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Small Collections Descriptions

Box 1

SC-001 Newcomers Packet, ca. 1978.

Miscellaneous documents showing the process of purchasing and moving into a Sun City home. Included is correspondence concerning the progress being made on the house and the expected move-in date, information provided to the new owner from DEVCO such as welcome/move-in instructions, a newsletter, and a *Homeowners Manual*, a list of 1978 chartered clubs, a "tip" troubleshooting sheet, a Sun City street map, a Sun City scenic tour map showing highlights from Phase 1 and Phase 2, financial and planning documents pertaining to the sale of the property to Daniel Goldman, 17403 Hitching Post Lane, a letter pertaining to sewer and water service, a postcard from Park & Son regarding trash pick-up,

See also: **SPBK 58** "Dawn Breaks Over Trail Ridge Golf Course and Marks the BIRTH of a DEL WEBB SUN CITIES HOME

SC-002 Sun City Country Club, ca. 1966-1984.

Documents, news clippings, photographs, and pamphlets pertaining to the establishment of the Sun City Country Club (SCCC) in 1966. Included are:

- *Origin of the Sun City Country Club by Merrill G. Palmer (the first president)*
- *Sun City Country Club 1967-1968 Yearbook, Sports and Social Program Rules and Regulations By-Laws Sun City Country Club 1968-1969*
- *Sun City Country Club Articles of Incorporation*
- *By-Laws, Rules and Regulations Sun City Country Club 1984*

The collection also contains news clippings and one photograph showing SCCC officers and an article about the opening of the dining room. Also included is a cloth Sun City Country Club patch and several photographs of Merrill G. Palmer, his home, golfing, and his hobby of racing cars.

SC-003 Sun City Volunteer Statue, 2000-2008.

Information pertaining to the creation and dedication of the Sun City Volunteers statue. Included are one photo album documenting the creation of the statue and the dedication, loose photographs showing the statue and people associated with

its creation and dedication, correspondence related to the creation of the statues and to the replacement in 2008 of "Sparky," the dog that was a part of the original statue group, news clippings (2000-2001) documenting the creation of the statue, fundraising, and dedication of the statue group, a brochure "*Sun City Volunteers a Lifestyle of Giving*" created for The International Year of the Volunteer Saturday, March 17, 2001 and a small pamphlet illustrating the process of bronze casting.

SC-004 Sun City West Miscellaneous Information, ca. 1983-1998

Miscellaneous documents and photographs pertaining to Sun City West, including:

- *1983 Sun City West Property Availabilities Map, a brochure with SCW residence designs and information about weekly vacation promotions,
- *Five news releases (1888-1890) with information about Sun City West residences, marketing, and a "major change in developer's philosophy,"
- **Guide to the Recreation Centers of Sun City West.*
- *"Sun City West Long-Range Plan for 1990 and 1995, "
- *"Governance of Sun City West After Del Webb Communities, Inc. Completes its residential Construction Program (October 1988),"
- *Two archaeological surveys (1991, 1992) completed to determine cultural resources that might be affected by future building projects,
- *Sun City West Homeowner's Manual,
- *"Souvenir Tour Guide" with information about CCRs, Recreation Centers, floor plans and other matters associated with moving to Sun City West,
- *News clippings related to Sun City West's master plan,
- *The beginning of construction, and a twenty square foot model of Sun City West phase one,
- *Photographs of Sun City West's groundbreaking and the groundbreaking for the SCW fire house and a promotional postcard.
- *Sun City West Business & Professional Directory 1997.
- *Article from the Daily News Sun, September 1, 1998, on the sale of the last houses in Sun City West "*ERA ENDS After 20 Years Webb Sells Last Houses in SC West.*"

See Also: Many of the documents in this collection are available in digitized form in the online **Vertical File**.

SC-005 Sun City West Sun Dome Information, 1980-2013.

Miscellaneous information pertaining to Sun City West's Sundome including programs for the 2001-2002 and 2002-2003 seasons, correspondence, lists of Directors of the Sundome as well as tours and vacations sponsored by the Sundome. The collection also includes an 8 x 10 black & white photograph of the Sundome under construction and a copy of the program for the "Dedication of Arizona State University Signage to the SUMDOME Center for the Performing Arts on its 10th Anniversary, September 12, 1990, featuring performances by Bob Hope, George Burns and the Manhattan Rhythm Kings. Also included are ticket stubs for performances by Lawrence Welk (September 14, 1980), Al Martino (October 26, 1980), the Follies (November 14, 1980), and the Jim Nabors Show (May 9, 1982). Also included is a July 7, 2013 issue of *Communiti* magazine with an article "The Sun's Sets' on the Sundome."

SC 006 Amanda Durand, ca. 1917-1985.

Articles, and notes written material by Amanda Durand including "Memories of Marinette." Durand's writings also contain short histories of Marinette and surrounding area, including the early history of Sun City. Also included are short paragraphs about Youngtown, El Mirage, Peoria, Surprise, Sun Air Estates, Westbrook Village, and Country Meadows. Several of the documents are drafts or incomplete. The collection also includes news clippings about Sun City and Marinette to which Durand contributed, as well as two pieces of correspondence and a map of the J. G. Boswell Company Maricopa Ranches.

SC 007 West Valley Art Museum, ca. 1985-2007.

A West Valley Art Museum 2007 Event Calendar and a *WVAM Members Cookbook Celebrating 25 years 1980-2005*.

SC 008 Sun City Players Community Theater (twofolders), 1961-2019.

Folder one: Photographs, programs, and other documents pertaining to the Sun City Players. The programs include two copies of the first performance in May 1961, the "Sun City Jubilee Minstrel," which includes advertising and information about Sun City such as a listing of clubs and organizations. There is also a broken run of other programs for plays 1984, 1986-1990, 1993, 1995, 1999-2001, 2003-2006, 2008-2012, 2016, 2019. Documents also include directories 1987, 2004, 2007; copies of meetings of the Players 2004, 2006, 2007. Also included are documents describing planning the play "Oklahoma" and responsibilities of

production members. There is also a Production History listing of play titles from 1964-2011.

Folder two: The photographs include both color and black & white images, mostly 5 x 7 and 4 x 6, with a few 8 x 10 images. The photographs show "The Fiddler on the Roof," "Little Mary Sunshine", two unidentified plays, photographs of players, and personal pictures of club members. The "Fiddler on the Roof" photographs have identifications on the verso for those shown in the photograph. Most of the other photographs are not identified or dated.

Folder three: Copies of *The Playbill*, the newsletter of the Sun City Players Community Theater. A broken run of Newsletters from Volume 8, Issue 8 (November 2003) through Volume 18, Issue 10 (December 2013). The newsletter contains reviews of past plays, previews of coming performances, and other information of Sun City Players activities.

See Also:

SC-032 "*Sun City Players on Stage Since 1961.*" In *Memories of the Sun Cities, A Series on the History of Sun City and Sun City West.*

SC-009 **Churches of the Sun Cities Original Artwork, 1987-2015.**

Original colorized artwork for the book *Churches of the Sun Cities*, published in 1987. Many of the drawings also include a sketch of the primary worship room interior or a short history of the church. Also included is a photograph of Emil C. Fischer, the author of the book. The collection also includes a two-page broadside promoting the Week of Prayer January 18-24, 2015. The broadsides feature color photographs of twenty-one Sun City Churches (including the Salvation Army).

SC-010 **Sun City Aqua Suns Synchronized Swim Group, 1974-2014.**

Primarily photographs of the Aqua Suns Synchronized Swim Group, 1974-2014. Many of the photographs are identified. The oldest photograph shows "The Aquarians" in 1974. Also included is a 2014 broadside announcing the disbanding of the club in 2014.

Small Collections Box 2

SC-011 **Sun City West Post Office, 1991-1993.**

Color photographs, news clippings, and correspondence documenting the establishment of the Sun City West Post Office 1991-1993. The collection traces the efforts of Sun City West residents, the Post Office Committee, and the involvement of PORA in the effort to establish a post office in Sun City West.

SC-012 Apple Dumpling Festival of Sun City, 1991-2004.

Documents and news clippings from the Sun Cities Independent newspaper pertaining to the annual Apple Dumpling Festival, a charitable event that was started in 1991 and continued until at least 2004. The last year of the festival is not known. Also included are several letters from the Recreation Centers of Sun City to Douglas and Betty Caravaggio, the primary organizers of the event. The Apple Dumpling Festival was reportedly very popular, attracting up to 5,000 each year. Also included are four "refrigerator magnets" (2001-2004) in the shape of an apple, with the name of the event sponsor.

SC-013 Sun City West Del E Webb Memorial Hospital, ca. 1987-1991.

Documents pertaining to the establishment and history of the Del E. Webb Memorial Hospital in Sun City West. The collection includes a vol. 1, #1 issue of *Highlights*, April 1987, with information about the Capital Campaign to fund the completion of the hospital, a *Fact Sheet* with information about the hospital, an invitation to the dedication of the hospital on December 6, 1987, a 19-page typewritten "*History of the Del E. Webb Memorial Hospital*" written by Pamela Meyerhoffer, Executive Vice President of Sun Health, that traces the history of the hospital from 1987-1991.

SC-014 Sun City Saints, 1966-1992.

Information pertaining to the Sun City Saints women's softball year that played in Sun City from 1966-1984. Included are Official Programs 1970-1971, 1973-1979, 1981, 1983 as well as a pamphlet *The Saints on Safari* tracing the team's tour of Africa in 1975 and the Report of the 5th World Women's Softball Championship, 1982, held in Taipei, Formosa. Also included is a 1984 Scorecard with player profiles, a 1981 Season Schedule, and a 1990 Scorecard for the Sun City Saints and Sun City Sons, correspondence from the Saints Booster Club, 1983-1984, miscellaneous undated clippings about the Saints, miscellaneous statistics about Saints teams, an invitation to a 1992 "Sun City Saints Recognition Day", and a 1974 team photograph.

See Also: Digitized **SPBK 17**, **Sun City Saints Softball Team, 1969-1984**, vols. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; **SC-032** "*Saints Revered for Dedication to Sun City.*" (1998) in *Memories of the Sun Cities, One of a Series on the History of Sun City and Sun City West.* *.

SC-015 Sun Cities Senior Softball Club, 1979-2019.

Assorted documents pertaining to the Sun Cities Senior Softball League which was established in 1979. The collection includes two articles from the Sun Cities Independent about the league, an article about the expansion of the league to include Sun City West and Sun City Grand, and the various baseball fields that have been used over the years, an article about women participating in the league as umpires, and an article "*History of the Sun Cities Senior Softball League After 40 Years.*"

See Also: **SPBK 54 Sun City Men's Softball 1989-1992; 1994-2000** (Two volumes in two separate accessions); **SC-044 Sun City Stadium/Milwaukee Brewers/Sun City Rays/Sun City Sons, 1974-1984.**

SC-016 History of Boswell Memorial Hospital, 1966-1991.

This collection contains several documents that give a detailed history of the Walter O. Boswell Memorial Hospital in Sun City. The most comprehensive is a 113 page "*Walter O. Boswell Memorial Hospital An Ongoing History*" by Jane Freeman and Maurice Myerson that traces the history of the hospital from 1965-1991. Also included:

* "*Boswell Hospital History*" by Ben Roloff

* "*History Milestones.*"

**"*History of the Walter O. Boswell Memorial History*" (a typescript of a larger document and begins on page 22 with the history from 1975).

**"*History of the Walter O. Boswell Memorial Hospital 1966-1975.* There are also a number of shorter documents describing the fundraising process for building the hospital and its expansion. Finally, there is a transcript of a "Back to the Future ED Alumni/Community Leader Event" dealing with the Boswell Emergency Department and two undated color photographs in Boswell Memorial Hospital.

SC-017 Royal Oaks Care Center COVID Protocols, 1920-1922.

Circular letters, food service updates, activities calendars and menus issued during the COVID-19 Pandemic, February 28, 2020-February 10, 2022. ***Circular Letters** detailing reported COVID cases, restrictions on public gatherings, a temporary campus-wide lockdown, vaccinations, temporary restrictions on travel and dining, delivering meals to residents, and other matters affecting residents lives.

***Food Service Updates** 2020-2021 distributed on a weekly basis to update residents on dining hours and restrictions, shortages caused by the pandemic and temporary delivery of meals to resident apartments. This series also includes special offerings by the food service and residents in an effort to boost resident morale. Also included are paper cutout embellishments and one "thank you" in several languages that was posted outside of the resident's apartment to thank food service employees who were delivering meals.

*"**This Week at Royal Oaks**" flyers 2020-2021 listing activities and special events. These were issued to inform residents of changes of schedule or cancellations caused by the COVID Pandemic.

***Weekly Menus**. 2020-2021. Weekly menus listing the variety of entrees, soups, vegetables, desserts, and bread offered for meals.

SC-018 Sun City 10th Anniversary, 1970.

This collection consists entirely of a single issue of the **Webb Spinner** (January 1970, vol. 32, No. 1) that is entirely devoted to Sun City's first high-profile anniversary. It contains articles such as:

*"*When Webb Launched Sun City in 1959, It Was a Multi-Million Dollar Researched 'Risk'*"

*"*Sun City Most Famous Town Of Ist Kind In United States*"

*"*Many Low Cost Facilities a Sun City Success 'Secret'*"

*"*Webb People Give 10 Year Impressions*"

*"*Someday, Someone Will Write: 'The Town That Couldn't Retire'*"

The issue also gives interesting statistics such as the top five states from which Sun City Residents come, and the percentage of homes that had a rock lawn in 1970.

SC-019 Sun City West 25th Anniversary, 1993

This collection features miscellaneous items from Sun City West's 25th Anniversary in 2003. It includes an issue of **Sun Life Magazine** with an article about the kick-off of the celebration, brochures about two special Silver

Anniversary concerts, one, with ticket stubs featuring Myron Floren and other original cast members of the Lawrence Welk's television show, a sheet of Sun City Silver Celebration letterhead, and an issue of the Sun City West Newsletter with information about the first year of Sun City West.

SC-020 Sun City West 15th Anniversary, 1993.

A Special Anniversary Issue of the **Sun Cities Independent** (September 29, 1993) celebrating Sun City West's 15th anniversary. The lead article is, "Residents Recall Original Development. Plan Called for Community North and South of Grand Avenue."

SC-021 Sun City 25th Anniversary, 1985-2006

A Week in the Life of the Sun Cities 25th Anniversary Edition; "For 25 Years: Life in the Sun Cities" (reprinted from *Phoenix Magazine* February 1985); miscellaneous correspondence 1983-1986, 2006, pertaining to the 25th Anniversary and publishing the book *Jubilee The 25th Anniversary of Sun City*; news articles about the anniversary; a Silver Anniversary First Day of issue stamp and cover; "Sun Cities Life Silver Anniversary" published in *Sun Cities Life*; "Sun City 25th Anniversary, Section 2 of 3 Sections" published by the *Daily News Sun*, January 25, 1985.

SC-022 Sun City 30th Anniversary, 1990.

A special Souvenir Issue of *Sun Life Magazine* (March-April 1990) highlighting Sun City's 30th Anniversary; a bound volume of newspaper articles from the *Arizona Republic* and the *Phoenix Gazette* with information about the anniversary celebration, two copies of a pamphlet "The Houses That Webb Built" contrasting typical home designs from 1960 and 1990; an article from the January 14, 1990 *Arizona Republic* about the 30th Anniversary.

SC-023 Sun City 40th Anniversary, 2000.

A Calendar of Events for the 2000 year-long celebration; a *Sun City's 40th Anniversary Special Commemorative Issue* published by the Sun City Anniversary Committee; two plastic front license plate covers "Catch the Spirit Catch the Pride Sun City, Arizona 40th Anniversary," a list of winners of the 40th Anniversary Raffle; a written tribute to Douglas and Betty Caravaggio who were instrumental in organizing the celebration.

SC-024 Sun City 50th Anniversary, 2009-2010.

One copy of *Sun City's 50th Anniversary An Extraordinary Past—A Brilliant Future Program Events for 2010*, One copy of *Reshaping Retirement in America Sun City, Arizona, 1960-2010*, two copies of the Commemorative Program for the Opening Ceremony, December 9, 2009.

SC-025 Sun City Pioneers Club, 1960-1990.

This collection is a typewritten listing of Sun City residents who moved to the community during 1960, Sun City's first year of operation. The listing also includes a copy of "Song of the Sun City Pioneers" by Lilian Steele Munson, sung to the tune of "Home on the Range." The song was dedicated to Del E. Webb. Also included is a December 19, 1964 news clipping from the Sun Citizen outlining the Pioneers participation in Sun City's 5th anniversary as well as two 1973 news clippings about the formal organization of the Sun City Pioneers, also included is a copy of the "proposed rules and regulations" for the group. Finally, there is *A Proposal to the Sun City Pioneers Club* From the Sun Cities Area Historical Society listing six services that the SCAHS would provide to the Pioneers Club Membership, including providing meeting space in the Society's museum, providing secretarial services, conducting oral history interviews of Pioneers, becoming a permanent repository for the Pioneers records and artifacts, invitations to all meetings and programs, and honoring a member of the Pioneers every month. The proposal was approved October 27, 1990.

**SC-026 POMS Miscellaneous: photographs & documents;
Calendar, 1979-1991.**

Miscellaneous documents and photographs relating to the Sun City POMS, organized in 1979 and initially called the Leslie Sun City Pom Pom Squad. Included are records of the group's performances from 1979-1998, brochures, a history of the POMS, a 1985 POMS calendar, a listing of POMS alumnae, correspondence pertaining to appearances by the POMS, directories from 1989, 1990, and 1991, illustrated mailers advertising the availability of POMS for various events, and a history of the Dallas Cowboy's Cheerleaders.

See Also: SPBK 49, POMS (1970-2005) Scrapbook Vols. 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509.

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SC-027 Sun City/Sun City West Golf, 1960-1999.

A three-page "S.C. Golf courses—History,"

- *Articles of Incorporation of Sun City Gold Courses, Inc., a planning document pertaining to the opening of the Riverview Golf Course,
- *Fact sheets for the North, South, Lakes East, Lakes West, Riverview, and Willowbrook golf courses, vintage score cards from various courses, illustrated by Walt Ditzen cartoons,
- **"History of Golf by William Berg,
- **"Preliminary information about the new Union Hills Country Club" (n.d.),
- *Sun City Arizona Golf Courses, Policy, Rules, Fees and Regulations (1972-1973
- **"Facts About the New Palmbrook Country Club (1971).
- *From Sun City West there is a pamphlet describing the Stardust Men's Golf Association; article,
- *December 1999 issue of Sun Golf Magazine "Sun City Celebrates 40th Anniversary of Del Webb's Daring Dream."

SC-028 Sun City/Sun City West PRIDES, 1980-2007.

Records pertaining to the Sun City PRIDES (Proud Residents Independently Donating Essential Services), an organization established in 1980. Included are a four-page "SUN CITY PRIDES, Inc. HISTORY 1980-1996," and a 1982-1983 bound document describing the PRIDES and listing their committees and responsibilities, as well as reports and an annual report for the group. There is also a brochure describing the organization and its 1981 receipt of a national honor from the County Board of Supervisors and the National Association of Counties. The Sun City West information includes two color brochures, one dated 2007, describing the PRIDES and the services they perform.

SC-029 Sun Cities, Marinette, Vulture Road Histories, 1974-1978.

A collection of histories, timelines, maps, and fact sheets written about the Sun City area. Included are the following:

- *A 1974 "Saga of the Vulture Road" that was published by Arizona Highways
- *A 1978 "The Sun City Story" published in Phoenix Magazine.
- *miscellaneous maps and histories of Marinette and Vulture Road
- *A program for the dedication of the Marinette Memorial
- *A 1973 article "The Town Before Sun City" by Val Bembenek and

published in the *News Sun*.

**A Map of the Agua Fria Valley and the Western Portion of the Salt River Valley Showing the System of Reservoirs and Canals of the Agua Fria Water and Land Company* (ca. 1892).

SC-030 Sun Bowl, 1981-1982.

A small collection of material, mostly dated from 1981-1982, relating to the Sun Bowl, including a fact sheet and information pertaining to finances and attendance. There are also a number of brochures from activities held in the Sun Bowl as well as correspondence and other information pertaining to the Community Events Committee that planned and scheduled events for the Sun Bowl and calendars of scheduled events.

SC-031 Sun City Sunshine Service, 1972-1973.

A collection of pamphlets and brochures describing Sun City Sunshine Services, its mission and history, the sick room equipment such as rollaways, and children's equipment that it provides to Sun City residents as no cost. Much of the information in the various publications is repetitious (the history) and dates from 1973 when Sunshine Service moved to its present location at 9980 Santa Fe Drive. Only one brochure dates from 1972 when Sunshine Service was located at its previous site at 10307 Coggins Drive

SC-032 *Memories of the Sun Cities, One of a Series on the History of Sun City and Sun City West, 1996-1999.*

This is a series of short pamphlets (1-4 pages) published by the Sun Cities Area Historical Society between 1996 and 1999. They were prepared by Albert B. Foster.

**Vulture Road Once Buzzed with Trade.* (1996)

**Not Nation's First Age-Restricted City.* (1996)

**Trolleys Traversed Sun City* (1997)

**Sun City Made Exception for Doctor's Son* (1997)

**Contest Led to Naming Sun City.* (1997)

**Boswells were Key to Sun City's Birth* (1997)

**Eight Clubs Served as Centerpiece for Organized Recreational Activity* (1998)

**Del E. Webb Was Lifelong Baseball Fan* (1998)

**Uncertainty Marked Sun City's First Day* (1998)

- **Post Office Springs From Newborn Center* (1998)
- **First House Exudes History* (1998)
- **Marinette Preceded Sun City*
- **Sun City, Arizona: A Glimpse Into the First Forty Years.*" (1998)
- **Saints Revered for Dedication to Sun City* (1998)
- **Sun City Players on Stage Since 1961* (1999)
- **Ancients Help Pioneers Reclaim Desert.* (n.d.)

See also: **SC-023**, Sun City's 40th Anniversary;
SC-029 Sun Cities Histories (including Marinette, Vulture Road)

SC-033 Sun City Taxpayers Association, 1968.

Documents describing the Sun City Taxpayers Association that was founded in 1968. The collection includes a copy of the constitution and by-laws for the organization, a brochure describing its mission and activities, as well as advertisements and fact sheets illustrating the benefits and the accomplishments of the association.

SC-034 N.O.W. (National Organization for Women), ca. 1972-2013.

A 23-page typewritten copy of "*Those Feisty Ol' Gals: History of the NOW Chapter in a Retirement Community Sun Cities/West Valley Chapter of the National Organization for Women.*" By Vivian Wood (n.d.) Includes information about the founding and accomplishments of the chapter, activities such as rallies, marches, protests, participation in Women's History Month, and a brief history of the national NOW.

See Also: **SPBK 11**, Records of the Sun Cities West Valley Chapter of NOW, the National Organization for Women, scrapbook vols. SB12, SB13, SB14, SB15, SB16, SB17, SB18, SB19 SB-20, SB-21, SB-22, SB-23, SB-24, SB-25, SB-26.

SC-035 Sun City Shopping Centers, ca. 1973-2008.

Statistical summaries of the Sun Bowl Plaza, Grand Shopping Center #1, Plaza del Sol Center #2, Greenway Shopping Center and the La Ronde Shopping Center. These give the year the center was opened, the acreage of the area, the cost, location, and other financial and statistical data. "A Study of Sun City Attitudes Towards Shopping and Dining" by the Marshal N. deNoyelles, Jr. Consulting

company, prepared for DEVCO in 1973. "History of the Grand Shopping Center" by Ed Allen, 2008, Miscellaneous maps and merchant directories for several shopping centers. The collection also includes a copy of "'We're Here to Serve You!' The early history and growth of Sun City businesses," an eight-page typed manuscript with information about Sun City business up to 2001, including shopping centers. Compiled from the *Daily News-Sun* by Jane Freeman.

SC-036 Sun City Recreation Centers, ca. 1964-1985.

Miscellaneous information on the Bell, Town Hall (Fairway), Sundial, and Lake View Recreation Centers, including, brochures describing:

- *activities and clubs located at the various centers
- *information about the opening of the centers
- *calendars of activities
- *maps and diagrams of the center facilities
- *newsletters
- *information about special features such as the large Sundial and Viewpoint Lake.

Also included are two guides of Sun City Recreation Centers (1973 and 1982).

SC-037 Sun City West Variety Show/Rhythm Tappers etc., 1989-2000.

Programs from several Sun City West entertainment performances, including the Sun City West Variety Show (ca. 1989-2000), The Rhythm Tappers (ca. 1991-2005), Grannies in Review (n.d., ca. 1996), and other programs. Also included is a typewritten "Sun City West Variety Show History" ca. 1987-1999, with totals for the amount of money raised each year. Also included are a few photographs and broadsides advertising events sponsored by one or more of the groups.

SC-038 Sun City Homeowners Association (SCHOA), 1963, 1973-1976, 1985.

The SCHOA was established in 1963. This collection contains brochures describing the SCHOA's history and describing the ways the organization can be of assistance to Sun City Homeowners. Also included is a copy of the 1998 "Amended and Restated Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions" as well as other miscellaneous documents. The collection includes several news clippings ca. 1973-1976, 1985, focusing on May Huber, the first woman to be elected president of the SHHOA.

SC-039 Miscellaneous Sun City Small Club Collections/listings, 1961-2015.

A collection of single brochures or other publications from various Sun City Clubs and organizations. Some have short histories of the club. Some are more detailed histories of the club (**). have more detailed. The collection also contains several listings of all chartered Sun City clubs.

- *Sun City Hiking Club
- *Bell Metal Club (**)
- *ChinaPainting Club
- *50th Anniversary of the Rock Hound Society (**)
- *Sun City Agricultural Club (**)
- *Travel Trailer Club of Sun City
- *Sun City Mini Golf Club (includes 4 photographs)
- *Sun City Sportsmen, (2023)
- * Lakeview Lapidary Club (1970-1972)

SC-040 Chamber Music West History 1977-2011.

Crescendo A Brief History of Chamber Music West 1977-2011. (No author given)
The chamber group was incorporated as the Sun City Fine Arts Society. from 1977 to 1997. They have performed at the Mountain View and the Sundial Auditoriums. In 1998, they moved to the Bellview Heights Church and the First Presbyterian Church. The book is largely a chronology of the group's performances. There is little about the organization or ongoing administration or members.

SC-041 Youngtown History, ca. 1993-2003.

A short pamphlet titled, "Youngtown, Arizona America's First Retirement Community Est. 1954" published by the Youngtown Historical Museum. The pamphlets contains a few historical facts about Youngtown but it is primarily a guide to a walking tour of "Historic Clubhouse Square" in Youngtown. Also included are six community profiles for Youngtown published in the Northwest Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Directory, 1993-2003. Also included is a 1977 Youngtown area Chamber of Commerce Community Directory that includes a large street map of Youngtown and the names of businesses from that time.

SC-042 Sun City/Sun City West Posse, 1993-2001.

A mailer outlining the activities of the Sun City Posse and promoting membership and support. Also included is a broadside advertising and 28th Annual Open House

held on February 11, 2001. The guest of Honor was Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio. Also included is a **Sun City West** press release (ca. 1993) "POSSE ACTS AS EYES AND EARS OF MARICOPA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE" and a color recruiting brochure describing nineteen activities that the posse performs.

SC-043 German-American Friendship Club, 1976, 2009-2017.

Includes a historical essay titled, "*Beginning of the Bi-Lingual Club later to be known as The German American Friendship Club*" written both in English and in German. The collection consists almost entirely of minutes of club member meetings and financial records.

SC-044 Sun City Stadium/Milwaukee Brewers/Sun City Rays/Sun City Sons, 1974-1984.

Miscellaneous materials pertaining to the Sun City Stadium, the Milwaukee Brewers, and the Sun City Rays who played there, including:

- *Milwaukee Brewers Spring Training single game programs, 1974-1976, 1978-1984.
- *Five page typewritten report of the construction of the Sun City Stadium, including costs and financial statements.
- *Marc's Big Boy Restaurant placemat with a photograph of the 1974 Milwaukee Brewers.
- **"2011 Sun City Community Guide" with information about the Sun City Stadium.
- **"Catch the Rays," an article and cover photo about the Sun City Rays from *Sun Life Magazine*, November-December 1990. Also includes a business card from Alan Lipp, Executive Vice President of the Senior Professional Baseball Association.
- **"Brewers Spring Into Sun City Training" *Sun City Citizen*, February 28, 1978.)
- **"What's 'Brewering'?" Who Know Will Answer Questions." (*Sun City Citizen*, February 28, 1978.)
- *Three photographs: one team photo and two "action shot" of the Sun City Sons
- *One team photograph of the Sun Cities Solar Sox

Also included is the Premier Edition of Senior Professional Baseball which, although it doesn't have any information pertaining to the Sun City Rays, contains an excellent article about the history of the formation of the

Senior Professional Baseball League with the names and rosters for the eight other teams comprising the league.

See also:

SC-014, Sun City Saints;

SC-015, Sun City Senior Softball Club (Chartered 1995)

SPBK 54 Sun City Men's Softball 1989-1992; 1994-2000

(Two volumes in two separate accessions)

SC-045: Sun City Liberty Bell, 1976.

Documents relating to the Sun City Liberty bell that was unveiled on July 8, 1976 and dedicated on November 8, 1976 with a time capsule in its base. The bell was created using donations of metal from 1,500 Sun City residents including, "family treasures, precious personal mementos, wedding rings and jewelry, bric-a-brac, statuary, souvenirs from our country's wars and musical instruments." Documents include a six-page handwritten history of the bell, the typewritten program from the July 8, 1976 unveiling, Several "RING THAT BELL" pamphlets from various ceremonies that have been held over the years, including a special edition created for the 25th Anniversary in 2003. Also included is a letter from the Sun City Bicentennial Committees with information about the contents of a time capsule placed in the base of the Liberty Bell and a few news clippings and photographs relating to the bell.

See also: SC-021 Sun City's 25th Anniversary

SC-046: Sun City Musicians Club, 1974-1978.

This collection includes a small scrapbook that traces the founding of the Sun City Musicians Club in 1974 and its early history up to 1978. The scrapbook contains the minutes of the group's first meeting, a copy of the letter to the RCSC requesting an official charter, and the return letter granting the request. The scrapbook also includes numerous news clippings, several printed from programs presented by the club, and one edition of an early newsletter. Loose material includes the club's original by-laws, news clippings, printed programs from concerts, minutes of meetings and executive board meeting minutes, and information about the club's annual "Sun City Fine Arts Series." There is also information about groups formed within the Musicians Club such as the Concert Band, the Renaissance Harp Ensemble, and the Choraliers.

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SC-047: Sun City Incorporation, 1983-1990.

Literature, both for and against incorporation, generated during the several attempts to incorporate Sun City and create a municipal government. The collection includes six newsletters published between 1984 and 1986 by the Retirement Community Association of Sun City (RCASC) opposing incorporation. There are several editions of "Sun City is Wonderful? Let's Keep it that Way!" published between 1883 and 1890. Another publication "What's Important? Sun City, Arizona. First of all-Knowing those you love are Safe and happy, Wherever they Live...Then, Here in Sun City" (1993-1997) also favored incorporation. Another pamphlet "Self Government Don't Leave Home Without It!" takes a unique approach, making the case for incorporation using cartoons. Several other pamphlets also make the case for incorporation. Finally, there is a "1974 Study of Home Rule, Summary Report" published by the Sun City Homeowners Association explaining the ramifications of incorporation and the creation of a municipal government.

SC-048 President's Council on Physical Fitness, 1977-1979.

Records include two letters of appreciation/commendation from the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports addressed to Mr. Gerald A. Svendson, Vice-President of DEVCO; a Certificate of Recognition presented to the Sun City Annual Fitness Festival (March 1, 1979), a list of RCSC chartered clubs, October, 1977; several photographs showing Sun City Residents participating in fitness activities.

See Also:

SPBK 23, Sun City Fitness Festival (One volume) 1978, vol. 17 The scrapbook documents the development of a one-time 17-week festival focused on conveying the importance of remaining fit and active. **NOTE: This scrapbook collection has been transferred to the Arizona State University Archives for preservation and access.**

SC-049: Pioneers of Sun City West, 1974-2010.

A program from the first luncheon held October 20, 1984 as well as an agenda, reminiscences, and color photographs from the groups last meeting on March 18, 2010. Ten numbered photographs are described in the typescript of the final meeting. Six additional captioned photographs show other aspects of the final meeting and the transfer of the group's records to the Sun Cities Area Historical Society.

See Also:

SPBK 13, Pioneers of Sun City West Club (PSCWC), 1978-2010, vols. 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214. NOTE: This scrapbook collection has been transferred to the Arizona State University Archives for preservation and access.

SC-050: Ambassadors of Sun City West, 1996-1998.

This collection includes a final draft of the group's by-laws, October 1996. Also included is a discussion paper outlining goals and a rationale for establishing the SCW Ambassadors, and one copy of "Sun City West Visitors and Information Center Ambassador Guidelines." Also included is information pertaining to the dissolution of the Ambassadors in 1997 and its proposed merger with Sun City West PORA (Property Owners & Residents Association).

SC-051: Sun City Swans, 1975-2015.

Two copies of an 8-page document titled, "Celebrating 40 Years of Swans in Sun City, AZ, 1975-2015." The document includes a number of color photographs of Sun City Swans and instructions for feeding swans without endangering their health.

See Also: SPBK 59: Sun City Swan Club

(Donated by Cynthia Broze)

Records of the Sun City Swan Club 1975-2023.

SC-052: Sun City 34th Anniversary, 1994.

One copy of a Special Anniversary Edition of the *Sun City Independent*, January 26, 1994, highlighting the 34th Anniversary of Sun City. The issue includes recollections by Sun City "pioneers," background on the creation of Sun City, a timeline with significant events and dates, the recreation centers, the Ambassadors, the origin of the name "Sun City" and the community's motto "The City of Volunteers."

SC-053: Sun City West Property Owners & Residents Association. (PORA), 2004.

Souvenir Program 25 years of service to the Residents of Sun city West, AZ and a February 1985 *PORA Roadrunner*, a newsletter distributed to Sun City West residents with information about current events and reports from PORA.