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Descriptive Summary

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Creator

Alexandria Antique Arts Association

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1 Linear Feet 3 boxes

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Biographical / Historical

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

Content Description

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

Keywords

Antiques.

Antique collecting

Women -- Societies and clubs.

Historic buildings.

Heissenbuttel, Orva (Walker), 1927-2018

Arrangement

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

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Minutes

Minutes

Unit Date 1971-1979

Text 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Creator Lipscomb, Tura

Creator Lewis, Lois

Creator Keith, Jan (Race), 1922-2018

Creator Blair, Joan C.

Creator Berkhouse, Marjorie A.

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

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

Creator Shidler, Evelyn E.

Creator Kenny, Helen M., 1912-2008

Minutes**Unit Date** 1980-1988**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Creator** Kenny, Helen M., 1912-2008**Creator** Shidler, Evelyn E.**Creator** Coffey, Grahame C. (Crichton), 1922-2018**Creator** Jefferson, Marion**Creator** Stockett, Celia L.**Creator** Goergens, Evelyn P., 1907-1994**Minutes****Unit Date** 1991-1998**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Creator** Jeffers, Irene**Creator** Coffey, Grahame C. (Crichton), 1922-2018**Creator** Morse, Virginia (Garbison), 1913-2002**Series II: Organizational Information****AAAA History****Unit Date** 1985**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**AAAA Constitution and By-laws****Unit Date** 1971**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Membership Rosters****Unit Date** 1987-1999**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Membership Rosters****Unit Date** 1971-1986**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Officers****Unit Date** 1971-1999**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Publicity****Unit Date** 1973-1991**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Series III: Newsletter**

Newsletter**Unit Date** 1971**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1973**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 11 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1974-1975**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 12 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1976-1977**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 13 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1978-1979**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 14 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1980-1981**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 15 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1982-1983**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 16 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1984-1985**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 17 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1986-1987**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 18 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1988-1989**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 19 (folder)

Newsletter**Unit Date** 1990-1991**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 20 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1992-1993**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 21 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1994-1995**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 22 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1996-1997**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 23 (folder)**Newsletter****Unit Date** 1998-1999**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 24 (folder)**Series IV: Correspondence****Carlyle House - Correspondence and Historical Information****Unit Date** 1974-1987**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Creator** Sykes, Virginia L. (Virginia Louise Levy), 1918-2016**Creator** Netherton, Ross D. (Ross Dewitt), 1918-2010**Creator** Claypool, Julia B.**Creator** Borchardt, Susan A.**Creator** Barclay, Winnette (Jennings), 1912-1984**Creator** Werner, Dorothy J.**Creator** Sundquist, Beth R.**Creator** Fauber, J. Everette, Jr.**Creator** Ford, Jerome S., 1917-1997**Keywords**

Carlyle House (Alexandria, Va.)

Letters.

Reiss, Dorothy Eva, 1919-2008

Weir, Marie

Series V: Tours**Sites Visited****Unit Date** 1971-1972**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)

Brochures**Unit Date** 1977-1988**Mixed Materials** 2 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Correspondence****Unit Date** 1987**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Series VI: Antiques****Pamphlets and Brochures****Unit Date** 1987-1990**Mixed Materials** 2 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Series VII: Clippings****Obituaries****Unit Date** 1993-1997**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Articles****Unit Date** 1951-1987**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Series VIII: Photographs****Photos from the Association's Albums****Unit Date** 1979-1998**Graphic Materials** 3 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Scope and Contents**

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

Photos from the Association's Albums**Unit Date** 1979-1998**Graphic Materials** 3 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Scope and Contents**

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