



Guide to the Junior League of Las Vegas Photograph Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Junior League of Las Vegas (Las Vegas, Nev.)
Title:	Junior League of Las Vegas Photograph Collection
ID:	PH-00097
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1900 to 1980
Physical Description:	0.25 Cubic Feet (5 hanging folders and 1 shared box of negatives)
Physical Description:	0.50 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Junior League of Las Vegas Photograph Collection contains photographic prints and negatives, as well as postcards of locations in and around Las Vegas, Nevada between approximately 1900 and 1980. Early photographs in the collection offer views of the Las Vegas townsite, buildings, railroads, the Las Vegas High School, Overland Hotel, Arizona Club, and residential areas. Other photographs during this time depict the Hoover Dam (Boulder Dam) construction and Death Valley, California. Later photographs show the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) campus, downtown Las Vegas, and the Las Vegas Strip.

Preferred Citation

Junior League of Las Vegas Photograph Collection, approximately 1900-1980. PH-00097. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Historical Background

The origins of the Junior League of Las Vegas, previously called the Service League, date back to February 26, 1946, when seven women in Las Vegas, Nevada met and considered the need to supplement the services of existing agencies and organizations in Clark County. They soon invited other young women to join them in making a survey of community needs. The Service League

would address the unmet needs of the rapidly growing community with the primary purpose of promoting community welfare, education, culture, and civic activities.

In 1958, the League developed a training program for all new members. The emphasis was placed on knowing the community, the social service agencies and welfare organizations, and the cultural resources of the community as well as League policies and projects. In 1959, the Service League started sponsoring the Junior Service League, patterned after the Service League, for local high school girls. Two members of the Service League acted as sponsors and supervised activities with an advisory board composed of five League members. The group was financially independent.

On September 26, 1971, after discussion and several meetings, the Service League aligned with the Association of Junior Leagues, a national organization. Las Vegas became the 219th affiliated member and is now known as the Junior League of Las Vegas. Over more than sixty years, the Junior League has donated more than \$1,500,000 to the Las Vegas community.

As of 2020, the Junior League of Las Vegas continues to help the community through their many volunteer projects.

Source: Junior League of Las Vegas. "History." Junior League of Las Vegas. 2020. Accessed March 25, 2020. <https://www.jllv.org/history/>

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Arrangement

Materials remain as they were received.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1977 by the Junior League of Las Vegas; accession numbers 77-157 and 77-322.

Processing Note

In 2020, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Jimmy Chang wrote the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Junior League of Las Vegas Records, 1946-2010. MS-00179. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Junior League of Las Vegas' Records on the Morelli House Preservation Project, 1959, 1997-2016. MS-00836. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- photographs
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Postcards
- Fremont Street (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Photographic prints, negatives, and postcards, approximately 1900 to 1980 (0097_0001-0097_0107)	folder 01 folder 02 folder 03 folder 04 folder 05 box SH-020