

**Ruth Ann Overbeck Papers
Washington Perspectives Inc. Records**

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Preparer's Notes

In order to maintain the original order of the materials, the George Washington University staff did very little rearranging and always used the original folder titles. Researchers should read the entire finding aid in order to see all the material pertinent for their projects. Often the same topic will appear in more than one series. The finding aid includes notes to assist researchers in finding all useful material. One example of a finding aid pathfinder is for the house histories. House histories appear in both the Graphics and Research Materials series. Most folders contain information for only one house, but some include research for two or three houses. For the folders with multiple houses, the folder has been placed in the proper box for the first house and notes are written in the finding aid for the other houses to point the researcher back to the original folder. This same procedure is used in the house section of the graphics series because often, the images are not identified except for the folder heading. Researchers should also be aware that although the collection has a series for graphics there is graphic material in other series.

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Introduction

Robert Hughes, the graphics director for Washington Perspectives, Inc. (W.P.I.) and husband of Ruth Ann Overbeck donated this collection in April 2000. A second donation followed in June 2003. Ruth Ann Overbeck, an independent historian, founded W.P.I. in 1975. She recognized the need for a D.C. based history firm with an understanding of Washington history and resources. She served as president and directed all projects undertaken by the firm. The collection includes terrific information about many different subjects related to D.C. history. These topics include people such as Lillian Evanti, an African-American opera star, a survey of the buildings in the Deanwood neighborhood, and a lecture series for the Smithsonian Residential Associate program. The collection reflects all the different types of projects undertaken by W.P.I. These projects ranged both in size and in location including the District of Columbia and the larger metropolitan area of Virginia, Maryland, and West Virginia. There is also a small amount of research relate to Ruth Ann's hometown of Denison, Texas. One of the most popular services offered by W.P.I. was the house history. These histories ranged from brief outlines to fully developed historical surveys and often the completion of a historic preservation certificate application. The package also included an ink drawing of the house that many people used as stationary and note cards.

The bulk dates for the collection material range from approximately 1970 through 1995. The collection measures 46 clamshells, 1 oversize box, and 23 map tubes. The total size is approximately 28 linear feet. The collection is arranged in seven series. Within each series the material is arranged alphabetically by folder title. The house histories are arranged by address.

Agency History and Biography

Ruth Ann Overbeck founded Washington Perspectives, Inc. (W.P.I.) in 1975. The purpose of the organization as stated in the articles of incorporation was “ to conduct research, plan, and implement various cultural, historical, social and education programs, including, but not limited to, conducting guided tours, preparing historical and other reports, and to carry out any other activities within the general scope of the above.” The diversity of projects within this collection demonstrates that the firm achieved this purpose.

Most of the success of W.P.I. is attributable to Ruth Ann Overbeck. Ruth Ann first visited Washington, D.C. in the 1950s while still in high school in Texas. She attended college in Texas, but always planned to return to Washington. She did this in 1968, purchasing a house on Capitol Hill, and living in that home until her death in April 2000.

Ruth Ann's work as a historic preservation consultant and as the president of W.P.I. earned her a reputation as a thoughtful and dedicated scholar. She wrote numerous articles and worked on many reports for the D.C. government and community agencies. She conducted numerous walking tours of D.C., founded the preservation trust, a façade

easement trust, and served on many boards including Friendship House Association, Inc. and Capitol Hill Restoration Society. One of her final acts as an historian was to be interviewed for an oral history project about her experiences researching, working, and living in the Capitol Hill neighborhood. Ruth Ann had planned to write a book about Capitol Hill, but did not have the opportunity. The oral history project was her way to record her vast knowledge of Capitol Hill and Washington D.C. history and make it accessible to researchers. The donation to the George Washington University of these historical records represents Ruth Ann and Robert Hughes' efforts to accomplish the same objective. This collection and the work that will certainly come from its use by researchers is a fitting tribute to Ruth Ann Overbeck and allows her contribution to Washington history to continue.

Scope and Contents Note

The material in this collection is a terrific representation of the breath and depth of work done by Ruth Ann Overbeck as a historian in D.C. for thirty years. The collection has material for many projects from house histories for individual homeowners to a survey of the Upper Cardozo Columbia Heights neighborhood with oral histories and surveys of buildings such as the Tivoli Theater.

The collection will prove to be extremely useful for researchers exploring topics related to Washington, D.C. history. The D.C. Research Subseries within the Research Materials Series primarily includes notes, citations, and photocopies gathered by Ruth Ann and other W.P.I. employees for specific research projects. Often times the final product especially the house histories is included in the folders.

The collection does not contain much information about the administrative side of W.P.I. Series VII: W.P.I. Administration Records does have a small amount of financial records, but it is clearly only a sampling. The research records, however, do provide a picture of the types of projects undertaken by W.P.I. and the methods and efforts used by Ruth Ann Overbeck and the other W.P.I. historians.

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Series Descriptions

SERIES I: Biographical Information

This series has one file with material about Ruth Ann Overbeck including her resume, articles about her, and some information about the W.P.I. and graphics director Robert Hughes.

SERIES II: Brochures

This series contains brochures about different activities in the District of Columbia and various states primarily on the East Coast.

SERIES III: Graphics

The series has images of District related topics and others from outside the D.C. area. Many of the topics within this series are also represented in Series VI and should be used together. In an effort to make the complimentary nature between the two series easier, the subseries within this series matches the subseries in Series VI.

SERIES IV: Maps, plats and blueprints

This series includes maps, plats, and blueprints collected as part of broader research efforts. The maps often match the topics in Series VI and were most likely products of that research. The processor placed these items in a separate series because of the storage needs of rolled and oversize items.

SERIES V: Publications

This series includes articles, newspaper clippings, and periodicals collected by Ruth Ann Overbeck and W.P.I. historians.

SERIES VI: Research Materials

This series is the largest of the collection and includes 80% of the collection comprising 35 of the 46 boxes. The series is divided into two subseries including material related to D.C. research and material for topics outside of the D.C. area. Within each subseries the material is arranged in alphabetical order.

**SERIES VII: Washington Perspectives Incorporation (W.P.I.) Administration
Records**

The material within this series is a sampling of the administrative workings of W.P.I. The type of material included is not inclusive to the type of material one may find produced by a small business. For example, there is a small amount of financial records and telephone logs, but no personnel records.

Container List

Series I: Biographical Information

Box 1

Folder:

1. Biographical Information about Ruth Ann Overbeck

Series II: Brochures

2. District of Columbia
3. Maryland
4. Pennsylvania
5. Virginia
6. DE, TX, CT, NY, NJ
7. "Standards for Rehabilitation" from Secretary of the Interior 1983

Series III: Graphics

Subseries 1: District of Columbia Houses

Numbered streets

NE Washington

8. 441 4th St. NE
9. 129 6th St. NE 1990
10. 211 8th St. NE "before"
435 10th St. NE (see box 2 folder 19)
234 11th St. NE (see box 2 folder 8)

Numbered streets

NW Washington

11. 1836 16th St. NW
12. 1919 16th St. NW
1614 19th St. NW (see box 2 folder 23)
13. 134 30th St. NW

Box 2

Folder:

Numbered streets SE Washington

1. 203 3rd St. SE Jan. 1981
2. 521 4th St. SE (and 746 7th St. SE)
3. 734 7th St. SE (and 746 7th St. SE)
746 7th St. SE (see box 2 folders 2 & 3)
4. 735 8th St. SE 1989
5. 226 9th St. SE (and 6th St. SE)
6. 136 12th St. SE
7. 154 12th St. SE (and 148 12th St. SE)
148 12th St. SE (see box 2 folder 7)
8. 315 12th St. SE (and 806 D. St. SE and 234 11th St. NE) Jan. 1989

Lettered streets NE Washington

- 317 C St. NE (see box 2 folder 14)**
9. 660 block Maryland Ave. NE (and interiors 615 Maryland Ave NE)
10. 615 Maryland Ave. NE (and 647 East Capitol St. and 632 Mass. Ave. NE)
11. 226 Massachusetts Ave. NE
12. 632 Massachusetts Ave. NE “before” (**see also box 2 folder 10**)
13. 632 Massachusetts Ave. NE TRA appeal case
14. 632 Massachusetts Ave. NE (and 317 C St. NE and 324 Mass. Ave. and 650 Independence Ave.)

Lettered streets NW Washington

15. 1768 & 1770 Church St. NW 1985
16. 642 East Capitol St. alley zoning shots
17. 2115 N St. NW Historic Preservation Certification Application
18. 1727 P St. NW

Lettered streets
SE Washington

19. 620 C. St. SE (and 435 10th St. NE)
20. 1237 C. St. SE
21. 806 D St. SE (**see also box 2 folder 8**)
22. 1218 G St. SE
23. G St. and 8th after the fire March 1986 (and 308 East Capital St. 310 East Capital St. and 1614 19th St. NW)
24. 642 Independence Ave. SE
25. 1217 Massachusetts Ave SE

Box 3

Folder:

1. 1312 Massachusetts Ave SE

No street direction given

- 308 East Capital St. (see box 2 folder 23)**
- 310 East Capital St. (see box 2 folder 23)**
2. 642 East Capital St. stained glass window 1985
3. 647 East Capital St. basement unit interior 1984 and Lewis, DE 647 **East Capitol St (see box 2 folder 10)**
4. 1206 East Capital St. [not sure of this identification]
650 Independence Ave. (see box 2 folder 14)
324 Mass. Ave. (see box 2 folder 14)
5. Unidentified photographs interior and exterior
6. Unidentified houses Preservation Trust

Subseries 2: Topics in alphabetical order

7. Blacks in the Arts Tanya Beauchamps reception 1991
8. CHRS house tour 1988
9. Deanwood 1987
10. Eastern Market Aug. 13, 1990
11. Friendship House
12. Grace Church Condominiums
13. Marine Barracks
14. Preservation Trust Exhibit 1984

15. Preservation Trust Façade Review March 1984
16. Preservation Trust Façade Review April 20, 1985
17. Preservation Trust Façade Review May 11, 1985
18. Sears building Bladensburg Rd. NE 1989
19. Southeast Neighborhood House August 1991

Box 4

Folder:

1. Treasury Building
2. Upper Cardozo Community Program 1989
3. Washington D.C. Scenes
4. Washington Seawall 1985,1988

Subseries 3: Not District of Columbia Topics in alphabetical order by state

Canada

5. Hilly Grove, Canada A. Beall
6. House History Book Canada June-July 1985

Delaware

7. Lewes, Delaware Preservation Trust

Kentucky

8. Louisa Kentucky Ashland Oil Field
9. Ashland and Phillipi (**see also box 5 folder 6**)
10. Yatesville Lake

Maryland

11. Cross Manor, St. Mary's County Maryland April 7, 1987

New Jersey

12. Lower Bank Bridge, New Jersey

Pennsylvania

13. Pomeroy's Building Harrisburg, PA

Virginia

14. Alexandria Canal
15. Federal Hill Clark County, VA

Box 5

Folders:

1. 800 Caroline St. Fredericksburg, VA
2. Gainesville, VA project 1985

3. McLean, Virginia Project 1996
4. Waterford, VA property 1986

West Virginia

5. Lost River barns and houses 1990 & 1992
6. Louisa/Phillipi/ Lost River West Virginia 1990
7. West Virginia Mill Restoration
8. West Virginia Slides—might be Petersburg
9. Petersburg, West Virginia George Judy Homeplace (only Xeroxes)
10. Phillipi West Virginia and Louisa, KT (see also box 4 folder 9)
11. Ripley, West Virginia
12. Thurmond, West Virginia train depot

Location not provided

13. Pauline Crumbe 1988-1989
14. Cymrot 1989
15. Friedland Project 1994-1995
16. House Histories Book
17. Ruth Ann Overbeck portraits 1987
18. Unidentified

Series IV: Maps, plats and blueprints

Subseries 1: Small folded maps and plats

19. City of Washington 1792
20. Generalized Land Use Map 1-4 1985
21. Historic District Maps
22. Meridian Hill Subdivision Plat 1867
23. Street car map 1925
24. Wards 1801-1871

Subseries 2: Oversized maps and plats (see oversize box 43)

Folder:

2. Dupont Circle Historic District 1977
3. James Creek Valley Trunk Sewer n.d.
4. U.S. Naval Gun Factory Quarters B 1950
5. Naval Observatory Quarters D improvements 1965
6. Naval Observatory Married Officers Quarters plumbing and heating 1946
7. 14th St. Urban Renewal Area 1980
8. Unidentified map –Plat of D.C.

Subseries 3: Tubes

Topic: Washington D.C. general

1. Aerial Maps
2. 1857 map
3. Plats
4. Topographical

Topic: D.C. research topics

5. Anacostia Bridge
 - a. Potomac River to Anacostia Bridge
 - b. Potomac River Virginia Channel
 - c. Washington Channel 1947-1953
6. Eastern Market and National Park Service highway 1930 and Shaw School Urban Renewal Area 1973
7. James Creek

Lusk Washington D.C. Historic Preservation map (see tube 23)
8. Upper Cardozo Columbia Heights
9. Upper Cardozo Columbia Heights
10. Washington Navy Yard
11. Washington Seawall

Topic: Friendship House

12. 1937
13. 1937
14. 1937
15. 1937
16. 1937
17. 1937 Plumbing
18. 1988 Mechanical and electrical improvements
19. 1990 also 1979, 1969 and n.d.
20. Not dated
21. Not dated

Topic: Research not D.C.

22. Cross Manor
23. Elk Creek Jackson County, WV and Residence of Grace Anne Dorney St. Mary's Co. MD and Lusk Washington D.C. Historic Preservation map

Series V: Publications

Subseries 1: Articles

Box 6

Folder:

1. 100 Years of Capital Traction: The Story of Streetcars in the Nation's Capital" by LeRoy O. King, Jr.
2. "A Tale of Two Towns: Georgetown and Washington" by Martin K. Gordon
3. "Autobiography of Harold E. Erwin Years 1903-1985"
4. "Alexander "Boss" Shepard"
5. City design articles
6. Contemporary comments reports and descriptions of D.C.
7. Deed restrictions 1790-1900 A Method of Controlling the Built Environment
8. "In the Capitol's Shadow: Two Neighborhoods" by Keith Melder
9. History Businesses
10. History of D.C.
11. History of D.C.
12. "Homework and Nineteenth-Century West Virginia Women" by Barbara J. Howe
13. "In the Shadow of the Dome" International Teamster June 1976
14. Larry Myer's Papers
15. "The Monogalia Story: A Bicentennial History" 1974
16. Review of *Houses and Homes: Exploring Their History*
17. "This Was the Potomac River" by Frederick Tilp
18. Underground Railroad 1988
19. Articles about Virginia topics

Subseries 2: Newspaper articles

20. Articles written by Paul O. Cardwell

Subseries 3: Periodicals

21. Cultural Resources Management 1991

Box 7

Folder:

1. Cultural Resources Management (CRM) 1992 nos. 1-4
2. Cultural Resources Management 1992 nos. 6-8 1993 nos. 1-2

3. Cultural Resources Management 1993 nos. 5&7 1994 no. 3
4. Cultural Resources Management Bulletin 1989 vol. 12 no. 3
5. *Folklife Center News* American Folklife Center Library of Congress
6. The Institute for the History of Technology and Industrial Archaeology Winter 1991 Vol. 1 No. 1
7. *Local Preservation* Issue paper: Conservation Districts
8. Preservation Briefs
9. Preservation Tech Notes
10. National Register Bulletin No. 29,30,41,42
11. The Smithsonian Associate 1975-1981(not inclusive)
12. The Smithsonian Associate 1982-1983, n.d. (not inclusive)

Box 7A

Subseries 4: Publications

Subseries 1: D.C. research

Document:

1. The Anacostia Story 1608/1930
2. Old Anacostia
3. Anacostia Conserved 1979
4. Design Guide for the Exterior Rehabilitation of Buildings in Old Anacostia
5. Dumbarton Oaks
6. Continuity Through Change: LeDroit Park by Ronald M. Johnson
7. LeDroit Park Conserved 1979
8. Sumner School Building; Application by the Board of Education of the District of Columbia to the Joint Committee on Landmarks of the National Capital to Designate Sumner School Building as a Historic Landmark

Subseries 2: Historic Preservation

9. Access to Historic Buildings for the Disabled: Suggestions for Planning and Implementation 1980
10. Accommodation of Disabled Visitors at Historic Sites in the National Park System 1983
11. Cultural Landscapes: Rural Historic Districts in the National Park System 1984
12. Defending Our Heritage 1991
13. Design Guidelines Handbook for Historic Preservation 1979
14. Federal Tax Provisions to Encourage Rehabilitation of Historic Buildings: An Assessment of Their Effect 1979
15. Guide to Resources Used in Historic Preservation Research

16. Legacy Resource Management Program
17. Rehabilitating Historic Hotels Peabody Hotel, Memphis TN 1980

Box 7B

Subseries 3: Research not D.C.

Documents:

1. An Architectural Study of Some Log Structures in the Area of the Yatesville Lake Lawrence County, Kentucky 1978
2. Historic Documentation and Archaeological Potential of Nine Historic Sites in the Proposed Yatesville Reservoir, Lawrence County, Kentucky 1987

Box 8

Folder:

Series VI: Research materials

Subseries 1: D.C. Research

Sub-subseries 1: D.C. Houses

Numbered streets

NE Washington

1. 119 2nd St. NE
2. 108 3rd St. NE
3. 415 3rd St. NE and 424 4th St. NE (includes photos)
4. 616 3rd St. NE (includes photos)
5. 800 3rd St. NE
6. 9 4th St. NE
7. 10 4th St. NE
- 424 4th St. NE (see box 8 folder 3)**
8. 441 4th St. NE rear
9. 410 5th St. NE Carbery School
10. 129 6th St. NE
11. 214 7th St. NE
12. 211 8th St. NE
13. 9th and Massachusetts Ave. NE
14. 21 9th St. NE
15. 427 10th St. NE

16. 435 10th St. NE
17. 206 11th St. NE
18. 128 12th St. NE (includes photos)
134 12th St. NE (see box 9 folder 21)

Numbered streets

NW Washington

19. 401 11 St. NW
20. 1236 11th St. NW The Plymouth
21. 2437 15th St. NW
22. 1575 16th St. NW Stonesdale Condominiums
23. 1836 16th St. NW (includes photos)
24. 1919 16th St. NW
25. 1319 18th St. NW (includes photos)
26. 1739 19th St. NW
27. 1408 21st St. NW
28. 1314 30th St. NW Grafton Tyler House

Numbered streets

SE Washington

29. 500 4th St. SE
30. 521 4th St. SE
220 4th St. SE (box 8 folder 31)
31. 222 4th St. SE and 506 9th St. SE and 220 4th St. SE (includes photos)
32. 115 5th SE
33. 208 5th St. SE
34. 210 5th St. SE

Box 9

Folder:

1. 311, 313, 315 6th St. SE
2. 401 6th St. SE
3. 423 6th St. SE The Carbery House
4. 732,733,734 6th St. SE
5. 21 7th St. SE
6. 223 8th St. SE (includes photos)
7. 536 8th St. SE (includes photos)
8. 539 8th St. SE (includes photos)
9. 541-547 8th St. SE

10. 731 8th St. SE and 1317 F St. NW (includes photos)
11. 735 8th St. SE
12. 226 9th St. SE
- 506 9th St. SE (see box 8 folder 31)**
13. 510 9th St. SE
14. 10 St. SE Crestar Bank
15. 505 10th St. SE (includes photos)
16. 507 10th St. SE
17. 130 11th St. SE
18. 150 11th St. SE (includes photos)
19. 236 11th St. SE
20. 520 11th St. SE and 204 9th St. (includes photos)
21. 116 12th and 134 12th St. NE (includes photos)
22. 136 12th St. SE (includes photos)
23. 315 12th St. SE
24. 110 13th St. SE

Box 10

Folder:

1. 201 13th St. SE or 205 13th St. SE (includes photos)

Lettered streets NE Washington

2. 623 A. St. NE
3. 636 A. St. NE
4. 317 C St. NE and 324 Maryland Ave. NE and 913 East Capital St.
(includes photos)
5. 510 C St. NE
6. 518 C St. NE
7. 634 C St. NE (includes photos)
8. 901 C St. NE
9. 1116 and 1118 C St. NE (includes photos)
10. 227 Constitution Ave. NE
11. 629 Constitution Ave. NE
12. 631 Constitution Ave. NE
13. 804 D St. NE
14. 224 E St. NE (includes photos)
- 231 E St. NE (see box 10 folder 16)**
15. 307 E St. NE (includes photos)
16. 401 E St. NE and 442 3rd St. and 231 E St. NE

17. 612 E St. NE
18. 416 East Capital St. NE
19. 500 Block East Capital St. NE north side
20. 642 East Capital St. NE (includes photos)
21. 804 East Capital St. NE
22. 904 East Capital St. NE (includes photos)
23. 1206 East Capital St. NE
24. 300 F St. NE
25. 203 Maryland Ave. NE (includes photos)
26. 300 Maryland Ave. NE
324 Maryland Ave. NE (see box 10 folder 4)
27. 615 Maryland Ave. NE
28. 616-622 Maryland Ave. NE Stanton Row work for Barbara Held
29. 226 Massachusetts Ave. NE

Box 11

Folder:

1. 311 Massachusetts Ave. NE (includes photos)
2. 632 Massachusetts Ave. NE (includes photos)
3. 901 Newton St. NE Brooks Mansion (Bellair) (1510 Jackson St. & O St. Market)
(includes photos)
4. 118 Tennessee Ave. NE

Lettered streets

NW Washington

5. 316 and 318 A St. NW
6. 1768 and 1770 Church St. NW (includes photos)
7. 900 Block Columbia Rd. NW
8. 1321 Corcoran St. NW Square 240 Lot 22
9. 2145 Decatur NW (includes photos)
10. 1206 East Capital St. NW
1317 F St. NW (see box 9 folder 9)
11. 501-509 G St. NW
12. 604 H St. NW Mary Surratt House
13. 233 Morgan St. NW
14. 2115 N St. NW (includes photos)
15. 2225 N St. NW
16. 2225 N St. NW
17. 2225 N St. NW (includes photos)
18. 3405 N St. NW

19. 1701 New Hampshire Ave. NW
20. 1751 New Hampshire Ave. NW
21. 2918 Olive St. NW
22. 1513 Q St. NW
23. 1327 R St. NW Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity
24. 1515 U St. NW
25. 1715 U St. NW

**Lettered streets
SE Washington**

26. 316 A St. SE (804/787) and House History 1993
27. 412 A St. SE

Box 12

Folder:

1. 417 A St. SE (27/818)
2. 613 A St. SE
3. 608 B St. SE
4. 620 C St. SE
5. 922 C St. SE
6. 49 D St. SE
7. 122 D St. SE (includes photos)
8. 218-222 D St. SE
9. 703 D St. SE
10. 806 D St. SE
11. 830 D St. SE
12. 127 E St. SE
13. 601 E St. SE
14. 517 East Capital St. SE
15. 621 East Capital St. SE
16. 647 East Capital St. SE (includes photos)
17. 600 Block G St. SE
18. 808 G St. SE
19. 1218 G St. SE
20. 312 Independence Ave. SE
21. 604 Independence Ave. SE
22. 642 Independence Ave. SE
23. 1009 Independence Ave. SE
24. 1312 Independence Ave. SE
25. 1217 Massachusetts Ave. SE
26. 1312 Massachusetts Ave. SE (includes photos)

Box 13

Folder:

1. 448 New Jersey Ave. SE
2. 816 North Carolina Ave. SE (includes photos)
3. 639 Pennsylvania Ave. SE
4. 901,902,904 Pennsylvania Ave. SE (includes photos)
5. 921 Pennsylvania Ave. SE Old Naval Hospital
6. 1010 Pennsylvania Ave. SE
7. 1101 Pennsylvania Ave. SE
8. 915 Savannah St. SE
9. 1202 Walter St. SE

Numbered and lettered streets

No direction provided

- 442 3rd St (see box 10 folder 16)**
- 204 9th St. (see box 9 folder 20)**
10. 638 East Capital Alpine Bird
11. 807 East Capital St. Square 920 Lot 808
- 913 East Capital St (see box 10 folder 4)**
12. 1120 East Capital St.
13. 600 Independence Ave.
- 1510 Jackson St. (Ralph Bunche Home see box 11 folder 3)**
14. 1607 New Hampshire Ave.

Squares

Numerical order

15. 408 Seward Square SE The Wellerton Building
16. Square 454
17. Square 862
18. Square 939
19. Square 944
20. Square 1014
21. Square 1019 Pennsylvania Ave.
22. Square 1064 Potomac Ave. SE
23. Note cards—miscellaneous notes
24. Note cards for Squares 609-780
25. Note cards for Squares 780-904

Box 14

Folder:

1. Note cards for Squares 902-926
2. Note cards for Squares 905-1123

Sub-subseries 2: Properties, events, and people

3. African-American topics Deeds pre 1860
4. African-American topics Emancipation
5. African-American topics Emancipation in the District of Columbia
6. African-American topics 1830 D.C. Free Blacks Heads of Households
7. African-American topics Slavery in D.C. Clephane
8. African-American topics Anti-slavery project 1981-1982
9. African-American topics Pro-slavery petition
10. African-American topics Thematic Study of Black Architects, Builders, and Developers in Washington, D.C. Phase I 1993
11. American University Experiment Station and U.S. Navy Bomb Disposal School
12. American University Park Fessenden
13. Architecture: Barrier Legislation D.C. 1980
14. Architecture: booklet "A Glossary of Historic Masonry Deterioration Problems and Preservation Treatments" 1997
15. Architecture: Glossary of Architectural Surveys 1984
16. Architecture: Historic Landmark Application sample

Box 15

Folder:

1. Architecture: Master D.C. Historic Preservation Office Survey database
architecture reports
2. Architecture: T. Franklin Schneider biography
3. Architecture: Trusses Meigs
4. Architecture: Vernacular Brick Bay Front etc.
5. Architecture: Log and wood Vernacular Buildings
6. Architecture: C.E. Webb biography
7. Bicentennial 1974-1979 promotional material for Overbeck and Robert Hughes
(includes photos)
8. Bicentennial
9. Blacks in the Arts
10. Blacks in the Arts: Wellington Adams

11. Blacks in the Arts: Dr. Montague Cobb
12. Blacks in the Arts: S. Coleridge, Andrew F. Hilyer
13. Blacks in the Arts: Kim Deskins' Research Notes
14. Blacks in the Arts: Data included in the directory
15. Blacks in the Arts: Arthur Davis "A Washington Life"
16. Blacks in the Arts: Todd Duncan taped interview June 21, 1988
17. Blacks in the Arts: Lillian Evanti
18. Blacks in the Arts: Angelina Weld Grimke Papers
19. Blacks in the Arts: Sharon Harley file
20. Blacks in the Arts: Howard Theater (includes photos)
21. Blacks in the Arts: Alain Locke

Box 16

Folder:

1. Blacks in the Arts: Miscellaneous
2. Blacks in the Arts: Mu-So-Lit Club
3. Blacks in the Arts: Newspaper Clippings from Washington Afro-American
4. Blacks in the Arts: Notes
5. Blacks in the Arts: Notebook (includes photos)
6. Blacks in the Arts: Oral history project Shaw
7. Blacks in the Arts: Proposal D.C. Blacks in the Arts 1987
8. Blacks in the Arts: Survey Material historic resources inventory buildings and structures
9. Blacks in the Arts: Survey on-site houses District of Columbia historic resources inventory buildings and structures

Box 17

Folder:

1. Blacks in the Arts: Survey of Shaw
2. Blacks in the Arts: Survey of Shaw
3. Blacks in the Arts: Theatre Guide of Washington, D.C.
4. Blacks in the Arts: "U Street" vertical file of Washingtoniana Division D.C.PL
5. Blacks in the Arts: *The Washington Bee*
6. Blacks in the Arts: Washington Conservatory
7. Mordecai Booth 1814
8. Robert Brent 1764-1819
9. Bridge War
10. Canal Street
11. Capital City Market
12. Capitol Hill: Article "Earliest Proprietors of Capitol Hill" 1917 by Margaret Brent

Downing

13. Capitol Hill: Article "Growing up Catholic" by Tom Kelly
14. Capitol Hill: Article "Capitol Hill, 1870-1900 The People and Their Homes" by Susan Myers
15. Capitol Hill: Church Capitol Hill Baptist Church
16. Capitol Hill: Church Christ Church history 1969
17. Capitol Hill: Church St. James Church
18. Capitol Hill: Church Capitol Hill United Methodist Church
19. Capitol Hill: Church German immigration
20. Capitol Hill: Capitol Hill Group Ministry
21. Capitol Hill: Capitol Hill History
22. Capitol Hill: Market Row on Capitol Hill Newsletter
23. Capitol Hill: National Register nomination form Historic District
24. Capitol Hill: Pardoe collection Capitol Hill, an evolving community
25. Capitol Hill: Real Estate ads
26. Capitol Hill: Report: Capitol Hill Social History by Michael S. Franch 1974
27. Capitol Hill: Standards and Guidelines W.P.I. project for capitol hill restoration society
28. Capitol Hill: Study Capitol Hill Southeast a study of a residential area 1974

Box 18

Folder:

1. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: Article written by Overbeck in the CHRS newsletter Sept. 1978
2. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: Directory 1975,1796,1978
3. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: Historic Review Committee lecture/tour
4. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: House and Garden Tour list of houses 1958-1982
5. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: House and Garden Tour program 1971-1983
6. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: House and Garden Tour program 1977, 1982
7. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: House and Garden Tour programs 1984-1999 (not inclusive)
8. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: Speech "Lost Capitol Hill" 1979
9. Capitol Hill Restoration Society: Speech "Washington as Hometown" 1979
10. Capital Transit Company
11. Central Market
12. Chain Bridge
13. City Directories 1826-1928
14. Civil War U.S. C.T. 1st Regiment
15. Committee of 100
16. Congress Heights

Box 19

Folder:

1. Congressional Cemetery
2. Covenants and easement
3. D.C. Historical Preservation Grant Manual (interim)
4. Deanwood Survey: contract proposal
5. Deanwood Survey: Historical and building investigation phase I 1987
6. Deanwood Survey: Historic and building investigation Phase 1 material
7. Deanwood Survey: Historic Resources Inventory demolished and completely extended houses
8. Deanwood Survey: Historic Resources Inventory Jay St. NE 5050-5110
9. Deanwood Survey: Historic Resources Inventory Squares 5095-5097

Box 19A

Folder:

1. Deanwood Survey: Historic Resources Inventory Squares 5125-5153
2. Deanwood Survey: Historic Resources Inventory Squares 5154-5157
3. Deanwood Survey: Historic Resources Inventory Squares 5158-5496 (not inclusive)
4. Deanwood Survey: Interview Dorothy Allen April 14, 1987
5. Deanwood Survey: Interview Quentin Allen April 2, 1987
6. Deanwood Survey: Interview Earthamae P. Butler April 28, 1987
7. Deanwood Survey: Interview Vincent Bunch April 11, 1987
8. Deanwood Survey: Interview Alexander D. Davis April 13, 1987
9. Deanwood Survey: Interview Dorothy Slaughter Dixon April 16, 1987
10. Deanwood Survey: Interview Lena Dyson May 12, 1987
11. Deanwood Survey: Interview Phillip Gregory April 1, 1987
12. Deanwood Survey: Interview Katherine C. Johnson April 1, 1987
13. Deanwood Survey: Interview Mr. And Mrs. Herbert T. Jones May 28, 1987
14. Deanwood Survey: Interview Geneva Lyles April 27, 1987
15. Deanwood Survey: Interview Emily Marin April 28, 1987
16. Deanwood Survey: Interview Dorothy M. Roberts April 13, 1987
17. Deanwood Survey: Interview John D. Sultan April 12, 1987
18. Deanwood Survey: Interview Harold Thompson April 20, 1987

Box 19B

1. Deanwood Survey: Interview Clarence Turner May 8, 1987
2. Deanwood Survey: Interview Odessa Upshur May 18, 1987

3. Deanwood Survey: Interview Fred Watkins May 29, 1987
4. Deanwood Survey: Interview John Woodson Jr. May 5, 1987
5. Deanwood Survey: Interview Dorothea Shumate Woolfolk May 21, 1987
6. Deanwood Survey: Miscellaneous documents
7. Deanwood Survey: Monthly reports
8. Deanwood Survey: Perpetual Motion
9. Deanwood Survey: Photo log
10. Deanwood Survey: Survey assignments
11. Eastern Market
 - Eastern Market & 7th St. Corridor to Metro Study 1981**
(see oversize box 43)
12. Eastern Market: Bibliographies and articles
13. Eastern Market: Capitol Hill Restoration Society
14. Eastern Market: Friends of Eastern Market
15. Eastern Market: History

Box 20

Folder:

1. Eastern Market: Miscellaneous
2. Eastern Market: Newsletter ANC 6B March 1977 and EMPD.C. march 1988
3. Eastern Market: Notes
4. Eastern Market: Opposition to Eastern Market planning committee report Citizens Committee for Eastern Market
5. Eastern Market: Oral history project
6. Eastern Market: Oral history project
7. Eastern Market: Oral history project interview with Harry Hodges transcript
8. Eastern Market: Planning Committee's Recommendation to Mayor Marion Barry March 1986
9. Eastern Market: Preservation Solutions for the Eastern Market May 1992
10. Eastern Market: Self-guided tour brochure

11. The East of the River Study Area planning phase 1992-1993
12. The East of the River Study Area Plan for Thematic Study of Cultural Resources

Box 21

Folder:

1. Firehouse Building Survey
2. Firehouse Building Survey DHCD No. 4384-31 completed by W.P.I. 8/31/1986
3. Firehouse Building Survey DHCD No. 4384-31 completed by W.P.I. 8/31/1986

- (includes slides)
4. Firehouse survey graphics (includes photos)
 5. Fort McNair
 6. Friendship House: Architectural drawings
 7. Friendship House: Architectural work
 8. Friendship House: Committees, house and executive committee meeting 1987-1989

Box 22

Folder:

1. Friendship House: History
2. Friendship House: History (includes photos)
3. Friendship House: History
4. Friendship House: Notebook (includes photos)
5. Friendship House: Permits (includes photos)
6. Friendship House: Renovations asbestos abatement 1988-1989
7. Friendship House: Renovations mechanical and electrical improvements 1986-1988

Box 23

Folder:

1. Friendship House: Renovation information gathered by Overbeck for survey 1988-1989
2. Friendship House: Renovations notebook
3. Friendship House: Renovations notebook
4. Frank R. Gailor BZA application 1982
5. Frank R. Gailor BZA application 1976-1981
6. Frank R. Gailor BZA application no date

Box 24

Folder:

1. Genealogy: Beall Bible pages
2. Genealogy: Colmore Beanes
3. Genealogy: Appleton Clark
4. Genealogy: Hugh Dinsley
5. Genealogy: Lewis Giles
6. Genealogy: Hackmen application for licenses 1847

7. Genealogy: Robert N. Harper and Carolyn Jackson Harper
8. Genealogy: Hughes family
9. Genealogy: Pierre L'Enfant Ogilvie silhouette
10. Genealogy: Alfred B. Mullett
11. Genealogy: Prout Family
12. Genealogy: Prout Family
13. Genealogy: Talk Family history of for genealogists at Stewart's bookshop 1981
14. Georgetown University Canal Road entrance
15. Gordon-Fowler's Hill
16. Grace Baptist Church
17. Houp's Court Alley

Box 25

Folder:

1. House history book
2. House history research methods
3. James Creek Canal research
4. James Creek Canal research
5. James Creek Canal research
6. James Creek Canal research

Box 26

Folder:

1. James Creek Canal research
2. James Creek Foster vs. U.S. items submitted to Miles Tolbert
3. James Creek Foster vs. U.S. DOJ Admin.
4. James Creek Foster vs. U.S. DOJ Admin.

Box 27

Folder:

1. Lectures: Black history tour Feb. 28, 1981 created for the Smithsonian
2. Lectures: Broker's Council Seminar on Land Use and Building History in Washington D.C.
3. Lectures: Docent scripts and directories created for the Smithsonian
4. Lectures: Framing class created for the Smithsonian Associates program
5. Lectures: Stuart Hobson's 5th grade glass
6. Lectures: Rest of the work 1776 and Getting Started: Creating a Capital City 1995

- created for the Smithsonian
7. Lectures: Park Service seminar
 - 7A. Lincoln's Boarding House 1847-1849
 8. Lincoln Park
 9. Marine Barracks: Archaeological Reconnaissance survey Phase I 1999
 10. Marine Barracks: Barracks Row
 11. Marine Barracks: Barracks Row
 12. Marine Barracks: Barracks Row community
 13. Marine Barracks: 8th Street and Main Street Project
 14. Marine Barracks: 8th Street and Main Street Project proposal
 15. Marine Barracks: 8th Street and Main Street Project 1999
 16. Marine Barracks: 8th Street and Main Street Project Grants-in-Aid Program Manual 1998
 17. Marine Barracks: Integrated cultural resources management plan work by W.P.I. 1999
 18. Marine Barracks: Maps

Box 28

Folder:

1. Marine Barracks: Master Plan update June 1998
2. Marine Barracks: Nomination form national register of historic places
3. Marine Barracks: Preservation and Maintenance plan for the Marine Barracks 1994 vol. 1 and 2
4. Marine Barracks: Primary data for marine barracks and 8th St. maps and handwritten notes
5. Marine Barracks: Quarters #6 Commandant's Quarters
6. Marine Barracks: 8th St. historic ownership blocks, lots, property Barracks Row
7. Marine Barracks: Research materials
8. Marine Barracks: Research material handwritten notes

Box 29

Folder:

1. Washington Barracks, Canal St. National War College Squares 600-612
2. "Residents of the Area Around the Marine Corps Barracks 1800-1850" by Gail Karesh Kassan
3. Merino Sheep
4. Metropolitan Police Substation (includes photos)
5. National Capital Bank
6. National Capital Bank
7. National Capital Bank (includes photos)

8. Naval Lodge

Box 30

Folder:

1. Navy Yard research
2. Navy Yard: Officer quarters research
3. Navy Yard: Quarters A and the surrounding area 1976
4. Navy Yard: Quarters E renovation study 1989
5. Navy Yard: Quarters W renovation study 1989
6. Navy Yard: Quarters Y renovation study 1989
7. Ogilvie's 1800-1815
8. Old Ebitz Grill (includes photos)
9. O St. Market and North Market (**see also box 11 folder 3**)
10. Old Georgetown historic survey of buildings 3233,3236 and 3240 M St. NW

Box 31

Folder:

1. Parsons
2. Philadelphia Row
3. Philadelphia Row speech by Leonard Greenup
4. Potomac Park East and West
5. Preservation Fair
6. Prince George's Community College
7. Row House Development
8. Saint Elizabeth's hospital
9. St. Mark's Parishioners
10. St. Joseph's Home for the Aged
11. Schools Colored Schools report
12. Schools Public Schools D.C.
13. 16th St. historic district
14. Tunnick's Tavern (includes photos)
15. Unit Block D. St. SE
16. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Administration of projects
17. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Advertisements for houses
18. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Articles and reports
19. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Bibliography of newspaper articles

Box 32

Folder:

1. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Biographical information for architects and builders
2. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: All Soul's Unitarian Church 16th and Harvard
3. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Cavalry United Methodist Episcopal 1459 Columbia Rd.
4. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Central Presbyterian Church 1476 Irving St.
5. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Church of Christ 13 and Irving Sts.
6. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Greater First Baptist Church 13th and Fairmont Sts.
7. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church
8. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Sacred Heart Catholic Church 1516 Park Rd.
9. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: St. Stephen and the Incarnation Church 16th and Center Sts.
10. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Temple Church of God and Christ 14th St. and Park Rd.
11. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Trinity African Methodist Zion Church 3505 16th St.
12. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: City directory and street directory and census
13. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Commemorative histories and citizen assoc. publications
14. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Contact sheet of graphics (includes photos)
15. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Expenses time sheet and correspondence
16. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Grant (original) comprehensive historical resources survey 1987
17. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Interview material oral history
18. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Job applicants
19. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Lusk report original
20. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Miscellaneous

Box 33

Folder:

1. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Mount Pleasant Historic District
2. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: National Memorial Baptist Church 1501 Columbia Rd.
3. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Notes
4. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Oral histories inventory and photologs
5. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Overbeck work

6. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Overbeck work as survey director
7. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Phase II materials
8. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Graphics (includes photos)
9. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Research on problem addresses
10. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Riggs-Tomkins building
11. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Schools: Cardozo Senior High School, Powell School, Bruce School, Harrison School
12. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2662
13. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2663
14. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2664

Box 34

Folder:

1. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2665
2. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2666
3. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2667
4. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2669
5. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2671
6. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Square 2674
7. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Tiseveth Israel Synagogue
8. Upper Cardozo/Columbia Heights: Tivoli Theater
9. Volta Place
10. Wallpaper
11. Walsh Stables (includes photos)
12. Ward Boundaries
13. Washington history
14. Washington Urban League notes and letter
15. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for Washington Seawall vol. 1
16. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for Washington Seawall Vol. 1

Box 35

Folder:

1. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for Washington Seawall Vol. 1 (includes photos)
2. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for the Washington Seawall Vol. 1 reports, maps, photos, drawings Oct. 11, 1985
3. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for the Washington Seawall Vol. II

4. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for the Washington Seawall Vol. II
5. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for the Washington Seawall Vol. II
6. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for the Washington Seawall Vol. II

Box 36

Folder:

1. Washington Seawall: Annotated Comprehensive Guide for the Washington Seawall Vol. II supporting documentation Oct. 11, 1985
2. Washington Seawall: Documents
3. Washington Seawall: Documents
4. Washington Seawall: Handwritten notes
5. Whitelaw and industrial bank building nominations
6. Woodies department store
7. Zoning history in the District

Subseries 2: Research not D.C.

Box 37

Folder:

Divided by location

Canada

1. Canada Hilly Grove Farm

Kentucky

2. Log cabin
3. Louisa oilfield
4. Yatesville Lawrence county oil field site (includes photos)

Maryland

5. Baltimore Howard St. 1981
6. Cross Manor St. Mary's county 1988
7. Tour of Congressional Cemetery for Goucher College alumnae club of Washington, D.C.
8. Ishpiming 9 Chevy Chase Circle Chevy Chase
9. Talbot County Council 1992
10. U.S. Naval Academy monument survey legacy project 878

New York

11. Railroad featherbedding

Pennsylvania

11. Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster
12. Philadelphia

Texas

13. Colbert's Ferry Oklahoma
14. Denison Lewis S. Owings and B.C. Murray

Box 38

Folder:

1. Denison Old City Directories
2. Denison Traveler's Hotel "Ernst Martin Kohl Building"
3. Houston "Avenues of Hospital Development" medical planning study
4. Texas note cards
5. Texas Red River Bridge Dispute between Texas and Oklahoma
6. Texas "The Red River Bridges: A Study in State Federal Governmental Problems" thesis by Ruth Ann Overbeck Perez 1969
7. Texas article "Texas Gets out of the Mud"

Box 39

Folder:

Virginia

1. Architectural drawings
2. Arlington Charles Payne House
3. Fairfax Co. Columbus Hall Farm and Cottonwood St.
4. Fairfax County Intensive level survey report 10172 Main St. 1997
5. Falls Church Proposal for Commonwealth of Virginia Dept. of historical resources for RFP 95-7
6. Fredericksburg 900 Caroline St.
7. Exton Square Mall Naturalist investors
8. King George County Friedland historic district survey
9. Homes
10. Leesburg 101 North King St.
11. Lexington Kappa Alpha Fraternity historic property search
12. Loudoun County Valley Bank Building 1984
13. Thesis "The Market House in Virginia, 1736-1860" by Bryan Clark Green
14. Plantations of Washington's Virginia
15. Van Dorn Project Cottonwood St. property
16. Waterford Hague-Hough House

Box 40

Folder:

West Virginia

1. Anatomy of a historic district
2. Archaeological investigations at the LR-4 Dam site on Kimsey Run, Hardy County 1990
3. Lost River
4. Morgantown
5. West Virginia University

General topics

6. Civil War colored infantry
7. George Mason University Applied History Program
8. Genealogy Danielson of Denison, TX
9. Genealogy Otto B. Shott
10. Genealogy John Templeman

Box 41

Folder:

1. Genealogy John Templeman
2. Genealogy John Templeman
3. Katz Food
4. Report of the Revolution Nabarro (text in Spanish)
5. Thesis *The Origins of Concrete Block and Artificial Stone in Nineteenth Century America* by Margaret Long Stephenson
6. Transportes Aereos Centro Americanos (TACA) (includes photos)

Box 42

Folder:

Series VII: W.P.I. Administrative Records

1. Articles of Incorporation 1975
2. Brochure Appalachian House
3. Brochure Iran Orientation Seminar
4. Brochure Executive Resources Associates (ERA)
5. Brochure Take One Tour
6. Correspondence 1977-1984

7. Correspondence with Martin K. Gordon
8. Financial bank records 1975-1985
9. Financial sample of checks and deposit slips 1975-1985
10. D.C. Histories
11. Retna Walden Gambaro work for her (includes photos)
12. Assorted small jobs
13. Phone Log May 21, 1980-July 6, 1981
14. Phone Log 1979-May 21, 1980
15. Phone Log 4/77-12/78
16. Sample invoices
17. Small business questionnaire

Box 43 oversize

Folder:

1. Eastern Market

Subseries 2: Oversized maps (see oversize box 43)

2. Dupont Circle Historic District 1977
3. James Creek Valley Trunk Sewer n.d.
4. U.S. Naval Gun Factory Quarters B 1950
5. Naval Observatory Quarters D improvements 1965
6. Naval Observatory Married Officers Quarters plumbing and heating 1946
7. 14th St. Urban Renewal Area 1980
8. Unidentified map –Plat of D.C.

Separation List

The Congressional Cemetery It's History, Plan and Location of Burial Sites or Cenotaphs of Persons Formerly in the Service of the Federal Government or the Confederate States of America—Including Some Brief Biographies and Records of Service 1807-1939.