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Introduction to the Collection

The materials in this collection document the programs and activities of the USF St. Petersburg Women's Organization, a group established in 1979 as an offshoot of the USF Women's Club in Tampa. Membership included staff, faculty, and spouses at USF St. Petersburg. The minutes, correspondence, and other records offer an excellent portrait of an important campus-wide organization that took shape during the first major expansion of the campus beyond its original site on the peninsula.

Preservation Note

The materials in this collection occupy one acid-free document box. While preservation measures may slow the physical deterioration of items, these steps cannot prevent damage from occurring. To prevent further damage to the fragile materials in this collection, avoid exposing them to light for an extended period of time. Please report any tears or other damage so that library staff may take appropriate preservation or conservation measures. Although no restrictions limit access to this collection, library staff will evaluate photocopying or digitization requests on an individual basis to ensure the long-term preservation of this unique collection.

Provenance of the USF St. Petersburg Women's Organization

The records of this USF St. Petersburg organization, collected and maintained by J. M. "Sudsy" Tschiderer, fall under Record Group 497 of the USF St. Petersburg Archives, Special Collections and Archives department, Nelson Poynter Memorial Library.

Scope and Contents

In a January 1979 memorandum to women on the St. Petersburg campus, Lois W. Boren (President of USF Women's Club, Tampa) announced that Anita Kenerson—wife of Interim Dean David Kenerson—planned to have a coffee social for those interested in forming a women's organization at USF St. Petersburg. The first organizational meeting of a USF St. Petersburg Women's Group took place on May 17, 1979. A short time later, the USF St. Petersburg's Women's Organization formally organized and began its tradition of offering book scholarships and fundraisers. Membership included women faculty and staff, as well as the spouses of male faculty and staff.

The contents occupy one document boxes (0.25 linear feet). This collection includes organizational records, correspondence, memoranda, membership lists, and publicity materials related to the USF St. Petersburg Women's Organization from 1979 through 1985. The overall collection (inclusive dates: 1978 to 1987) illustrates the creative labors of an important service organization that provided leadership during the period of the first major expansion of the USF St. Petersburg campus.

Related Collections

For additional information about the activities of the University of South Florida Women's Club (based on the USF Tampa campus), please contact the USF Tampa Library Special Collections Department (813-974-2731).

Container Listing

BOX 1, FOLDER 1

Organizational Records: Constitutions, Agendas, Meeting Minutes

Inclusive Dates: June 1979-May 1985

Inclusive Formats: Constitutions of the organization, agendas, meeting minutes

BOX 1, FOLDER 2

Membership Lists

Inclusive Dates: 1979-1985

Inclusive Formats: Membership forms, membership lists

BOX 1, FOLDER 3

Memoranda and Publicity Materials

Inclusive Dates: January 1979-November 1984

Inclusive Format: Memoranda, fliers, publicity materials

BOX 1, FOLDER 4

Scholarship Fund and Book Sales

Inclusive Dates: 1979-1985

Inclusive Format: Correspondence, issues of *Crow's Nest* with publicity, books sale records

BOX 1, FOLDER 5

Correspondence

Inclusive Dates: 1981-1987

Inclusive Format: Correspondence

BOX 1, FOLDER 6

USF Women's Club (Tampa Campus)

Inclusive Dates: 1978-1985

Inclusive Format: Yearbook (1978-1979), newsletters (incomplete, 1979-1985)