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MS 1296
Dorothy Burkhart Collection
1946 - 1995

DESCRIPTION

This collection consists of newspaper clippings, conference programs, history paper & video, and newsletters associated with recent history of the Arizona's Parents Teachers Association. Dorothy Burkhart who was president of the organization from 1956 to 1958 collected the materials. Four photos of Mrs. Burkhart are also present in the collection. Clippings cover PTA members and events between 1954 and 1958. Newsletters, a short history paper, and a video provide a history of PTA activities in Arizona from 1902 to 1996.

1 Box, .5 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

Alice Birney and Phoebe Apperson Hearst established the Congress of Mothers in 1897 in Washington D.C. Ella Fowler from Phoenix was present at the initial formation of the national organization and returned to Arizona to begin work on establishing a state chapter. Between 1902 and 1906, through the sponsorship of the Phoenix Women's Club, planning and organization continued. In 1906 Arizona received its state charter from the national organization. From 1906 to the present the Arizona Parents Teachers Association has maintained advocacy for children health, education, and support for teachers. A history of Arizona's PTA is contained on a videotape "Arizona PTA: Celebrating 90 Years of Advocacy" within this collection.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Carolyn Niethammer in 2004.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed by Dave Tackenberg in September 2006.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder 1	Arizona PTA History	1995
f.2	PTA Organization Syllabus	1946
f.3	“Arizona Parent Teacher News”	1956 – 1958
f.4	PTA Publications/Announcements	
f.5	Arizona PTA Conferences/Conventions	1957 - 1959
f.6	PTA Newspaper Clippings	1954 – 1958
f.7	La Serna High School Paper “Freelancer”	1975
f.8	Photos – Leland Burkhart	
f.9	Photos – PTA Group Photos	
f.10	Photos – Children (Carolyn Hall and Unidentified)	
f.11	Mother’s Day Card and New Orleans Folder	
f.12	Videotape: “Arizona PTA: Celebrating 90 Years of Advocacy”	1996