

## Guide to the Valerie Pida Trust Records

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Quirk, Edward J., 1938-
<b>Title:</b>	Valerie Pida Trust Records
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00890
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1987 to 1993
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.65 Cubic Feet (1 box)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.54 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Valerie Pida Trust Records (1987-1993) are comprised of records documenting efforts by Edward "Ted" Quirk, an attorney and a board member of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Foundation, to establish a trust for Valerie Pida, a UNLV student who had battled Hodgkin's lymphoma since the age of thirteen. Pida was a student at UNLV from 1985 to 1991 and was a cheerleader for the Runnin' Rebels basketball team. The records include correspondence, newspaper clippings, financial statements, and receipts that document the establishment and activities of the foundation, which operated until 1993.

### Preferred Citation

Valerie Pida Trust Records, 1987-1993. MS-00890. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Biographical Note

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Valeria Ann Pida was born on July 2, 1967 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Pida was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma at the age of thirteen and battled the disease while attending the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) from 1985 to 1991. Pida was a cheerleader for the Runnin' Rebels basketball team and cheered in the team's NCAA Final Four appearance. In 1991, the plaza outside the north entrance to UNLV's student union was dedicated to Pida. She passed away on November 10, 1992, at the age of twenty-five.

Source:

"The Back Story: Valerie Pida Plaza." News Center. December 10, 2012. Accessed March 26, 2019. <https://www.unlv.edu/news/article/back-story-valerie-pida-plaza>.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain in original order.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

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## Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2018 by Edward "Ted" Quirk; accession number 2018-037.

## Processing Note

A summary of materials was created by Tammi Kim in 2019. To prepare the summary, the described materials were reviewed to create a contents list, estimate dates, and identify material types. In 2020, Sarah Jones reboxed the material and entered the description into ArchivesSpace.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Cancer
- Fund raising
- Pida, Valerie Ann, 1967-1992
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas -- History

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Valerie Pida Trust correspondence, newspaper clippings, financial statements, and receipts, 1987 to 1993	box 01

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