 Rare Books and Manuscripts

Alfred J. Ford Collection

Accession Number: SC 18:59

Location: RB-M

Dates: 1942-2018

Size: 1 record carton, 1 flat box; 3 cubic feet

Creator/Collector: Alfred J. Ford

Acquisition info: Donated by stepdaughter Linda Smith, September 2018

Accruals: No accruals expected

Custodial history: Donated by stepdaughter Linda Smith, September 2018

Language: English

Processed by: Melissa Miller, September 2018

Conservation notes: Items placed in acid-free folders; paper clips removed; items removed from picture frames when applicable

Scope and Content: The collection contains some of the papers of Alfred J. Ford, a prominent civic leader in St. Louis. Items include correspondence, news clippings, photographs, plaques, and certificates.

Arrangement: Alphabetical by topic

Restrictions: No restrictions

Remarks: Western Historical Manuscript Collection at University of Missouri-St. Louis houses another collection of Mr. Ford’s papers.

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**Box/Folder Description**

1/1 Finding Aid

1/2 Alfonso J. Cervantes

-News clippings; 1967-1973 (7)

-Picture

-Testimonial dinner program; 1968

1/3 Chamber of Commerce

-Annual Banquet program; 1972

-Annual Report; 1972

-Cards; 1972 (6)

-Chamber VIP News; March 1972

-Correspondence; 1972-1975 (9)

-News clippings; 1972 (4)

-Profiles; 1982

-Telegram; 1972

1/4 Child Center of Our Lady of Grace

-The Center Line newsletter; 1966-1972 (3)

-Correspondence; 1967-1976 (10)

-News clippings; 1966-1974 (9)

-Press release; 1974

1/5 Committee for Quality Schools

-Correspondence; 1964-1969 (23)

-Flier; 1966

-Handwritten notes (5)

-Mailing

-Memos; 1965 (2)

-News clippings; 1965-1969 (6)

-Press release; 1967

-Sample ballot; 1965

1/6 Correspondence, 1950s-1960s (107)

1/7 Correspondence, 1970s-1980s (110)

1/8 Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem

-Annual meeting information; 1982

-Cape sizing (2)

-Correspondence; 1982 (8)

-Handwritten notes; 1981

-Manual; 1981

-News clippings; 1982

-The Origins, Structure, and Present Work of the

Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem; 1974

-Receipts; 1982 (3)

1/9 Ford Brothers Insurance

-Business cards (4)

-Correspondence; 1965-1973 (5)

-Form letter; 1963

-News clippings; 1956-1967 (4)

-Presenting General Insurors’ Story

-Receipts; 1950-1951 (7)

1/10 Gateway National Bank

-Correspondence; 1973-1989 (3)

-Proxy statement; 1987

-Shareholder meeting notice; 1987

1/11 Grand Jury

-Correspondence; 1959-1969 (6)

-Jury summons; 1961

-Member lists; 1967-1969 (2)

-News clippings; 1965-1967 (2)

-Report; 1970

1/12 Housing and Urban Development

-Correspondence; 1975-1976 (5)

-News clippings; 1975-1988 (6)

1/13 Interracial Council for Business Opportunity

-Board of Directors list; 1972

-A Brief Look at the Interracial Council for Business Opportunity (2)

-Bylaws; 1969

-Capital Resources Committee Report; 1969

-Correspondence; 1968-1972 (17)

-Handwritten notes (2)

-Larry A. Brown Resume

-List of names

-News clippings; 1968-1969 (2)

-Newsletters; 1969-1971 (3)

-Officers of the Board of Directors; 1972

-Staff Profiles; 1972

1/14 Jokes (47)

1/15 Lawton-Byrne-Bruner

-Advertisements; 1973 (2)

-Correspondence; 1970-1973 (5)

-Handwritten note

-History write-up

-Marsh & McLennan Management Newsletter; 1986

-News clippings; 1968-1986 (17)

1/16 Marillac College

-Board member list; 1971

-Board of trustees list

-Bylaws; 1971 (2)

-Correspondence; 1971 (7)

-Development Committee information

-Meeting agendas and minutes; 1971 (3)

-Planning Commission list

1/17 Mercantile-Commerce Trust Co.

-Card

-News clippings; 1973-1974 (9)

1/18 Miscellaneous Items

-Alfred J. Ford memorial bulletin; 2001

-Alfred J. Ford resume; 1993-1995 (3)

-Attendance list

-Blumeyer Village Transfer Policy questions; 1967

-Division list

-Gridiron dinner program; 1975

-Handwritten notes; 1975 (5)

-Herbert C. Duckett dinner invitation; 1973

-IM Simon & Co. information; 1972

-Insurance claim; 1944

-Leif Johan Sverdrup funeral bulletin

-Mansion House brochure

-Marjorie Eloise Ford memorial bulletin; 2018 (2)

-Martin E. Graham program

-Memo; 1961

-National Conference of Christians and Jews award banquet invitations; 1985 (2)

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-Receipts; 1974

-Robert A. Mueller resume

-Sympathy thank you card

-Turf Grills advertisement

-Turf Grills blank stationery

-Turf Grills contract; 1942

-Union National Bank Statement of Condition; 1974

1/19 News Clippings, 1950s-1960s (90)

1/20 News Clippings, 1971-1987 (83)

1/21 News Clippings, 1988-1989 (40)

1/22 News Clippings, 1990s and Undated (56)

1/23 News Clippings, Ford Family; 1965-1991 (36)

1/23 Newsletters and Publications

-Collection Letters That Bring in the Money; 1954

-Contact! Newsletter; 1980

-“Having the Power, We Have the Duty”; 1966

-Media Club News; 1974

-Minority Business; 1978

-Open Housing and the Constitution; 1968

-St. Louis Ambassadors Newsletters; 1974-1975 (2)

-St. Louis Commerce; 1972

-St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association newsletter; 1990 (2)

-To Prevent a Chain of Super-Watts; 1967

-The Wayfarer; 1966

1/24 Photographs; 1966-1997 (21)

1/25 St. Louis Council on Human Relations, Correspondence; 1965-1977 (146)

1/26 St. Louis Council on Human Relations, Handwritten Notes (70)

1/27 St. Louis Council on Human Relations, Misc. Info

-Ad Hoc Committee on Charges against Andrew J. Brown suggestions

-Anti-Solicitation Ordinance; 1970

-Bicentennial Community Conference program; 1975

-Budget information; 1970-1973 (6)

-Bylaws; 1969-1976 (5)

-Chairman’s Nominations; 1973 (3)

-Charles J. Marino profile

-City ordinances; 1950-1976 (4)

-Civil Rights Enforcement Agency ordinance; 1976

-Commissioner Position Description

-Commissioner’s Report; 1973

-Council information; 1968 (2)

-Dorothy Ruth Harrison profile

-Enabling Ordinance; 1950

-Fair Employment Practices Ordinance; 1962

-Fair Housing Ordinance; 1964

-Flow charts; 1972-1974 (5)

-General Chairman’s Initial Offerings; 1972 (3)

-Gwen B. Giles profile

-James F. de Clue Jr. resume; 1973

-Jerome Shen profile

-Luncheon program; 1968 (2)

-Matters Agreed on by the Committee on Ordinances

-Mayor’s Executive Order

-Meeting Agendas; 1972-1976 (5)

-Meeting Report and Minutes; 1967-1973 (4)

-Meeting Statement; 1972 (3)

-Member list; 1976 (2)

-Missouri Supreme Court Notice of Appeal; 1977

-Ordinance-Related Staff Activity summary report; 1972

-Press releases (3)

-Progress Report; 1972

-Public Accommodations Ordinance; 1961

-Sign Prohibition Ordinance; 1970

-Special meeting notice and statement; 1972 (2)

-Speech transcript (8)

-Tribute to Alfred J. Ford

-Wesbury Bascom personal data sheet

1/28 St. Louis Council on Human Relations, News Clippings; 1965-1976 (59)

1/29 St. Louis Council on Human Relations, Press Releases; 1967-1977 (16)

1/30 St. Louis Council on Human Relations, Reports

-Bill of Particulars; 1972

-Highlights and Analysis of Probable Solutions to the St. Louis City Hospital Problems

-Interim Comprehensive Plan; 1975

-Report on the St. Louis Council on Human Relations; 1972

1/31 St. Louis University

-Community Leaders Division agenda; 1961

-Correspondence; 1961-1971 (31)

-News clippings; 1980-1986 (6)

-Press release; 1977

-Receipts; 1964-1965 (2)

1/32 Spirit of ‘76

-Articles

-Bicentennial Horizons of American Music and the Performing Arts schedule; 1976

-Blank stationery

-Board of Directors list; 1975

-Brochures (2)

-Bylaws

-Correspondence; 1975-1977 (20)

-Financial information; 1976 (5)

-Joint Cooperation Agreement

-Landmarks Association information

-List of names

-Meeting Minutes; 1975-1976 (5)

-Office Report; 1976

-Officially Sponsored Projects

-Schedule of events; 1976

1/33 United Fund

-Correspondence; 1967-1984 (13)

-News clippings; 1967-1989 (7)

1/34 Urban League

-Annual meeting invitation; 1966

-Annual meeting programs; 1966-1975 (5)

-Capital Fund Review Board member list

-Correspondence; 1966-1969 (10)

-News clippings; 1966-1976 (13)

-Speech transcript; 1975

2/1 Certificates

-Cardinal Ritter Institute Board of Directors; 1989

-Frontiers International Inc., Presidential Citation; 1980

-German-American Civic Award; 1989

-Knights of Cardinal Glennon; 1974

-Mayor’s Civic Award

-Mercantile Bank, Director

-St. Louis Ambassadors Board of Directors; 1978

-St. Louis City Proclamation, Gridiron Night; 1975

-St. Louis Spirit of ’76; 1976

2/- Awards and Oversized Items

-Archdiocesan Development Council appreciation; 1991

-Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, Josephus certificate; Alfred and Marjorie Ford; 1990 (2)

-Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, Maximilianus certificate; Alfred and Marjorie Ford; 1986 (2)

-Levee Mercantile Interpretive Area Concept Proposal

-Missouri Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors; 1981

-Religious patch

-St. Louis Council on Human Relations recognition certificate; 1976

-St. Louis Frontiers Club Distinguished Community Leadership; 1968

-St. Louis University President’s Council Chairman; 1987

-Secretary’s Complete Model Letter Handbook; 1965

-Strassenfest Corporation recognition; 1974