

The League of Women Voters of Savannah-Chatham bulletins and publications

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	League of Women Voters of Savannah-Chatham (Ga.)
Title:	The League of Women Voters of Savannah-Chatham bulletins and publications
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Identification:	MS 1461

Biographical/Historical Note

The League of Women Voters was founded in Savannah on May 6, 1920 by Miss Mildred Cunningham. The organization grew out of the Equal Suffrage Party of Chatham County that had worked for the passage of the 19th Amendment. The group held its first meeting at the public library in Savannah and was originally known as the Savannah League of Women Voters. The purpose of this organization can be found in its charter, which states that it will be "a nonpartisan league" designed "to foster education in citizenship and to support improved legislation." The League became inactive during the 1930s, but reactivated during World War II. It has been active ever since in promoting citizenship and educating the public about important political issues.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains issues of the *Savannah Voter*, a bulletin published by the local Savannah-Chatham chapter of the League and of the *Georgia Voter*, a bulletin published by the League of Women Voters of Georgia. The *Savannah Voter* appears to have been published monthly for most of its existence. The *Georgia Voter* was published on a bimonthly basis. Some issues of these bulletins are missing, and lists of these missing issues can be found in the first folder of each box.

There is also a file of miscellaneous items, which has a copy of the 1987-1988 Governmental Directory, an annual publication by the League; a copy of the State Constitution ratified in 1945; 1 1964 report of the Juvenile Court Committee of the League; a 1978 report on the United Nations meeting; a press release; minutes of the December 1971 meeting; a brief history of the League; and documents about Georgia government. The last file in the collection contains duplicate copies of The *Savannah Voter*.

Index Terms

Bulletins.
Cunningham, Mildred, active 1920.
Equal rights amendments--United States.
Georgia Voter.
Periodicals.
Savannah Voter.
Suffragists--Georgia.
United States--Politics and government--20th century.
Women--Suffrage.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

The was originally a deposit collection. It arrived in 1990 and was deeded to Georgia Historical Society by The League of Women Voters of Savannah-Chatham in 2004.

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Acquisition Information

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Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Container List

Box Fldr

- 1 1 *Savannah Voter*, 1976-1980, 1976-1980

- 2 *Savannah Voter*, 1969-1975, 1969-1975

- 3 *Savannah Voter*, 1965-1968, 1965-1968

- 4 *Savannah Voter*, 1960-1964, 1960-1964

- 5 *Savannah Voter*, 1949-1959, 1949-1959

- 6 Duplicate copies of *Savannah Voter*

Box Fldr

- 2 1 *Georgia Voter*, 1971-1977, 1971-1977

2 *Georgia Voter*, 1961-1971, 1961-1971

3 *Georgia Voter*, 1948-1961, 1948-1961

4 Miscellaneous materials