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[Waco] Historic Waco Foundation Records. Inclusive: 1954-2005, undated, Bulk: 1982-1997

Summary Information

Creator	Historic Waco Foundation Goble, Georgette Covo Browder
Extent (quantity/size)	8 document boxes and 1 oversized box
Language	English
Abstract	The [Waco] Historic Waco Foundation Records contain documents dating from 1957-2005. These documents consist of correspondence, financial documents, legal documents, literary papers, and oversized materials.

Subjects

Conger, Roger Norman. / Historic buildings -- Texas -- Waco. / Historic Waco Foundation -- Periodicals. / Historic Waco Foundation. / Waco (Tex.) -- History -- 20th Century. / Waco (Tex.) -- History.

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Scope and Content

The [Waco] Historic Waco Foundation Records were acquired by gift in 11 separate transactions. The first gift contained records from the Heritage Society of Waco and was given by Roger N. Conger in 1979 September. The second gift was given by T. Brad Willis on 1988 July 14. The third gift was given by Georgette Goble on 1988 August 3. The fourth gift was given by Brad T. Willis on 1988 October 20. The fifth gift of by-laws, minutes, and memoranda of the McCulloch House Committee was given by Georgette Goble in 1989 February. The sixth gift was given by Georgette Goble on 1990 August 9. The seventh gift was given by Georgette Goble in 1991 March. The eighth gift was given by Georgette Goble on 1992 February 7. The ninth gift from T. Brad Willis of Historic Waco Foundation minutes, policies, mission statement, by-laws and other records was given on 1997 January 14. The tenth gift was given by Georgette Goble on 2001 February 7. The eleventh, consisting of by-laws and other materials, was given by Georgette Goble on 2005 March 14.

The collection begins in 1957 and ends in 2005. The records contain correspondence, literary documents, financial records, legal records, and oversized items. There is a very large collection of Historic Waco Foundation minutes and newsletters, as well as other internal documents that portray the ins-and-outs of the foundation. The collection also includes documents from the Waco Heritage Society.

Administrative/Biographical History

The Historic Waco Foundation is a nonprofit institution that was created in 1967 after the merger of three Waco foundations: the Heritage Society of Waco, the Society of Historic Preservation, and the Duncan Foundation. Each of these organizations was responsible for one or more of the houses that now make up those under the control of the Historic Waco Foundation.

The Heritage Society of Waco was chartered in 1953, and it remained active until it became a part of the Historic Waco Foundation in December of 1966. Preservation was one of the primary concerns of the society, but it was also interested in local historic research and publication of its findings. The organization actually published five books, and it began the publication of *Waco Heritage and History*. Some of the correspondence in the collection discusses *Historic Log Cabins of McLennan County, Texas*, which was written by Roger Conger and published by the Heritage Society. Roger Conger, who was a prominent Waco historian, was one of the founders and first president of the Heritage Society, while Marion Travis was the final president before the merger.

Historic Waco Foundation is responsible for the preservation of five houses in the Waco area: Earle-Napier-Kinnard House, East Terrace House, Fort House, McCulloch House, and the Hoffmann House. McCulloch House was the first acquisition of the newly created Historic Waco Foundation, being donated in 1976 and dedicated after the restorations were completed in 1980. This collection contains minutes of McCulloch House board meetings spanning from 1987 to 1990. The Hoffmann House currently serves as the office of the Historic Waco Foundation, and there are newspaper clippings in the collection documenting its restoration.

The foundation has a collection of Texas objects that range from 1795-1945, and they continue to publish the *Waco Heritage and History* journal. The Historic Waco Foundation sponsors numerous fundraising events throughout the year, with their largest the annual Christmas on the Brazos. Minutes from Christmas on the Brazos meetings can be found in the collection dating from 1985 to 1988. Member Georgette Goble's Christmas on the Brazos folder from 1982 can also be found in the collection, and these documents contain detailed information about the marketing strategy of that particular year. The primary focus of this event is to display the four historic homes, which are always decorated for the Christmas holiday. The Historic Waco Foundation continues to preserve and interpret Waco's heritage.

Related Resources

Related citations

Browning, Mark Robert. "Recovering Provenance: Historic Preservation in Waco 1953-1980." MA thesis, Baylor University, 2010.

Historic Waco Foundation. <http://www.historicwaco.org/about-us/history/> (accessed November 12, 2012).

Archival Arrangement

The [Waco] Historic Waco Foundation Records were not originally organized because it was a product of numerous acquisitions, and only limited inventories were available.

The collection is arranged in four series: I. Historical Society, II. Minutes, III. Internal Documents, and IV. Events.

Series 1: Heritage Society. 1954-1957, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

This series contains a large amount of correspondence to and from the Waco Heritage Society, as well as some financial and literary materials. A significant part of the correspondence concerns House Bill 429, which involved the creation of a state library and housing for Texas archives, as well as memos to the charter members. The literary subseries contains some clipping and address lists, and there are invoices in the financial section. This series is in average to good condition.

Item List

Box 1. Folder 1. Heritage Society: Correspondence, 1954 September-1955 May
 Box 1. Folder 2. Heritage Society: Correspondence, 1955 July-1956 July
 Box 1. Folder 3. Heritage Society: Correspondence, 1956 October-1957 February
 Box 1. Folder 4. Heritage Society: Correspondence, 1957 March-October, undated
 Box 1. Folder 5. Heritage Society: Literary, 1955 July-1956 October, undated
 Box 1. Folder 6. Heritage Society: Financial Documents, 1954-1956

Series 2: Minutes. 1985-1997, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

This series contains minutes from Historic Waco Foundation board meetings from 1985-1997 with a break in 1989. There are also minutes from three specialized committees within the foundation. The series is in good to excellent condition.

Item List

Box 1. Folder 7. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1985
 Box 1. Folder 8. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1986 January-April
 Box 1. Folder 9. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1986 May-August
 Box 1. Folder 10. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1986 September-December
 Box 1. Folder 11. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1987 January-May
 Box 1. Folder 12. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1987 June-September
 Box 1. Folder 13. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1987 November-December
 Box 1. Folder 14. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1988 January-April
 Box 1. Folder 15. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1988 May-September
 Box 2. Folder 1. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1990 June-August
 Box 2. Folder 2. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1990 September-November
 Box 2. Folder 3. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1991 January-April
 Box 2. Folder 4. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1991 May-July
 Box 2. Folder 5. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1991 August-September
 Box 2. Folder 6. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1991 October-November
 Box 2. Folder 7. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1992 January-March
 Box 2. Folder 8. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1992 April-June
 Box 2. Folder 9. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1992 July-September
 Box 2. Folder 10. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1992 October-November
 Box 2. Folder 11. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1993 January-February
 Box 2. Folder 12. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1993 March-May
 Box 2. Folder 13. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1993 June-August
 Box 2. Folder 14. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1993 September-November
 Box 2. Folder 15. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1994 January-March
 Box 3. Folder 1. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1994 April-July
 Box 3. Folder 2. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1994 August-November
 Box 3. Folder 3. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1995 January-July
 Box 3. Folder 4. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1995 August-November
 Box 3. Folder 5. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1996 January-July
 Box 3. Folder 6. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1996 August-November
 Box 3. Folder 7. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1997 January-June
 Box 3. Folder 8. Minutes: Historic Waco Foundation, 1997 July-October
 Box 3. Folder 9. Minutes: Christmas on the Brazos, 1985
 Box 3. Folder 10. Minutes: Christmas on the Brazos, 1986
 Box 3. Folder 11. Minutes: Christmas on the Brazos, 1988 May-September
 Box 3. Folder 12. Minutes: Christmas on the Brazos, 1988 October-November
 Box 3. Folder 13. Minutes: McCulloch House, 1987 January-September
 Box 3. Folder 14. Minutes: McCulloch House, 1987 October-December
 Box 4. Folder 1. Minutes: McCulloch House, 1988
 Box 4. Folder 2. Minutes: McCulloch House, 1989
 Box 4. Folder 3. Minutes: McCulloch House, 1990
 Box 4. Folder 4. Minutes: Hoffmann House, 1988

Series 3: Internal Documents. 1982-2005, undated

Administrative/Biographical History

This series contains correspondence, literary productions, financial, and legal documents concerning various aspects of the Historic Waco Foundation. A large amount of this section is literary, which contains newsletters from 1982 to 2004, information on foundation committees, an evaluation which was completed in 1984, meeting agendas, and two oversized objects. The legal section is significant as it contains the original by-laws and multiple revisions, as well as policies of the foundation. This series is in good to excellent condition.

Item List

Box 4. Folder 5. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1985 August-September
 Box 4. Folder 6. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1985 October
 Box 4. Folder 7. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1986-1987
 Box 4. Folder 8. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1988-1989
 Box 4. Folder 9. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1991-1994
 Box 4. Folder 10. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1995
 Box 4. Folder 11. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1996-1997 March
 Box 4. Folder 12. Internal Documents: Correspondence, 1997 April-May, undated
 Box 4. Folder 13. Internal Documents: Literary: General, 1982-1987
 Box 4. Folder 14. Internal Documents: Literary: General, 1990-1994
 Box 4. Folder 15. Internal Documents: Literary: General, 1995-1997
 Box 4. Folder 16. Internal Documents: Literary: General, 1998-2005
 Box 4. Folder 17. Internal Documents: Literary: General, Undated
 Box 4. Folder 18. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1982
 Box 4. Folder 19. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1983
 Box 4. Folder 20. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1984
 Box 4. Folder 21. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1985
 Box 4. Folder 22. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1986
 Box 5. Folder 1. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1987
 Box 5. Folder 2. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1988
 Box 5. Folder 3. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1989
 Box 5. Folder 4. Internal Documents: Literary: Newsletters, 1991-2004
 Box 5. Folder 5. Internal Documents: Literary: Member Lists, 1985-1988
 Box 5. Folder 6. Internal Documents: Literary: Member Lists, 1990-1993
 Box 5. Folder 7. Internal Documents: Literary: Member Lists, 1994-1997
 Box 5. Folder 8. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees, 1985-1992
 Box 5. Folder 9. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees, 1993-1997
 Box 5. Folder 10. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees, Undated
 Box 5. Folder 11. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees: Publications Committee, 1994-1995 July
 Box 5. Folder 12. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees: Publications Committee, 1995 August-1996
 Box 5. Folder 13. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees: Publications Committee, 1997, undated
 Box 5. Folder 14. Internal Documents: Literary: Committees: Membership Committee, 1985, undated
 Box 5. Folder 15. Internal Documents: Literary: Docent Division, 1986-1988
 Box 5. Folder 16. Internal Documents: Literary: Docent Division, 1992
 Box 5. Folder 17. Internal Documents: Literary: Docent Division, 1994-1997, undated
 Box 6. Folder 1. Internal Documents: Literary: Long Range Plans, 1985-1997
 Box 6. Folder 2. Internal Documents: Literary: Agendas, 1995-1996 May
 Box 6. Folder 3. Internal Documents: Literary: Agendas, 1996 June-1997
 Box 6. Folder 4. Internal Documents: Literary: Visitor Attendance, 1995-1996
 Box 6. Folder 5. Internal Documents: Literary: Job Descriptions, 1985-1995, undated
 Box 6. Folder 6. Internal Documents: Literary: Evaluation: (1 of 2), 1984 November 15
 Box 6. Folder 7. Internal Documents: Literary: Evaluation: (2 of 2), 1984 November 15
 Box 6. Folder 8. Internal Documents: Literary: Hoffmann House, 1986-1988, undated
 Box 6. Folder 9. Internal Documents: Literary: McCulloch House, 1986-1989
 Box 6. Folder 10. Internal Documents: Literary: McCulloch House, 1990, undated
 Box 9 OVZ. Folder 1. Internal Documents: Literary: Medallion Designs, Undated
 Box 6. Folder 11. Internal Documents: Financial, 1985-1986 March
 Box 6. Folder 12. Internal Documents: Financial, 1986 April-August
 Box 6. Folder 13. Internal Documents: Financial, 1986 September-1987
 Box 6. Folder 14. Internal Documents: Financial, 1988-1991
 Box 6. Folder 15. Internal Documents: Financial, 1992-1997, undated
 Box 6. Folder 16. Internal Documents: Legal: By-Laws, 1985
 Box 6. Folder 17. Internal Documents: Legal: By-Laws, 1986
 Box 7. Folder 1. Internal Documents: Legal: By-Laws, 1988 March-May
 Box 7. Folder 2. Internal Documents: Legal: By-Laws, 1988 June-September
 Box 7. Folder 3. Internal Documents: Legal: By-Laws, 1989-1995
 Box 7. Folder 4. Internal Documents: Legal: By-Laws, 1996, undated
 Box 7. Folder 5. Internal Documents: Legal: Policies, 1984-1986
 Box 7. Folder 6. Internal Documents: Legal: Policies, 1987-1995
 Box 7. Folder 7. Internal Documents: Legal: Policies: (1 of 2), Undated
 Box 7. Folder 8. Internal Documents: Legal: Policies: (2 of 2), Undated
 Box 7. Folder 9. Internal Documents: Legal: Policies: Caretaker Policies: (1 of 3), Undated
 Box 7. Folder 10. Internal Documents: Legal: Caretaker Policies: (2 of 3), Undated
 Box 7. Folder 11. Internal Documents: Legal: Caretaker Policies: (3 of 3), Undated
 Box 7. Folder 12. Internal Documents: Legal: General, 1985-1995, undated

Series 4: Events. 1981-1997, undated**Administrative/Biographical History**

This series contains correspondence, literary productions, financial, and legal documents concerning events of the Historic Waco Foundation, particularly Christmas on the Brazos and the Brazos River Festival annual events. The general events include exhibits and programs organized by the foundation, and this series contains one oversized document. This series is in good to excellent condition.

Item List

Box 7. Folder 13. Events: General, 1985-1993
 Box 7. Folder 14. Events: General, 1995-1997
 Box 7. Folder 15. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Correspondence: General, 1982-1987
 Box 7. Folder 16. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Correspondence: General, 1988-1989, undated

Box 7. Folder 17. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Correspondence: Invitations, 1988-1990
Box 7. Folder 18. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Correspondence: Invitations, 1991-1993
Box 7. Folder 19. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Correspondence: Invitations, 1994, undated
Box 7. Folder 20. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General: (1 of 4), 1982
Box 7. Folder 21. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General: (2 of 4), 1982
Box 8. Folder 1. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General: (3 of 4), 1982
Box 8. Folder 2. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General: (4 of 4), 1982
Box 8. Folder 3. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General: (1 of 2), 1984
Box 8. Folder 4. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General: (2 of 2), 1984
Box 8. Folder 5. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General, 1985-1986
Box 9 OVZ. Folder 2. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General, 1986
Box 8. Folder 6. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General, 1987
Box 8. Folder 7. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General, 1988
Box 8. Folder 8. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: General, 1990-1995, undated
Box 8. Folder 9. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: Reports, 1982-1990
Box 8. Folder 10. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Literary: Clippings, 1981-1982
Box 8. Folder 11. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Financial, 1982-1988
Box 8. Folder 12. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Financial, 1991-1996, undated
Box 8. Folder 13. Events: Christmas on the Brazos: Legal, 1988
Box 8. Folder 14. Events: Brazos River Festival: Correspondence, 1990-1991
Box 8. Folder 15. Events: Brazos River Festival: Literary, 1985-1997, undated
Box 8. Folder 16. Events: Brazos River Festival: Financial, 1984-1997