



Guide to the UNLV Libraries Collection of Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas Audiovisual Material

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas
Title:	UNLV Libraries Collection of Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas Audiovisual Material
ID:	MS-01042
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1925 to 1927
Physical Description:	3 Digital Files (2.930 GB) MP4
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The UNLV Libraries Collection of Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas Audiovisual Material consists of three 16mm reels of moving images that depict Las Vegas, Nevada from approximately 1925 to 1927. The first reel depicts members of the Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas, which was formed in 1925. The remaining footage depicts views of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Bank of Southern Nevada, First State Bank, the San Pedro, the Los Angeles, & Salt Lake Depot and Freight House, and various shops on Fremont Street including Oakes Studio, T. M. Carroll Real Estate, J. C. Penney, Las Vegas Garage, and the <i>Las Vegas Age</i> print shop. The footage also shows various local families and desert landscapes. This collection has been fully digitized.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The Kiwanis Club is a "global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time," and the Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas has been serving the Southern Nevada community since 1925. Sponsored by the San Bernardino chapter, the Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas held their first meeting December 4, 1925 in Las Vegas High School and remains an

active chapter as of 2020. The Kiwanis Club held their meeting in Las Vegas High School, the coffee shop at the Union Pacific Depot, and many other locations across Las Vegas. Senator Pat McCarran presented the bell from the *USS Nevada* to the Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas in 1950 to honor their longstanding service to Southern Nevada. In 2008, the Kiwanis Club dedicated the Kiwanis Plaza and Diorama at the newly built Springs Preserve to honor the club's history of water conservation and public education on native, drought-tolerant desert plantings.

Source:

"About our Club," Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas. Accessed December 22, 2020. <http://www.kiwaniscluboflasvegas.org/about-our-club.html>

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

Materials remain as they were received.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research. Arrangements must be made in advance to access digital files; please contact UNLV Special Collections and Archives for additional information.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were periodically collected by the University Libraries Special Collections and Archives; accession number 2020-110.

Processing Note

In 2019, three 16mm films were sent to an external vendor for digitization. Karla Irwin minimally processed the reformatted digital files and created access copies. In 2020, Sarah Jones created the collection description and finding aid in ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

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

Down, James H., Jr. Interview, 1972 April 07. OH-00485. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

James H. Down Sr. Scrapbooks, 1933-1979. MS-00236. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Community organization -- Nevada -- 20th century
- Clark County (Nev.) -- History
- Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas

Missing Materials

As of January 2021, the three reels of 16mm film cannot be located.

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Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas: film one, approximately 1925 to 1927 (MS_01042_001)	digital file 00
Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas: film two, approximately 1925 to 1927 (MS_01042_002)	digital file 00
Kiwanis Club of Las Vegas: film three, approximately 1925 to 1927 (MS_01042_003)	digital file 00