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Finding Aid for the

Geraldine Knatz Collection, 1945-2007

Collection Overview

Title: Geraldine Knatz Collection

Dates: 1945-2007

ID: GKC

Primary Creator/Collector: Wilmington Historical Society (Calif.)

Extent: 0.42 lin.ft.

Arrangement: Arranged at the collection level, alphabetically by subject

Forms of Material: Documents, photographs, flyers, business card, ephemera, Maps

Language of materials: English

Abstract

The Geraldine Knatz Collection contains various types of materials ranging from photographs, documents, flyers and events to an oil map of the Wilmington area. The collection contains many items that pertain to the history of Wilmington and the San Pedro area.

Biographical History

Geraldine Knatz was the first female port director of the Port of Los Angeles, appointed in January 2006 by Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. She is a maritime expert, academic, and author. When she was the Los Angeles port director she formulated and implemented the Clean Truck Program, and the San Pedro Bay Ports Clean Air Action Plan. Geraldine Knatz is also the professor of Practice at the University of Southern California, with a joint appointment to the USC Viterbi School of Engineering and the USC Price School of Public Policy.

Scope and Contents

The Geraldine Knatz Collection is a collection that has many different types of materials and items in it. The most interesting of these items is the Wilmington oil map, which shows the locations of oil in and around the Wilmington area. There is also a folder that contains a large number of photographs of the Smart and Final in Wilmington, and what it used to look like as well as a historic report on the area and the port. As the location of the Smart and Final has its origins in the port area. There is also a number of copied histories of California as reference materials, and documents that detail the Wilmington Cruise terminal.

Subjects/Access Terms

Creator(s)

Personal Name(s): Knatz, Geraldine (1951-)

Family Name(s): Knatz

Organization Name(s): Wilmington Historical Society (Calif.)

Subject Headings

Topical Term(s): Port of Los Angeles

Personal name(s) Knatz, Geraldine (1951-)

Family name(s) Knatz

Geographical location(s): use Library of Congress Authorities

Los Angeles County (Calif.)

Wilmington (Los Angeles, Calif.)

Documentary forms: Documents, photographs, flyers, business card, ephemera, Maps

Administrative Information

Processing Information: Julian Della Puppa, 2024

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

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Collection Contents

Box 1

Folder 1: Banning Materials

Folder 2: Business Cards

Folder 3: California Federation of Women's Club

Folder 4: California History

Folder 5: Folk Dance in Wilmington

Folder 6: Historic Sites in Wilmington

Folder 7: Lumber Yard

Folder 8: Photo of the Port

Folder 9: Smart & Final in Wilmington

Folder 10: Wilmington Cruise Terminal

Folder 11: Wilmington Events

Map Case 7

Flat File 1: GKC-Wilmington Oil Map

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