

Wilmington Historical Society
309 W. Opp St.
Wilmington CA 90744
wilmingtonhistory@gmail.com

Finding Aid for the
Doralee Uruburu, Junior Women's Club of Wilmington Collection,
1953-1963

Collection Overview

Title: Doralee Uruburu, Junior Women's Club of Wilmington Collection

Dates: 1953-1963

ID: DUJ

Primary Creator: Uruburu, Uruburu , 1923-2014

Extent: 1.21 linear feet

Arrangement: Arranged at the collection level, alphabetically by subject.

Forms of Material: Documents, ephemera, photographic material, scrapbook

Language of materials: English

Abstract

The Doralee Uruburu, Junior Women's Club of Wilmington Collection documents her activities with the organization between 1953-1963, including administrative records, awards, programming information, photographs, and a scrapbook.

Biographical/Administrative History

Doralee was born on March 3, 1923 in Center Point, Linn County, Iowa, and adopted by Michael J. and Hazel I. Skerik (née Reed) before her first birthday. The family moved from Iowa to San Pedro, California in 1939. Doralee attended Richard Henry Dana Junior High School and San Pedro High School, graduating in 1942. In August 1943, she enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve and attended radio school at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. She was later stationed at Camp Elliott in San Diego, California, and discharged December 5, 1945.

Following World War II, Doralee worked as a stenographer at the Wilmington Community Center. In 1948, she was hired as a security officer for the United States Immigration Service at Terminal Island. Doralee married Raymond Uruburu in Long Beach, California on August 4, 1948, and the couple had a daughter in 1952. She was an active member of several community organizations, including the Harbor District Women's American Legion Post 788, the Harbor Area Volunteer Bureau, and the Wilmington Junior Women's Club. Doralee Uruburu passed

away on October 20, 2015 in San Pedro, California and is buried at Green Hills Memorial Park in Rancho Palos Verdes, California.

The Wilmington Junior Women's Club was established in January 1938 as a philanthropic and social organization for young women ages eighteen to thirty. Founding officers were: Lucille Schultz, president; Aileen Foster, vice-president; Thelma Gordon, treasurer; Dorothy Davenport, recording secretary; Jean Zanello, corresponding secretary. The organization's fundraising efforts focused on rummage sales and bazaars, dinner and luncheon events, card parties, teas and fashion shows, and flower shows to benefit community art events and youth activities. Doralee Uruburu was president of the Wilmington Junior Women's Club for two years, 1956-1957.

Scope and Contents

The Doralee Uruburu, Junior Women's Club of Wilmington Collection documents her activities with the organization between 1953-1963, including agendas, reports, minutes, certificates, award ribbons, convention programs, booklets, programming materials, photographs, and a scrapbook.

Subjects/Access Terms

Creator

Personal Name:

Uruburu, Doralee, 1923-2014

Organization Names:

Wilmington Junior Women's Club

Woman's Club of Wilmington

Subject Headings

Topical Terms:

Women--Societies and clubs

Geographical Locations:

Los Angeles County (Calif.)

Wilmington (Los Angeles, Calif.)

Documentary forms:

Documents

Ephemera

Photographic material

Scrapbook

Administrative Information

Processing Information: Holli Teltoe, 2022

Processing of this collection is made possible by generous donations from Marathon Petroleum Corporation, Wilmington Neighborhood Council, Fast Lane Transportation, I.L.W.U. Credit Union, and Russell and Laura Mohberg.

Conditions Governing Use: Copyright for unpublished materials authored or otherwise produced by the creator of this collection has been transferred to the Wilmington Historical Society. Transmission or reproduction of materials protected by U.S. Copyright Law beyond that allowed by fair use requires the written permission of the copyright owners. Works not in the

public domain cannot be commercially exploited without permission of the copyright owners. Responsibility for any use rests exclusively with the user.

Conditions Governing Access: The collection is open for research use.

Preferred Citation: Doralee Uruburu, Junior Women's Club of Wilmington Collection. Wilmington Historical Society.

Acquisition: Doralee Uruburu, 2014

Collection Contents

Box 1

Folder 1: Agendas, Bulletins, and Minutes, 1957

Folder 2: Award Ribbons, Doralee Uruburu, 1953-1958

Folder 3: Award Ribbons, Michele Uruburu

Folder 4: Award Ribbons, Unidentified Recipient

Folder 5: Certificates of Recognition, Doralee Uruburu, 1962

Folder 6: Coordinator's Report, 1957

Folder 7: Los Cerritos District, Second Annual Convention Program, 1958

Folder 8: New Member Booklet, 1956-1957

Folder 9: Newspaper Clippings, 1961-1963

Folder 10: Programs and Outings, Photographic Prints, 1955-1956

Folder 11: Woman's Club of Wilmington Flower Show and Tea Programs, 1961-1962

Folder 12: Woman's Club of Wilmington, Los Cerritos District Membership Booklets, 1957-1958

Box 2

Item 1: Junior Women's Club of Wilmington Scrapbook, 1956-1961

[end of box list]