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## **The Finding Aid for the 1984 Olympics Collection 0084**

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**Language of Material:** English

**Contributing Institution:** Pepperdine University. Special Collections and University Archives.

**Title:** 1984 Olympics Collection

**Identifier/Call Number:** 0084

**Physical Description:** 1.68 Linear Feet(4 boxes plus 1 Olympic torch)

**Date (inclusive):** 1982-1984

**Abstract:** The collection contains materials related to Pepperdine's involvement in the 1984 Olympics held in Los Angeles. Items include a newsletter, newspaper clippings, invitations, photographs, Pepperdine Olympic letterhead, other ephemera, and a 1984 Olympic torch. Also included are materials from the 1982 United States Olympic Academy VI, a conference held at Pepperdine to study the Olympic games.

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[Box/folder# or item name], 1984 Olympics Collection, Collection no. 0084, Special Collections and University Archives, University Libraries, Pepperdine University.

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Materials were gathered from University Archives files.

**Historical note**

The 1984 Summer Olympics were hosted in Los Angeles, with many events held at existing facilities around the Los Angeles area to cut costs. Water polo matches were hosted at Pepperdine University's Raleigh Runnels Memorial Pool. President Howard A. White was instrumental in bringing the Olympics to Pepperdine -- he also hosted dinners and other events to support the Olympics on campus. The Olympic torch relay passed through Malibu and a party was held in the middle of the night to welcome the torch. Pepperdine University also hosted the United States Olympic Academy VI in June, 1982, which was a conference dedicated to studying the Olympic Games, the Olympic Movement, and the concept of Olympism.

**Scope and Content**

The collection contains materials related to Pepperdine's involvement in the 1984 Olympics, held in Los Angeles during the summer of 1984. Items from 1984 include a newsletter, newspaper clippings, event invitations, photographs, special letterhead and postal meter plate advertisements created for Pepperdine during the Olympics, bumper stickers and ribbons, and a 1984 Olympic torch used in the torch relay. Also included are materials from the 1982 United States Olympic Academy VI, a conference held ahead of the Olympics to study the Olympic games, and hosted at Pepperdine University.

**Arrangement**

Materials are arranged chronologically.

**Related Archival Materials**

Howard A. White Papers, Collection no. 0010, Special Collections and University Archives, University Libraries, Pepperdine University.

M. Norvel and Helen Young Papers, Collection no. 0014, Special Collections and University Archives, University Libraries, Pepperdine University.

Other institutions have ephemera collections, such as the University of Southern California (1984 Los Angeles Olympics ephemera 0130) or the Seaver Center for Western Historical Research at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County (1984 Olympics Materials Collection GC 1138).

**Processing Information note**

The collection was arranged and described by Jamie Henricks in February, 2013. The finding aid was updated by Katie Richardson in July, 2013. Photographs were added to this collection in June, 2015 by Kelsey Knox.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

Malibu (Calif.) -- History -- 20th century

Los Angeles (Calif.) -- History

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Water polo  
United States Olympic Academy  
Photographs  
Newsletters  
Clippings  
Videocassettes  
Olympic Games (23rd : 1984 : Los Angeles, Calif.)  
Programs  
White, Howard A. (Howard Ashley)  
Pepperdine University

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box 1 **The Olympic Games: History of the Ancient Olympic Games 776 BC-393 AD 1979 March**  
box 1 **Citius Altius Fortius- Olympic Supplement circa 1980**  
box 1 **Certificate to Pepperdine University Presented by the Olympic Committee 1981**  
box 1 **Announcement Made by Howard White that Pepperdine is Hosting Water Polo 1982  
January 27**  
box 1 **Olympic Games Water Polo Announcement- Photographs 1982 February 2**  
box 1 **Olympiad Citation- Photographs 1982 March 7**  
box 1 **Olympic Academy- Photographs 1982 June 22**  
**Physical Description: (2 folders)**  
  
box 1 **United States Olympic Academy VI 1982 June 22**  
box 1 **United States Olympics Academy VI Closing Ceremony 1982 June 25**  
box 1 **United States Olympic Academy VI -- Opening Ceremony Invitations 1982 June 22**  
box 2 **United States Olympic Academy VI -- Opening Ceremony Video (VHS) 1982 June 22**  
box 2 **United States Olympic Academy VI - Invitation for Special Program with Dr. Dietrich von  
Boethmer 1982 June 23**  
box 2 **United States Olympic Academy VI -- Programs and Proceedings 1982 June**  
box 2 **Stars in Motion Magazine 1983 Fall**  
box 2 **LA83 Olympics 1983**  
box 2 **Terry Schroeder Olympic Award- Photographs 1984 June 25**  
box 2 **Olympic Arts Festival 1984 June 1- August 12**  
box 2 **Olympic Countdown (Newsletter) 1984 June-October**  
box 2 **Olympic Games- Water Polo- Photographs 1984 July**  
box 2 **Olympic Torch Lighting- Photographs 1984 July**  
box 2 **Olympic Water Polo Exhibition- Photographs 1984 July**  
box 3 **Newspaper Clippings 1984 July-August**  
box 3 **Event Map 1984 July 28-August 12**  
box 3 **Ticket Information and Guides 1984 July 28- August 12**  
box 3 **Invitations for Dinners with President Howard A. White and Tickets to Games 1984  
August**  
box 3 **Photographs 1984 August**  
box 3 **USA Water Polo Brochure 1984 August 1**  
box 3 **Angelo and Giovanna Pettinari Olympic Events Schedule 1984 August 5-12**  
box 3 **Olympics- Dinner at Brock House- Photographs 1984 August 10**  
box 3 **LA84 Olympic Bumper Stickers 1984**  
box 3 **Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee 1984**  
box 3 **Malibu Neighbor Olympic Committee- Photographs 1984**  
box 3 **Olympic Coins- Photographs 1984**  
box 3 **Olympic Events- Photographs 1984**  
box 4 **Olympic Events- Slides 1984**  
box 4 **Olympic Games Special Meter Ad Plate for Pitney Bowes Machine 1984**  
box 4 **Olympic Sign and Flag- Photographs 1984**  
box 4 **Olympic Venue- Photographs 1984**

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box 4 **Pepperdine Letterhead for the Olympics 1984**  
box 4 **Water Polo Donation- Photographs 1984**  
box 4 **Water Polo Events- Photographs 1984**  
box 4 **Water Polo Press Release 1984**  
box 4 **Septemberfest Ribbons circa 1984**  
box 4 **Olympic Pool Plaque Unveiling- Photographs 1985 June 3**

Physical Description: (2 folders)

box 4 **1984 Handheld Flag**  
box 4 **1984 Scorecard Magazine Olympic Baseball**  
box 4 ***Get Set...Go! 1984 (10,000 facts about the champions and their records)* by John C. Kimball**  
box 4 **Malibu Beach Esplanade**  
oversize Item 1 **1984 Olympic Torch**