildings, biographical materials, advertising and financial material relating to Pittsfield Village, Ann Arbor, Mich., and photographs.

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**Kreutziger, Paul.**

- Paul Kreutziger print collection, [197-?]
- 4 prints.

Artist born in Port Huron, Mich., as of 2011 based in Gurnee, Ill.

Prints of Ann Arbor, Mich., landmarks including Cobblestone Farm, Kempf House, Law Quadrangle, and President's House.

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**Lurie Terrace**

- Lurie Terrace records 1961-2008
- 10 linear ft. and 5 oversize v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, apartment building for senior citizens of modest means; records of Senior Citizens Housing of Ann Arbor, the organization administering Lurie Terrace, including board minutes, office files, newsletters, and photograph albums and scrapbooks.

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**McCormack, Matthew, collector.**

- Matthew McCormack collection, 1960s.
- 0.1 linear feet.

Photographs detailing construction of Huron Towers apartment building in Ann Arbor, Michigan; also title abstract to a parcel of Ann Arbor property.

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**New World State Wide V's Realty, collector.**

- Michigan real estate publications, 1973-2011.
- 23.3 linear feet (in 22 boxes).

New World State Wide V's Realty is an Ypsilanti, Mich. real estate agency serving the city of Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County, Monroe County, Lenawee County, and surrounding areas.

Collection of real estate data and sales books for the city of Albion (Calhoun County), Hillsdale, Jackson, Lenawee, Monroe, Washtenaw, and Wayne Counties, Michigan.

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### **Old West Side Association**

- Old West Side Association records 1966-1978
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan neighborhood association established to preserve the architectural character of homes in historically designated area of the city.  
Background information on the organization, correspondence, and topical file detailing activities of the organization.

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### **Price, Betsy, collector.**

- Betsy Price collection, 1919.
- 1 folder.
- In English.  
Abstract of Olivia B. Hall subdivision to the city of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Olivia B. Hall was an Ann Arbor suffragist.

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### **Ramsburgh, Ellen J.**

- Ellen J. Ramsburgh photograph, ca. 1930s.
- 1 folder.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan homeowner, residing at 1503 Cambridge Road.  
Photographic print scanned from a postcard showing the exterior of her home, formerly owned by University of Michigan professor of English Samuel Moore.  
CD-ROM of the image has been made.

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### **Slack, E. Elizabeth, 1881-1973**

- E. Elizabeth Slack papers, [ca. 1936-ca. 1961]
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader.  
Newspaper clippings and other materials relating to her work with Friends of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Ann Arbor Board of Education, the Northside Improvement Association, and other community organizations.

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### **Swain, George Robert, 1866-1947**

- George Robert Swain photographs and papers ca. 1870-1947 (bulk 1913-1947)
- 19 linear ft. in 33 boxes

University of Michigan staff photographer, 1913-1947 and commercial photographer in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Collection includes some manuscript material but is primarily photographic prints and negatives made by Swain. Photo subjects include university buildings, faculty, and student activities, archeological expeditions to the Near East and, Ann Arbor scenes and landscapes from his travels in the western United States and Canada.

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### **Washtenaw Abstract Company**

- Washtenaw Abstract Company records ca. 1824-1954
- 42 v., 1 linear ft. and 19 outsize folders

Land title company based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Abstracts of mortgages, deeds, and other legal papers recorded in Washtenaw County; and plat maps for Washtenaw County additions and subdivisions.

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### **Washtenaw County Historic District Commission**

- Washtenaw County Historic District Commission sound cassettes and summaries 1965-1969 and 1973-1978
- 3 linear ft.

Oral history interviews with residents of Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, and other Washtenaw County, Michigan, locales largely concerning their remembrances of their lives and activities during the late nineteenth and early twentieth century.

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### **Wickliffe, Letty M., 1902-**

- Letty M. Wickliffe papers ca. 1860s-ca. 1992 (bulk 1960s-1976)
- 0.5 linear feet (2 boxes)

Teacher; Ann Arbor, Michigan, community activist; member of the North Central Property Owners Association in Ann Arbor.

Articles written for the local newspaper, awards, scattered correspondence, biographical information, and photographs.

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### **Wineberg, Susan**

- Susan Cee Wineberg papers 1965-2004 (bulk 1977-2004)
- 12.5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan local historian and historic preservationist, papers document numerous Ann Arbor buildings and historic preservation activities in Ann Arbor.

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## Photographs

These resources include Ann Arbor photograph collections.

### **Ann Arbor, Michigan photograph collection**

- Ann Arbor, Michigan photograph collection 1860s-1970s
- ca 100 envelopes (UCCs) and 1 oversized folder (UCCm)  
Photographs collected from various donors relating to Ann Arbor, Michigan; include photos of buildings (public and private), houses, churches, and schools; also views of the city (by street and area); and miscellaneous photos of local events and activities, school class portraits, and other group portraits.  
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### **Buss, Oscar**

- Oscar Buss Photographs ca. 1923-1950s
- ca. 700 photographs in 2 boxes  
Amateur photographer of Ann Arbor, Michigan, bookkeeper with the Symons Food Co. in Ann Arbor.  
Photographs taken highlighting Ann Arbor and University of Michigan views, notably football games, arrivals and departures at the train station, train wrecks, and other vehicular mishaps, graduation ceremonies, parades, and business and university buildings. Some photographs are of gatherings of the Ku Klux Klan in Jackson, Michigan and outside the city, 1920s.  
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### **Ivory Photo (Firm)**

- Ivory Photo photograph collection ca. 1927-1971
- 31 linear ft  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, photography firm.  
Photonegatives, and some photoprints, of images largely relating to Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan, but including Ypsilanti and other Michigan cities: buildings, businesses, houses, street scenes, community activities, and organizations; also photos of automobiles, storm damage, etc. taken to support insurance claims.  
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### **JJR Inc.**

- JJR Inc. photographic slides, 1960s-1990s.
- 35 linear feet.  
Ann Arbor, Mich. based national landscape architectural firm noted for urban design, campus planning, environmental analyses, community development, and historic preservation.  
Photographic slide collection documenting Michigan projects only. Included are project slides, site plans, conceptual drawings, etc. Many of the projects relate to projects at colleges and universities, especially the University of Michigan. There are projects from throughout the state, but especially from Ann Arbor, Detroit, Flint, Grand Rapids, and Saginaw.

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**Leach, James**

- James Leach Photonegatives 1938-1958 (bulk 1943-1957)
  - 227 negative folders in 3 boxes  
Ann Arbor, Michigan photographer.  
Photonegatives of Ann Arbor area businesses, service and fraternal organizations, school and other youth groups.
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**Rasch, Charles.**

- Charles Rasch collection, 1890-2011, bulk 1953-2005.
  - 23 oversize volumes, 6 linear feet, and 1 oversize folder.  
Charles ("Charlie") Rasch was a ragtime pianist, artist, and talented nature photographer. He received both his BA and his MA degrees from the University of Michigan. Photographs (prints and negatives) and photograph albums documenting places visited, mainly in Southeast Michigan. Many of the photographs are views of Harsens Island and of state recreational areas, particularly Island Lake Recreation Area (Brighton, Mich.) and Bald Mountain Recreation Area (Oakland County, Mich.). There are many photos of Ann Arbor and Birmingham and of views along the Huron River. A few of the images relate to his career as a ragtime pianist; some paper files provide biographical and family information.
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**Rentschler's Studio (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Rentschler's Studio photograph collection 1889-1969
  - ca. 275 copy prints and ca. 600 negatives in 7 boxes  
Ann Arbor, Michigan photographic studio.  
Collection includes selected copy prints, and glass and film negatives relating to University of Michigan athletics, both photos of individual athletes and of team groupings; also photos of various faculty and University administrators.
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**Sacks, Andrew**

- Andrew Sacks photographs, 1964-1980 1964-1980
  - 1 linear ft.  
Photographer from Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Photographs (prints and negatives) of student demonstrations at the University of Michigan, draft card burnings and other anti-Vietnam War protests, of the riot at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, Illinois, of appearances of John Cage, Lyndon Johnson, Timothy Leary, Eldridge Cleaver, John Sinclair, John Lennon, Stevie Wonder, and Gerald Ford in Ann Arbor, and a meeting of Ku Klux Klan in Dearborn, Michigan.
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**Sturgis, Sam**

- Sam Sturgis photograph collection 1860s-1970s
- 10 linear feet (11 boxes including 1 oversize box)  
Photographs collected by Sam Sturgis and Hazel Proctor of Ann Arbor, Michigan; including businesses, street scenes, buildings, people, and activities in Ann Arbor, Brighton, Chelsea, Dexter, Dixboro, Manchester, Saline, and Ypsilanti, Michigan. (Copy negatives and copy prints.)  
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**Swain, George Robert, 1866-1947**

- George Robert Swain photographs and papers ca. 1870 - 1947 (bulk 1913-1947)
- 19 linear ft. in 33 boxes  
University of Michigan staff photographer, 1913-1947 and commercial photographer in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Collection includes some manuscript material but is primarily photographic prints and negatives made by Swain. Photo subjects include university buildings, faculty, and student activities, archeological expeditions to the Near East and, Ann Arbor scenes and landscapes from his travels in the western United States and Canada.  
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**Tanner, Andrew W.**

- Andrew W. Tanner Photographs 1894-1909
- ca. 280 glass plate negatives and 2 videotapes (in 14 boxes)  
Andrew Tanner was photographer, born in Missouri, who traveled about the United States. He lived for a time in Ann Arbor, Michigan and on Coryell Island (part of the Les Cheneaux Islands) in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.  
The collection consists of glass plate negatives of images taken while in different parts of the United States and Mexico.  
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**Wint, Florence, collector.**

- Florence Wint photograph collection, 1930s-1940s.
- 1 folder.  
Photographs of Ann Arbor and University of Michigan buildings and views; include Ann Arbor skyline at night and exterior of the Majestic Theatre.  
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**Yates, Peter, 1941-**

- Peter Yates photograph collection 1978-1990
- ca. 5200 35mm negative strips in 3 boxes  
Ann Arbor, Michigan photographer.  
Photographic images taken to accompany articles in the Ann Arbor Observer. Images include Ann Arbor businesses, buildings, neighborhoods, parks, landmarks; also photos of local personalities, politicians, business people, and University of Michigan faculty and staff members.  
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## Pioneer Days

### Adams, Thomas C.

- Thomas C. Adams papers, 1826-1846
- 1 folder  
Physician.  
Credentials, lecture cards, and letter and card offering his services to people of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
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### Allen Family

- Allen family (Ann Arbor, Mich.) papers, 1824-1867
- 0.3 linear ft. and 1 outsize v.  
John Allen family of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
Correspondence of John Allen, founder of Ann Arbor, Michigan, his wife, Ann, and their children, largely concerning family affairs and travels, including journey to California in 1850, and the prospects of settlement in Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois; biographical and genealogical material, including family histories and reminiscences by James Turner Allen; and plat book (1830's) of Ann Arbor containing plats of land purchased by Allen from the United States.  
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### Allen, John, 1796-1851

- John Allen papers, 1817-1848
- 13 v. (in 1 box)  
Founder of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Correspondence, legal records, and other materials relating to his settlement in Michigan, business activities, and duties as justice of the peace.  
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- Plan of the village of Annarbour
- 1 map  
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### Allmendinger, John George, 1823-1868

- John George Allmendinger deed, February 20, 1847
- 1 item  
Deed conveying several lots fronting on Huron Street in Ann Arbor, Michigan, from John G. Allmendinger and his wife to Peter Van Winkle.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### Ann Arbor (Mich.)

- Ann Arbor (Mich.) records 1830-1989
- 4 linear ft. and 25 oversize v.  
Records of the city of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Town council and common council proceedings, 1834-1919, accounts, 1857-1861, assessment rolls, 1830 and 1839, plats of the wards, 1912, election returns, 1847-1852,

scrapbooks, 1904-1951, and papers concerning a proposed art museum, street railways and interurbans, the Ann Arbor Railroad, and the Charter Commission of 1920; also records of the former city of East Ann Arbor, the Village of Ann Arbor (Lower Town), and the Ann Arbor Park Commission.

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#### **Ann Arbor (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor, Michigan, land certificate, March 7, 1825
- 1 oversize item  
Certificate of land registered to John Allen and Elisha Rumsey for sections of present-day Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
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- Ann Arbor Michigan time capsule, 2001

#### **Ann Arbor (Mich.)**

- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Duplicate set of photographs, memorabilia, and other materials placed in time capsule to commemorate 150th anniversary of the incorporation of Ann Arbor.  
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#### **Ann Arbor (Mich.). Sesquicentennial Commission**

- Ann Arbor Sesquicentennial Commission records 1972-1974
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize v.  
Agency established to plan and coordinate activities in celebration of Ann Arbor, Michigan's, sesquicentennial.  
Minutes, printed matter, and administrative files of Douglas Crary, commission chairman; scrapbook relating to celebratory events and projects; and photographs.  
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#### **Ann Arbor (Mich.: Township)**

- Ann Arbor Township Records 1820s-1896
- 11 linear ft. and 100 oversize v./bundles  
Township record books, 1845-1902; registers of births, 1906-1943; registers of deaths, 1897-1912; poll books, tally sheets, and statement of votes from polls within township; records relating to surveys, repairs, etc. of township roads; reports and compiled statistics pertaining to township schools; property assessment roll books; and other miscellaneous records.  
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#### **Beckley, G. (Guy), 1805-1847**

- Guy Beckley letters, 1839 and 1847
- 2 items  
Guy Beckley, Methodist minister and abolitionist in Ann Arbor, Mich.  
Letter, Nov. 7, 1839, to his brother-in-law Ralph Walker of Weathersfield, Vt., describing his journey to Michigan, conditions in Ann Arbor, and his thoughts on the death of his wife and abolitionism. Letter, Nov. 20, 1847, also to Ralph Walker,



describing family affairs; letter completed after Beckley's death by his wife and children.  
Transcriptions of letters in collection.

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**Beckwith, Cyrus W.**

- Cyrus W. Beckwith account book, 1825-1872
- 1 v. and 1 envelope  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.  
Record of general store and other business activities; also photographs.

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**Belser, Hermann Frederick, 1829-1900**

- Hermann Frederick Belser papers, 1847-1928
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Lutheran pastor to the United States from Germany, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Autobiography covering the years 1829-1856, and concerning his education in Germany and his immigration to America in 1853; journals, 1853-1855, concerning his pastorate in Huntington, Indiana; miscellaneous legal documents, clippings, and family material; and photographs.

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**Briggs, Dexter**

- Dexter Briggs papers, 1926 and undated
- 3 items  
Farmer near Ann Arbor, Michigan  
Autobiographical sketch, undated, describing the hardships of pioneer life in Michigan in 1826 and a letter, 1926, about the autobiography.

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**Brown, William P., 1814-1890**

- William P. Brown papers, 1852-1914
- 0.2 linear ft. (8 v. and 1 folder)  
English immigrant to Washtenaw County, Michigan, in 1837.  
Diaries, cash book, deeds, mortgages and correspondence concerning the operation of his farm, weather and local events.

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**Bryan, John A. (John Alexander), 1794-1864**

- John Bryan correspondence, 1826-1833 and 1854
- 6 items  
Farmer and mechanic, early settler in Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
Letters from his brother, J. B. Bryan, of Penfield, New York, discussing family affairs, the abduction of William Morgan, and news he hears about Michigan; letter published in the Ann Arbor Washtenaw Whig, March 22, 1854, from John Bryan, describing his

arrival in Michigan in 1823, early Detroit, Michigan, Woodruff's Grove, the founding of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and the establishment of the county seat there.

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**Burnett, Mary Anne, 1897-**

- Mary Anne Burnett student notebook, [191-]
- 1 v.  
Student at the University of Michigan.  
Geology field notebook, entitled, "An aid to geological field studies in the vicinity of Ann Arbor" by R. C. Allen and I. D. Scott, and containing notes taken by Mary Anne Burnett on the exercises and lectures.

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**Carter, Chandler**

- Chandler Carter letter, 1831
- 1 item  
Visitor to Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
1831 Letter describing schools, shops and churches of the town.

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**Chapin, Charles A. (Charles Augustus)**

- Charles A. Chapin scrapbook, ca. 1840-1903
- 1 v. (ca. 60 p.)  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.  
Scrapbook containing clippings, programs, legal and business papers, and scattered correspondence mostly relating to Ann Arbor, Michigan, its business firms, churches, and organizations, and to the activities of its citizens.

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**Chapin, Lucy E., 1835-1910**

- Lucy E. Chapin papers, 1834-1910
- 1 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident and local historian.  
Collected Washtenaw County historical documents and scrapbooks of clippings, programs, photographs, and memorabilia.

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**Clark, Caleb**

- Caleb Clark letter, July 9, 1841
- 1 item  
A lawyer, resident of Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
Letter to George W. Nesmith describing life in Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County, including mention of the University of Michigan.

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**Clark, Edward, b. 1807**

- Edward Clark papers, 1838 and undated
- 7 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, justice of the peace and president of the Ann Arbor Pioneer and Historical Society.  
Letter, February 10, 1838, from Michigan Governor Stevens T. Mason authorizing Clark to raise a company of militia from Washtenaw County; also biographical sketch and copies of reminiscences concerning the Territorial Road, Washtenaw Court House Square, wild cat banks, and Ann Arbor, Michigan's only duel.  
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### **Davis, Lorenzo, 1812-**

- Lorenzo Davis papers 1822-1899
- 0.6 linear ft. (in 2 boxes)  
Washtenaw County, Michigan minister, local historian and public official; correspondence, sermons, and collected papers relating to the history of Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
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### **Dennis Family**

- Dennis Family correspondence, 1832-1863
- 8 items  
Frederick Dennis family of Lyons, New York.  
Letters from relatives in Michigan describing pioneer life in Ann Arbor and Saginaw, Michigan; also one letter discussing the supplying of Fort McHenry during the Civil War. Correspondents include: Cody Burnett, Frederick Dennis, James Dennis, Eunice Gifford, Arthur Henderson and John Henderson.  
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### **Geddes Family**

- Geddes and Randall Families papers 1771-1950 (bulk 1825-1918)
- 4 linear ft.  
This collection is comprised of papers of John Geddes, an early Washtenaw Country settler. The highlight of the collection is the correspondence between John Geddes and his brother William from the first half of the nineteenth century, large portions of which were transcribed by the donor, Russell E. Bidlack. The collection also contains papers from John Geddes' daughter--Sarah Geddes Randall--and her family, as well as notes and correspondence regarding the collection and secondary source material compiled by Professor Bidlack.  
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### **Gidley, Edwin Brewster, 1824-1896**

- Edwin Brewster Gidley papers, 1851-1895
- 7 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney.  
Legal materials including bill of divorcement and Civil War bounty certificate, and miscellanea.

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**Goodrich, Chauncey S., 1787-1860**

- Chauncey S. Goodrich papers, 1831-1909
- 60 items

Ann Arbor, Michigan, merchant, magistrate and coroner.

Correspondence concerning business and social affairs and pertaining to the activities of the militia; and 1835 militia commission from Governor Stevens T. Mason.

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**Groomes, Katherine S.**

- Katherine S. Groomes papers, 1912 and 1957-1972
- 7 items

Ann Arbor, Michigan, local historian, born Katherine A. Steeb.

Account of a trip from Ann Arbor, Mich., to Niagara Falls in 1912, reminiscences of Ann Arbor at the turn of the century, and notes on the churches and early settlers of Ann Arbor.

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**Irwin Family**

- James and Sybil Irwin Family papers 1815-1987 (bulk 1832-1946)
- 6.3 linear ft. (in 8 boxes)

James and Sybil (Hunter) Irwin were early settlers of Washtenaw County, Michigan.

Their two sons, John E. and (James) Leman Irwin, fought in the Civil War as volunteer members of the 20th Michigan Infantry.

Correspondence, diaries, and ledgers from these and other branches of the family are preserved in the Irwin family papers.

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**James, Elizabeth E.**

- Early settlers in Washtenaw County, Michigan, 1822-1840, 1967
- 1 v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, local historian.

Listing of settlers based upon land records and the 1830 census of Michigan.

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**James, Elizabeth E.**

- Marriages, 1827-1857, in Washtenaw County, Michigan, 1961
- 2 v.

Alphabetical listing of marriages in Washtenaw County, Michigan; the volumes are duplicate but with some variations. Cemetery inscriptions in Washtenaw County, Michigan, 1825-1940, 1968

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**James, Elizabeth E.**

- Cemetery inscriptions in Washtenaw County, Michigan, 1825-1940, 1968

- 1 v.  
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### **Kellogg, Dan W., 1812-1885**

- Dan W. Kellogg papers, 1820-1862
- 0.6 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Troy, New York merchant and city official.  
Business records, letters from family and friends, and biographical sketch.  
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### **Kingsley Family**

- Kingsley Family papers, 1830-1901
- 16 items and 1 oversize folder  
James Kingsley family of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Twelve letters, several of which discuss the death of Frank Kingsley, member of Co. H., 20th Michigan Infantry, who was killed in action at Spotsylvania, Virginia in 1864; marriage license, 1830, of James Kingsley; two war records of Frank Kingsley; miscellaneous land documents; and photographs.  
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### **Limpert, Kaspar, 1808-1879**

- Kaspar Limpert letter, 1835
- 1 item  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Letter to Wilhelm Goering, Wurzburg, Germany, concerning Ann Arbor and conditions of the time.  
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### **Maynard, William Sumner, 1802-1866**

- William S. Maynard papers, 1836-1857 and 1932
- 9 items  
Mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Letter, 1843, of William Woodbridge concerning the University of Michigan, and correspondence, 1932, of Milo Quaife, Alexander Ruthven and Frank Robbins commenting on it; stock certificate, 1836, of the Ann Arbor Land Company; and wedding certificate, 1857, of Deborah Lansing and Maynard; and photograph.  
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### **Michigan. State Board of Health**

- Michigan State Board of Health records, 1880-1893
- 1 v.  
Daily weather records for the Ann Arbor, Michigan area.  
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### **Morgan Family**

- Morgan Family papers 1821-1893

- 1 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 1 oversize v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan family.  
Ledger, of Elijah W. Morgan, attorney and businessman, compiled in the 1840's containing his comments and evaluations of business and professional abilities of early businessmen of Washtenaw County, Michigan; correspondence, autobiography, and other miscellaneous business papers and deeds; also correspondence, drawings, and writings of his wife Lucy Stow Morgan, including letter describing life and customs in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1831; and other papers of Elijah's parents, including autobiographies of Elisha Morgan and Polly Babcock Morgan.  
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**Newton, Kelley**

- Kelley Newton papers, 1834-1865 (scattered dates)
- 15 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident.  
Land grants, deeds, and Civil War commissions of members of the Kelley family of Washtenaw and Livingston County, Michigan.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**O'Keefe, Alice C.**

- Alice C. O'Keefe letter, January 26, 1916
- 1 item  
Ann Arbor, Michigan school teacher.  
Letter to Pioneer Society discussing location of Ann's arbor and other early Ann Arbor, Michigan landmarks.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Page, William, 1798-1855**

- William Page letters, 1827-1829
- 5 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, clergyman.  
Letters to Rev. Absalom Peters, corresponding secretary of the American Home Missionary Society; include comments regarding life in Washtenaw County, Michigan, Ann Arbor religious affairs, and general missionary activities.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Pierce, Darius, b. 1801**

- Darius Pierce papers, 1810-1901
- 1 linear ft., 4 v., and 1 outsize folder  
Washtenaw County, Michigan, farmer, local county official and state representative, 1846-1847.  
Business and legal papers with scattered items of correspondence, mostly about Washtenaw County, Michigan, politics, including a letter, 1850, from Alpheus Felch; also manuscripts on agriculture and various other topics and four personal account books; also print.  
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### **Risdon Family**

- Risdon Family papers, 1825-1870
- 1 v., 1 folder, and 1 oversize folder  
Residents of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Papers, 1825-1831, of Orange Risdon, surveyor of much of southern Michigan, including letters exchanged with his wife, letter from Joseph Jennings inquiring about conditions in Michigan, and composition by his daughter on Indians; cookbook and letters of Gertrude Judd Risdon and other family papers, including letter from Susan W. Judd, and Lewis Cass Risdon; also photographs.  
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### **Russell, Allie, 1872-**

- Allie Russell reminiscences, undated
- 4 p.  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Reminiscences detailing her childhood and youth in Ann Arbor, Michigan in last quarter of nineteenth century.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Schaffer, John Jacob**

- John Jacob Schaffer papers, 1798-1861 and ca. 1881
- 1 v. and 1 folder  
Pioneer resident to Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Account book, 1798-1861 (largely in German)  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Spoor, Charles**

- Charles Spoor papers, 1837-1893
- 25 items  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Deeds, receipts and other documents relating to land transactions in Ann Arbor and Mount Clemens, Michigan, some involving early settlers of the towns including Christian Clemens and other members of the Spoor family.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Stevens, Wystan**

- Wystan Stevens papers 1961-1973
- 1.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, local historian; collector of leaflets and photographs on local history topics.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Stratton, J. F. (Jonathan F.)**

- Brown & Fuller's Addition to Ann Arbor, liber D page 3 & 4 : a copy of the recorded plat as recd the 21 day of June 1832 surveyed by J. F. Stratton

- 1 map  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Taggart, Milton, d. 1917**

- Milton Taggart letter, January 1866
- 1 item  
Law student at the University of Michigan.  
Letter describes holiday season in Ann Arbor, Michigan, including his visit to a Black church on New Year's Eve.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Taylor, Charles Coffin, 1805-1855**

- Charles Coffin Taylor letters, 1846
- 1 item  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, clergyman, and regent of the University of Michigan.  
Letter to S. Farmar Jarvis and response from Jarvis (on same sheet) relating to Jarvis' appointment as chancellor, and including description of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and the University of Michigan in 1846.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Ten Brook, Andrew, 1814-1899**

- Andrew Ten Brook papers, 1854-1935
- 0.2 linear ft  
Professor of philosophy and University of Michigan librarian.  
Original manuscripts including "Sketches of the Early History of Ann Arbor;" correspondence on Ten Brook's publications, personal matters, and University affairs, particularly book purchases for the library; typescript copies of letters originally published in the New York Baptist Register describing a trip he made in 1854 through eastern United States and Michigan, including mention of Baptist church work and railroad travel; also photographs.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Thayer, Stuart**

- Stuart Thayer papers, 1976-1978
- 3 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman and local historian.  
Research papers, including notes prepared with Patricia O'Toole concerning St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Northfield Township, Washtenaw County; paper concerning early Michigan circus history; and paper entitled, "Stephen Mills - Early Washtenaw County Builder."; also photographs.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Thomas, Francis, d. 1917**

- Francis Thomas letters, 1864-1865
- 3 items  
Medical student at University of Michigan.



Letters to Beulah L. Haines written from Ann Arbor, Michigan describing the town and his work in the medical school, including comments on the Civil War.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Traver, Absolom, 1800-1869.**

- Absolom and Charlotte Traver visual material collection [electronic resource], [between 1823 and 1833]
- 1 CD-ROM.

Absolom Traver and his wife Charlotte were pioneers of Ann Arbor, Mich.

Scanned copies (JPEG) of painted portraits of Absolom and Charlotte Traver. According to a note on the back of Absolom's portrait, they were painted between 1823 and 1833 in New York City.

Original portraits owned by Debbie DeLong.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Washtenaw Abstract Company**

- Washtenaw Abstract Company records ca. 1824-1954
- 42 v., 1 linear ft. and 19 outsize folders

Land title company based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Abstracts of mortgages, deeds, and other legal papers recorded in Washtenaw County; and plat maps for Washtenaw County additions and subdivisions.

[Finding Aid](#)

**Washtenaw County Historic District Commission**

- Washtenaw County Historic District Commission sound cassettes and summaries 1965-1969 and 1973-1978
- 3 linear ft.

Oral history interviews with residents of Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, and other Washtenaw County, Michigan, locales largely concerning their remembrances of their lives and activities during the late nineteenth and early twentieth century.

[Finding aid](#)

**White, Eber, b. 1798**

- Eber White papers, [ca. 1831-ca. 1875]
- 75 items

Ann Arbor Township (Mich.) pioneer.

Business and legal records, and miscellaneous papers of his daughters, Polly White and Mary Elizabeth White; and photographs.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**White, Orin, 1794-1864**

- Orin White papers, 1824-1843 (scattered dates)
- 5 items

Farmer and early settler at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Land certificates, military appointment, and business letter; and biographical information.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Whitehouse, Frank**

- Frank Whitehouse papers, 1827-1840

- 12 items

Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Letters of missionaries of the American Home Missionary Society concerning conditions in Ann Arbor, Niles, and Detroit, Michigan; also a letter to family from a German immigrant to Ann Arbor.

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## Politics and Social Activism

These collections include the papers of individuals who were active in politics as well as the records of local political organizations and advocacy groups.

### **Abbott, Horatio J. (Horatio Johnson), 1876-**

- Horatio J. Abbott papers, 1906-1948
- 2 folders  
Real estate agent, postmaster, and Democratic national committeeman, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Correspondence, clippings, photographs, and miscellanea, relating to Democratic Party politics, especially concerning the national campaign of 1932. Correspondents include: Wilber M. Brucker, William A. Comstock, John W. Davis, James A. Farley, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and Woodrow Wilson.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Adams, James Patrick**

- James Patrick Adams papers 1978-1981
- 1 linear ft.  
Student at the University of Michigan, chairman of the University Activities Center, and special projects coordinator for the Michigan Student Assembly.  
Topical files relating to student life, his involvement in the activities and administration of West Quadrangle, and his participation in Ann Arbor politics.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Alexander, Robert, 1945-**

- Robert Alexander papers 1970-1983
- 2.5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan political activist and campaign worker on behalf of Human Rights Party and Democratic Party candidates.  
Files and photographs (ca. 1970-1980) relating to the Fred Harris presidential campaign in 1976, the Ed Pierce campaigns for Michigan state office in 1976, 1978, 1980 and 1982, and the Zolton Ferency campaign for governor of Michigan in 1978.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **American Civil Liberties Union of Washtenaw County**

- American Civil Liberties Union of Washtenaw County Records 1961-2000
- 3 linear ft.  
Washtenaw County, Michigan branch of the American Civil Liberties Union; correspondence, minutes of meetings, and subject files.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Anderson, Don**

- Don Anderson papers, 1991-2003
- 1 folder

Ann Arbor, Mich., disability rights activist; disability rights and education coordinator of the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living.

Correspondence and clippings relating to his activities.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission**

- Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission Records 1957-1993
- 12 linear ft.

Agency of the city of Ann Arbor established in 1957 as the Human Relations Commission to investigate and deal with issues of racial discrimination in housing and employment. The name of the agency was changed in 1970 to the Human Rights Commission. The scope of the Commission came to include complaints of discrimination against women, gays, and the disabled.

The record group provides substantial documentation of issues of racial discrimination in employment and housing in Ann Arbor, Michigan in the period of 1957 to 1993. Included are files relating to the establishment of the commission, minutes (through 1993 with some gaps), memoranda (1968-1970), topical files, early case files (1965-1970), and student intern projects and reports of members of the community practice program within the University of Michigan School of Social Work.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Bach, Frank, 1948-**

- Frank and Peggy Bach papers, 1964-2003
- 9 linear ft. in 10 boxes, 2 oversize folders, 1 CD, 1 phonograph disk, 4 motion picture reels, and 1 artifact

Frank and Peggy Bach were involved with the counterculture in Detroit and Ann Arbor beginning in the 1960s as musicians, performers, graphic designers, promoters, and activists for area jazz, blues, and pop acts. Frank Bach was also involved in community organizations supporting housing and economic development activities in Detroit.

The collection documents the Bach's numerous professional activities and organizations, groups, and individuals with whom they were associated, including Rainbow Corporation and Rainbow Multi-media, Allied Artists Association of America, Strata Associates, Detroit Jazz Center, Grande Graphics, Morda-Sinclair & Associates, and John Sinclair. Detroit community organizations documented in the collection include the Creekside Community Development Corporation, the Jefferson-Chalmers Citizens' District Council, and the Jefferson East Business Association.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Bailey, Richard W.**

- Richard W. Bailey papers 1972-2008
- 4 linear ft.

Professor of English at the University of Michigan, trustee of Washtenaw Community College, and Democratic Party worker.

Correspondence, newsletters, leaflets and reports concerning Democratic politics at the state and local levels, platform hearings for the 1976 National Democratic platform; also

papers relating to his activities with St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church, and Genesis of Ann Arbor.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Barney, Roger Warren**

- Roger Warren Barney and Jane Lockwood Barney papers 1929-2002
- 11 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Roger Barney was an Episcopal priest serving first in New Hampshire, later as a Navy chaplain during World War II, with Parishfield Community in Brighton, Michigan, and as associate rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. Jane Lockwood Barney worked with the Institute of Gerontology and as advocate on behalf of the elderly. The collection includes personal correspondence, sermons, and subject files relating to their education, his service during World War II, and their ministry at Parishfield.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Barritt, Loren S. and Marjorie Rabe Barritt**

- Loren S. and Marjorie Rabe Barritt Collection 1967-1998
- 1 linear ft.

Homeowners in northeastern Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence and other papers relating to their concern and interest in development projects in Ann Arbor and northern Michigan.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Beal, Junius Emery, 1860-1942**

- Junius E. Beal papers 1869-1946
- 15. 3 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman, publisher of Ann Arbor Courier, Republican politician, and regent of University of Michigan.

Correspondence, letter books, speeches, newspaper clippings, and photographs; papers (1909-1920) of Michigan Public Domain Commission, of which Beal was a member; papers (1877-1904) concerning Port Huron Gas Light Company; and printed material and miscellanea (1885-1905) concerning League of American Wheelmen and his interest in bicycling.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Beal, Rice Aner, 1823-1883**

- Rice Aner Beal papers 1843-1883
- 4 linear ft.

Businessman, of Washtenaw County, Michigan, publisher of Ann Arbor Courier, and chairman of Executive Committee, Michigan Republican Party.

Correspondence, account books, business records, receipts, deeds, and other financial records.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Beck, Clare**

- Clare Beck papers, 1976-1979

- 0.2 linear ft.  
Full name Mary Clare Beck. Ann Arbor, Mich., resident; member of Traver Knoll Tenants Union and participant in rent strike at Traver Knoll Apartments.  
Correspondence and other 1976-79 papers relating to the Traver Knoll rent strike.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**BenDor, Jan.**

- Jan BenDor papers, 1974-2005, bulk 1988-1992.
- 6 linear feet, 1 oversize folder, and phonograph record.  
Social worker and activist from Ypsilanti, Michigan, primarily involved in the area of women's rights.  
Administrative files related to BenDor's service on the Safe House Board of Trustees; news clippings and publication about sexual assault treatment from the Women's Crisis Center of Ann Arbor; administrative files, news clippings and ephemera related to BenDor's involvement in the Eastern Michigan University Technical Office Professional Union in the 1980s and 1990s; also collected research materials about Tom Monaghan, founder of Domino's Pizza.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Brater, Elizabeth S.**

- Elizabeth S. Brater papers, 1989-2010, bulk 1996-2010.
- 19.75 linear feet (in 20 boxes) and 1 oversize folder.  
Elizabeth S. Brater was elected as a Democrat to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1995 and served until 2000. In 2003, she was elected to the State Senate, where she served until 2010. Previously, she served as a member of the Ann Arbor City Council (1988-1993) and Mayor of Ann Arbor (1991-1993).  
Legislative records from Brater's service in Michigan's House of Representatives and Senate, including handwritten notes on policy issues, correspondence (including printed email), collected research materials, and news clippings. The collection is particularly strong in documenting Brater's service on the Department of Natural Resources and Department of Environmental Quality subcommittees, as Minority Vice chair of Judiciary and Corrections on the State Appropriations Committee, and as a member of the Governor's Land Use Leadership Council.  
The collection is closed to research use until Jan. 1, 2021.  
[Finding Aid](#)

**Brownson, William T.**

- William T. Brownson papers 1949-1975
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Labor relations specialist for the Lamar Pipe Company and the Michigan Concrete Pipe Association.  
Materials relating to his dealings with the Teamster's union; also papers concerning his work with an Ann Arbor, Michigan, citizens group formed to oppose proposed building on Stadium Blvd.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Byrd, David R.**

- David R. Byrd papers 1930s-2000 (bulk 1965-1973, 1981-1983)
- 2.6 linear ft. (in four boxes), 1 portfolio, and 9 oversize folders

David R. Byrd (1921-1987) was an African-American architect of churches, residential homes, offices, and schools in Washington, D.C. and Ann Arbor, Michigan. He served on the Board of Commissioners of Washtenaw County (1968-1972), and was an advocate for civil rights and affordable housing for the poor.

This collection includes architectural drawings, reports, photographs, and personal and professional correspondence.

[Finding aid](#)

**Byrd, Letitia J.**

- Letitia J. Byrd papers 1970-2004
- 1 linear ft.

Letitia J. Byrd is an African-American local community leader and a counselor for Huron High School in the Ann Arbor Public School system. She is also very involved with other Ann Arbor community organizations.

This collection includes photographs, professional correspondence, and documents recording her involvement with numerous local organizations and with the Ann Arbor School System.

[Finding aid](#)

**Cappaert, Leroy**

- Leroy and Lael Cappaert papers 1947-2002
- 4 linear ft.

LeRoy Cappaert was a teacher and Democratic city councilman from Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1964-1970, delegate to the 1968 Democratic National Convention, and member of the Coalition for Peace in Central America, and organization established to provide assistance to Ann Arbor's sister city, Juigalpa, Nicaragua. Lael Cappaert was a librarian, also active in political and community causes.

Papers and notebooks concerning LeRoy's election campaigns for the city council, his council activities, his work as delegate at the Democratic National Conventions of 1964 and 1968, and the 1968 Presidential campaign of Senator Eugene McCarthy, his work with the Coalition for Peace in Central America; memoirs of his wife Lael Cappaert, pictorial history of their daughter Andrea Lael Cappaert; audio-visual material; and scrapbooks.

[Finding aid](#)

**Carpenter, Charles William, 1886-1971**

- Charles William Carpenter papers 1909-1970
- 1 linear ft. and 2 oversize folders

Graduate of Tuskegee Institute in 1909, later pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence, including letters from Mr. and Mrs. Booker T. Washington, 1909-1915; and miscellaneous sermons, prayers, church bulletins, reports of the Second Baptist Church and other materials concerning his work with the Ann Arbor Human Relations

Commission, the Citizens Advisory Committee for a Workable Program, and the Ann Arbor Bus Committee.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Carr, Marian**

- Marian Carr papers 1957-1963
- 0.3 linear ft. Member of the Ann Arbor Human Relations Commission; minutes and other materials relating to race relations in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Coalition on Unmet Needs**

- Coalition on Unmet Needs records, 1985-1988
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor-based organization concerned with the problem of homelessness and affordable housing for the poor.  
Newsletters, reports, clippings, and other papers relating to their activities.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Cole, Sandra S., 1937-**

- Sandra S. Cole papers, 1994-2007.
- 1.5 linear feet.  
Sandra S. Cole, Ph.D., is a professor (retired) and sexologist. She founded the Comprehensive Gender Services Program at the University of Michigan Medical School in 1993, and was active in the effort to include gender identity in the University's non-discrimination policies.  
Professional papers documenting her work providing transgender services and advocating for transgender rights at the University of Michigan and in Ann Arbor. Includes information relating to Cole's participation in efforts to change the University's non-discrimination policies and her work on the Ann Arbor City Ordinance Amendment of 1999. Also includes a 1997 annual report and policy and procedure information on the University's Comprehensive Gender Services Program.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Contemporary History Project (The New Left in Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Contemporary History Project (The New Left in Ann Arbor, Mich.) transcripts of oral interviews 1978-1979 v.
- 1 linear ft.  
Transcripts of oral history project relating to the political and social protests of the 1950s and 1960s, in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

[Finding aid](#)

### **DeBoer, Robby, 1957-**

- Robby DeBoer collection, 1977-2006, bulk 1991-2006.
- 20 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.  
Litigant with her husband Jan DeBoer in case involving custody of their adoptive child "Baby Girl Clausen" (known nationally as Baby Jessica). The court ruled against the



DeBoers and the child was returned to her biological parents. During the trial, the DeBoers and their supporters established a national child advocacy organization, that came to be called "Hear My Voice." This organization was dissolved in 2008. The collection documents the case of "Baby Girl Clausen" through court transcripts and related material, through the publicity, both print and audio-visual, surrounding the case, and through the correspondence received by the DeBoers and the organization set up to support them. In addition, there are records of the Hear My Voice organization, including minutes of the board of directors, materials relating to similar cases in other states, files pertaining to activities of Hear My Voice chapters in other states, and accumulated material on pending state and national legislation on the topic of adoption law.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Democratic Socialists of America**

- Democratic Socialists of America/Ann Arbor records, 1980-1986
- 0.5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor local of the Democratic Socialists of America.

Alphabetical file includes constitution, articles, flyers, and information pertaining to activities.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Democratic Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Democratic Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1959-2002 (bulk 1979-1985)
- 2.3 linear ft.

Files relating to local campaigns and to party organization.

[Finding aid](#)

### **De Vine, Frank B.**

- Frank B. De Vine collection, 1915-1949
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Mich., attorney; born 1885.

Printed records of legal cases appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court in which one party was represented by De Vine. Among the issues included are Ann Arbor's water system (Frederick and Flora Osborn vs. City of Ann Arbor, City of Ann Arbor vs. Edward D. Kinne, and Gustav A. Schenk vs. City of Ann Arbor), Michigan Wolverine Student Cooperative (vs. Wm. Goodyear and Co.), school annexation (Public Schools of the City of Ann Arbor vs. Township of Ann Arbor), siting of gas station (George Sandenburgh vs. Michigamme Oil Co.), Ann Arbor Press (Arthur J. Wiltse vs. Margaret Schaeffer et al.), and various business, traffic accident, and inheritance disputes.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Dunham, Arthur**

- Arthur Dunham papers ca. 1900-1980
- 32.2 linear ft.

Social worker in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, professor of community organization at the University of Michigan, a pacifist imprisoned as a conscientious objector during World War I, a founding member of Ann Arbor Society of Friends.

Papers include correspondence, subject files and research material relating to his work and teaching, files assembled for a history of the Ann Arbor Friends Meeting, material on his pacifist activities and published and unpublished writings.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Ecology Center of Ann Arbor**

- Ecology Center of Ann Arbor records 1969-2004
- 16.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Founded in 1970, the Ecology Center of Ann Arbor is a grassroots community organization committed to increasing environmental awareness.

Records include meeting minutes, financial statements, correspondence, news clippings, photographs and publications relating to the activities and functions of the organization, especially in the areas of recycling, energy conservation, and ecology.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Edwards, J. Edgar (Joseph Edgar), 1909-1973**

- J. Edgar Edwards papers 1938-1973
- 5 linear ft.

Minister and director of the Guild House, Ann Arbor, Michigan, religious cooperative. Sermons, prayers, addresses, poetry, course notes from Union Theological Seminary, and marriage ceremonies; also papers concerning the 1965 and 1967 teach-ins at the University of Michigan on the war in Vietnam, draft counseling, conscientious objection, Students for a Democratic Society and other political groups, and miscellanea.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Feingold, Eugene N.**

- Eugene N. Feingold papers, 1950-2002 (bulk 1960-1990 )
- 4 linear ft.

Professor of Health Management and Policy at the University of Michigan School of Public Health; also active in the American Civil Liberties Union, Michigan League for Human Service, Corner Health Center, and other organizations promoting social justice issues.

The collection consists of files relating to his activist interests and to his involvement with different committee memberships within and outside of the University of Michigan.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Fuller, Barbara, 1925-**

- Barbara Fuller paper, 1976
- 1 item

Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident, member of humanitarian delegation sent to Vietnam in April 1976, to learn of its priorities for aid.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Gay/Lesbian Organization for Human Rights-Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor**

- Gay/Lesbian Organization for Human Rights-Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor records, 1985-1988
- 0.2 linear ft.

Organization created chiefly to oversee Lesbian/Gay Pride Week observances in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Minutes and miscellanea.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Gendell, Nancy**

- Nancy Gendell papers, 1965
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, member of the Women Strike for Peace, speaker at the Ann Arbor-based Inter-University Committee for a Public Hearing on Viet Nam.

Reports of meetings and audio tapes of conference speakers.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Gensheimer, Charles J.**

- Charles J. Gensheimer papers, 1970-1976.
- 0.7 linear feet.

Pastor of Ann Arbor Westminster Presbyterian Church, member of the Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission.

Files relating to Gensheimer's service as a member of the Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission (1970-76); also records of his church's participation with the Interfaith Coalition of Congregations and the Ann Arbor-Washtenaw Council of Churches; and file pertaining to the response of local churches to the "Black manifesto" and the demand of the Black Economic Development League for reparations.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Gillette, Genevieve, 1898-**

- Genevieve Gillette papers 1914-1987 (bulk 1951-1980)
- 10 linear ft. and 1 outsize folder

Ann Arbor, Michigan, Landscape architect, speaker and lobbyist on behalf of conservation and beautification, president of the Michigan Parks Association, and member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Recreation and Natural Beauty during the Johnson Administration.

Correspondence, reports, oral history interviews, and other materials concerning her interest in state and national conservation legislation; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Gold, Jeffrey**

- Jeff Gold collection of John Sinclair materials, 1969-1971
- 0.1 linear ft.

Pamphlets, newspaper clippings, and other materials, mainly relating to the arrest and imprisonment of John Sinclair for violation of the law on marijuana possession and on efforts to obtain his release, especially the Free John Rally at Crisler Arena (Ann Arbor, Mich.); also two letters of Pun Plamondon to his wife written from, and describing his life in, Leavenworth Prison; photographs and sound recording.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Grassmuck, George**

- George Grassmuck papers, 1960-1998
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Professor of political science at the University of Michigan.  
Scattered files relating to his professional interests, especially Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Republican Party politics in the 1960s, and his involvement in the Federalism '76 Project, 1971.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Gray Panthers of Huron Valley**

- Gray Panthers of Huron Valley records 1979-2008
- 2 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan-based chapter of the Gray Panthers.  
Subject files pertaining to chapter activities; administrative files include annual reports, correspondence, and newsletters.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Hathaway, Mary**

- Mary Hathaway papers 1980-2003
- 6 linear ft.  
Prominent Ann Arbor area peace and social justice activist; involved in both church and community organizations concerned with topics as diverse as nuclear disarmament, homelessness in Ann Arbor, and the immigration rights of El Salvadorian refugees.  
The collection includes organizational and church files detailing her various activities.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Will Hathaway papers 1980-2000**

- Will Hathaway papers 1980-2000
- 2 linear ft.  
Will Hathaway, an Ann Arbor resident and University of Michigan graduate, is an activist mainly involved in peace and arms control issues.  
Hathaway's papers document his involvement in issues while a student at the University of Michigan, his involvement in the arms control lobby, and his efforts in organizing a 1999 community forum on nuclear weapons abolition.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Hobbs, Ruth and Wendell**

- Ruth and Wendell Hobbs papers, ca. 1929-1997 (scattered)
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Ruth Hobbs was an Ann Arbor, Michigan, realtor, civic leader, and active in Republican Party politics. Wendell Hobbs was an Ann Arbor real estate agent, also involved with local and state Republican Party affairs.  
The collection includes certificates of appreciation, letters of thanks from political dignitaries, clippings, items from scrapbooks, personal ephemera, and photographs.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Hultquist, Donald E.**

- Donald E. Hultquist papers, 1962-1999 (bulk 1979-1987)
- 1.3 linear ft.  
Professor of biochemistry at the University of Michigan.  
Files related to civic activities and participation in University-wide debates on issues of public policy; include files from work on Citizens' Advisory Committee on Racial Balance and Equal Opportunity in Ann Arbor Schools, 1979; also papers dealing with debate within the University over classified and non-classified research sponsored by U.S. Department of Defense, 1968-1986.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Human Rights Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Human Rights Party of Ann Arbor records, 1970-1979 (bulk 1971-1975)
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
The Human Rights Party (HRP) of Ann Arbor was a radical socialist third party that influenced local politics in the period 1971 to 1975. The party grew out of the Radical Independent Party (founded 1970) and was renamed Socialist Human Rights Party in 1976.  
The record group contains organizational and campaign documents of several parties including predecessor and successor parties to HRP. Campaign materials, platforms, position statements and numerous newspaper clippings along with committee and meeting minutes form the bulk of the records of this activist organization.  
[Finding Aid](#)

### **Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1966-2008
- 21 linear ft. (in 22 boxes)  
Records of the Interfaith Council For Peace and Justice, a Washtenaw County-based interdenominational organization encouraging participation in social justice education and activism.  
The record group is divided into five series, Chronological Files, Topical Files, Hunger and Hunger Task Force, Clergy and Laity Concerned and Photographs and Audio-Visual Materials.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Interfaith Council of Congregations (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Interfaith Council of Congregations (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1970-2008
- 3 linear ft.  
Committee and task force reports, correspondence, pamphlets, and clippings largely concerning the responses of local churches to problems of poverty, hunger, child care, and other social questions.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Jones, Alan H.**

- Alan H. Jones papers, 1967-1974
- 0.2 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, resident; officer of the Michigan Conference of Concerned Democrats and New Democratic Coalition of Michigan.

Memos, minutes, publications, and other papers of the Michigan Conference of Concerned Democrats and New Democratic Coalition of Michigan.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Kelley, William R., 1906-2000**

- William R. Kelley papers, 1935-1983 (scattered)
- 1.5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney.

World War II letters exchanged with his wife while serving in the military. Kelley's letters were written from north Africa and Italy, as well as stateside. Also reminiscences of his life, spiritual development, mission trip to the Far East; and miscellanea regarding his involvement in Democratic Party affairs and his unsuccessful campaign for Congress in 1946.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**King, John Culver, 1920-**

- John Culver King papers, 1945-1947
- 0.3 linear ft.

Conscientious objector from Ann Arbor, Michigan during World War II.

Correspondence with his wife Jean, written while imprisoned at the Federal Correctional Institution, Danbury, Connecticut, including material relating to the National Service Board for Religious Objectors.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Kinnucan, Michelle.**

- Michelle Kinnucan collection, 2003-2009.
- 0.3 linear feet.

Ann Arbor, Michigan peace and civil rights activist.

Reports, e-mail print-outs and other materials relating to police surveillance and the Ann Arbor Bill of Rights Defense Committee, 2003-2004; miscellaneous correspondence and clippings relating to the case of Catherine Wilkerson, accused of interfering with police while protesting a speaker at the University of Michigan, 2007-2009; and files relating to her work with the Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice, 2006-2007.

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**Kolb, Chris**

- Chris Kolb papers 1997-2006
- 1 linear ft.

Chris Kolb was a Democratic State Representative for the Michigan House of Representatives representing the 53rd district (Ann Arbor and Pittsfield Township) from January 2001 to January 2007.

Kolb's papers include legislative files mainly relating to gay issues, including gay marriage and hate crime legislation.

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**Kraker, Norma F.**

- Norma F. Kraker papers, 1961-1972
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic activist involved with housing and civil rights issues and organizations.  
Subject files relating to her work with the Ann Arbor Citizens Committee for Fair Housing Legislation and its successor organization, the Ann Arbor Committee for Housing Legislation; also files relating to the Ann Arbor Housing Commission, the Ann Arbor Human Relations Commission, and the Off-Campus Housing Bureau of the University of Michigan Office of Student Community Relations.  
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**Kunin, Timothy**

- Timothy Kunin papers, 1974-1977
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Member of the Ann Arbor Tenants Union; active in matters of tenants rights and fair rental practices.  
Memoranda, newsletters, and miscellanea relating to his work with the Ann Arbor Tenants Union and his interest in local rental housing issues.  
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**Labor Party of Washtenaw County**

- Labor Party of Washtenaw County records 1995-1999
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Administrative records include bylaws, correspondence, meeting minutes, and newsletters. Topical files concern various political groups and issues such as the Detroit newspaper strike, the appearance of the Ku Klux Klan in Ann Arbor in 1996, and other labor matters.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Lacy, Arthur J.**

- Lacy, Arthur J. (Arthur Jay), 1876-1975
- 10 linear ft., 2 oversize folders and 1 oversize v.  
Detroit, Michigan, attorney and judge, Democratic candidate for governor in 1934.  
Correspondence, legal case files, family materials, speeches, essays, diary notes, financial materials, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, photographs, and transcript of oral interview.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Latin American Solidarity Committee**

- Latin American Solidarity Committee records 1970-1989
- 1 linear ft.  
Group of University of Michigan students and other Ann Arbor, Michigan, residents formed to support progressive causes in Latin America and oppose U.S. government policies there; flyers, posters, press releases, position papers, photographs, and the

group's journal, La Palabra; also collected records of predecessor organization, Science for the People, and Farm Labor Organizing Committee, a support group within SFP.

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### **Lemble, George Francis**

- George Francis Lemble papers 1958-1968
- 2 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman, president of the Washtenaw Conservatives, active in local Republican Party affairs; correspondence and other papers relating to politics, the Board of Education, the Housing Commission and Police Department of Ann Arbor, and the Willow Run project of the federal anti-poverty program.

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### **Lemmer, Elizabeth**

- Elizabeth Lemmer papers 1969-1978
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, right-to-life activist; collected newsletters, clippings, and other materials relating to the right-to-life movement.

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### **McNitt, William H.**

- William H. McNitt papers
- 5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, archivist; collected materials relating to local Democratic Party politics; student papers; and photographs.

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### **Michigan Peaceworks.**

- Michigan Peaceworks records, 2001-2009.
- 1.5 linear feet (in 3 boxes)

Organization based in Ann Arbor, Michigan established to inform and educate the state and local community on issues of peace, democracy, civil rights and civil liberties, and to influence United States foreign and domestic policy.

Informational flyers, clippings about their activities, posters with photographs and describing their position on various issues, and photographs of events and demonstrations.

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### **Miller, Mildred J., 1927-2001**

- Mildred J. Miller papers, 1956-2001 (scattered dates)
- 1 linear ft.

Mildred J. (Kip) Miller was active in Ann Arbor, Mich., Democratic party politics and as a member of the First Unitarian Universalist Church. As a photographer, she provided many photographs of Ann Arbor homes and other buildings for the book, "Historic Buildings, Ann Arbor, Michigan."

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**Parents, Families, and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Ann Arbor chapter records, 1984-1996
- 1 folder.  
Ann Arbor chapter of support group for parents and friends of lesbians and gays.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Palestine Solidarity Committee. Ann Arbor, Michigan Chapter**

- Palestine Solidarity Committee, Ann Arbor, Michigan Chapter records, 1986-1988
- 1 folder  
Formerly the November 29th Committee for Palestine.  
Activity reports, flyers, and miscellanea.  
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**Pease, William Henry**

- William Henry Pease letters, 1882-1921 (scattered dates)
- 1 folder  
Student at University of Michigan, ca. 1888, later resident of Detroit, Michigan.  
Letters, 1882-1921, including letter of 1888 discussing defeat of a local option law in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and describing disruptions at city polling places; also personal letters.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Jane Pogson**

- Jane Pogson papers, 1986-1987
- 0.4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, activist.  
Miscellaneous papers relating to her interest in Nicaragua, as member of Witness for Peace, Ann Arbor Central America Sister City Task Force, and Religious Coalition on Central America.  
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**Political Equality Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Political Equality Club minutes, 1894-1900
- 2 v.  
Woman suffrage organization headed by Olivia Hall.  
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**Power, Sadye**

- Sadye Power papers 1940-1979
- 2 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader, and officer in various cultural, educational, and population control organizations.  
Files relating to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the Washtenaw County League for Planned Parenthood, the Merrill-Palmer Institute in Detroit, Greenhills School

in Ann Arbor, the Alumnae Council of the University of Michigan, and the Ann Arbor Symphony.

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**Ragland, John, 1905-1981**

- John Ragland papers, ca. 1930-1944
- 14 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney.  
Miscellanea relating to the Colored Welfare League and other Ann Arbor, Michigan, Black community organizations.

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**Republican Party (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Republican Party, Ann Arbor papers, 1948-1949
- 35 items  
Correspondence and other papers concerning the 1949 local election.

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**Sacks, Andrew**

- Andrew Sacks photographs, 1964-1980 1964-1980
- 1 linear ft.  
Photographer from Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Photographs (prints and negatives) of student demonstrations at the University of Michigan, draft card burnings and other anti-Vietnam War protests, of the riot at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, Illinois, of appearances of John Cage, Lyndon Johnson, Timothy Leary, Eldridge Cleaver, John Sinclair, John Lennon, Stevie Wonder, and Gerald Ford in Ann Arbor, and a meeting of Ku Klux Klan in Dearborn, Michigan.

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**Sample, George Washington, 1868-1945**

- George Washington Sample papers, 1891-1944
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversized folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and judge of Washtenaw County Circuit Court. Business accounts, letterbooks, and correspondence relating to Republican politics, particularly election campaigns of 1912 and 1936, and enforcement of the Prohibition Amendment; and other papers concerning the career of Frank Knox and the coming of World War II. Correspondents include: Frank Knox (correspondence throughout), and Earl C. Michener, Mar. 23, 1936, Oct. 4 and Nov. 15, 1941; and photographs.

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**Sinclair, John, 1941-**

- John and Leni Sinclair papers 1957-1999
- 60.5 linear ft. (76 boxes), 1 oversized folder (UAI), and 1 oversized v.

John and Leni Sinclair were leaders of the counterculture movement in Michigan, organizers of radical social, political, and cultural endeavors primarily in the areas of music, poetry, graphic design, and community welfare projects. Papers and photographs (1957-1979) relating to all phases of their careers, including participation in the Artists' Workshop in Detroit, the Rainbow Multi-Media Corporation, the White Panther Party and its offshoot, the Rainbow Peoples Party; also materials concerning the legalization of marijuana, radical politics, and prison reform. Also material, 1979-2000, relating to John Sinclair's work as a writer, performer, radio show host and music promoter.

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### **Sklar, Leonard**

- Leonard Sklar collection, 1968-1974
- 0.2 linear ft.

Sklar is assistant professor of geosciences at San Francisco State University. While growing up in Ann Arbor, Mich., he was a political activist at a young age, becoming a member of the steering committee of the Michigan Human Rights Party at age 12. He later was active in the antinuclear movement and struggles against U.S. policy in Central America while living in New York City.

Collected Ann Arbor publications of Youth Liberation, Human Rights Party, and others.

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### **Staebler, Neil, 1905-**

- Neil Staebler papers 1944-1992
- 319.5 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman and attorney, chairman of the Michigan Democratic Party State Central Committee, U. S. Congressman-at-large, 1963-1964, gubernatorial candidate in 1964, member of the U. S. Federal Election Commission, 1975-1978.

Chronological, congressional and topical files relating to political and personal activities; include political files detailing state election campaigns 1948-1964, particularly the campaigns of G. Mennen Williams and John B. Swainson; also photographs and transcript of oral interview, 1979. (Box 279:Staebler with John Kennedy and Lyndon Johnson; Staebler with G. Mennen Williams, Philip Hart, John Swainson, and Jerome Cavanagh; Staebler with various political figures.)

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### **Student Advocacy Center of Michigan**

- Student Advocacy Center of Michigan records, 1975-2004 (bulk 1999-2003)
- 2.5 linear ft.

The Student Advocacy Center of Michigan (SAC), established in 1975 in Ann Arbor, was the only organization in Michigan, providing non-legal advocacy to students and their parents who were eligible for general and special public education programs. SAC was involved in numerous controversies involving public school policies and practices. Ruth Zweifler, founding member and director, led SAC and built a statewide presence through activism for students and parents.

Records include clippings which describe various interventions, in particular the 1979 Black English case in Ann Arbor.

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### **Tashian, Jeanne**

- Jeanne Tashian papers 1970-1973
- 1 linear ft.  
Teacher, writer, member of feminist organizations.  
Materials relating to her involvement with the University of Michigan Commission for Women, Ann Arbor Focus on Equal Opportunity for Women, PROBE into the Status of Women at The University of Michigan, and the Ad Hoc Committee Concerned That President Fleming Does Not Meet With Women.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Thomas, Charles, 1937-1994**

- Charles Thomas Jr. papers 1965-1994 (bulk 1968-1980)
- 4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan civil rights activist known for his confrontational style and advocate of black economic development, welfare rights, affordable housing and other causes, and a founder of the Washtenaw County Black Economic Development League. Papers, primarily documenting his work with the WCBEDL, include correspondence, scrapbooks, trial transcripts, and photographs.

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### **University of Michigan. English 325**

- English 325 (University of Michigan) papers, 1978
- 1 linear ft.  
University of Michigan class requiring in part an oral history project.  
Soundtapes of interviews and transcripts of interviews concerning Ann Arbor German parochial schools before World War I; Arthur Gallagher, editor of the Ann Arbor News; the Ann Arbor German community, being the remembrances of Margaret Louise Seeger; and the abortion movement in Ann Arbor.

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### **Washtenaw County Conservatives (Mich.)**

- Washtenaw County Conservatives records, 1963-1965
- 1 v.  
Conservative political organization.  
Constitution, by-laws, minutes of meetings, announcements, and miscellaneous correspondence.

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### **Washtenaw County Legal Aid Society (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Washtenaw County Legal Aid Society minutes, 1965-1967
- 0.3 linear ft.

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### **Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Center. Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency**

- Washtenaw County Community Mental Health Center. Substance Abuse Coordinating Agency, 1970-1988

- 16.75 linear ft.

Records documenting coordination of substance abuse prevention and treatment efforts in Washtenaw and Livingston County, Michigan; subgroups include administrative files; records relating to the interaction of coordinating agency with direct care substance abuse services providers; collected materials pertaining to various professional and citizen advocacy groups concerned with the problem of substance abuse; and subject files.

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### **Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project**

- Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project records, 1993-2000
- 3.5 linear ft.

Founded in 1995, the Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project (WRAP) was an outgrowth of an earlier organization, the Ann Arbor/Washtenaw County chapter of the Michigan Campaign for Human Dignity.

The statewide organization of the Michigan Campaign for Human Dignity was established to enlist opposition to a state ballot initiative that would deny equal discrimination protection to gay men and lesbians. After the initiative failed, members of the Washtenaw MCHD then decided to focus their attention on grassroots work within Washtenaw County, devoting themselves to increased visibility and acceptance and appreciation of the lesbian/gay/bisexual and transgender community through education and political action. To this end, they formed a new political action group, the Washtenaw Rainbow Action Project.

Records, 1993-1995, of Washtenaw County chapter of Michigan Campaign for Human Dignity; minutes of meetings, print-outs of electronic communications and other administrative files; records pertaining to education and outreach efforts, such as the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network (GLSEN), and the Rainbow Oasis Center; also files detailing political action events, including National Coming Out Day.

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### **Wheeler, Albert Harold, 1915-1994**

- Albert H. and Emma M. Wheeler papers, 1938-1993, (bulk 1960-1977)
- 6 linear ft.

Albert and Emma Wheeler were community and civil rights leaders from Ann Arbor, Michigan. Albert Wheeler was also professor of microbiology and dermatology at the University of Michigan. In addition, he and his wife helped to establish the local chapter of the NAACP. Albert Wheeler served as mayor of Ann Arbor, 1975 to 1978.

The series in the collection are Personal/Biographical; NAACP/Civil Rights Activities; Mayoralty Files; University of Michigan; and Photographs. The collection documents the Wheelers' devotion to the cause of civil rights and their involvement with numerous civil rights and community organizations. The collection also includes Albert Wheeler's mayoralty files.

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**Wickliffe, Letty M., 1902-**

- Letty M. Wickliffe papers ca. 1860s-ca. 1992 (bulk 1960s-1976)
- 0.5 linear ft. (2 boxes)  
Teacher; Ann Arbor, Michigan, community activist; member of the North Central Property Owners Association in Ann Arbor.  
Articles written for the local newspaper, awards, scattered correspondence, biographical information, and photographs.

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**Wilgus, Horace L. (Horace LaFayette), 1859-1935**

- Horace LaFayette Wilgus papers 1878-1935
- 4 linear ft. and 3 v.  
Professor of law at University of Michigan, and specialist in corporation law.  
Correspondence, speeches, newspaper clippings, notes, and manuscripts of books and articles, relating to his professional career, Ann Arbor, Michigan organizations and issues, particularly progressive political movements and prohibition, including the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, the anti-trust movement, and the 1912 Progressive Party; also photographs.

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**Williams, Ruth**

- Ruth Williams papers, 1974-1980
- 1 linear ft.  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Materials relating to her service on the Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission and as a member of the board of directors of the University Club of Ann Arbor.

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**Wolfe, Shirley P.**

- Shirley P. Wolfe papers, 1960s-2001.
- 0.7 linear feet.  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Mich.  
Newsletters, clippings, brochures, and various mailings relating to her interest in adoption and her support of adoption agencies, including the Council on Adoptable Children and the North American Council on Adoptable Children.

[Finding aid](#)

**Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch records 1946-2008**

- Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch records 1946-2008
- 2.75 linear ft. and 2 oversized v.  
Local branch of organization established to foster closer ties between city and country women and to stimulate interest in gardening and horticultural pursuits.

Membership rosters, organizational files, historical information, files relating to fund raising and civic events, notably the Greens Market Sale and the Garden Walk tour of local gardens; also photographs.

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### **Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament. Washtenaw County Chapter**

- Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, Washtenaw County Chapter records, 1985-1991
- 1.0 linear ft.

Established in 1984, disbanded in 1992, the Washtenaw County chapter of Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND), was a local women's initiative advocating peaceful alternatives to armed conflict. The group's members sought to accomplish this goal through coalition-building with other peace and justice organizations, education, political action, and promotion of nonviolent conflict resolution.

The record group includes meeting agenda and minutes of the Coordinating Committee (the central organizing body) and subsidiary committees (Executive, Political Action, Strategic Planning). Also included is the WAND newsletter, summaries of member surveys (1985-1987), flyers of special events, and videotapes of protest demonstrations.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Young, Leigh Jarvis, 1883-1960**

- Leigh Jarvis Young papers, 1908-1960
- 1 linear ft.

Professor of forestry at University of Michigan; director of the Michigan Department of Conservation, 1927, and mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence, photographs, and other papers concerning his work at University of Michigan, in the Michigan Department of Conservation, and as mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan; and seven volumes of his student notebooks on University courses in botany, economics, geology, psychology, forest engineering, entomology, forest botany, and dendrology. Correspondents include: Fred Green, Apr. 1927, William B. Mershon, Apr. 1927, Chase S. Osborn, Jan. 1927, and Gifford Pinchot, Dec. 1925.

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## Professionals

These collections include the organizational records and personal papers of Ann Arbor professionals, specialists, and skilled workers.

### **Ann Arbor Medical Club**

- Ann Arbor Medical Club records, 1899-1912
- 0.4 linear ft. (3 v. and 1 folder)  
Organization of local doctors.  
Scrapbook of correspondence, 1901-1910, concerning arrangements for speakers at the club; minutes; programs; and scattered correspondence.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor Private Hospital (Mich.)**

- Ann Arbor Private Hospital (Mich.) records 1902-1933
- 23 linear ft.  
Hospital established by University of Michigan professor of obstetrics and gynecology, Reuben Peterson; until July 1917, it was called Peterson Hospital. Bound case files, miscellaneous statistics, correspondence, research material, and reprints of articles written by Peterson.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Armstrong, William J.**

- William J. Armstrong papers, 1937-1956
- 50 items  
Engineer, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Research materials relating to the "Chicago Road" across southern Michigan and the original land survey of Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Atwell-Hicks**

- Atwell-Hicks Map collection ca. 1838-1902
- 40 items  
Ann Arbor, Mich., civil engineering, surveying, and planning firm.  
Cadastral maps, showing land ownership, of Washtenaw County and Ann Arbor, Mich.; also maps of mill sites on Huron River at Broadway in Ann Arbor. Many of the maps drawn by J. B. Davis.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May**

- Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May records, 1908-1965(scattered dates)
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, engineering firm.  
Reports and other materials relating to various Michigan light and power projects, sewage treatment plants, and waterworks.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)



**Bonisteel, Roscoe O. (Roscoe Osmond), b. 1888**

- Roscoe O. Bonisteel papers 1903-1972
- 12 linear ft. (in 13 boxes) and 4 v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney, Republican regent of the University of Michigan. Correspondence and other materials relating to state and local Republican party affairs, particularly the election of 1944 and the Constitutional Convention, 1961-1962; organizational files, primarily concerning activities with the Rotary Club, the Free and Accepted Order of Masons, the National Music Camp at Interlochen, the American Bar Association, the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, the Historical Society of Michigan, Cleary College, Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and the Wayne State University Board of Governors; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Bordin, Ruth Birgitta Anderson, 1917-**

- Ruth Bordin papers 1940-1992 (bulk 1980-1992)
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, historian and writer. Manuscripts of writings and papers presented at professional organizations; topics of research include Emma Hall, Michigan prison reformer, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Frances Willard, Alice Freeman Palmer, women's history, and Washtenaw County, Michigan; also photographs and sound recordings.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Cares, Charles W.**

- Charles W. Cares, Jr. drawings, 1951-2005.
- 7 outsize folders (in 2 drawers).  
Landscape architect in Ann Arbor, Michigan and professor of landscape architecture at the University of Michigan, 1959-1986, also director of Nichols Arboretum 1968-1986. Plantings and landscape plans and drawings for clients primarily in Ann Arbor and Southeastern Michigan including the University of Michigan. Drawings include Edsel and Eleanor Ford residence, Ithaca College, Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum.  
[Finding aid](#)

**De Vine, Frank B.**

- Frank B. De Vine collection, 1915-1949
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Mich., attorney; born 1885. Printed records of legal cases appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court in which one party was represented by De Vine. Among the issues included are Ann Arbor's water system (Frederick and Flora Osborn vs. City of Ann Arbor, City of Ann Arbor vs. Edward D. Kinne, and Gustav A. Schenk vs. City of Ann Arbor), Michigan Wolverine Student Cooperative (vs. Wm. Goodyear and Co.), school annexation (Public Schools of the City of Ann Arbor vs. Township of Ann Arbor), siting of gas station (George

Sandenburgh vs. Michigamme Oil Co.), Ann Arbor Press (Arthur J. Wiltse vs. Margaret Schaeffer et al.), and various business, traffic accident, and inheritance disputes.

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### **Dillman Family**

- Dillman Family papers, 1873-1936
- 6 linear ft. (4 v. and ca. 35 items)  
Northern Ohio and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family. Diary, 1873-1903, of George Dillman, Lutheran minister in various northern Ohio communities; diary, 1920-1923, of his wife, Emma A. Umstead Dillman; diaries, 1900-1936 (scattered dates), of their son, Theodore A. Dillman, Ann Arbor, Michigan, physician; and miscellaneous genealogical materials, correspondence, and photographs.

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### **Douglass Family**

- Douglass Family (Detroit and Ann Arbor, Mich.) papers 1812-1911 (bulk 1837-1900)
- 9 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 3 oversize v.  
Papers of Benjamin Douglass and his sons, Samuel T. Douglass, Detroit attorney and jurist, and Silas H. Douglas, professor of chemistry at the University of Michigan, and member of Douglass Houghton's Northern Michigan survey.  
Correspondence, scrapbooks, letter books, and miscellanea concerning family affairs, business and university activities; also contains records of the Douglass and Walker and Campbell Law Firm; and papers of individual members of Silas Douglass' family, including his wife Helen Welles Douglas, their children Samuel T. Douglas, Marie Louise Douglas, and Catherine Hulbert Douglas, and other Douglas and Welles family members; and photographs.

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### **Gidley, Edwin Brewster, 1824-1896**

- Edwin Brewster Gidley papers, 1851-1895
- 7 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney.  
Legal materials including bill of divorcement and Civil War bounty certificate, and miscellanea.

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### **Harms, Marguerite**

- Marguerite Harms papers 1953-2003
- 1 linear ft.  
Professor of nursing at the University of Michigan.  
Files relating to her professional interests, especially work on undergraduate nursing curriculum committee; also nursing course materials; professional correspondence; and Cobblestone Farm Association files.

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### **Hildebrandt, H. Mark**

- H. Mark Hildebrandt collection, ca. 1895-1915, 1935, and 1972-1986
- 0.3 linear ft.  
Collected material includes letter of Ernest Wilby, 1935, describing his career as an architect and his association with Albert Kahn; records of Ann Arbor Pediatric Associates, 1972-1986; and photographs.  
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### **Hobart Family**

- Hobart Family letters, 1849-1893 (scattered dates)
- 1 folder  
Ohio and Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Family letters, including two from N. H. Pierce, woman physician from Ann Arbor, Michigan, who specialized in magnetic treatments.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Kennedy Family**

- Kennedy Family papers 1860s-1982
- 3 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan family; papers, 1904-1928, of James A. Kennedy, Sr., Presbyterian clergyman; papers, 1925-1969, of James A. Kennedy, Jr., Ann Arbor, Michigan attorney, largely concerning organizational activities; and papers of Mrs. James A. Kennedy (nee Elizabeth Earhart), 1950-1956, concerning her activities in Ann Arbor civic and social organizations and miscellaneous Earhart family materials.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Kingsley, James, 1797-1878**

- James Kingsley papers, 1836-1841
- 1 v.  
Lawyer in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Record of court cases pursued by Kingsley and the law firm of Kingsley & Ramsdell.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Lockett, Harold J., 1924-1994**

- Harold J. Lockett papers, 1969-1994
- 0.4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan African American psychiatrist; member and president of Ann Arbor Board of Education; board member of the Ann Arbor Black Theatre; psychiatrist and director with the Hawthorn Center in Northville, Michigan.  
Biographical and personal materials; minutes of the board, clippings, and promotional materials for the Ann Arbor Black Theatre; and miscellaneous relating to the Hawthorn Center.  
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### **McClure, Katherine A.**

- Katherine A. McClure papers, ca. 1900 and 1941-1950
- 0.2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Katherine (Truax) McClure was a native of Big Rapids, Michigan, who later moved to Ann Arbor where she became an elementary school teacher at Angell School. Personal correspondence, 1941-1950, exchanged with several friends, including one in the military, and from family remaining in Big Rapids; and collected photographs.

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#### **Michigan State Nurses Association. Washtenaw District**

- Michigan State Nurses Association, Washtenaw District records, 1918-1950
- 1 linear ft.

Formerly the Ann Arbor District of the Michigan State Nurses Association.

Minute book, 1918-1932, of meetings; treasurer's book and financial reports, 1921-1939 (scattered dates); and Ann Arbor Nursing Bureau reports, 1931-1932 and 1938-1942.

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#### **Morley, Fred, 1856-1942**

- Fred Morley papers, 1850-1940
- 1.5 linear ft.

Civil engineer at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Legal and business papers, notes and correspondence of Morley and Clark families; correspondence from Mrs. Morley to her husband; fifty-four diaries containing daily accounts of engineering projects, travel and everyday events; nine Eastern Michigan University notebooks of Morley and his wife and one University of Michigan student notebook; and photographs.

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#### **Mummery, Arthur E**

- Arthur E. Mummery papers, 1884-1906
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan pharmacist.

Legal and business papers, a few items of correspondence, eighteen volumes of personal, business, and organizational accounts.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

#### **Otis, Charles Herbert, 1886-**

- Charles Herbert Otis papers, 1913-1958
- 0.4 linear ft.

Curator of University of Michigan Arboretum, 1910-1913, and professor of botany at Bowling Green State University.

Correspondence with Leo Goldberg and others concerning sighting of a flotilla of flying saucer-like objects near Ann Arbor, Michigan; correspondence about the book Michigan Trees and his other publications, the University of Michigan Arboretum and the School of Natural Resources; drawings of leaves and other tree parts prepared as illustrations for Michigan Trees; and photographs.

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#### **Partridge, Barton Scott**

- Barton Scott Partridge papers, 1869-1883, 1914-1920
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Homeopathic physician in Ann Arbor, Mich.; earlier schoolteacher in New York State and Norfolk, Va.  
Correspondence (1869-1882) to Partridge from friends and associates, chiefly from Ontario County, N.Y., much of it relating to teaching and school activities; class notebook (1882-1883) from Pulte Medical College, Cincinnati; patient treatment books (1914-1920) from Ann Arbor, Mich.  
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### **Peckens Family**

- Peckens Family papers, 1862-1916
- 3 linear ft.  
Papers of the Peckens family of Chelsea, Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
Letters from family members relating to daily activities; include letters, 1872, from Ann Arbor's clairvoyant physician, D. B. Kellogg.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Prosser, Ellen M.**

- Ellen M. Prosser papers, 1987
- 2 linear ft. (1 v. and 3 folders)  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, writer.  
Script of her Michigan sesquicentennial play, *Aliens and Scoundrels*, and photographs of the play's production.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ragland, John, 1905-1981**

- John Ragland papers, ca. 1930-1944
- 14 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney.  
Miscellanea relating to the Colored Welfare League and other Ann Arbor, Michigan, Black community organizations.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Rogers, Randolph, 1825-1892**

- Randolph Rogers papers, 1853-1925
- 0.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Sculptor from Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Scattered correspondence, 1853-1884, mostly concerning his work; correspondence, 1892-1925, of his son John R. about his father; letter copy of biography of Rogers, probably written by his wife; articles of agreement for commissioning of various works; sketches by Rogers; accounts and miscellaneous papers; and photographs and other visual materials.  
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### **Rominger Family**

- Carl Rominger Family papers 1840-1945
- 5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.  
Family correspondence of Carl, physician and geologist, his wife Frederika, his son Louis, and his daughter Julia; journals, 1861-1905, of Carl Rominger, including notes on his expeditions as State Geologist of Michigan, and other travels through New York, Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, and Ohio; and miscellaneous scrapbooks and account books; also photographs.  
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**Ross, C. Howard, 1890-1980**

- C. Howard Ross papers ca. 1955-1980
- 1 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, physician, researcher and speaker on such topics as geriatrics, local history, and the use of herbs and plants in medical treatment.  
Correspondence, published and unpublished writings, speeches and talks, clippings, photographs, and other papers relating to his various interests.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Sallade, George Wahr, 1922-**

- George Wahr Sallade papers 1952-1993
- 5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney and local Democratic Party activist.  
Political files relating to his various campaigns for office (Ann Arbor city council, Michigan House of Representatives, U.S. Congress, and Michigan State Senate among others); papers relating to his service in the state House, 1955-1958; his activities with Washtenaw County, Michigan, and Second Congressional District Democratic affairs; also letters received from Lt. Lee M. Cecil, 1952-1954, describing his experiences as a soldier during the Korean War; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Sample, George Washington, 1868-1945**

- George Washington Sample papers, 1891-1944
- 1 linear ft. and 1 oversized folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan businessman and judge of Washtenaw County Circuit Court.  
Business accounts, letterbooks, and correspondence relating to Republican politics, particularly election campaigns of 1912 and 1936, and enforcement of the Prohibition Amendment; and other papers concerning the career of Frank Knox and the coming of World War II. Correspondents include: Frank Knox (correspondence throughout), and Earl C. Michener, Mar. 23, 1936, Oct. 4 and Nov. 15, 1941; and photographs.  
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**Schleede Family**

- Schleede Family papers, 1857-1966 (scattered)
- 0.7 linear ft

Frederick Schleede was an Ann Arbor bookbinder and stationer. His son Waldo Schleede was a Detroit music teacher and professional flutist with several nationally known symphonies.

Biographical and personal materials, scrapbooks, published materials, and photographs. Also included are journals and scrapbooks (in German or containing German-language clippings) from the period of 1860s maintained by Frederick Schleede.

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**Stace, Arthur W.**

- Arthur W. Stace papers 1927-1950
- 3 linear ft.

Newspaperman, editor of the Ann Arbor News.

Correspondence, reports, photographs, and other materials largely concerning his newspaper career with Booth Newspapers, Inc.

[Finding aid](#)

**Staebler, Neil, 1905-**

- Neil Staebler papers 1944-1992
- 319.5 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman and attorney, chairman of the Michigan Democratic Party State Central Committee, U. S. Congressman-at-large, 1963-1964, gubernatorial candidate in 1964, member of the U. S. Federal Election Commission, 1975-1978.

Chronological, congressional and topical files relating to political and personal activities; include political files detailing state election campaigns 1948-1964, particularly the campaigns of G. Mennen Williams and John B. Swainson; also photographs and transcript of oral interview, 1979.

[Finding aid](#)

**Taylor, Howell**

- Howell Taylor papers, 1907-1956
- 0.5 linear ft.

Architect and engineer from Adrian, and Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence and other papers concerning his attempts to participate in some branch of the service during World War I, his career as an architect and worker on the historic American buildings survey, and as a teacher in Beirut, Lebanon; also photographs.

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**Teed, Reed Wallace, 1901-1979**

- Reed Wallace Teed photographs ca. 1890 and 1942-1946
- 1 linear ft. (20 folders and 1 v.) and 1 outside v.

Physician of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Teed family portrait album, ca. 1890; color slides of U.S. military base, airplanes, people, and activities in the Mariana Islands during World War II, especially on the Island of Tinian; and scrapbook documenting Teed's military service.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Visiting Nurse Association of Huron Valley**

- Visiting Nurse Association of Huron Valley records 1896-1982
- 7 linear ft.

Organization formed in 1980 with the merger of the Ann Arbor Visiting Nurse Association and the Ypsilanti Visiting Nurse Agency.

The Ann Arbor association was formed in 1896 with the establishment of the University Hospital Circle of the King's Daughters, name later changed to the Ann Arbor Public Health Nursing Association. The Ypsilanti Agency was founded in 1941. Secretary's record books and files consisting of minutes, reports, and related organizational documents; scrapbooks; financial records; and subject files.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Waldron, Henry Clay**

- Henry Clay Waldron papers, b1865-1909
- 5 items and 1 v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan attorney and farmer.

Letter describing his reactions to the assassination and funeral of Lincoln, diary with accounts of farm life, church affairs in Ann Arbor, Michigan and politics; and a poem; also photographs.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Walker, Warren E.**

- Warren E. Walker papers, 1880-1898
- 0.3 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan builder.

Diaries, 1883-1885 and 1895, detailing business activities and building projects; accounts of building contracts, 1880-1898; water color of Miller Avenue at the railroad tracks; miscellaneous accounts and court records.

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### **Washtenaw County Medical Society**

- Washtenaw County Medical Society records 1866-1966
- 4 linear ft.

Component county medical society of the Michigan State Medical Society; organizational files and minutes of meetings.

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### **Wedemeyer, William Walter, 1873-1913**

- William Walter Wedemeyer papers 1890-1913
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan attorney, American consul in British Guiana in 1905, and U.S. Congressman, 1911-1913.

Political and business correspondence, notes and addresses, and other materials relating to his business interests and political career; also papers concerning his trips to Alaska, British Guiana, and Panama.

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**Wilgus, Horace L. (Horace LaFayette), 1859-1935**

- Horace LaFayette Wilgus papers 1878-1935
- 4 linear ft. and 3 v.

Professor of law at University of Michigan, and specialist in corporation law.

Correspondence, speeches, newspaper clippings, notes, and manuscripts of books and articles, relating to his professional career, Ann Arbor, Michigan organizations and issues, particularly progressive political movements and prohibition, including the Michigan Anti-Saloon League, the anti-trust movement, and the 1912 Progressive Party; also photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Williams, Gardner Stewart (1866-1931)**

- Gardner Stewart Williams papers 1900-1945
- 7 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan based hydraulic engineer known for his multiple arch dams, hydroelectric plants, and for developing the Hazen-Williams hydraulic tables, designed and consulted on numerous water power and dam projects.

Papers include biographical files, material relating to construction of dams and power plants on the Huron River and elsewhere, and papers relating to Michigan Engineering Society.

[Finding aid](#)

**Williams, Jessie E. (Jessie Evelyn), 1868-**

- Jessie E. Williams papers, [184-]-1963
- 1 v. and 50 items

Teacher and poet from Ann Arbor and Mt. Clemens, Michigan, later Seattle, Washington. Scrapbook of manuscripts of poetry and prose, and letters and clippings; also papers relating to teaching career; earlier collected materials; and photographs.

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**Wood, Norman Asa, 1857**

- Norman Asa Wood papers, 1848-1957
- 0.5 linear ft.

Curator of Birds at University of Michigan Museum.

Genealogical materials on the Wood and Phelps families of Lodi Township and Ann Arbor, Michigan; scrapbooks of miscellaneous items, including obituaries, news of the Wood family, sheep breeding in Washtenaw County, Michigan, and ornithological affairs; volume of flock records of Wood's merino sheep; and photographs.

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**Young, Leigh Jarvis, 1883-1960**

- Leigh Jarvis Young papers, 1908-1960
- 1 linear ft.

Professor of forestry at University of Michigan; director of the Michigan Department of Conservation, 1927, and mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Correspondence, photographs, and other papers concerning his work at University of Michigan, in the Michigan Department of Conservation, and as mayor of Ann Arbor, Michigan; and seven volumes of his student notebooks on University courses in botany, economics, geology, psychology, forest engineering, entomology, forest botany, and dendrology. Correspondents include: Fred Green, Apr. 1927, William B. Mershon, Apr. 1927, Chase S. Osborn, Jan. 1927, and Gifford Pinchot, Dec. 1925.

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## Religious Leaders

These resources include information on Ann Arbor's religious leaders and individuals active in religious institutions.

### **Albright, William**

- William Albright papers 1962-1998
- 52 linear ft. in 83 boxes

William Albright--organist, composer, and University of Michigan faculty member--was born in Indiana in 1944 and died in 1998. Albright earned three music composition degrees from the University of Michigan before becoming a member of the composition faculty at the U. of M. School of Music. Albright is probably best known for his piano and organ performance. He helped to bring about a revival of ragtime, and sought inclusion of ragtime and other types of popular music in many of his compositions. He composed for many single instruments--especially the organ--and ensembles, and for orchestra. He also composed hymns, and was the music director for the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan. He studied composition with Ross Lee Finney, George Rochberg, and Olivier Messiaen, among others, at Michigan and at summer workshops, and organ with Marilyn Mason.

The collection includes biographical materials, correspondence, programs, professional files, University of Michigan School of Music files, and scores and recordings of William Albright works (including notes, sketches, and manuscripts) and works by his friends, students, and teachers.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Angell, Sarah Caswell, 1831-1903**

- Sarah Caswell Angell papers, 1850-1903
- 1 linear ft.

Wife of University of Michigan President, James B. Angell.

Diaries and letters concerning Ann Arbor, Michigan, the University of Michigan, church activities, social life, the Daughters of the American Revolution, family affairs, and travels to Turkey and China.

[Marilyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Aprill, Theophil**

- Theophil Aprill papers 1922-2000 (bulk 1990-2000)
- 1.5 linear ft. (in 3 boxes)

Lifelong member of Zion Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Aprill served for several years in the 1990s as a member of the Church's Executive Board.

Papers include files relating to the history of Zion Lutheran Church, including a conflict within the church in the mid-1990s.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Bailey, Richard W.**

- Richard W. Bailey papers 1972-2008
- 4 linear ft.

Professor of English at the University of Michigan, trustee of Washtenaw Community College, and Democratic Party worker.

Correspondence, newsletters, leaflets and reports concerning Democratic politics at the state and local levels, platform hearings for the 1976 National Democratic platform; also papers relating to his activities with St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church, and Genesis of Ann Arbor.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Barney, Roger Warren**

- Roger Warren Barney and Jane Lockwood Barney papers 1929-2002
- 11 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Roger Barney was an Episcopal priest serving first in New Hampshire, later as a Navy chaplain during World War II, with Parishfield Community in Brighton, Michigan, and as associate rector of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Ann Arbor. Jane Lockwood Barney worked with the Institute of Gerontology and as advocate on behalf of the elderly. The collection includes personal correspondence, sermons, and subject files relating to their education, his service during World War II, and their ministry at Parishfield.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Beckley, G. (Guy), 1805-1847**

- Guy Beckley letters, 1839 and 1847
- 2 items

Guy Beckley, Methodist minister and abolitionist in Ann Arbor, Mich.

Letter, Nov. 7, 1839, to his brother-in-law Ralph Walker of Weathersfield, Vt., describing his journey to Michigan, conditions in Ann Arbor, and his thoughts on the death of his wife and abolitionism. Letter, Nov. 20, 1847, also to Ralph Walker, describing family affairs; letter completed after Beckley's death by his wife and children. Transcriptions of letters in collection.

[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Belser, Hermann Frederick, 1829-1900**

- Hermann Frederick Belser papers, 1847-1928
- 0.2 linear ft.

Lutheran pastor to the United States from Germany, pastor of Zion Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Autobiography covering the years 1829-1856, and concerning his education in Germany and his immigration to America in 1853; journals, 1853-1855, concerning his pastorate in Huntington, Indiana; miscellaneous legal documents, clippings, and family material; and photographs.

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### **Bonisteel, Roscoe O. (Roscoe Osmond), b. 1888**

- Roscoe O. Bonisteel papers 1903-1972
- 12 linear ft. (in 13 boxes) and 4 v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney, Republican regent of the University of Michigan.

Correspondence and other materials relating to state and local Republican party affairs, particularly the election of 1944 and the Constitutional Convention, 1961-1962; organizational files, primarily concerning activities with the Rotary Club, the Free and Accepted Order of Masons, the National Music Camp at Interlochen, the American Bar Association, the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, the Historical Society of Michigan, Cleary College, Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, and the Wayne State University Board of Governors; and photographs.

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**Boylan, Moses M.**

- Moses M. Boylan papers, 1831-1868

- 0.1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman.

Directory of University of Michigan students, 1864-1866; account book, 1848-1861, also used as record book, 1841, for meeting of church leadership, perhaps the Methodist Church in Ann Arbor, on a matter pertaining to the expulsion of a member.

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**Brashares, Charles W., 1891-1982**

- Charles W. Brashares papers 1912-1972

- 2.5 linear ft.

Pastor of the First Methodist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1934-1944, later Methodist Episcopal Bishop of the Des Moines, Iowa area and the Chicago, Illinois area. Correspondence, newspaper clippings, and topical files, and miscellanea concerning his; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

**Brauer, Carl A.**

- Carl A. Brauer papers, 1920-1937

- 1 folder

Pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

File relating to his ministry among University of Michigan students, especially involving the work of the Student Christian Association.

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**Brigham, Charles H. (Charles Henry), 1820-1879**

- Charles H. Brigham papers, 1849 and [184-]

- 1 folder

Resident of Ann Arbor, Mich.; a clergyman and member of the Michigan State Board of Health.

Personal correspondence (received while living in Massachusetts) and a paper on "the conflict of duties."

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**Chapman, Howard Rufus, 1868-1942**

- Howard Rufus Chapman papers, 1921-1936

- 31 items  
Baptist clergyman from Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
University of Michigan student notebook on a course by Professor LeRoy Waterman and other courses in religion; also notes on courses given by Chapman at the First Baptist Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Dain, Floyd Russell, 1910-**

- Floyd Russell Dain statement, 1978
- 1 folder  
Professor of history at Central Michigan University.  
Statement given in response to questions by Ann Arbor, Michigan, attorney Elmer E. White relating to the death and entombment of Father Gabriel Richard; and related clippings.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Davis, Lorenzo, 1812-**

- Lorenzo Davis papers 1822-1899
- 0.6 linear ft. (in 2 boxes)  
Washtenaw County, Michigan minister, local historian and public official; correspondence, sermons, and collected papers relating to the history of Ann Arbor and Washtenaw County, Michigan.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Douglas, Lloyd C. (Lloyd Cassel), 1877-1951**

- Lloyd C. Douglas papers 1900-1954
- 6 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.  
Popular novelist, author of *The Robe* and *Magnificent Obsession*, and minister of the First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Correspondence with his family, publishers and other authors concerning his work and including comments on national politics, Presidents Franklin D. Roosevelt and Harry S. Truman, and World War II; also manuscripts of addresses, articles, sermons, and novels; scrapbooks; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Dunham, Arthur**

- Arthur Dunham papers ca. 1900-1980
- 32.2 linear ft.  
Social worker in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania, professor of community organization at the University of Michigan, a pacifist imprisoned as a conscientious objector during World War I, a founding member of Ann Arbor Society of Friends.  
Papers include correspondence, subject files and research material relating to his work and teaching, files assembled for a history of the Ann Arbor Friends Meeting, material on his pacifist activities and published and unpublished writings.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Edwards, J. Edgar (Joseph Edgar), 1909-1973**

- J. Edgar Edwards papers 1938-1973
- 5 linear ft.  
Minister and director of the Guild House, Ann Arbor, Michigan, religious cooperative. Sermons, prayers, addresses, poetry, course notes from Union Theological Seminary, and marriage ceremonies; also papers concerning the 1965 and 1967 teach-ins at the University of Michigan on the war in Vietnam, draft counseling, conscientious objection, Students for a Democratic Society and other political groups, and miscellanea.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Gensheimer, Charles J.**

- Charles J. Gensheimer papers, 1970-1976.
- 0.7 linear feet.  
Pastor of Ann Arbor Westminster Presbyterian Church, member of the Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission.  
Files relating to Gensheimer's service as a member of the Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission (1970-76); also records of his church's participation with the Interfaith Coalition of Congregations and the Ann Arbor-Washtenaw Council of Churches; and file pertaining to the response of local churches to the "Black manifesto" and the demand of the Black Economic Development League for reparations.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Hathaway, Mary**

- Mary Hathaway papers 1980-2003
- 6 linear ft.  
Prominent Ann Arbor area peace and social justice activist; involved in both church and community organizations concerned with topics as diverse as nuclear disarmament, homelessness in Ann Arbor, and the immigration rights of El Salvadorian refugees. The collection includes organizational and church files detailing her various activities.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Hildebrandt, Theophil Henry, 1888-**

- Theophil Henry Hildebrandt papers 1887-1978 (bulk 1930-1960)
- 6 linear ft.  
Mathematician, professor of mathematics at the University of Michigan. Correspondence and other papers relating to professional and family matters, to his association with the Bethlehem Church in Ann Arbor, and to his involvement with the American Mathematical Society, especially regarding the controversy over loyalty oaths in the 1950s; also letters from family members, notably sister Martha, a school teacher, who comments on her career and her life as a single woman; and letters from son Paul during World War II; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Kaplan, Wilfred**

- Wilfred Kaplan papers 1936-2002
- 5.5 linear ft.

Professor of mathematics at the University of Michigan, officer and long-time member of the American Association of University Professors, especially its University of Michigan chapter.

Papers relate to his career as a mathematics professor at the University of Michigan, his active involvement with the University of Michigan Chapter of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), as well as a series regarding his involvement with the Ann Arbor Unitarian Fellowship. Materials also include the personal correspondence of the Kaplan family.

[Finding aid](#)

**Katz, Donald La Verne, 1907-**

- Donald La Verne Katz papers 1933-1989
- 1.5 linear ft. in 3 boxes

Professor of chemical engineering at the University of Michigan.

Tapes and transcript of tapes of oral interviews with Donald Katz talking about his life and professional activities; reprints of his writings; files relating to his Ann Arbor Council of Churches activities; and files of his investigation of the Port Huron Water Tunnel explosion, 1971.

[Finding aid](#)

**Kennedy Family**

- Kennedy Family papers 1860s-1982
- 3 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan family; papers, 1904-1928, of James A. Kennedy, Sr., Presbyterian clergyman; papers, 1925-1969, of James A. Kennedy, Jr., Ann Arbor, Michigan attorney, largely concerning organizational activities; and papers of Mrs. James A. Kennedy (nee Elizabeth Earhart), 1950-1956, concerning her activities in Ann Arbor civic and social organizations and miscellaneous Earhart family materials.

[Finding aid](#)

**Large, Dwight Sherer**

- Dwight Sherer Large papers, 1955
- 1 folder

Methodist minister of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Biographies of James Gilruth, pioneer Methodist circuit rider in Ann Arbor and southeastern Michigan.

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**Lemon, William Philip, 1882-1967**

- William P. Lemon papers 1908-1966
- 18 linear ft.

Presbyterian clergyman, longtime pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1934-1951; correspondence, copies of essays and book reviews written for religious periodicals, sermons and addresses, mimeographed study notes of talks given in Detroit before the Men's Club for the Study of Religion, religious and literary notebooks, and travel journals.



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**Miller, Mildred J., 1927-2001**

- Mildred J. Miller papers, 1956-2001
- 1 linear ft.

Mildred J. (Kip) Miller was active in Ann Arbor, Mich., Democratic party politics and as a member of the First Unitarian Universalist Church.

As a photographer, she provided many photographs of Ann Arbor homes and other buildings for the book, "Historic Buildings, Ann Arbor, Michigan."

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**Nicklas, A. L., 1867-1935**

- A. L. Nicklas papers, 1882-1935
- 1 linear ft.

Pastor of Emanuel Lutheran Church, Marion, Ohio, Zion Lutheran Church, Ann Arbor, Michigan, and St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Richmond, Indiana.

Student essays from Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, 1882-1888; various records maintained during his pastorates relating to church responsibilities, including marriage and funeral services performed, sermons preached, visits made, etc.

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**Page, William, 1798-1855**

- William Page letters, 1827-1829
- 5 items

Ann Arbor, Michigan, clergyman.

Letters to Rev. Absalom Peters, corresponding secretary of the American Home Missionary Society; include comments regarding life in Washtenaw County, Michigan, Ann Arbor religious affairs, and general missionary activities.

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**Rupert, Hoover**

- Hoover Rupert papers 1954-1970
- 1 linear ft.

Methodist clergyman and author; pastor of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) First United Methodist Church.

Drafts and galleys of books and articles, correspondence relating to writings and printed sermons.

[Finding aid](#)

**Schmid, Friedrich, 1807-1883**

- Friedrich Schmid church records, 1833-1875
- 1 microfilm reel, master negative; microfilm reel, print master; 1 microfilm reel, positive Lutheran clergyman in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Record of baptisms, 1833-1875 (2 v.); record of marriages, 1833-1871; family register, 1833; record of deaths, 1833-1871.

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- Friedrich Schmid notebook, 1830-1831
- 1 v.  
Lutheran clergyman in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Notebook, 1830-1831, compiled while a theological student in Basel, Switzerland.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Sunderland, Jabez Thomas, 1842-1936**

- Jabez Thomas Sunderland Papers 1868-1936
- 47 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Unitarian minister, anti-imperialist, and advocate of independence for India.  
Extensive professional and family correspondence, diaries, sermons, manuscripts of books and articles, research notes, topical file on India, printed material, newspaper clippings, and miscellanea; also papers concerning his career first as a Baptist minister, later a Unitarian minister in Ann Arbor, Michigan and elsewhere, including his involvement in the Western Unitarian Conference.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Taylor, Charles Coffin, 1805-1855**

- Charles Coffin Taylor letters, 1846
- 1 item  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, clergyman, and regent of the University of Michigan.  
Letter to S. Farmar Jarvis and response from Jarvis (on same sheet) relating to Jarvis' appointment as chancellor, and including description of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and the University of Michigan in 1846.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Whedon, Helen M.**

- Helen M. Whedon papers, 1859-1899
- 14 items and 4 v. in 1 box  
Washtenaw County, Michigan housewife.  
Diaries, 1859-1869, noting church activities, meetings with friends, the weather, and everyday happenings in Chelsea, Michigan; manuscript addresses and poems relating to the Ladies' Aid Society of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Methodist Church.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Whedon Sara**

- Sara Whedon papers, ca. 1895-ca. 1899
- 31 items and 1 v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, English teacher.  
Mostly manuscripts of addresses and poems concerning the Ladies Aid Society of the Ann Arbor Methodist Church; also scrapbook of clippings, programs, etc., relating to the University of Michigan, class of 1889, illustrated in watercolor and ink.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Woods, John A., 1914-1989**

- John A. Woods papers 1932-1989 (bulk 1970-1989)

- 1.5 linear ft.  
AME pastor with churches in Albion and Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Sermons, biographical materials, scattered correspondence and minutes, newspaper clippings, and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Yoder, Thomas**

- Thomas Yoder papers 1967-1991
- 13 linear ft.  
Former member of the Word of God, Ann Arbor, Michigan, Catholic Pentecostal community.  
Reports, meeting materials, evaluations of the community's leadership, prophecies, printed materials, audiotapes of meetings, and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

## Religious Organizations

These resources include information on the religious organizations of Ann Arbor.

### **Ann Arbor - Washtenaw Council of Churches**

- Ann Arbor - Washtenaw Council of Churches records 1928-1969
- 2 linear ft.  
Bulletins, minutes of committees, correspondence, news clippings, and other materials relating to the activities of the organization; also minutes, 1928-1953, of Ann Arbor Ministerial Association.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Ann Arbor School of Religion**

- Ann Arbor School of Religion record book, 1909-1911
- 1 v.  
Constitution and minutes of meetings.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Achenbaum, W. Andrew**

- Ann Arbor's German church split of 1875: a case study in intra-ethnic relationships, 1973
- 1 item  
Student paper written for University of Michigan anthropology class relating in part to the establishment of Zion Lutheran Church in Ann Arbor.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ann Arbor-Washtenaw Council of Churches, Life and Work Dept.**

- Ann Arbor-Washtenaw Council of Churches, Life and Work Dept. records, 1958-1964
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Correspondence, minutes, and reports concerning the Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME) Program and open housing in Ann Arbor.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Bethlehem United Church of Christ (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Bethlehem United Church of Christ (Ann Arbor, Mich.) Records 1833-1980
- 7.5 linear ft. and 1 outsize folder  
Formerly the Bethlehem Evangelical Church.  
Minutes of annual congregational meetings, church council and board of trustees meetings, and treasurer's reports; records of the Frauen Vereines, or Ladies Aid Society, and Verein, or the Bethlehem Brotherhood, and the Jugend Vereins, or Youth Fellowship; fundraising materials, miscellaneous printed programs and newsletters, correspondence and clippings; treasurer's book, 1909-1916; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Church Women United in Ann Arbor**

- Church Women United in Ann Arbor records 1941-2004
- 3.5 linear ft.

Interdenominational church women's organization, formerly known as United Church Women of Ann Arbor.

Minutes, reports, yearbooks, scrapbooks, and related material.

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#### **First Baptist Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- First Baptist Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1837-1991
- 17 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.

Ann Arbor, Michigan Baptist church established in 1828; church covenant, committee reports, annual reports, correspondence, financial records, membership rolls, treasurer's books, and scrapbooks; and records of church auxiliary organizations, including the Women's Society, the Baptist Students' Guild, and the Sunshine Circle of the International Order of King's Daughters and Sons.

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#### **First Congregational Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- First Congregational Church, Ann Arbor, Mich. records 1847-1984
- 12 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and phonograph record albums

The First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor, Michigan, was organized and established on March 23, 1847.

Records include administrative files, subject files, published material, and visual and audio-material.

[Finding aid](#)

#### **First Presbyterian Church**

- First Presbyterian Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1872-1972
- 2.5 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 2 microfilm rolls

Presbyterian Church established in Ann Arbor, Michigan in 1826; session minutes, correspondence, miscellaneous other record books.

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#### **First Unitarian Universalist Church**

- First Unitarian Universalist Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1865-1997
- 9 linear ft.

Founded in 1865, the First Unitarian Universalist Church of Ann Arbor has a history of social activism and involvement with the University of Michigan community.

The records contain church files and annual reports, sermons and correspondence of church ministers, and church publications--including the weekly newsletter.

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#### **First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1833-1992 (bulk 1875-1978)
- 5.5 linear ft. (in 7 boxes)

Methodist church established in Ann Arbor, Michigan in 1827; proceedings and minutes of various church boards and committees; baptism and marriage records, topical files relating to church activities and personalities; and photographs.

[Finding aid](#)

### **Herzberg, Nancy**

- The Word of God: a Catholic Pentecostal Community, 1971
- 1 item (88 p.)

Report prepared by Nancy Herzberg and other members of an anthropology class at the University of Michigan relating to the history, organization, beliefs, and rituals of the Word of God religious community based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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### **Huron Valley Community Church**

- Huron Valley Community Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records, 1984-1994
- 0.5 linear ft.

Independent ecumenical church established in 1985 to minister to the gay and lesbian community of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Administrative and topical files include correspondence, newsletters and news clippings, church bulletins, and subject files detailing church activities; also scattered records of Metropolitan Christian Church, 1984-1985, some of whose members established Huron Valley Community Church.

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### **Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1966-2008
- 21 linear ft. (in 22 boxes)

Records of the Interfaith Council For Peace and Justice, a Washtenaw County-based interdenominational organization encouraging participation in social justice education and activism.

The record group is divided into five series, Chronological Files, Topical Files, Hunger and Hunger Task Force, Clergy and Laity Concerned and Photographs and Audio-Visual Materials.

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### **Interfaith Council of Congregations (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Interfaith Council of Congregations (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1970-2008
- 3 linear ft.

Committee and task force reports, correspondence, pamphlets, and clippings largely concerning the responses of local churches to problems of poverty, hunger, child care, and other social questions.

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### **Memorial Christian Church**

- Memorial Christian Church record, 1941
- 1 v.

Membership roll of this Disciples of Christ congregation.

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- Memorial Christian Church weekly program collection.
- 1 envelope  
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- Memorial Christian Church newsletter collection. 1 box  
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### **National Conference of Christians and Jews, Ann Arbor Chapter**

- National Conference of Christians and Jews, Ann Arbor Chapter papers, 1948-1964
- 1 linear ft.  
Correspondence, membership lists, minutes, and newsletters of various groups concerned with human relations; also newsletters and miscellanea relating to the Detroit, Michigan chapter.  
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### **New Hope Baptist Church**

- New Hope Baptist Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1965-2004
- 1.3 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, African American church.  
Files relating to church administration and activities; financial record books and reports; minutes of church officers; church anniversary booklets and other publications; and other subject files.  
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### **Northside Presbyterian Church**

- Northside Presbyterian Church (Ann Arbor, Michigan) records 1959-2007
- 4 linear ft.  
Northside Presbyterian Church is in partnership with St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, but holds separate services.  
This record group includes materials of Northside Presbyterian Church only. Session minutes, newsletters, church bulletins, and other materials.  
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### **Order of Pythian Sisters. Huron-Arbor Temple no. 66**

- Order of Pythian Sisters. Huron-Arbor Temple no. 66 (Ypsilanti, Mich.) records 1903-1971
- 1.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Women's affiliate of the Knights of Pythias.  
Minute books, annual reports, and other records of the Huron Temple (Ypsilanti, Mich.); also membership roster of the Arbor Temple (Ann Arbor, Mich.) which merged, ca. 1978, with the Huron Temple.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **The Jewish Community of Ann Arbor Before 1870, by Daniel Pressel, 1975**

- 1 item

Student at Huron High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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**Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church records, 1833-1979
- 9 v. and 1 folder in 1 box  
Record book, 1833-1871, maintained by Frederick Schmid, founder of Lutheranism in Michigan, of deaths among members of the German Lutheran community in the Ann Arbor area (microfilm copy available); also minute books, 1837-1953, of congregational meetings; congregational record books, 1837-1963, with information on members (microfilm available for record books, 1867-1963); record book, 1910-1936, of Women's Missionary Society; treasurer's record book, 1934-1960; and history, ca.1979.

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**St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- St. Andrew's Episcopal Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1834-1998
- 14 linear ft. and 1 oversize v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan Episcopal Church; vestry and parish records, liturgical materials, Christian service and educational materials, administrative records, printed material, and photographs.

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**St. Andrew's Church (Saline, Mich.)**

- St. Andrew's Church notes, undated
- 1 item  
Notes and list of references on the development of St. Andrew's as a mission of St. Francis of Assisi Parish of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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**St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church, Ann Arbor, Mich., records 1953-1991
- 3.5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan Episcopal Church; The record group includes administrative files; newsletters; clippings, and visual materials.

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**St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1844-2000
- 1.5 linear ft.  
St. Thomas Evangelical Lutheran Church, founded in 1842 in Freedom Township, near Ann Arbor, Michigan; record group includes church registers, financial records, administrative materials, and other subject files.

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**Temple Beth Emeth**

- Temple Beth Emeth (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1966-2004 (bulk 1966-1995)



- 2.5 linear ft.  
Reform Jewish temple located in Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
Temple Beth Emeth shares facilities with St. Clare's Episcopal Church. Minutes of board and congregational meetings; publications include history of the temple and service bulletins; subject files relate to community involvement and issues; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)
- Temple Beth Emeth: the first fifteen years, 1966-1981 / edited by Linda Vanek, Rose Vainstein 102 p.  
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**West Side United Methodist Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- West Side United Methodist Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1846-2000 (bulk 1950-1999)
- 16 linear ft. (in 17 boxes)  
Church originally established by German immigrant families to Ann Arbor, Michigan. Quarterly and annual reports of the church, records of church boards and commissions, Sunday School minutes and reports, subject files, publications, visual materials, and sound recordings.  
[Finding aid](#)

**Zion Lutheran Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Zion Lutheran Church (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1833-1981
- 16 linear ft. and 4 oversize v.  
History, administrative and financial records, files of church organizations, publications, and papers of individual pastors; also record books (prior to 1875) of Frederick Schmid, formerly pastor of the Bethlehem Church, now Bethlehem United Church of Christ; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)
- Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church; in commemoration of the 75th anniversary, 1875-1950
- 32 p.  
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## Women

The following collections include materials that document the women of Ann Arbor and their activities.

### Allmendinger Family

- Allmendinger Family papers 1824-2006 (bulk 1890-1986)
- 8 linear ft., 1 oversize v., and 1 oversize folder  
Ann Arbor German-American family, owners of the Allmendinger Organ Company which later became the Ann Arbor Organ Company.  
Correspondence, scrapbooks, family genealogy, photographs concerning family affairs, materials on Helene Allmendinger's radio show, examples of spirit messages received by Helene Allmendinger from deceased family members; information pertaining to the Ann Arbor Organ Company, and family members still living in Germany.  
[Finding aid](#)

### American Gold Star Mothers, Washtenaw County Chapter

- American Gold Star Mothers, inc. Washtenaw County Chapter records 1950-1975
- 1 linear ft.  
Organization of mothers of servicemen who died in action.  
Minute books, scrapbooks, photographs, citations and certificate of service, and miscellanea.  
[Finding aid](#)

### Angell, Sarah Caswell, 1831-1903

- Sarah Caswell Angell papers, 1850-1903
- 1 linear ft.  
Wife of University of Michigan President, James B. Angell.  
Diaries and letters concerning Ann Arbor, Michigan, the University of Michigan, church activities, social life, the Daughters of the American Revolution, family affairs, and travels to Turkey and China.  
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### Ann Arbor Women Painters

- Ann Arbor Women Painters records 1951-1998
- 6 linear ft.  
Formerly known as the Women Painters' Group and affiliated, 1951-1960, with the Ann Arbor Art Association and the Women's City Club. In 2002, the name of the organization was changed to Ann Arbor Women Artists.  
Historian's books containing yearbooks, newspaper clippings, membership lists, officer reports, and exhibition material.  
[Finding aid](#)

### Anna Botsford Bach Home

- Anna Botsford Bach Home records 1909-2003 (bulk 1988-2003)
- 2 linear ft.

Ann Arbor retirement home for women; administrative records and photographs.

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**Behnke, Zoe Ann Bliss**

- Woman suffrage movement in Washtenaw County, 1910-1913
- 0.5 linear ft.

Collected photocopies from area newspapers (with index) concerning the woman's suffrage movement in Washtenaw County, Michigan; include articles concerning the establishment and activities of the Ann Arbor Equal Suffrage Association, the Ypsilanti Equal Suffrage Association, and (following merger in 1912) the Washtenaw Equal Suffrage Association.

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**BenDor, Jan.**

- Jan BenDor papers, 1974-2005, bulk 1988-1992.
  - 6 linear feet, 1 oversize folder, and phonograph record.
- Social worker and activist from Ypsilanti, Michigan, primarily involved in the area of women's rights.

Administrative files related to BenDor's service on the Safe House Board of Trustees; news clippings and publication about sexual assault treatment from the Women's Crisis Center of Ann Arbor; administrative files, news clippings and ephemera related to BenDor's involvement in the Eastern Michigan University Technical Office Professional Union in the 1980s and 1990s; also collected research materials about Tom Monaghan, founder of Domino's Pizza.

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**Bordin, Ruth Birgitta Anderson, 1917-**

- Ruth Bordin papers 1940-1992 (bulk 1980-1992)
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, historian and writer.

Manuscripts of writings and papers presented at professional organizations; topics of research include Emma Hall, Michigan prison reformer, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Frances Willard, Alice Freeman Palmer, women's history, and Washtenaw County, Michigan; also photographs and sound recordings.

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**Bourquin, Alice, 1909-1995**

- Alice and Jessie Bourquin papers 1905-1991
- 7 linear ft., 1 oversize and 17 folders of drawings and blueprints

Landscape designers based in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Planting and landscape plans, elevation drawings, and various other sketches for projects designed as students at the University of Michigan and subsequently for clients in Ann Arbor, Michigan and other residences in southeastern Michigan; files relating to Jessie Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Economic Expansion and Alice Bourquin's work with the Michigan Department of Transportation; also papers relating to

joint projects and activities, including their association with Jens Jensen and their Hillwood subdivision in Ann Arbor; and photographs.

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**Bowen, Barbara L., collector.**

- Barbara L. Bowen photograph, 1930.
- 1 item.  
Group portrait of the Mack School (Ann Arbor, Mich.) girl's field ball team.

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**Brater, Elizabeth S.**

- Elizabeth S. Brater papers, 1989-2010, bulk 1996-2010.
- 19.75 linear feet (in 20 boxes) and 1 oversize folder.

Elizabeth S. Brater was elected as a Democrat to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1995 and served until 2000. In 2003, she was elected to the State Senate, where she served until 2010. Previously, she served as a member of the Ann Arbor City Council (1988-1993) and Mayor of Ann Arbor (1991-1993).

Legislative records from Brater's service in Michigan's House of Representatives and Senate, including handwritten notes on policy issues, correspondence (including printed email), collected research materials, and news clippings. The collection is particularly strong in documenting Brater's service on the Department of Natural Resources and Department of Environmental Quality subcommittees, as Minority Vice chair of Judiciary and Corrections on the State Appropriations Committee, and as a member of the Governor's Land Use Leadership Council.

The collection is closed to research use until Jan. 1, 2021.

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**Brown Family**

- Arthur Brown family papers ca. 1873-1945
- 1 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan, family.

Correspondence, other papers and photographs of Arthur Brown, Ann Arbor attorney and mayor, and officer and director of the Washtenaw Abstract Company; also papers of his wife, Cora Pulcipher Brown, largely concerning work with Americanism Committee of the Daughters of the American Revolution during World War II.

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**Business and Professional Women's Club of Ann**

- Business and Professional Women's Club of Ann Arbor (Mich.) records 1920-1988
- 6 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder

Correspondence, minutes, publications, membership lists, histories, scrapbooks, and photographs relating to club activities, especially state and national conventions, 1921-1966.

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**Byrd, Letitia J.**

- Letitia J. Byrd papers 1970-2004
- 1 linear ft.

Letitia J. Byrd is an African-American local community leader and a counselor for Huron High School in the Ann Arbor Public School system. She is also very involved with other Ann Arbor community organizations. This collection includes photographs, professional correspondence, and documents recording her involvement with numerous local organizations and with the Ann Arbor School System.

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#### **Church Women United in Ann Arbor**

- Church Women United in Ann Arbor records 1941-2004
- 3.5 linear ft.

Interdenominational church women's organization, formerly known as United Church Women of Ann Arbor.

Minutes, reports, yearbooks, scrapbooks, and related material.

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#### **Cole, Sandra S., 1937-**

- Sandra S. Cole papers, 1994-2007.
- 1.5 linear feet.

Sandra S. Cole, Ph.D., is a professor (retired) and sexologist. She founded the Comprehensive Gender Services Program at the University of Michigan Medical School in 1993, and was active in the effort to include gender identity in the University's non-discrimination policies.

Professional papers documenting her work providing transgender services and advocating for transgender rights at the University of Michigan and in Ann Arbor. Includes information relating to Cole's participation in efforts to change the University's non-discrimination policies and her work on the Ann Arbor City Ordinance Amendment of 1999. Also includes a 1997 annual report and policy and procedure information on the University's Comprehensive Gender Services Program.

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#### **Daughters of the American Revolution. Sarah Caswell Angell Chapter (Ann Arbor, Mich.)**

- Daughters of the American Revolution. Sarah Caswell Angell Chapter (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1896-2008
- 9 linear ft., 1 oversize folder, and 3 oversize v.

Ann Arbor chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution; minutes and other organizational records.

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#### **Daughters of the American Revolution, Keziah Cooley Goss Chapter**

- Daughters of the American Revolution, Keziah Cooley Goss Chapter census, 1850
- 2 v.

Typescript list of the residents of Washtenaw County, Michigan, townships.

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Daughters of the American Revolution, Keziah Cooley Goss Chapter scrapbook, 1949-1956

- 1 v.  
Newspaper clippings, programs, letters, and photographs relating to the activities of the organization.

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### **Day, Agnes**

- Agnes Day papers, 1860-1929
- 0.2 linear ft.

Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Twenty-five letters, mostly of a personal nature, including two from Moses C. Tyler, although the majority are written by Charlotte Finley; also manuscript on Anna E. Dickinson, one entitled, "Footprints on Piety Hill," and a translation of "Zriny," 1894.

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### **DeBoer, Robby, 1957-**

- Robby DeBoer collection, 1977-2006, bulk 1991-2006.
- 20 linear feet and 1 oversize folder.

Litigant with her husband Jan DeBoer in case involving custody of their adoptive child "Baby Girl Clausen" (known nationally as Baby Jessica). The court ruled against the DeBoers and the child was returned to her biological parents. During the trial, the DeBoers and their supporters established a national child advocacy organization, that came to be called "Hear My Voice." This organization was dissolved in 2008.

The collection documents the case of "Baby Girl Clausen" through court transcripts and related material, through the publicity, both print and audio-visual, surrounding the case, and through the correspondence received by the DeBoers and the organization set up to support them. In addition, there are records of the Hear My Voice organization, including minutes of the board of directors, materials relating to similar cases in other states, files pertaining to activities of Hear My Voice chapters in other states, and accumulated material on pending state and national legislation on the topic of adoption law.

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### **Dow, Sybil M.**

- Sybil M. Dow letters, 1930s-1950s.
- 2 linear feet.

Graduate of the University of Michigan; wife of University of Michigan history professor Earle W. Dow.

Letters to her family, especially her son Philip Dow, describing activities, friendships, family matters, and social life in Ann Arbor and at the University of Michigan. The letters are long, well-written, and include comments about university faculty and wives. The letters are largely undated.

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### **Gendell, Nancy**

- Nancy Gendell papers, 1965

- 1 linear ft.
- Ann Arbor, Michigan, member of the Women Strike for Peace, speaker at the Ann Arbor-based Inter-University Committee for a Public Hearing on Viet Nam.
- Reports of meetings and audio tapes of conference speakers.
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#### **Gillette, Genevieve, 1898-**

- Genevieve Gillette papers 1914-1987 (bulk 1951-1980)
- 10 linear ft. and 1 outsize folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, Landscape architect, speaker and lobbyist on behalf of conservation and beautification, president of the Michigan Parks Association, and member of the Citizens' Advisory Committee on Recreation and Natural Beauty during the Johnson Administration.  
Correspondence, reports, oral history interviews, and other materials concerning her interest in state and national conservation legislation; and photographs.  
[Finding aid](#)

#### **Green Family**

- Camilla and Ethel Green Family papers, 1827-1988 (bulk 1910-1955)
- 8.0 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Camilla and Ethel Green were mother and daughter who resided in the Ann Arbor, Michigan area from the late 1800s through their deaths in 1955 and 1988, respectively. Both women corresponded prolifically with their family, friends and former students. This collection consists primarily of their letters, which are largely organized chronologically if not already grouped by correspondent.  
[Finding aid](#)

#### **Groomes, Katherine S.**

- Katherine S. Groomes papers, 1912 and 1957-1972
- 7 items  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, local historian, born Katherine A. Steeb.  
Account of a trip from Ann Arbor, Mich., to Niagara Falls in 1912, reminiscences of Ann Arbor at the turn of the century, and notes on the churches and early settlers of Ann Arbor.  
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#### **Hall, Olivia Bigelow**

- Olivia B. Hall papers, 1869-1905
- 1 microfilm reel: negative.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, suffragist.  
Correspondence and other materials relating to the woman suffrage movement; include correspondence with Susan B. Anthony.  
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#### **Harms, Marguerite**

- Marguerite Harms papers 1953-2003

- 1 linear ft.  
Professor of nursing at the University of Michigan.  
Files relating to her professional interests, especially work on undergraduate nursing curriculum committee; also nursing course materials; professional correspondence; and Cobblestone Farm Association files.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Hathaway, Mary**

- Mary Hathaway papers 1980-2003
- 6 linear ft.  
Prominent Ann Arbor area peace and social justice activist; involved in both church and community organizations concerned with topics as diverse as nuclear disarmament, homelessness in Ann Arbor, and the immigration rights of El Salvadorian refugees. The collection includes organizational and church files detailing her various activities.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Jones, Lola M.**

- Lola M. Jones videotapes 1983-1995
- 96 videotapes (U-matic and VHS) in 8 boxes  
Producer of local Ann Arbor, Michigan, cable television programs highlighting achievements of African Americans in the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area. Videocassette copies of television program, "Another Ann Arbor" that featured interviews with local area and national African American public figures.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Kinnucan, Michelle.**

- Michelle Kinnucan collection, 2003-2009.
- 0.3 linear feet.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan peace and civil rights activist. Reports, e-mail print-outs and other materials relating to police surveillance and the Ann Arbor Bill of Rights Defense Committee, 2003-2004; miscellaneous correspondence and clippings relating to the case of Catherine Wilkerson, accused of interfering with police while protesting a speaker at the University of Michigan, 2007-2009; and files relating to her work with the Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice, 2006-2007.  
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### **Ladies Aid Societies**

- Ladies Aid Societies records, 1884-1946
- 2 microfilm reels: positive. 2 microfilm reels: negative  
Minutes, histories, and other records of ladies aid societies taken from the records of Bethlehem United Church of Christ, Zion Lutheran Church, and the Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society, all of Ann Arbor, Michigan.  
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### **Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society**

- Ladies Arbeiter Aid Society records, 1917-1975



- 0.6 linear ft. (3 v. and 4 items)  
German-American insurance and social society for working women.  
Minute books [in German until 1932], organization history, and membership list.  
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### **Ladies Decoration Society**

- Ladies Decoration Society minute book, 1873-1918
- 1 v.  
Women's organization concerned with the observance of Memorial Day.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor**

- Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor records 1866-1995
- 2 linear ft.  
Minutes, financial records, book lists, and clippings; also scrapbook, 1953-1968, concerning the Ann Arbor Public Library; commemorative tenth anniversary volume, 1876, containing message to the women of 1976.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Lawyers' Wives of Washtenaw County**

- Lawyers' Wives of Washtenaw County records 1955-1980
- 0.3 linear ft. and 2 oversize v.  
Social organization of wives and widows of Washtenaw County lawyers.  
Records document history, membership, activities, and administration of the organization from 1955 to 1980.  
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### **Martin, Margaret Nickerson, d. 1960**

- Margaret Nickerson Martin papers, 1933-1959
- 0.4 linear ft.  
Jackson and Ann Arbor, Michigan poet and newspaper columnist.  
Correspondence, articles, poems, and photographs. Correspondents include: Albert Einstein, Herbert Hoover, Fiorello La Guardia, Jan Masaryk, Chase S. Osborn, and John J. Pershing.  
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### **Maynard, Mary Wilcoxon**

- Mary Wilcoxon Maynard papers, 1853-1896
- 4 v. in 1 box  
Wife of Ann Arbor, Michigan, businessman John W. Maynard.  
Diaries (1869, 1874, and 1889); also notebook (1853-1896) containing a few diary entries, list of persons attending the sixtieth wedding anniversary of the Maynards, and accounts.  
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### **McClure, Katherine A.**

- Katherine A. McClure papers, ca. 1900 and 1941-1950
- 0.2 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Katherine (Truax) McClure was a native of Big Rapids, Michigan, who later moved to Ann Arbor where she became an elementary school teacher at Angell School. Personal correspondence, 1941-1950, exchanged with several friends, including one in the military, and from family remaining in Big Rapids; and collected photographs.  
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### **McOmbler, Margaret**

- Margaret McOmbler scrapbook, 1929-1930
- 1 v. (in 1 box)  
1930 graduate of University High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Programs, clippings, and scattered family photographs.  
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### **Miller, Mildred J. 1927-2001**

- Mildred J. Miller papers, 1956-2001 (scattered dates)
- 1 linear ft.  
Mildred J. (Kip) Miller was active in Ann Arbor, Mich., Democratic party politics and as a member of the First Unitarian Universalist Church. As a photographer, she provided many photographs of Ann Arbor homes and other buildings for the book, "Historic Buildings, Ann Arbor, Michigan."  
Files relating to various church and political activities; also photographs used or considered for the volume on Ann Arbor buildings.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

### **Montgomery, Patricia Clancy, 1934-**

- Patricia Clancy Montgomery papers 1973-2004
- 12 linear ft.  
Educator, founder of Clonlara School in Ann Arbor, speaker and activist on behalf of home schooling and alternative methods of education.  
The collection includes files relating to Clonlara School and to the Clonlara Home Based Education Program, as well as to Montgomery's work with various organizations, including the National Coalition of Alternative Community Schools and the National Homeschool Association.  
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### **Numa Club of Ann Arbor**

- Numa Club of Ann Arbor records, 1960-1981
- 1 v.  
Women's auxiliary of Ann Arbor Lions Club.  
Membership books, clippings, photos, and miscellanea.  
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### **Order of Pythian Sisters. Huron-Arbor Temple no. 66**

- Order of Pythian Sisters, Huron-Arbor Temple no. 66 (Ypsilanti, Mich.) records 1903-1971
- 1.5 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Women's affiliate of the Knights of Pythias.  
Minute books, annual reports, and other records of the Huron Temple (Ypsilanti, Mich.); also membership roster of the Arbor Temple (Ann Arbor, Mich.) which merged, ca. 1978, with the Huron Temple.  
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**Owen, Charlotte Plumer**

- Charlotte Plumer Owen scrapbook, 1993-2005
- 1 v.  
Director of the U.S. Women's Marine Band, 1944-1945; later director of the Ann Arbor Summer Civic Band.  
Scrapbook of clippings, articles, programs, and photographs relating to her career and activities.  
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**Parker, Gertrude Mary Bundy.**

- Gertrude M. Bundy Parker papers, 1887-1892.
- 1 folder.  
Graduate of Ann Arbor High School and the University of Michigan, class of 1892. She later married Lewis W. Parker.  
Commencement and other programs, letters relating to activities and concerns, and other memorabilia.  
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**Peel, Maria**

- Maria Peel scrapbook, 1896 and 1928-1932
- 1 item  
President of Ann Arbor, Michigan, Business and Professional Women's Club.  
Scrapbook containing clippings, letters, annual report and miscellaneous items relating to the Ann Arbor, Michigan, Business and Professional Women's Club; also letter, January 19, 1896, from Detroit, Michigan Board of Education to the Detroit Independent Women's Voters Association commending the association for arousing public interest in the Detroit school system.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Perry, Walter Scott, 1831-1897**

- Walter Scott Perry papers, 1879-1926
- 82 items  
Superintendent of schools in Ann Arbor, Michigan, from 1870 to 1897.  
Correspondence and notes of Perry, his wife, and their children relating largely to personal matters including fifteen letters written from Europe by Mrs. Perry in 1905.  
[Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Pierce, Mrs. N. H.**

- N. H. Pierce paper, 1878
- 1 item  
Paper concerning the history of the Ladies' Decoration Society, an Ann Arbor, Michigan, group founded to decorate the graves of Civil War soldiers on Memorial Day.  
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**Pogson, Jane**

- Jane Pogson papers, 1986-1987
- 0.4 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, activist.  
Miscellaneous papers relating to her interest in Nicaragua, as member of Witness for Peace, Ann Arbor Central America Sister City Task Force, and Religious Coalition on Central America.  
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**Political Equality Club**

- Political Equality Club minutes, 1894-1900
- 2 v.  
Woman suffrage organization headed by Olivia Hall.  
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**Power, Sadye**

- Sadye Power papers 1940-1979
- 2 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader, and officer in various cultural, educational, and population control organizations.  
Files relating to the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, the Washtenaw County League for Planned Parenthood, the Merrill-Palmer Institute in Detroit, Greenhills School in Ann Arbor, the Alumnae Council of the University of Michigan, and the Ann Arbor Symphony.  
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**Powrie family.**

- Emerson F. Powrie and Gwendolyn Sutton Powrie papers, 1947-1972, bulk 1956-1970.
- 2.5 linear feet (in 3 boxes).  
Emerson F. Powrie served as a Principal in several Ann Arbor, Mich. public schools in the 1950s-early 1970s. During his tenure the schools underwent important restructuralization and desegregation, and were engaged in experimental teachers education programs and Midwest Program on Airborne Television Instructions.  
Gwendolyn Sutton Powrie was a University of Michigan School of Education Master's degree recipient (1953). She taught at the Michigan School for the Deaf in Flint, Mich. Administrative records of Ann Arbor schools contain enrollment numbers, studies and reports about racial and socio-economic composition of student body, and official memoranda. Also included are school directories and reports; Powrie's selected correspondence; student and P.T.O. publications and newsletters. The Kiwanis Club of

Ann Arbor files contain correspondence, reports, and printed materials of the Kiwanis Club. Gwendolyn Sutton Powrie's writings and research materials on the subject of teaching the hearing-impaired children, including English translations of works by Karl Brauckmann and Marta Limprecht.

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**Prosser, Ellen M.**

- Ellen M. Prosser papers, 1987
  - 2 linear ft. (1 v. and 3 folders)  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, writer.  
Script of her Michigan sesquicentennial play, *Aliens and Scoundrels*, and photographs of the play's production.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Simpson, Flora Hurlburt**

- Flora Hurlburt Simpson papers, 1914-1918 and 1976
  - 4 items  
Student at the University of Michigan.  
Letters, reminiscences, 1976, of Ann Arbor and the University in the early 1900s; letter, 1918, from dean of women explaining League Houses and rooming rules for women students.
- [Mirlyn Catalog Record](#)

**Slack, E. Elizabeth, 1881-1973**

- E. Elizabeth Slack papers, [ca. 1936-ca. 1961]
  - 1 linear ft  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, civic leader.  
Newspaper clippings and other materials relating to her work with Friends of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Ann Arbor Board of Education, the Northside Improvement Association, and other community organizations.
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**Soundings**

- Soundings records 1977-1998 (bulk 1980-1994)
  - 6 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, women's center founded in 1977 to help women cope with adjusting to life after widowhood or divorce. Soundings' main focus has been on job readiness, but it has offered workshops, programs, and individual and group counseling sessions on such topics as reentry into the workforce, assertiveness training, personal finance, and physical and emotional health and well-being.  
Records include background and history materials, administration, board of directors, grants and fundraising activities, finances, and audiovisual materials. Also includes the records of the Domestic Violence Project, Inc., a separate agency.
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**Tashian, Jeanne**

- Jeanne Tashian papers 1970-1973
- 1 linear ft.  
Teacher, writer, member of feminist organizations.  
Materials relating to her involvement with the University of Michigan Commission for Women, Ann Arbor Focus on Equal Opportunity for Women, PROBE into the Status of Women at The University of Michigan, and the Ad Hoc Committee Concerned That President Fleming Does Not Meet With Women.  
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### **Tejada, Irene**

- Irene Tejada papers 1928-1998 (bulk 1950-1970)
- 2 linear ft.  
Assistant professor of art and of education at the University of Michigan, K-12 art teacher at University School (1955-1970), and professional artist.  
Emphasis on visual, teaching, and historical materials from University School, including slides and photographs of students in educational facilities.  
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### **Top Ladies of Distinction, Ann Arbor Chapter**

- Top Ladies of Distinction, Ann Arbor Chapter records 1982-1987
- 0.3 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan chapter of an African American women's organization.  
Minutes, correspondence, and subject files; also minutes and newsletters of Detroit area district of the organization.  
[Finding aid](#)

### **Tuomy Family**

- Tuomy Family papers 1840-1966 (bulk 1905-1945)
- 3 linear ft. and 1 oversize folder  
Pioneer Ann Arbor, Michigan family, involved in farming, then real estate, developed the Tuomy Hills area of the city.  
Papers include personal and business correspondence of Cornelius and Kathryn Tuomy and of other family members; ledger books, 1868-1890, 1911-1938, and diaries, 1920-1921, 1925, 1926, 1936 concerning business and personal affairs; also papers of Kathryn G. Tuomy as president of the Michigan Federation of Business and Professional Women; and photographs.  
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### **Washtenaw County Dental Society Women's Auxiliary**

- Washtenaw County Dental Society Women's Auxiliary records 1946-1982
- 3 linear ft.  
President's books containing minutes, reports, and other organizational material.  
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### **West Side Woman's Club**

- West Side Woman's Club (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1921-1988

- 1.5 linear ft.  
Minutes, treasurer's reports, scrapbooks, and other records detailing the activities to this community service organization.

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#### **Whedon, Helen M.**

- Helen M. Whedon papers, 1859-1899
- 14 items and 4 v. in 1 box  
Washtenaw County, Michigan housewife.  
Diaries, 1859-1869, noting church activities, meetings with friends, the weather, and everyday happenings in Chelsea, Michigan; manuscript addresses and poems relating to the Ladies' Aid Society of the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Methodist Church.

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#### **Whedon, Sara**

- Sara Whedon papers, ca. 1895-ca. 1899
- 31 items and 1 v.  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, English teacher.  
Mostly manuscripts of addresses and poems concerning the Ladies Aid Society of the Ann Arbor Methodist Church; also scrapbook of clippings, programs, etc., relating to the University of Michigan, class of 1889, illustrated in watercolor and ink.

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#### **Whitman, Bertha Yerex**

- Bertha Y. Whitman papers, 1930s-1960s and 1977-1978
- 1 folder  
Ann Arbor, Michigan resident, first woman architecture graduate of the University of Michigan.  
Reminiscence of her early career and miscellaneous articles; also photographs.

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#### **Wickliffe, Letty M., 1902-**

- Letty M. Wickliffe papers ca. 1860s-ca. 1992 (bulk 1960s-1976)
- 0.5 linear ft. (2 boxes)  
Teacher; Ann Arbor, Michigan, community activist; member of the North Central Property Owners Association in Ann Arbor.  
Articles written for the local newspaper, awards, scattered correspondence, biographical information, and photographs.

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#### **Williams, Jessie E. (Jessie Evelyn), 1868-**

- Jessie E. Williams papers, [184-]-1963
- 1 v. and 50 items  
Teacher and poet from Ann Arbor and Mt. Clemens, Michigan, later Seattle, Washington.  
Scrapbook of manuscripts of poetry and prose, and letters and clippings; also papers relating to teaching career; earlier collected materials; and photographs.

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**Williams, Ruth**

- Ruth Williams papers, 1974-1980
- 1 linear ft.

Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Materials relating to her service on the Ann Arbor Human Rights Commission and as a member of the board of directors of the University Club of Ann Arbor.

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**Wineberg, Susan Cee**

- Susan Cee Wineberg papers 1965-2004 (bulk 1977-2004)
- 12.5 linear ft.

Ann Arbor, Michigan local historian and historic preservationist, papers document numerous Ann Arbor buildings and historic preservation activities in Ann Arbor.

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**Wolfe, Shirley P.**

- Shirley P. Wolfe papers, 1960s-2001.
- 0.7 linear feet.

Resident of Ann Arbor, Mich.

Newsletters, clippings, brochures, and various mailings relating to her interest in adoption and her support of adoption agencies, including the Council on Adoptable Children and the North American Council on Adoptable Children.

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**Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch**

- Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch records 1946-2008
- 2.75 linear ft. and 2 oversized v.

Local branch of organization established to foster closer ties between city and country women and to stimulate interest in gardening and horticultural pursuits.

Membership rosters, organizational files, historical information, files relating to fund raising and civic events, notably the Greens Market Sale and the Garden Walk tour of local gardens; also photographs.

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**Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Ann Arbor Chapter**

- Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Ann Arbor Chapter records 1874 and 1877-1979  
2 linear ft.

Ann Arbor chapter of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union; Minute books and treasurer's books of Mary J. Taft Union; secretary's book of Juvenile Temperance Union, 1877-1885; and miscellaneous other records.

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**Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, Washtenaw County Chapter**



- Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, Washtenaw County Chapter records, 1985-1991
- 1 linear ft.

Established in 1984, disbanded in 1992, the Washtenaw County chapter of Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND), was a local women's initiative advocating peaceful alternatives to armed conflict. The group's members sought to accomplish this goal through coalition-building with other peace and justice organizations, education, political action, and promotion of nonviolent conflict resolution.

The record group includes meeting agenda and minutes of the Coordinating Committee (the central organizing body) and subsidiary committees (Executive, Political Action, Strategic Planning). Also included is the WAND newsletter, summaries of member surveys (1985-1987), flyers of special events, and videotapes of protest demonstrations.

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### **Women's Crisis Center**

- Women's Crisis Center (Ann Arbor, Mich.) records 1971-1990
- 0.5 linear ft.

Women's support group founded in 1971 to aid and counsel victims of rape and abuse.

Background materials, coordinator's files, publicity.

Files, and visual materials.

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### **Woman's National Farm and Garden Association**

- Ann Arbor Branch Woman's National Farm and Garden Association. Ann Arbor Branch records 1946-2008
- 2.75 linear ft. and 2 oversized v.

Local branch of organization established to foster closer ties between city and country women and to stimulate interest in gardening and horticultural pursuits.

Membership rosters, organizational files, historical information, files relating to fundraising and civic events, notably the Greens Market Sale and the Garden Walk tour of local gardens; also photographs.

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### **Woman's Relief Corps, Estabrook Corps**

- Estabrook Woman's Relief Corps records, 1939-1954
- 0.4 linear ft. (4 v.)

Journal, 1953-1954, account book, 1947-1954, and scrapbooks, 1939-1941.

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### **Woman's Relief Corps, Welch Corps**

- Welch Woman's Relief Corps records, 1938-1953
- 3 v.

Minutes of meetings, 1947-1953, account book, 1938-1951, and members ledger, 1941-1952.

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**Wysocki, Sharon**

- Sharon Wysocki papers, 1980?-1986
- 0.2 linear ft.  
Resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan, psychotherapist, former corrections officer at the federal prison in Milan, Michigan. Diary, 1980?, of her experiences as a correctional officer; book, Ariadne's Thread, 1982, containing excerpts from the diary; diary, 1984-1986, of her experiences in developing a motion picture of her prison diary.  
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**Zonta Club of Ann Arbor, Michigan**

- Zonta Club of Ann Arbor, Michigan records 1972-1990 (bulk 1987-1990)
- 0.5 linear ft.  
Ann Arbor chapter of international women's professional and service organization. Administrative records, newsletters, yearly members booklets, correspondence, and other materials relating to club activities.  
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