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Seminary Townhouse Association records

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Collection Description

Seminary Townhouse Association records
Date Range: 1979-1999
Bulk Dates: 1993-1995
Quantity: 1 LF, 3 boxes

Creator
Seminary Townhouse Association (Chicago, Ill.)

History
The Seminary Townhouse Association (STA) was formed in 1974 in order to purchase the property the townhouses owned by the McCormick Theological Seminary were built upon rather than allow them to be sold and moved to Hyde Park. STA is comprised of the 54 townhouses and two freestanding houses in the 800 and 900 blocks of the south side of Fullerton Avenue, the 800 block of Chalmers Place, and the north side of Belden Avenue. The homes and adjacent land are all privately owned with an emphasis on community and family. The homes were officially designated a Chicago Landmark District in 1977. These homes are commonly known as the McCormick Row Houses.

For a fuller history of STA, please refer to Elizabeth K. Ware's book entitled The Seminary Townhouses Stay: The History of a Unique Community Preservation Process in Chicago (1994), located in the General Files series, Box 1.

Scope
This collection contains newsletters, directories, correspondence, photographs, and slides issued by or related to the Seminary Townhouse Association.

Arrangement
The Seminary Townhouse Association Records are currently organized into two series:
1. Publications; 2. General Files

Provenance
Accession records were not created for the bulk of the materials in this collection. Donated by Liz Ware, Accession 2000.09

Location
3/34/B

Restrictions
This collection is open for research use.

Language
In English
Series Descriptions

Series 001: Publications
Date Range: 1979-1995
Quantity: 0.33 LF

Scope:
The Publications series contains newsletters and telephone directories created by the Seminary Townhouse Association.

Arrangement:
Materials are grouped by format, then arranged chronologically. Newsletters precede telephone directories.

Location: 3/34/B
Restrictions: None

Container List
Box#.Folder#   Folder Title       Date
001.001       Newsletters        1979-1987
001.002       STA Newsletter     1989
001.003       Newsletters        1990-1992
001.004       Newsletters        1993
001.005       Newsletters        1994
001.006       Newsletters        1995
001.007       Telephone Directory 1990
001.008       Telephone Directory 1993
001.009       Telephone Directory 1995

Series 002: General Files
Date Range: 1989-1999
Quantity: 0.66 LF

Scope:
The General Files series is chiefly comprised of photographs and slides. This series also contains correspondence, event flyers, legal documents, auction materials, and a copy of Elizabeth Ware's book about STA, The Seminary Townhouses Stay.

Arrangement:
Files are arranged alphabetically by subject, then chronologically. Oversized materials are grouped at the end of the series.

Location: 3/34/B
Restrictions: None

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001.011       Administrative: Correspondence and Memos 1992-1994
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