

Communities Ephemera Subject Files
1794-2004
(bulk 1960-1999)

Collection Summary

Creator: Intentionally assembled by Special Collections Division staff, beginning at an unknown date, probably in the late 1960s, and collected on an ongoing basis.

Title: Communities Ephemera Subject Files

Inclusive Dates: 1794-2004 (bulk 1960-1999)

Summary/Abstract: Wide variety of materials relating to various Tennessee communities, with emphasis on Nashville and Davidson County.

Physical Description/Extent: 1 cu. ft.

Language: In English.

Stack Location: Closed stacks workroom; closed stacks map room oversize ephemera subject files

Repository: Special Collections Division, Nashville Public Library, 615 Church St., Nashville, TN 37219

Scope and Contents of the Collection

Brochures, pamphlets, newsletters, reports, lists, booklets, and a variety of other material concerning various Tennessee communities. Emphasis is upon Nashville and Davidson County, with a large quantity of material relating to or produced by the city, county, or metropolitan governments. Chronological lists of government officials for various offices are a particularly helpful resource.

Subjects in the collection include overviews of communities, government, history, tourism and industry. For Nashville neighborhoods, subjects include historic or restored homes, neighborhood tours, house and garden tours, neighborhood associations, and neighborhood history. Quantity of materials on a subject ranges from a single item to several folders. Includes some photocopies.

Organization/Arrangement of Materials

Organization:

Organized into two series:

I. Communities outside of Nashville/Davidson County.

II. Nashville/Davidson County.

Subseries: A. Nashville - Neighborhoods

B. Nashville - Government

C. Nashville – Subjects

Arrangement:

Arranged alphabetically within each subseries.

Restrictions

Restrictions on Access: In library use only. Available by appointment.

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Index Terms

Personal Names

Boner, William H.
Bredesen, Phil
Briley, Beverly, 1914-1980
Fulton, Richard Harmon, 1927-
Purcell, Bill
West, Ben, 1911-1974

Corporate Names/Organizations:

Davidson County (Tenn.). - Sheriff's Office
Davidson County (Tenn.). - Election Commission
Davidson County (Tenn.). - Juvenile Court
Grand Army of the Republic
Historical Commission of Metropolitan Nashville-Davidson County
Metropolitan Human Relations Commission (Nashville, Tenn.)
Nashville (Tenn.). - Board of Health
Nashville (Tenn.). - Board of Public Works
Nashville (Tenn.). - Mayor.
Nashville (Tenn.). - Metropolitan Police Dept.
Nashville (Tenn.). - Planning and Zoning Commission.
Nashville (Tenn.). - Water Works
Nashville and Davidson County (Tenn.). - Metropolitan Planning Commission
Nashville and Davidson County (Tenn.). - Metropolitan Public Health Dept.
Nashville and Davidson County (Tenn.). - Dept. of Water and Sewerage Services
Nashville and Davidson County (Tenn.). - Fire Dept.
Nashville and Davidson County (Tenn.). - Mayor
Nashville Fire Dept.
Nashville Thermal Transfer Corporation
Nashville's Agenda (Tenn.)

Subjects:

Advertising – Tourism – Tennessee
Architecture and tourism - Tennessee
Architecture, Domestic - Tennessee
Central business districts – Tennessee - Chattanooga
Central business districts – Tennessee - Memphis

Central business districts – Tennessee – Nashville
Cities and towns – Tennessee – Growth
Citizens' associations – Tennessee - Nashville
City and town life – Tennessee
City planning – Tennessee – Nashville
City promotion – Tennessee – Chattanooga
City promotion – Tennessee - Memphis
City promotion – Tennessee – Nashville
Civic improvement – Tennessee - Nashville
Community development – Tennessee – Nashville
Community health services – Tennessee - Nashville
Community life – Tennessee
Constables – Tennessee - Nashville
Cultural property – Protection – Tennessee - Nashville
Culture and tourism – Tennessee - Nashville
Dwellings – Tennessee - Nashville
Fire departments – Tennessee - Nashville
Garden tours – Tennessee - Nashville
Health boards – Tennessee - Nashville
Heritage tourism – Tennessee - Nashville
Historic buildings – Conservation and restoration – Tennessee - Nashville
Historic preservation – Awards – Tennessee - Nashville
Juvenile courts – Tennessee – Nashville
Mayors – Tennessee - Nashville
Municipal water supply – Tennessee- Nashville
Music and tourism – Tennessee - Nashville
Neighborhood – Tennessee - Nashville
Neighborhood government – Tennessee - Nashville
Neighborhood planning – Tennessee - Nashville
Ordinances, Municipal – Tennessee – Nashville
Police – Tennessee – Nashville
Public health – Tennessee - Nashville
Sheriffs – Tennessee – Davidson County
Tourism – Tennessee - Nashville
Urbanization – Tennessee - Nashville
Voter registration – Tennessee- Nashville
Water-supply – Tennessee-Nashville
Zoning – Tennessee - Nashville

Places:

Bellevue (Tenn.)
Brentwood (Tenn.)
Chattanooga (Tenn.) – Description and travel
Davidson County (Tenn.) – Commerce
Davidson County (Tenn.) – Description and travel

Davidson County (Tenn.) – Economic conditions
Davidson County (Tenn.) – History – Sources
Davidson County (Tenn.) – Officials and employees
Davidson County (Tenn.) – Politics and government
East End (Nashville, Tenn.)
Edgefield (Tenn.)
Flat Rock (Nashville, Tenn.)
Franklin (Tenn.)
Green Hills (Nashville, Tenn.)
Hillsboro-West End (Nashville, Tenn.)
Jackson (Tenn.)
Lawrenceburg (Tenn.)
Lockeland Springs (Nashville, Tenn.)
Lookout Mountain (Appalachian Mountains)
Memphis (Tenn.) – Description and travel
Nashville (Tenn.) – Commerce
Nashville (Tenn.) – Description and travel
Nashville (Tenn.) – Economic conditions
Nashville (Tenn.) – History – Sources
Nashville (Tenn.) – Officials and employees
Nashville (Tenn.) – Politics and government
Nashville and Davidson County (Tenn.)
Old Hickory (Tenn.)
Richland-West End (Nashville, Tenn.)
Shelbyville (Tenn.)
Sylvan Park (Nashville, Tenn.)
Tennessee – Description and travel
Tennessee – History – Sources
Woodbine (Nashville, Tenn.)
Woodland-in-Waverly (Nashville, Tenn.)

Genre/Document Types:

Newsletters
Pamphlets
Manuscripts
Annual reports
Official reports
Reports
Brochures
Lists (document genres)

Occupations:

Constables
Mayors
Public officers
Sheriffs

Separated Material

Some items may have been separated for storage to an oversize box, drawer, or the Nashville Room Photographs Collection. Separation notices have been used to indicate such removals.

The following materials were removed from the Communities Ephemera Subject Files during reprocessing in 2007 and form their own collections, cataloged and accessed separately:

Howard Boyd Lectures and Articles, ca. 1974.

Nashville Water Works Correspondence, 1887-1941, (bulk 1889-1891)

Administrative Information

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Processing Information: Weeded by staff members Linda Barnickel and Carol Kaplan, 2003. Rehoused and reprocessed by staff member Linda Barnickel, 2007. All actions part of overall ephemera subject files reprocessing project.

Accruals: Additional accruals are expected.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I. Communities outside of Nashville/Davidson County

Brentwood, 1986

Chattanooga (2 folders)

1. "Chattanooga the Gate to the South," Grand Army of the Republic Encampment, 1913
2. Views of Lookout Mountain, etc., 1919

Franklin, 1963

Jackson, 1983

Lawrenceburg, 1976-1980

Memphis (2 folders)

1. "The City of Opportunity," 1924
2. variety, 1963-ca. 1980

Shelbyville, ca. 1975

Series II. Nashville/Davidson County

Subseries A. Nashville - Neighborhoods

Bellevue, 1995

East End, 1981

OVERSIZE BOX 1, FOLDER 19:

Poster: "Discover the Near East in Nashville," 1987

Edgefield (2 folders)

1. Home Tours, 1976-1988
2. misc., 1980-1986

Green Hills, 1987

Lockeland Springs (4 folders)

1. Neighborhood Assoc., ca. 1979-ca. 1988
2. Lockeland essay by Harry V.L. Gower, 1970
3. Home Tours, 1979-1987
4. Home Tours, 1990-1999

OVERSIZE BOX 1, FOLDER 19:

Poster: "Christmas in Lockeland" tour, 1981

Old Hickory, 1998-1999

OVERSIZE BOX 1, FOLDER 19:

"Old Hickory Village Home & Garden Tour" fan, 1999

Richland-West End, 1986-1999

OVERSIZE BOX 1, FOLDER 19:

Poster: Home and Garden Tour poster, 1994

Sylvan Park, 1986-1987

West Nashville (2 folders)

1. Tours, 1986-1988
2. Business and Classified Directories, 1960-1964

Woodbine/Flat Rock, 1976

Woodland-in-Waverly, 1983-1985

Subseries B. Nashville – Government

In general

City, (pre-1963), ca. 1794

Metro, (post-1963) [after consolidation], 1968-1995

Departments

Budget & Finance, 1949-1950

Courts, ca. 1963-1998

Fire Dept., 1871-1975

Health Dept., 1905-1969

Human Relations Commission, 1974

Mayor [alpha by last name]

Boner, Bill – 1987, 1989

Bredesen, Phil – 1991, 1995

Briley, Beverly – 1966, ca. 1975

Fulton, Richard – 1976

Purcell, Bill – 1999

West, Ben – 1960, 1977

Metro Historical Commission (4 folders)

1. In general, 1974-1979
2. Awards, 1973-1980

- 3. Awards, 1989-1992
- 4. Awards, 1994-2004
- Officials, (Lists of), (2 folders)
 - 1. Lists of Officials, 1806-1990
 - 2. League of Women Voters Guides, 1967-1992
- Planning Commission, 1973-1982
- Police Dept., 1868-1998
- Public Works, 1904
- Sheriff (Davidson Co.), 1998
- Thermal Transfer Plant, ca. 1974
- Voter Registration, 1963
- Water Dept. (2 folders)
 - 1. (no date)
 - 2. Metro Water Services, 1966-1987
- OVERSIZE DRAWER BB-2, FOLDER 2:
 - Poster: "The Water We Drink," 1998
- Zoning, 1936

Subseries C. Nashville – Subjects

- History (3 folders)
 - 1. 1966-1978
 - 2. 1942-1960
 - 3. 1958-1971
- Misc., 1909
- "Nashville's Agenda," 1994
- Tourism and Development, ca. 1907-1976