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IN-DEPTH INFORMATION ABOUT THE COLLECTION

History:
Atlantic City's first high school was built in 1895 at Illinois and Atlantic Avenues. The city quickly outgrew this building, and a new high school was built in 1901 at Ohio and Pacific Avenues. Again, the city expanded its educational facilities, building a third, new high school at Albany and Atlantic Avenues. This building was opened on September 17, 1923 with an enrollment of more than 2,000 students. The building had a 1,000 seat auditorium, a massive pipe organ and a much revered and iconic clock tower. The building was demolished. On November 14, 1994, the fourth and newest incarnation of Atlantic City High School opened its doors to students and faculty. Atlantic City’s new high school, located at 1400 North Albany Avenue, serves approximately 2,500 students from Atlantic City, Brigantine, Longport, Margate, and Ventnor. The facilities inside the new 450,000 square foot building include a 750-seat theater, 50,000-volume library, a TV and radio station, a 48-seat distance learning lab, science research lab and greenhouse, graphics and communication lab, multiple computer labs, and athletic fields.

Scope and Content:
This collection provides a glimpse into the lives and culture of Atlantic City High School students. It contains a variety of ephemera including events programs, commencement programs, varsity letters, a pennant flag, and dance autograph books. The collection is also comprised of: materials related specifically to the Atlantic City High School Class of 1933 – in particular, Class of ’33 reunions; student publications – the *Herald* newspaper, the *Viking* newspaper,
Illustrious Alumni
,
Atlantic City Remembers
,
The Pageant of Time
; and the Atlantic City High School yearbooks. Some of the early yearbooks are housed within boxes due to their fragile nature. More recent years are are shelved as loose volumes.

System of Arrangement:
The collection is arranged in the following series:
- Series 1: Atlantic City High School Ephemera
- Series 2: Atlantic City High School Class of 1933
- Series 3: Student Publications
- Series 4: Yearbooks

OTHER INFORMATION FOR USERS OF THE COLLECTION

Access Points:
Atlantic City High School
Atlantic City (N.J.) -- Schools

Related Materials:

Other archival collections:
H035 – ACFPL Scrapbook Collection
H053 – Anthony Panico Atlantic City High School Collection

Books:
Atlantic City High School Student Handbook, 1996-1997
Atlantic City Schools: A Historic Overview, Context and Survey
Course of Study: Public Schools of Atlantic City, N.J., 1897
The Annual Report of the Public Schools of Atlantic City, 1930-1959
Report: Board of Education, Atlantic City, N.J., 1902-1931
Holy Spirit High School Yearbooks
Atlantic City Vocational School Yearbooks
Atlantic Cape Community College Yearbooks

Vertical Subject Files:
Schools – Atlantic City High School
Schools – Public schools general

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BOX LIST

Series 1: Atlantic City High School Ephemera
Box 1, Folder 1 – Ephemera – Events programs, commencement programs; 1916-1994
Box 1, Folder 2 – Ephemera – Dance autograph books
Box 1, Folder 3 – Ephemera – Varsity letters

Box 1, Folder 4 – Ephemera – High school pennant flag

Series 2: Atlantic City High School Class of 1933
Box 1, Folder 5 – Class of 1933 ephemera
Box 1, Folder 6 – Class of 1933 reunions

Series 3: Student Publications
Box 1, Folder 7 – *Illustrious Alumni*, 1978
Box 1, Folder 8 – *The Pageant of Time*, 1930
Box 1, Folder 9 – *Atlantic City Remembers*, 1976
Box 1, Folder 10 – *Viking* (v.2, no. 3, 5-8, 10; vol.26, no.9)
Box 2 – *Herald*, 1906-1921
Box 3 – *Herald*, 1922-1932
Box 4 – *Herald*, 1933-1936

Series 4: Yearbooks
Box 5 – 1904, 1909-1910, 1913-1923
Box 6 – 1924, 1926, 1928-1930, 1936

Loose Volumes:
1925
1930
1932-1949
1951-1961
1963
1965-2011