

**Lake Harriet School Collection**  
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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
<b>Creator - Compiler</b>	Ward, Jean (Jean W.)
<b>Title</b>	Lake Harriet School Collection
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1970-1982
<b>Extent</b>	0.83 Linear feet
<b>Language</b>	English

## History

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Community supporters of Lake Harriet school fought Minneapolis Public School Board (MPS Board) in a long drawn out battle to keep the Lake Harriet School open as a school and when that battle was lost, the neighbors of the school sought to save the building by converting it for use as a community center. Lake Harriet School Community Center, Inc. organized after the 1979 closing of LH School. Site was to be developed as a community center for educational, artistic and recreational purposes. Both battles were ultimately lost. The highly organized, well-spoken and well-written parents of the school children waged the fight from approximately 1970 to 1982. Parents included Michael Miller, Sara Stout, Jean Ward and others.

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## Description of Collection

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Types of material in collection include correspondence, newspaper clippings, meeting minutes, studies, statistics, and reports prepared by the activists organizations, School Board, City Planning, Jean Ward and others. Includes floor plans for the building in 1956 and revisions for the community center design.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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### Revision Description

Finding Aid added to AT and revised by Ian Stade. August 2008

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## Related Materials

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## **Related Material**

### **M/A 2000.167.01-.07 Lake Harriet School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) Scrapbooks, 1920-1974**

Donated by Mike Miller and other Lake Harriet School LHS PTA members. Donated in ca. 2000 following program on Lake Harriet School given by Mike Miller and others at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Linden Hills by the Linden Hills History Study Group.

M/A 2000.167.01 Lake Harriet PTA Scrapbook, 1920-1933

M/A 2000.167.02 Lake Harriet PTA Scrapbook, 1933-1949

M/A 2000.167.03 Lake Harriet PTA Scrapbook, 1955-1960

M/A 2000.167.04 Lake Harriet PTA Scrapbook, 1960-1964

M/A 2000.167.05 Lake Harriet PTA Scrapbook, 1964-1969

M/A 2000.167.06 Lake Harriet PTA Scrapbook, 1969-1974

M/A 2000.167.07 Lake Harriet PTA Stamp and Pad

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Corporate Name(s)**

- Lake Harriet School. (Minneapolis, Minn)

### **Geographic Name(s)**

- Linden Hills Neighborhood (Minneapolis, Minn.) -- History.

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