
Inventory of the Donald Greaton Gardena Collection SPC.2014.002

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Title: Donald Greaton Gardena Collection

source: Gardena High School

Identifier/Call Number: SPC.2014.002

Physical Description: 4.5 Linear Feet(10 boxes unprocessed)

Date (inclusive): 1907-2004; undated

Abstract: The Donald Greaton Gardena Collection consists of yearbooks, plats, and various related school publications from Gardena High School. The yearbooks included in this collection range from 1907 until 1955 and consists of original and scanned photocopies versions. The collection also includes plat maps surrounding the Gardena High School, and other school-related publications.

Language of Material: English .

Scope and Contents

The Donald Greaton Gardena High School Collection consists of various school related materials beginning from its establishment in 1907 until 2009. The collection includes Gardena High School Yearbooks from their first year in 1907 until 1955. Versions of the yearbooks are in original and photocopied form. Box 3 (1907-1939) contains the only original copies of the yearbooks, boxes 4 - 9 (1907-1955) are of the scanned copies of the yearbooks. Box 10 includes various school related publications such as the school's history, reunion and anniversary programs, description of class gifts, and copies of the school's paper, The Lark. Contents also include extensive research relating to location and inhabitants of various streets and lots in Gardena, including plats, computer print-outs, directories and other materials.

Preferred Citation

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Availability

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Gardena High School History

Gardena High School began offering classes in 1904, however, it was not until 1907 when the school became a part of the Los Angeles School district. In 1910, the Los Angeles board decided to make Gardena High School into Gardena Agricultural High School because of its location near agricultural lands. Subsequently, the school bought more land and built buildings that were more suited for agricultural learning and application. The yearbook was named, "El Arador" meaning "The Plowman" in Spanish. However, the agricultural learning project was abandoned in 1920 because of increasing expenses. In 1950, 50 acres were bought to build a new school and facilities located on 182nd St. between Normandie and Vermont. In 1956 the new site for the school held its first classes and still stands today as the current location of the Gardena High School.

Arrangement

Arranged in two series

1. Series I: Plats (1934, undated)
2. Series II: School Publications (1907-2004)

Subjects and Indexing Terms

Gardena (Calif.)

Gardena High School

Series I: Plats circa 1934; undated**Physical Description:** 2 boxes**Scope and Contents**

This series includes various sketched and written reports on plat maps of areas near Gardena High School. Many of the plat maps have handwritten notes or drawings on them. Since most of the materials in this series are not dated, there is no specific order to the files.

box 1, folder 1
 box 1, folder 2
 box 1, folder 3
 box 1, folder 4
 box 1, folder 5
 box 1, folder 6
 box 1, folder 7
 box 1, folder 8
 box 1, folder 9
 box 1, folder 10
 box 1, folder 11
 box 2, folder 1
 box 2, folder 2
 box 2, folder 3
 box 2, folder 4
 box 2, folder 5
 box 2, folder 6

Plats-City History 1934**Plats- Western City undated****Plats- McCoy's Addition undated****Plats- Below 166th Street undated****Plats- South of Gardena Blvd., East of Vermont undated****Plats- East of Vermont, North of Palva undated****Plats- South of Palva undated****Plats- Poe's and Above undated****Plats-Wright's Subdivisions undated****Plats- Blocks 17, 18, and 19 undated****Plats- Moneta Tract undated****Plats- Inter-Urban undated****Plats- North of Redondo Beach Blvd. undated****Plats-Redondo Beach Blvd., Palm Avenue to Gardena Blvd. undated****Plats- Palm Avenue, Gardena Blvd., 190th St. undated****Plats-Black/Property Records undated****Plats-Tract/Property Records undated****Series II: School Publications 1907-2004****Physical Description:** 7 boxes**Scope and Contents**

This series includes Gardena High School yearbooks (1907-1955) and other school related publications. The majority of this series consists of yearbooks. The title of the yearbook was named "The Tattler" until 1913 when it was renamed "The Arador". Included in this series are original copies and scanned copies of the yearbooks. Box 3 (1907-1939) contains the only original copies of the yearbooks, boxes 4 - 9(1907-1955) are of the scanned copies of the yearbooks. Box 10 includes various school related publications such as the school's history, and reunion programs. This series is arranged chronologically by the year date as indicated by the yearbook or publication.

box 3, folder 1
 box 3, folder 2-5,
 7-8
 box 3, folder 6,
 box 7, folder 7

"The Tattler" (original copy) 1907**"El Arador" (original copy) 1913; 1935-1939****"El Arte" (original copy) 1938****General**

renamed from "El Arador"

box 4, folder 1-6
 box 4, folder 7-8
 box 5
 box 6
 box 7, folder 1-6;
 8-10
 box 8, box 9
 box 10, folder 1
 box 10, folder 2
 box 10, folder 3
 box 10, folder 4
 box 10, folder 5
 box 10, folder 6

"The Tattler" (photocopies) 1907-1912**"El Arador" (photocopies) 1913-1914****"El Arador" (photocopies) 1915-1922****"El Arador" (photocopies) 1923-1931****"El Arador" (photocopies) 1932-1940****"El Arador" (photocopies) 1941-1944; 1946-1950; 1955****"The Lark" (school paper) 1935, 1982****"Golden Anniversary" 1904-1955****Class of 1939 50th Year Reunion 1989****Class of 1967 30th Year Reunion 1997****Pep Rally Program 2002****Description of Class Gifts 2003**

box 10, folder 7

Diamond Jubilee Anniversary 1904-2004

box 10, folder 8

Written School History undated

box 10, folder 9

School song, "On the Old Gardena Farm" (two copies) undated