

Guide to the Kathryn Howell Papers on Civic Engagement in Nevada

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Howell, Kathryn Willis, 1910-2006
Title:	Kathryn Howell Papers on Civic Engagement in Nevada
ID:	MS-00481
Date [inclusive]:	1960-2002
Physical Description:	1.12 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)
Physical Description:	1.77 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Kathryn Howell Papers on Civic Engagement in Nevada (1960-2002) contain newspaper articles, correspondence, newsletters, photographs, and personal writings of Kathryn Howell, a teacher, activist, and lobbyist in Southern Nevada. The collection also includes memorabilia from the election of President John F. Kennedy and the 1964 Nevada Centennial celebration, as well as a photograph and letter from former Nevada governor and U.S. senator, Richard H. Bryan.

Preferred Citation

Kathryn Howell Papers on Civic Engagement in Nevada, 1960-2002. MS-00481. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Kathryn Howell was born in California on September 5, 1910. She taught for twenty-one years at public schools in Texas and was a volunteer teacher in Medellin, Colombia. In 1971, Howell moved to Las Vegas and continued to teach at public schools for nineteen more years. After retiring, Howell served as president and legislative chairperson of the Nevada State Retired Teachers Association; the first vice president, and later president, of the Retired Public Employees of Nevada (RPEN); and as a member of the AdHoc committee for the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) of Nevada.

Howell was also a member of the Clark County Women's Democratic Club, the Clark County Democratic Central Committee, and the State Central Committee. She served as the nominating chair for the League of Women Voters. In 1985, she was appointed by the Governor to a six year term to serve on the Advisory Board to the Southern Division of Aging Services. She also served as the President of Clark County Chapter

of the National Council of Senior Citizens and as president and secretary of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Chapter #308. From 1986 through 1990, Howell was a lobbyist to the state legislature in Nevada.

Howell passed away in Las Vegas, Nevada in 2006 at the age of 95.

Source:

United States Social Security Index. "Kathryn Howell." *FamilySearch.org*. Accessed October 11, 2018. <https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:VM7F-Y48>

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Scope and Contents Note

The Kathryn Howell Papers on Civic Engagement in Nevada (1960-2002) contain newspaper articles, correspondence, newsletters, photographs, and some personal writings of Kathryn Howell, a teacher, activist, and lobbyist in Southern Nevada. The collection includes documents relating to the National Council for Senior Citizens, the Retired Public Employees of Nevada (RPEN), and the Salute to Citizenship Campaign. The collection also includes a tapestry and campaign pins pertaining to the election of President John F. Kennedy, a banner from the 1964 Nevada Centennial celebration, and a framed photograph and letter from former Nevada governor and U.S. senator, Richard H. Bryan.

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged alphabetically.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated by Kathryn Howell in 2004. Accession number 2004-003.

Processing Note

Material was processed in 2004 by Joyce Moore. In 2014, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Lindsay Oden revised and enhanced the collection description. In 2018, as part of a backlog elimination project, Christina Lamoureux rehoused the material and updated the existing finding aid to current professional standards.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

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

League of Women Voters of Las Vegas Valley Records, 1957-2010. MS-00024. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Citizen participation -- Nevada
- Women -- Education -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Lobbyists -- Nevada
- Photographs
- Older people -- Nevada
- Las Vegas -- Nevada -- Politics and government

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers	
Certificates and awards, 1965-1999	box 01	folder 01
Correspondence from Kathryn Howell, 1963-1990	box 01	folder 02
Correspondence to Kathryn Howell, 1961-2001	box 01	folder 03
Family history, 1990s	box 01	folder 04
National Council for Senior Citizens newsletters, 1993-2002	box 01	folder 05
	box 01	folder 07
Nevada State Democratic Convention, 1964	box 01	folder 06
Newsletters on education, 1960, 1976	box 01	folder 08
Political newsletters, 1960-1992	box 01	folder 09
Photocopies of newspaper clippings pertaining to Kathryn Howell, 1968-1990	box 01	folder 10
Personal writings, 1987-2002	box 01	folder 11
Photographs of Kathryn Howell, 1965-2000	box 01	folder 12
Press photographs and newspaper clippings pertaining to President Bill Clinton, 1993	box 01	folder 13
Retired Public Employees of Nevada, 1990-1995	box 01	folder 14
Salute to Citizenship Campaign, 1992	box 01	folder 15
State of Nevada teacher's materials, 1989	box 01	folder 16
John F. Kennedy campaign pins, tapestry, and assorted election memorabilia; a 1964 Nevada Centennial banner; and a framed photograph and letter from former Senator Richard H. Bryan, 1960-1991	box 02	