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HISTORICAL NOTE: The Phoenix Press Box Association was founded in 1949 as a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to the promotion of sports at all levels and sports journalism in Arizona high schools. The activities of the Press Box included awarding scholarships to journalist students entering college and fundraisers for these scholarships. The Walter Cronkite School of Journalism at Arizona State University still maintains a Phoenix Press Box Association Scholarship for Graduate level students.

The Press Box also sponsored sports luncheons to promote sports achievement and to facilitate talks at the high school, college, and professional levels for athletes and coaches. Special guests were often invited to these luncheons.

The Press Box hosted an annual Sports Awards Dinner for Coach, High School Athlete Professional Athlete and College Coach of the Year. Special awards were also given for sports journalism. The Press Box brought in professional athletes, notable celebrities and entertainers to be key note speakers. The Press Box also hosted sports venues such as the Harlem Globetrotters to promote sports in Arizona.

The Press Box created the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame in 1957. The inductees into the Hall of Fame are athletes from Arizona who made an impact on the world of sports such as Lewis Tewanima, member of the Hopi Nation and two time Olympic Track and Field star and Jack Stewart founder of the Fiesta Bowl.

In 1990, the Phoenix Press Box began to look for others to take over the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame and the Sports Award Dinner as interest in the organization waned. By

1996 all business had been suspended except for obligations pertaining to scholarships. The organization was formally dissolved in 1999.

The Phoenix Press Box, for a short time collaborated with the Maricopa County Sports Authority for the sponsorship of The Arizona Sports Hall of Fame and the Sports Award Dinners. In 2007 the Maricopa County Sports Authority changed its name to the Phoenix Regional Sports Commission, which currently sponsors the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame. www.phoenixsports.org

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: The main activities of the Phoenix Press Box such as Scholarships, Sports Awards Dinners, Sports Hall of Fame are documented in newspaper clippings, press releases, photographs, correspondence and VHS tapes and photographs. The collection also contains correspondence regarding the daily operations of the organization as well as publications used as background information for various awards.

The collection houses biographies of inductees in the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame and information regarding the dedication of the Arizona Sports Hall of Fame in 1971. Note that the collection contains awards and memorabilia from Dr. Charles Borah, 1928 Olympic Gold Medalist in Track and Field.

There are some gaps in the Sports Awards Dinner programs. Where possible the programs were kept with the file for that particular year. Those filed separately do not have additional information for that year.

The collection was arranged in seven series according to activities and formats found within the organization. Folders are organized alphabetically and chronologically within unless stated otherwise. **Series I: Business; Series II: Arizona Sports Award Dinners; Series III: Arizona Sports Hall of Fame; Series IV: Scholarships; Series V: Publications; VI: Media; VII: Awards, Memorabilia.**

CONTAINER LIST:

Box	Folder	Title	Dates
1	1	Business: Arizona Small Business Association	1991-1993
	2	Business: Articles of Incorporation, By-laws, Application and Certificate of Trade Name	1950-1989
	3	Business: Correspondence	1950-1954
	4	Business: Correspondence	1955
	5	Business: Correspondence (includes memos)	1959-1960
	6	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, minutes)	1961-1962
	7	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, minutes) 1 of 2	1963-1964
	8	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, minutes) 2 of 2	1963-1964

	9	Business: Correspondence (includes minutes, memos, by-laws) 1 of 2	1965-1966
2	1	Business: Correspondence (includes memos,, minutes, by-laws) 2 of 2	1965-1966
	2	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, minutes, by-laws)	1967
	3	Business: Correspondence (includes minutes, memos)	1968
	4	Business: Correspondence (includes minutes, memos)	1969
	5	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, finance)	1970
	6	Business: Correspondence (includes memos)	1971-1976
3	1	Business: Correspondence (includes memos)	1977-1978
	2	Business: Correspondence (includes memos)	1979-1982
	3	Business: Correspondence (includes minutes)	1985
	4	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, minutes) 1 of 2	1986-1996
	5	Business: Correspondence (includes memos, minutes) 2 of 2	1986-1996
	6	Business: Financial Reports	1973-1982
	7	Business: Letterhead, Membership Cards	ND
	8	Business: Luncheons	1991
	9	Business: Membership lists	1962-1991
	10	Business: Minutes	1956-1957
	11	Business: Minutes	1979
	12	Business: Newsletters	1986-1991
4	1	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Award Certificates	ND
	2	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Ballots	1963-1964
	3	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Committee	1985
	4	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Committee	1986-1987
	5	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1961-1962
	6	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1963-1964
	7	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1965-1966
	8	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1967-1979
	9	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1980-1985
	10	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1986-1987
5	1	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1988-1989
	2	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Correspondence	1990-1992
	3	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Dinner Duties Schedule	1966-1967
	4	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Kathy Miller Award	1988
	5	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Notes (includes photo)	1986-1987
	6	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Notes	1988
	7	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Phoenix Award	1985-1987
	8	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Phoenix Press Box and Shamrock Distribution Co. Agreement	1987
	9	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Programs	1950-1975

	10	Arizona Sports Award Dinner: Silent Auction	1988
6	1	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Adams, Alvan	1975-1989
	2	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Allison, Bob	1946-1974
	3	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Arizona Wranglers	1983
	4	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Ball, Bobby (includes photo)	1972
	5	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Borah, Charles Dr. (includes photo)	1961-1980
	6	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Brawner, Clint (includes photo)	1969-1981
	7	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Brazell, Dave (includes photo)	1982-1983
	8	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Breuning, Bob (includes photo)	1983
	9	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Bryan, Jimmy (includes photo)	1964
	10	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Bulla, Johnny (includes photo)	1978-1979
	11	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Casteel, Miles W. (Mike) (includes photo)	1970-1974
	12	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Chanin, Abe	1989-1990
	13	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Coggins, Milt Sr. (includes photo)	1967-1982
	14	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Correspondence	1956-1958
	15	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Correspondence	1987-1988
	16	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Davis, Walter (includes photo)	1983
	17	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Dedication	1971
	18	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Doherty, Ed	1982-1984
	19	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Enke, Fred (includes photo)	1969-1985
	20	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Enke, Fred W. Jr. (includes photo)	1946-1984
	21	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Famulatte, Joe (includes photo)	1973-1982
	22	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Fiesta Bowl	1989-1990
	23	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Ford, Edgar (Mutt) (includes photo)	1972
	24	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Frazier, Walt (includes photo)	1977-1978
	25	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Ftorek, Robbi	1978-1985
	26	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Gianelli, Frank	1952-1988
	27	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Goldwater, Bob (includes photo)	1984-1985
	28	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Grace, Earl (includes photo)	1962-1971

		photo)	
	29	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Guarena, Patsy Willard	1960-1984
	30	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Hicks, David (includes photo)	1960-1989
	31	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Hogan, Thomas E. (Shanty) (includes photo)	1979-1990
	32	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Housholder, Bob (includes photo)	1976-1984
	33	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Housholder, Vic. H. (Includes photo)	1940-1972
	34	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Hoy, George (Dutch) (includes photo)	1966
7	1	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Jackson, Kathy Gibbons (includes photo)	1987-1988
	2	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Kush, Frank (includes photo)	1987-1989
	3	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Lanser, Joseph Sr. (includes photo)	1896-1964
	4	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Lavik, Rudy (includes photo)	1966-1974
	5	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Lee, Thorton (includes photo)	1960
	6	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Lieber, Hank (includes photo)	1963-1984
	7	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Livingston, Warren (includes photo)	1959-1984
	8	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Long, Dallas (includes photo)	1972-1982
	9	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Long, Ed (includes photo)	1986
	10	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: McCluskey, Roger (includes photo)	1981
	11	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: McKale, James F. (includes photo)	1958
	12	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: McLeod, George	1989-1990
	13	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Miller, Bill (includes photo)	1948-1984
	14	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Mortensen, Jess (includes photos)	1958
	15	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Nehf, Arthur Sr. (includes photo)	1960-1971
	16	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Pardee, C. W. (Doc) (includes photo)	1968
	17	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Peoples, Maurice (includes photo)	1977

	18	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Phoenix Open/Phoenix Thunderbirds	1984-1985
	19	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Pomeroy, Earl (includes photo)	1965-1972
	20	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Riggle, John	1989-1990
	21	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Robinson, Robbie (includes photo)	1965-1972
	22	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Sancet, Frank (includes photo)	1972-1982
	23	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Smith, Clyde B. (includes photo)	1972-1975
	24	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Smith-Haas, Margie (includes photo)	ND
	25	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Solheim, Karsten (includes photo)	1977-1985
	26	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Stewart, Jack	1988
	27	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Tewanima, Lewis (includes photo)	1957-1984
	28	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Van Arsdale, Dick (includes photo)	1981-1983
	29	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Van Haran, Arthur Sr. (includes photo)	1978-1979
	30	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Walker, Larry	1970-1989
	31	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: White, Wilford (Wizzer)	1968-1984
	32	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: White, Danny	1983
	33	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Wilkinson, Dot (includes photo)	1973-1976
	34	Arizona Sports Hall of Fame: Wulk, Ned (includes photo)	1985
8	1	Scholarship: Applications A-B	1991
	2	Scholarship: Applications G-V	1991
	3	Scholarship: Celebrity Golf Classic	1990
	4	Scholarship: Correspondence (includes Worksheets)	1970-1978
	5	Scholarship: Correspondence (includes Worksheets)	1980-1985
	6	Scholarship: Correspondence	1986-1988
	7	Scholarship: Correspondence (includes Worksheets)	1989-1992
	8	Scholarship: Correspondence	1993-1997
	9	Scholarship: Nostalgia Day	ND
	10	Scholarship: Remember When at Arizona State University	1989
	11	Scholarship: Squaw Peek Challenge	1987-1989
9	1	Publications: American City Racing League	1987-1988
	2	Publications: Arizona Golf Course Directory	1989
	3	Publications: Arizona High School Basketball	1988

		Championships	
	4	Publications: Arizona State University Baseball	1987-1990
	5	Publications: Arizona State University Basketball	1987-1988
	6	Publications: Arizona State University Cross Country	1988
	7	Publications: Arizona State University Football 1 of 2	1984
	8	Publications: Arizona State University Football 2 of 2	1989-1990
	9	Publications: Arizona State University Gymnastics	1989-1991
	10	Publications: Arizona State University Swimming and Diving	1986-1987
	11	Publications: Arizona State University Track and Field	1990
	12	Publications: Arizona State University Volleyball	1987
	13	Publications: Arizona State University Wrestling	1986-1989
	14	Publications: Barry Sollenberger's Phoenix Metro Football	1986-1988
	15	Publications: Down Under Bowl, Arizona High School All Stars	1989-1990
	16	Publications: Fiesta Bowl	1990
	17	Publications: Firebirds	1993
10	1	Publications: Grand Canyon University Baseball Schedule	1990
	2	Publications: Grand Canyon University Basketball	1990-1991
	3	Publications: Grand Canyon University Women's Basketball	1990
	4	Publications: Harlem Globetrotters	1970-1973
	5	Publications: K Ball (Special Olympics)	ND
	6	Publications: KTAR Gridiron Guide (Football)	1989
	7	Publications: Major League Baseball Players Alumni	1990
	8	Publications: Maricopa County Sports Authority	1990
	9	Publications: National Basketball Association Schedule	1987-1988
	10	Publications: Lomax-Ping Quarterback Shootout	ND
	11	Publications: Northern Arizona University Basketball Media Guide	1986-1989
	12	Publications: Northern Arizona University Football Media Guide	1986-1990
	13	Publications: Northern Arizona University Lumberjack Football Fact Book	1990
	14	Publications: Northern Arizona University Sports Information	1988-1990
	15	Publications: Oakland Athletics Information Guide	1987
	16	Publications: The Olympian	1989-1990
	17	Publications: Phoenix Art Museum	1991
11	1	Publications: Phoenix Cardinals Media Guide	1989-1990
	2	Publications: The Phoenix Pitch	ND
	3	Publications: Phoenix Press Box Association Twenty-fifth Anniversary	1974

	4	Publications: Phoenix Roadrunners Official Souvenir Yearbook	1990-1991
	5	Publications: Phoenix Suns Media Guide	1986-1990
	6	Publications: Ron Keefer Memorial Awards Dinner	1986
	7	Publications: Seattle Mariners Media Guide	1987
	8	Publications: The Story of the Phoenix Press Box Association	ND
	9	Publications: Street and Smith's College Football	1989
	10	Publications: United States Olympic Committee	1989-1990
	11	Publications: United States Olympic Calendar	1990
	12	Publications: University of Arizona Basketball Media Guide	1990-1991
	13	Publications: University of Arizona Football	1986
	14	Publications: University of Arizona Honor Roll	1988-1989
	15	Media: Newspaper Clippings	1970-1973
	16	Media: Newspaper Clippings	1974
12	1	Media: Newspaper Clippings	1975
	2	Media: Newspaper Clippings	1976-1977
	3	Media: Newspaper Clippings	1979
	4	Media: Newspaper Clippings	1981-1993
	5	Media: photographs, Arizona Sports Hall of Fame	1988
	6	Media: photographs, Harlem Globetrotters (includes vinyl record of "Sweet Georgia Brown")	1974-1980
	7	Media: photographs, Head Shots (A-G)	1959-1987
	8	Media: photographs, Head Shots (H-W)	ND
	9	Media: photographs, Sports Award Dinner	1950s
13	1	Media: photographs, Sports Award Dinner	1960s
	2	Media: photographs, Sports Award Dinner	1970s
	3	Media: photographs, Sports Award Dinner	1980s
	4	Media: photographs, Sports Award Dinner (Negatives)	1950s-1980s
	5	Media: photographs, Turf Club	1989
	6	Media: Press Releases	1972-1988
	7	Media: Press Releases	1989-1992
14	1	Media: VHS, Bates/Sass	1990

	2	Media: VHS, Carbajal	ND
	3	Media: VHS, Karsten's Guide to Great Golf (Fair/Farrell/Kelly/Douglas/Purtzer)	1990
	4	Media: VHS, Mike Kelly Sports Award Arizona State Baseball	ND
	5	Media: VHS, Molina Productions	1990
	6	Media: VHS, Phil Mich/Loy	ND
	7	Media: VHS, 1991 Professional Athlete of the Year Tom Purtzer	1991
15	1	Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Award Scholarship and Achievement Junior Class	1921-1922
	2	Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Award Orange County A-A-U Meet	1927
	3	Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Award President Roosevelt First Prize	1928
	4	Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Award Ehrengabe Des Chamberger Fremdenblatt	1928
	5	Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Award Individual High Point	1928
	6	Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Award West Coast Relays	1929
	7	Awards and Memorabilia: Button (Bob Davies)	ND
	8	Awards and Memorabilia: Clock	1986
	9	Awards and Memorabilia: Corporate Seal	ND
	10	Awards and Memorabilia: Money Clip (Various)	ND
	11	Awards and Memorabilia: Northern Arizona Lumberjacks Hockey Puck	ND
	12	Awards and Memorabilia: Press Box Patches	ND
	13	Awards and Memorabilia: Sports Award Dinner Commemorative Cup	ND
16		Awards and Memorabilia: Borah, Charles Olympic Track Suit (includes 2 pairs of shoes, wool shirt and pants, silk shorts and top, 4 plaques from the Trojan Alumni Association)	1927, 1928, 1969
17		Awards and Memorabilia: Plaques (Jess Mortensen 1958, Dallas Long 1972, Patsy Willard Heckel 1977, Bill Miller 1978)	1958, 1972, 1977, 1978
18		Awards and Memorabilia: Arizona Sports Hall of Fame, University of Arizona Athletes on the Centennial	1985

		1885-1985 (large plaque)	
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