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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator - Author	May, Jeanette, 1931-
Title	Jeanette May Collection
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1970-1985
Date [inclusive]	1965-1990
Extent	13.75 Linear feet 7 archives boxes, 24 binders.
Language	English

Biography

Jeanette May (1931-) was a long-time resident of Northeast Minneapolis and a community advocate. She was born in Braham, MN and moved to Northeast Minneapolis in 1941.

An active member of the St. Anthony East Neighborhood Association (SAENA), she was involved with several other committees and sub-committees. Her most prominent activism involved her work to save the Grain Belt Brewery from demolition in the late 1970s and blocking the construction of highway I-335 in the mid-1970s. The freeway would have passed through Northeast Minneapolis along Central Avenue. Although land had already been cleared for construction, Jeanette May and the I-335 Concerned Citizens Committee were able to stop the freeway. After the freeway project was halted, Jeanette May continued to work with the Alternate to I-335 Land Use Committee to repurpose the cleared land. May also ran for First Ward city council in 1977.

History

The St Anthony East neighborhood is located in northeast Minneapolis. Part of the former village of St. Anthony established in 1849 on the east bank of the Mississippi River, the neighborhood extends from Broadway Street NE on the northern border to Central Avenue NE on the east and southeast, Second Avenue NE on the south, and Fifth and Washington streets NE on the west. The neighborhood is renowned for its strong Polish, Lebanese, and Ukrainian communities.

Scope and Contents

This collection documents Jeanette May and her community activism through meeting minutes, proposals, by-laws, correspondence, brochures, government documents, memos, etc. associated with the following organizations:

St. Anthony East Neighborhood Association (SAENA) Project NEAT Northeast Community Organization (NECO) Project Area Committee (PAC) Capital Long-Range Improvements Committee (CLIC) I-335 Concerned Citizens Committee (I-335 CCC) Alternate to I-355 Land Use Committee

The collection also contains newspaper clippings from local and neighborhood newspapers referring to Jeanette May and projects she was involved with, as well as articles authored by Jeanette May.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library June 2009

Donor Information

The records of Jeanette May were donated to the James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library at the Hennepin County Central Library by Jeanette May on January 2, 2009.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- St. Anthony East Neighborhood Association.

Geographic Name(s)

- Minneapolis (Minn.) -- Politics and government.
- Northeast Community (Minneapolis, Minn.) -- History.
- Saint Anthony East Neighborhood (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Subject(s)

- City planning -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Community organization -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis -- Citizen participation.
- Express highways -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis -- Planning.
- Land use -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis -- Planning.
- Political candidates -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Political participation -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Women in community organization -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Women in politics -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.

Series I: Neighborhood Organizations

Collection Inventory

Series I: Neighborhood Organizations

Scope and Contents note

Contains financial and administrative records for the neighborhood organizations and community groups of St. Anthony East Neighborhood Organization (SAENA), Project Neat, Northeast Community Organization (NECO), Project Area Committee (PAC), Capital Long-range Improvements Committee (CLIC), I-335 Concerned Citizens Committee (I-355 CCC), and the Alternate to I-335 Land Use Committee.

Financial

Scope and Contents note

Contains budgets and cost reports for SAENA.

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Financial

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Administrative

Scope and Contents note

Administrative

Contains reports, meeting notices, agendas, memos, proposals, contracts, drafts, research information, conference materials, and census information.

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Binders and Files**Scope and Contents note**

The Binders and Files subseries includes neighborhood organization binders and file folders in original order with original assigned binder titles and file folder titles.

Folder

CLIC Proposals-1976	1
I-335 (Mod 7 approvals, etc.)	2

Binders and Files

Design Public Hearing August 5, 1970	3
PAC Screening Committee Interview w/ Hofstede's 3 nominees to MHRA	4
Enclosures for upcoming meeting minutes	5
SAENA Newspaper Clipping Copies	6
"Save our Shade" SOS May 1977	7
Commissioner Minutes	8
Commission Minutes	9
I-335 and other freeway stuff	10
Metropolitan Council November 9, 1972	11
Workable Program Citizens Participation task Force	12
CLIC 1975-May	13
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WPCPC (contract samples) Task Force	15
Commissioner Minutes	16

Binders and Files

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MHRA-Industrial Commission Enabling Legislation Powers	21
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SAENA Newsletter-October 1974	23
SAENA, Inc. Articles of Incorporation	24
SAENA, Inc. Bylaws	25
Holmes Newsletter-Vox Pop.	26
St. Anthony East Newsletter-Jan. 1974	27
SAENA Newsletter 10/76	28
SAENA Newsletter May 1976	29
SAENA Newsletter-October 1975	30

Binders and Files

SAENA-General Ballots-Oct 11,72	31
Attorney Bills	32
CLIC Minutes/Misc dates Feb 28, '72. May 14, '73. April 23, '73.	33
CLIC Ornamental lighting discussion	34
I-335 Minority Report (rejected)	35
SAENA Dutch Elm	36
Weingarden Study of St. AE and Beltrami	37
	Box-folder
Binder, St. Anthony East Neighborhood Organization 1972	38
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Binder, SAENA Book 2, 1969/1970	41
Binder, SAENA Book 3, 1970/1971	42
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Binder, SAENA Bylaws, Contract, Mod II, etc.,	51
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Photographs

Scope and Contents note

Contains eleven photographs in a variety of formats, including two photographs, one transparency of five photographs, one photocopy of three photographs, and one print copy of one photograph.

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Photographs 1

Series II: Meeting Minutes

Scope and Contents note

Contains meeting minutes from several neighborhood organizations and the Minneapolis Housing and Redevelopment Authority (MHRA).

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Minutes 1

Series III: Correspondence

Minutes 2

Minutes 3

Minutes 4

Minutes 5

Minutes 6

Minutes 7

Minutes 8

Minutes 9

Minutes 10

Minutes 11

Minutes 12

Minutes 13

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Series III: Correspondence

Series III: Correspondence

Scope and Contents note

Contains correspondence between businesses, community organizations, government officials, and government offices. Correspondence also contains speeches and press releases.

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Series IV: Newspaper Clippings

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Series IV: Newspaper Clippings	
Scope and Contents note	
Contains articles authored by Jeanette May and articles about neighborhood organization activities and local politics. Also contains one box of full size newspapers.	
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Series V: Maps/Plans/Blueprints

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Scope and Contents note

Contains maps of Minneapolis, neighborhood development plans, Webster school exterior blueprints, Holmes street lighting plan, residential and commercial site maps, and housing lot maps.

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Series VI: Legal Documents

Scope and Contents note

Contains resolutions, bills for an act, policies, ordinances, legal opinion, legal ruling, and lawsuits.

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Legal Documents

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Legal Documents

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Series VII: Government Documents

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Series VII: Government Documents	

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Documents	1
Series VIII: Personal Papers	
Scope and Contents note	
Contains personal cards, notes, correspondence with friends, shorthand notes, and poems.	

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Series IX: Publications

Papers

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Series IX: Publications**Scope and Contents note**

Publications include newsletters, brochures, flyers, serials, and one film reel of 1974(?)news footage from WCCO. Due to an unreadable label, the contents of the news reel are unknown.

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Series X: Campaign Materials**Scope and Contents note**

Series X: Campaign Materials

Campaign materials include resumes, brochures, statements, and proposals from candidates for Minneapolis city government from 1976-1978.

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Campaign Materials

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