

UA-3: Wright State University Retirees Association (WSURA) Records

Collection Number: UA-3

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Dates: 1993-2019

Creator: Wright State University Retirees Association

Summary/Abstract: Business correspondence, executive meeting minutes, newsletter and photographs pertaining to the retirees association for the Wright State University staff and faculty.

Quantity/Physical Description: 2 linear feet.

Language(s): English

Repository: Special Collections and Archives, Paul Laurence Dunbar Library, Wright State University, Dayton, OH 45435-0001, (937) 775-2092

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Acquisition: Donated by WSURA office, and periodically added to by WSURA's preservation committee, for whom are charged with maintaining organizational history.

Accruals: Further accruals are expected.

Processed by: This finding aid was written according to DACS standards by Nina Herzog, November 2015.

Arrangement:

This collection is comprised of three series:

Series I: Association Records, 1993-2019

Series II: Photographs and Ephemera, 1994-2019

Series III: Oral Histories, 2001-2014

Biographical/Historical Note:

The Wright State University Retirees Association is a service-oriented organization devoted to serving the needs of WSU retirees. The first meeting of the Wright State University Retirees Association (WSURA) was on June 6, 1994 and has been growing ever since. Membership in 2014 stood at approximately 300 members. The association offers lectures, trips and provides assistance with matters of finances and health to retirees. The group also provides opportunities for retirees to continue to serve the University, as well as social opportunities for retirees to spend time together. In 2001 the association teamed up with Special Collections and Archives to start recording the oral histories of its members and help document the history of the university. The WSURA oral history project is ongoing and the collection of interviews continues to grow.

Scope and Content

The Wright State University Retirees Association collection provides information about the retirees association via meeting minutes, their newsletter, The Extension, photographs, and oral histories. The collection is arranged into three series.

Series I contains the business records of the association. The records range from by-laws, membership lists and correspondence. The bulk of the records are the monthly executive board meeting minutes and The Extension newsletter.

Series II contains photographs and ephemera. The photographs are from events held by the association. Of note are the general staff photographs from the 1970s. One can get a sense of the fashion and technology trends of the university for that decade.

Series III contains the recorded oral histories of WSURA members. Of special note are the oral histories of the founding faculty members of the university. These interviews contain information of the university in the beginning when it was the Dayton Campus of The Ohio State and Miami University Extension. This series contains the master recordings for each interview as well as interview transcripts. The interviews from 2001 to 2004 are recorded on audio cassettes, while those recorded from 2006 to the present are on DVCAM tapes. The interviews can be accessed on Core Scholar through the libraries website at:

http://corescholar.libraries.wright.edu/archives_retirees/.

Subject Terms:

Organizations/Corporate Names

Wright State University Retirees Association -- Archives

University Retirees Association – Ohio

Wright State University – Faculty

Wright State University -- History

Places

Dayton (Ohio) -- History

Material Types

Audiocassettes

Brochures

Business records

Videotapes

Photographs

Clippings (information artifacts)

Ephemera

Transcripts

Oral Histories

Collection Inventory

Series I – Association Records, 1993-2019			
<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	1	Historical Correspondence	1993-1994, 2006
	2	Charter/By-Laws/Constitution	1994, 1997, 2016
	3	Membership Packet Prototype and Membership Packet	Undated
	4	Retirees/Members List	1994-1997, 2005, 2019
	5	Officers and Board Members List	1994-1997
	6	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	1994
	7	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	1995
	8	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	1996-1997
	9	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	1998-May 1999
	10	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	June 1999-May 2000
	11	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	August 2000-May 2001
	12	Executive Board Meeting Minutes	2002-2006 (Scattered)
	13	Board Meeting Minutes	2007
	14	Board Meeting Minutes	2011
	15	Board Meeting Minutes	2012
	16	Board Meeting Minutes	2013-2014
	17	Board Meeting Minutes	2014 – 2015
	18	Board Meeting Minutes	2015 - 2016
	19	Board Meeting Minutes	2016 - 2017
	20	Board Meeting Minutes	2017 - 2018
	21	Board Meeting Minutes	2018 - 2019
	22	Annual Board Meeting Minutes	1996-2001, 2004
	23	Budget Reports	1994-2018

	24	President's Correspondence	1995, 1996
	25	General Correspondence	1997-2008 (scattered)
	26	Benefits	1994-1995
	27	Committees	1994-1996
	28	Institute for Learning in Retirement	2000-2002
Series II – Photographs and Ephemera – 1994-2019			
2	1	The Extension Newsletter	1993-1999
	2	The Extension Newsletter	2000-2003
	3	The Extension Newsletter	2005-2006
	4	The Extension Newsletter	2007-2013
	5	The Extension Newsletter	2013-2014
	6	The Extension Newsletter	2014-2015
	7	The Extension Newsletter	2015-2016
	8	The Extension Newsletter	2016-2017
	9	The Extension Newsletter	2017-2018
	10	The Extension Newsletter	2018-2019
	11	Events/Brochures	1994, 1997-1998, 2005-2006, undated
	12	Student Employment Position	Undated
	13	Assessment Project	August 1998
	14	University Anniversary Newspaper Clipping	Undated
	15	Correspondence/Facility Emeritus	2000
	16	Correspondence/Bell Tower	2000 October/November
	17	Dedication of Alumni Tower	Undated
	18	Founders Day Celebration Photographs	1997
	19	Founders Day Celebration Negatives	Undated
	20	Alumni 40th Foundation Tea	Undated
	21	General Staff Photographs	Undated
	22	Retirees Luncheon	December 7, 1994
	23	Events - Staff Picnic Photographs	Undated
	24	General Photographs	Undated
	25	Certificates of Honor – John and Mirka Ray -plates (2) (See Oversize)	December 1, 2004
3OS	9b	Commemorative Plates Founding Staff	1984
Series III – Oral History – 2001-2014			
2	26	Don Mohr (Athletics)	April 4, 2001
	27	Abe Bassett (Theatre)	February 11, 2002
	28	Leone Low (Mathematics)	February 18, 2002
	29	Bea Chaite (Education/Teacher Ed)	2003
	30	Sally Evans (Student Services)	December 6, 2002
	31	Bill Evans (Business)	December 6, 2002
	32	Joseph B. Black (Business)	November 26, 2003

33	Bob Dolphin (Business)	September 7, 2004
34	Gary Barlow (Education)	August 29, 2006
35	Alphonso Smith (Mathematics)	June 5, 2007
36	Marc Low (Mathematics)	June 12, 2007
37	Bill and Cynthia King (Classics)	September 29, 2007
38	John Webb (Library/Archives)	October 12, 2007
39	Emil Kmetec (Biology)	February 7, 2008
40	James Hughes (English)	May 28, 2008
41	Eleanor Koch (Student Affairs)	May 24, 2009
42	Robert Dixon (Computer Science)	July 2, 2009
43	Carol DeVore (Student)	October 28, 2009
44	Gregg Cross (Student/Athletics)	August 12, 2010
45	Elizabeth Harden (English)	March 31, 2011
46	Nich Piediscalzi (Religion)	September 12, 2011
47	Don Brumbaugh (Grounds Manager)	November 10, 2011
48	Orlas (Semmler) Schwallie (Registration)	March 1, 2012
49	Rich Johnson (Student Services and Human Resources)	May 3, 2012
50	Marilyn Willis and Lorraine Wagley (WSU Womens Club) – interviewed together	July 25, 2013
51	Craig Willis (University College)	July 25, 2013
52	Paul Wolfe (Physics/Environmental Sciences)	August 22, 2013
53	Dick Williams (College of Business)	October 8, 2014