

**PRINCETON WAY NEIGHBORHOOD  
ASSOCIATION (ATLANTA, GA.)  
Princeton Way Neighborhood  
Association records, 1942-2004**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Princeton Way Neighborhood Association (Atlanta, Ga.)  
**Title:** Princeton Way Neighborhood Association records, 1942-2004  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 1425  
**Extent:** 2 linear feet (2 boxes), 2 oversized papers boxes (OP), and 1 extraoversized paper (XOP)  
**Abstract:** Records of the Princeton Way Neighborhood Association including yearbooks and scrapbooks of the original Princeton Way Garden Club as well as histories, administrative records, and fliers of the group.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

**Restrictions on Access**

Unrestricted access.

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**Source**

Gift of a member of the Princeton Way Neighborhood Association, Laura Shine Lee, 2017.

**Citation**

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**Appraisal Note**

Acquired by Randy Gue, Curator of Modern Political and Historical Collections, as part of the Rose Library's holdings in the history of Atlanta, Georgia.

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**Processing**

Arranged and described at the folder level by Laura Starratt, January 2018. At some point in their history, the materials were organized into three ring binders as evidenced by the holes in the pages. While these binders were removed before donation to the Rose Library, the arrangement-by either the creator or a past member of the organization-was kept. Otherwise, items within the folders are not arranged.

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**Collection Description****Biographical Note**

The Princeton Way Neighborhood Association of Atlanta, Georgia, was established as part of the Emory Grove development by Dr. Sam Guy, Chairman of the Emory University Chemistry Department.. The land was purchased from Asa Candler, the uncle of Guy's wife, for the purpose of housing faculty and staff from Emory, and the homes on the street were built by L. Neal Smith. The city directory first notes Princeton Way in 1940, but homes existed there in 1939, and the park in the center of the neighborhood was created while the land was still owned by Joel Hurt. The Princeton Garden Club was organized in February 1942 and federated in 1943 as part of the Georgia Federation of Garden Clubs for "the study and culture of plants and flowers, landscape gardening, and the encouragement of civic planting and the protection of native plants, trees, and birds." The group's first project was a victory garden during World War II, and they also took up projects such as knitting and volunteer work for the Red Cross. After World War II ended, the club was responsible for establishing the playground and continued attending flower shows. By the late 1970s, the membership and activities declined. However, in the 1980s, there was a resurgence of activity with the addition of new families, and in 1983, the neighborhood was again planning annual parties and events including Christmas parties and July 4th celebrations. Eventually, the garden club transformed into the Princeton Way Neighborhood Association, responsible for neighborhood planning and eventually merged with the Druid Hills Civic Association.

**Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of the records of the Princeton Way Neighborhood Association from the founding of the Princeton Way Garden Club in 1942 through the 2000s, including yearbooks-with member names and brief histories of the organization-and larger scrapbooks. There is also a "History of Princeton Way," written in 1984, that documents the members and events, most notably the creation of the Princeton Way playground and a history of the Houston Chapel. The collection also contains a number of fliers inviting members of the neighborhood to various parties and events such as Christmas parties and Fourth of July gatherings as well as birth and death announcements of neighbors. There is a small amount of executive board records, including some meeting minutes and agendas and financial records. Also included is a paper and display board on the history of the neighborhood created by a middle school student named Rachel Walsh in 1999 as well as her report on that topic.

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged by record type

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Binder, History of Princeton Way, 1944-2000 This folder contains a social studies project of resident and middle school student, Rachel Walsh, as well as other notes, articles, and plat maps of the area
1	2	Binder, Princeton Garden Club minutes, 1942-1943
1	3	Binder, Princeton Garden Club minutes, 1944-1959 [1 of 3]
1	4	Binder, Princeton Garden Club minutes, 1944-1959 [2 of 3]
1	5	Binder, Princeton Garden Club minutes, 1944-1959 [3 of 3]
1	6	Binder, Scrapbook, 1947-1950 [1 of 2]
1	7	Binder, Scrapbook, 1947-1950 [2 of 2]
1	8	Binder, Scrapbook, 1950-1995 [1 of 4]
1	9	Binder, Scrapbook, 1950-1995 [2 of 4]
1	10	Binder, Scrapbook, 1950-1995 [3 of 4]
1	11	Binder, Scrapbook, 1950-1995 [4 of 4]
1	12	Collected files by year, 1995-1997
1	13	Directories, neighbors, 1993-2000
XOP1	-	Display, Social Studies Fair project, Rachel Walsh, 1999
1	14	Executive board records, 1980s-2004 [1 of 3]
2	1	Executive board records, 1980s-2004 [2 of 3]
2	2	Executive board records, 1980s-2004 [3 of 3]
2	3	Fliers, 1980s-2000s [1 of 2]
2	4	Fliers, 1980s-2000s [2 of 2]
2	5	Newsletters, 1993-2002
2	6	Photographs, 1942-1996 [1]
2	7	Photographs, 1942-1996 [2]
2	8	Printed materials, 1961-1980
2	9	Printed materials and clippings, 1980s-2000s [1 of 2]
2	10	Printed materials and clippings, 1980s-2000s [2 of 2]
OP1	-	Scrapbook, gardening, circa 1940s-1960s
OP2	-	Scrapbook, Princeton Way neighborhood, 1940s-1950s
2	11	Writing, "The History of Princeton Way," and notes, undated
2	12	Yearbooks, Princeton Garden Club, 1942-1949
2	13	Yearbooks, Princeton Garden Club, 1950-1959
2	14	Yearbooks, Princeton Garden Club, 1960-1983

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