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Abstract

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Creator

Springfield Acres Garden Club

Extent

8.5 linear feet

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None

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Historical and Biographical Information

The Springfield Acres Garden Club was organized in 1955 in Springfield, Virginia. Estelle Bartyzel served as the club's first president. The following year, they began publishing a newsletter, joined the National Capital Garden Club League, and held their first Flower Show. Over the last seventy years, they have landscaped and planted trees around the Springfield community including parks, health complexes, shopping centers, subdivisions and along roadways. They have a longstanding relationship with maintaining the landscaping of Richard Byrd Library and Grace Presbyterian Church in Springfield. The club has sponsored lectures, workshops, and classes on gardening and horticulture and written gardening articles for local newspapers. They have also hosted plant sales, annual flower and garden shows, Christmas bazaars, and other fundraising and social events. The club has won multiple awards and ribbons for participation in the National Capital Garden League Shows and other contests. Now in their seventh decade of operation, meetings continue to take place at Springfield's Grace Presbyterian Church.

Scope and Content

The Springfield Acres Garden Club Collection consists of 7.5 linear feet and spans the years 1956-2010. It consists of scrapbooks that include photographs, correspondence, personal notes, show programs, newspaper clippings, invitations, and awards. Also included in this collection are award applications and certificates, newsletters, programs, yearbooks, and other ephemera. Subjects covered are horticulture, banquet decorating, flower shows, landscape planning, therapeutic gardening, and other activities of the club which is based in Springfield, Virginia.

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