



Guide to the Wengert Family Photographs

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Wengert Family (Las Vegas, Nevada)
Title:	Wengert Family Photographs
ID:	PH-00046
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1890-1966
Physical Description:	1.8 Linear Feet (5 hanging folders, 1 shared box of negatives, 1 over sized folder)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Wengert Family Photographs (1890-1966) depict the lives of the Wengert family. In addition are materials focusing on day-to-day activities such as holiday celebrations, family milestones, and some Southern Nevada Power Company employees. Although there are chronological gaps in the materials, particularly in the early years of Cyril and Lottie's lives, the images provide historical documentation of this Las Vegas family.

Preferred Citation

Wengert Family Photograph Collection, 1890-1966. PH-00046. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Born in 1889, Cyril Wengert arrived in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1907 as a teenager. Alongside his father, Frank, he worked as an ice wagon driver. In 1921, Wengert married Lottie Ward of Iowa and the couple had five children: Jimmie, Marilyn, Ward, Robert, and Shirley. As Las Vegas developed, Cyril Wengert achieved prominence with the Southern Nevada Power Company, where he worked until his death in 1966. The Wengert couple were involved in several Las Vegas civic organizations, including the American Legion, the Rotary Club, the Elks Lodge, and the Knights of Columbus. In 1971, Cyril S. Wengert Elementary School was named in honor of his commitment to community service in Las Vegas.

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Scope and Contents Note

The Wengert Family Photographs (1890-1966) depict the lives of the Wengert family. In addition are materials focusing on day-to-day activities such as holiday celebrations, family milestones, and some Southern Nevada Power Company employees. Although there are chronological gaps in the materials, particularly in the early years of Cyril and Lottie's lives, the images provide historical documentation of this Las Vegas family.

The items described include photographic prints and negatives; some of the prints have corresponding negatives which are not listed separately. Items listed are photographic prints unless otherwise specified. Images listed specifically as negatives exist only in that format.

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Arrangement Note

Materials remain in original order. Many of the photographic prints have corresponding negatives. Negatives have been housed separately and can be found in Box 05

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Administrative Information

Access

The collection is open for research. Portions of this collection have been digitized and are [available online](#).

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in July 20, 1977 by Shirley Wengert Cherry; accession number 1977-224.

Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2016, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Maryse Lundering-Timpano wrote the collection description in compliance with current professional standards.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

Wengert Family Papers, 1907-1967. MS-00192. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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- Southern Nevada -- 20th Century
- Boulder City (Nev.)

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