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Scope and Contents

This artificial collection combines individual accessions or acquisitions of ephemera pieces related to Mount

Vernon or the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association (MVLA). Items often concern the visitor's experience or tourism, such as railway timetables, menus, and souvenirs. Several documents were created by the MVLA for guests, and were made to represent or commemorate their visit. Other items include Christmas cards, souvenir maps, and information leaflets or brochures. The inclusive date range covers the entire period of the MVLA's ownership of Mount Vernon, ca. 1860 to present.

Related Materials

Publications and Printed Material of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association; Publications - History of Mount Vernon and George Washington; Papers of Lily Laughton, ephemera addendum; Special Collections - Geo. Gregory Smart Collection of George Washington and Mount Vernon Ephemera, and the Historic ephemera collection.

Arrangement

Chronological. Undated items have been given a designated number starting with 001. Accruals will be given the next consecutive undated number or interfiled according to date.

Description of Subordinate Components

Lithograph, Washington Monument with poem, Tribute to the Mt. Vernon Fund

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34358

Unit Date February 22, 1858

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container 1858.02.22 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Two copies of a decorative lithograph featuring an image of the Washington monument in Richmond, Virginia with a poem or eulogy to Washington. Given for contributions to the Mount Vernon Fund, 1858. Printed by Devereux and Co. Philadelphia.

Print reproduction, Martha Washington engraving, sold by the Mount Vernon Aid Association of New York

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34231

Unit Date 1876

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container 1876.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Small print reproduction adhered to decorative card. Note on reverse reads "From an engraving by J.B. Longacre, of an original miniature by Robertson, in the possession of G.W.P. Custis, Esq. This photograph sold only by the Mount Vernon Aid Association of the State of New York, for a Centennial Fund for the repair and maintenance of Mount Vernon. 1876"

Advertisement card for the steamer Charles Macalester

Unit ID 2019-A-018

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34246

Unit Date ca. 1890

Text 1 (box)

Container 1890.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Advertisement card with times of departure, points of interest, and other information on the steamer Charles Macalester's trips to Mount Vernon.

Timetable for the steamer Charles Macalester

Unit ID 2019-A-010

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34236

Unit Date ca. 1892

Text 1 (box)

Container 1892.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Small printed time table for steamer service to Mount Vernon and Marshall Hall.

Brochure, Washington, Alexandria, and Mount Vernon Railway Company Timetable

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/3008

Unit Date 1901

Text 1 (box)

Container 1901.00.00 (folder)

Creator Washington, Alexandria, and Mount Vernon Electric Railway

Extent 1 Copies

General

National Publishing Co. Prs

Brochure, To Mount Vernon via the Historic Route, timetable for the Washington-Virginia Railway

Unit ID 2019-A-018

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34247

Unit Date ca. 1910

Text 1 (box)

Container 1910.00.00 (folder)

Creator Washington, Alexandria, and Mount Vernon Electric Railway

Scope and Contents

Timetable and information about the Washington-Virginia Railway route to Mount Vernon and other sites.

Brochure, Mt. Vernon: The Nation's Sacred Shrine, reached by Mt. Vernon Railway (Washington-Virginia Railway)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/18088

Unit Date ca. 1910

Text 1 (box)

Container 1910.00.00 (folder)

Language English.

Creator Washington-Virginia Railway Company

Extent 1 Copies

General

Brochure with railway departure times, cost, and information on scenes along the way.

Map, Sightseeing Map of the Historic Potomac River

Unit ID R-366

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34240

Unit Date 1914

Maps 1 (box)

Container 1914.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"Sight-seeing map of the historic Potomac River: Points of interest visible from the deck or saloon of the Potomac River steamers." Copyright 1914, by G.W. Atkinson, E.E., Washington, D.C.

Menu, Mount Vernon Inn, Edw. C. Gibbs proprietor**Unit ID** 2022-A-004**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/28397**Unit Date** ca. 1920s**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 1920.00.00 (folder)**Scope and Contents**

Menu, "Mount Vernon Inn, Mount Vernon, Virginia, Edw. C. Gibbs proprietor, Souvenirs, Post Cards, In Waiting Room." Mr. Gibbs restaurant, the Mount Vernon Inn, was located in the terminal railway station just outside MVLA property.

Leaflet, Afternoon Refreshments at Mount Vernon**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/9178**Unit Date** 1926**Text** 1 (box)**Container** 1926.00.00 (folder)**Language** English.**Creator** Fleming, Vivian Minor, Mrs., 1855-1941**Extent** 1 Copies**General**

Leaflet printed by Mrs. Vivian Minor Fleming, Fredericksburg, VA. Copyright 1926. Describes a connection to the niece of Mrs. Bushrod Washington who grew up at Mount Vernon and how the Washingtons would entertain guests. Includes three recipes, Virginia Sugar Cakes, Chocolate Cakes, and Mulled Chocolate.

Brochure, Wilson Line Boat service**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/41049**Unit Date** 1930s**Graphic Materials** 1 (box)**Map of Mount Vernon Estate by George Washington 1793****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/2772**Unit Date** print copyright 1931**Unit Date** 1945**Maps** 1 (box)**Container** 1945.00.00 (folder)**Extent** 1 Copies**Scope and Contents**

"George Washington's Map of his Mount Vernon Estate - Modern roads and neighborhoods are noted in red ink." Facsimile reproduction of the original in the Huntington Library, reproduced by permission. Additions Copyright 1931 by the Huntington Library, published by the MVLA, 1945.

Napkin, George Washington's Bicentennial**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/34740**Unit Date** 1932**Graphic Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 1932.00.00 (folder)**Scope and Contents**

Napkin from an unknown event for the Bicentennial of Washington's birth, 1932. Design shows image of Washington and Mount Vernon with dates 1732 and 1932.

Invitation, Washington Ball at the Colonial Village, World's Fair

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38104

Unit Date 1934

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container 1934.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Invitation to the Washington Ball held by the Illinois Daughters of the American Revolution at the 1934 World's Fair. "The Colonial Village at A Century of Progress cordially invites you to The Martha Washington Ball at Mount Vernon and the preview of the Colonial Village."

Playbill, Winter Garden with advertisement for Mount Vernon whiskey

Unit ID 2015-A-015

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38092

Unit Date 1939

Text 1 (box)

Container 1939.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Playbill for Broadway show, includes an advertisement for Mount Vernon whiskey, 1939.

Menu, Ye Little Hatchet Tavern

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/9801

Unit Date ca. 1940s

Text 1 (box)

Container 1940.00.00 (folder)

Language English.

Extent 1 Copies

General

Ye Little Hatchet Tavern later became the Mount Vernon Inn. Built in 1932 for the Washington Bicentennial and operated by the National Park Service.

Handbook of Mount Vernon, with notes and pressed leaves

Unit ID 2023-A-005s

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34237

Unit Date 1940

Books 1 (box)

Container 1940.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Handbook with notes and pressed leaves taken during a visit to Mount Vernon, ca. 1940. Miss Tordis Orin of Washington, D.C.

Brochure, memorial for Lieutenant David N. Murdock

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38098

Unit Date August 11, 1943

Text 1 (box)

Container 1943.08.11 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Memorial brochure, "Uncle Sam Remembers" for Lieutenant David N. Murdock "who gave his life in battle for his country on the hostile shores of Sicily August 11, 1943. With historical and descriptive information on Mount Vernon written by Myrtle M. Murdock.

Christmas card, "Christmas Greetings"

Unit ID RP-2568; MISC-6936

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34235

Unit Date December 29, 1946

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container 1946.12.29 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Christmas card with message dated December 29, 1946. From Emma V. White to Mrs. Laidlaw (probably addressed to a Mrs. Laidlaw who worked for the MVLA as a housekeeper). Decoratone card.

Brochure, Wilson Line boat service

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/41050

Unit Date 1950s

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Brochure, Wilson Line boat trips

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/41051

Unit Date 1965

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Ticket for admission to Mount Vernon

Unit ID 2019-A-018

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34245

Unit Date ca. 1975

Text 1 (box)

Container 1975.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Ticket for admission or entrance into Mount Vernon. The price for admission was increased to \$1.50 in 1974, the amount charged on this ticket.

Christmas card, Spirit of '76

Unit ID 2022-A-020

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34241

Unit Date ca. 1976

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container 1976.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Christmas card, blank. Inside message reads "Sincere Greetings and all Good Wishes for the holiday season." undated, Spirit of '76 , 305, Made in U.S.A.

Program, Naturalization Ceremony

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38101

Unit Date September 17, 1978

Text 1 (box)

Container 1978.09.17 (folder)

Invitation and brochure, George Washington's 250th birthday party

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34739

Unit Date April 26 to May 8, 1982

Text 1 (box)

Container 1982.04.26 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Invitation brochure with trip information and rsvp form. Trip itinerary with locations in Washington, D.C., Alexandria, and Philadelphia.

Tour evaluation card

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38097

Unit Date ca. 1985

Text 1 (box)

Container 1985.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"Confidential Tour Evaluation" for visitors to fill out. These probably date from the beginning of the interpretation program at Mount Vernon in the 1980s.

Menu, Mount Vernon Inn

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38103

Unit Date ca. 1995

Text 1 (box)

Container 1995.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Menu for the Mount Vernon Inn, ca. 1995

Menu, Mount Vernon 100 Dinner

Unit ID 2015-A-028

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34244

Unit Date 1997

Text 1 (box)

Container 1997.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Print menu for a dinner of the Mount Vernon 100, a past donor group.

Movie props, Map and letter from National Treasure 2: Book of Secrets

Unit ID 2024-A-009

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38947

Unit Date 2007

Graphic Materials 71 (Drawer)

Promotional leaflet and button pins, Vote For George campaign

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38105

Unit Date 2013

Text 1 (box)

Container 2013.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Promotional leaflet and button pins, "Vote for George" campaign to have funds from the National Trust for Historic Preservation given to Mount Vernon.

Program, Washington family descendants 60th anniversary, with coat of arms drawing

Unit ID 2015-A-001

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38093

Unit Date October 17-19, 2014

Text 1 (box)

Container 2014.10.17 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Program for the meeting of the Washington family descendants meeting and 60th anniversary celebration.

Included is an ink drawing of the Washington family coat of arms.

Button pins, "Save George Washington's View"

Unit ID 2018-A-024

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34234

Unit Date 2018

Realia 1 (box)

Container 2018.00.00 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Button pins used for marketing and promotional purposes in the campaign to save Mount Vernon's viewshed.

Program, Ceremony and Reception of the United States Patent and Trademark Office celebrating ten million patents at the Mount Vernon Gristmill and Distillery

Unit ID 2018-A-024

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34233

Unit Date June 19, 2018

Text 1 (box)

Container 2018.06.19 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Program for the event with description of Washington's Gristmill and Distillery.

Program, dedication of a marker for Ona Judge

Unit ID 2021-A-007

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34242

Unit Date June 19, 2021

Text 1 (box)

Container 2021.06.19 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Program for the Ona Judge Marker Unveiling Ceremony, Hosted by Mount Vernon District Supervisor Dan Storck and George Washington's Mount Vernon.

Certificate of participation in the wreath-laying at Washington's Tomb

Unit ID 2022-A-006

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34243

Unit Date April 2, 2022

Text 1 (box)

Container 2022.04.02 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Sample certificate, blank. With signatures of Gail Cassidy, Mount Vernon History Interpreter, and the Regent, Meg Nichols. April 2, 2022.

Program, dedication of a Virginia Historical Highway marker for West Ford

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/37179

Unit Date June 17, 2023

Text 1 (box)

Container 2023.06.17 (folder)

Keywords

Ford, West, approximately 1784-1863

Broadside, Thomas Collyer steamer advertisement

Unit ID 2019-A-002

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34239

Unit Date undated

Text 1 (box)

Container undated001 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Print broadside, "Mount Vernon, the Tomb of Washington, Fort Washington, The Steamer Thos Collyer, Runs regularly every Tuesday and Friday Morning," etc. undated.

Christmas card, from the Regent and Vice Regents of the MVLA

Unit ID 2015-A-028

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34232

Unit Date undated

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container undated002 (folder)

Scope and Contents

With cover image, Winter at Mount Vernon watercolor by Paul Hoffmaster, 1984 courtesy of the Kiplinger Collection. Message inside the card reads "Warm Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season, The Regent and Vice Regents of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association."

Flower seed packet

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/34238

Unit Date undated

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container undated003 (folder)

Creator Bailey, Worth, 1908-1980

Scope and Contents

Small flower seed packet, sold as a souvenir by the MVLA at Mount Vernon, "Flower Seeds from the Mount Vernon Gardens." Image of the East Front of the Mansion, woodcutting by Worth Bailey.

Information sheet, Man or Myth?

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/2771

Unit Date undated

Text 1 (box)

Container undated004 (folder)

Extent 1 Copies

Scope and Contents

Information sheet, Man or Myth? The Real Truth About George Washington

Greeting card, in celebration of the anniversary of Washington's birth

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38100

Unit Date undated

Text 1 (box)

Container undated005 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Birthday card for Washington with image of an 1899 lithograph from a painting by H.A. Ogden, showing the wedding of Nelly Custis. Inside reads "With Best Wishes on the Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington, The Regent and Vice Regents of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association."

Promotional card, American Bar Association

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/38102

Unit Date undated

Graphic Materials 1 (box)

Container undated006 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Promotional card with image of Mount Vernon. Reads "The three main requisites of a lawyer are learning, diligence, and integrity; but the greatest of these is integrity." And "You can depend on counsel chosen thru The American Bar, presented by B.F. Forster, Minneapolis, Minnesota."