Kay L. Potter (1940- ) Papers
1939-2000
.5 cubic feet

Photographs and collected materials of former J.C. Nichols Company employee and amateur photographer.

BIOGRAPHY:

Kay Potter was born in Chillicothe, Missouri. She moved to Kansas City, Missouri as a young adult to attend Business College. Kay was a long-time employee of Safeway Grocers. She worked for ten years in public relations with the J.C. Nichols Company. After retirement, Kay volunteered countless hours with the State Historical Society of Missouri-Reasearch Center-Kansas City creating a handwritten index to the J.C. Nichols Company Scrapbooks, and providing research assistance on the J.C. Nichols Company Collection.

PROVENANCE:

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DESCRIPTION:

The collection includes photograph albums of the Country Club Plaza; publications concerning the J.C. Nichols Company, the Country Club Plaza, and Kansas City in general; information about several designer showhouses, and a book about Joyce C. Hall.

INVENTORY:

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Folder 2. Photograph Album- Country Club Plaza, Art & Street Scenes, Summer 2000, photography-Kay Potter (1 of 3)

Folder 3. Photograph Album- Country Club Plaza, Art & Street Scenes, Summer 2000, photography-Kay Potter (2 of 3)

Folder 4. Photograph Album- Country Club Plaza, Art & Street Scenes, Summer 2000, photography-Kay Potter (3 of 3)

Folder 5. “A New Business District, to be developed by J.C. Nichols. . .” Kansas City Star, April 30, 1922, color copy


Folder 7. Postcards: Kansas City places; Country Club Plaza, American Royal Livestock Show, Municipal Airport, Liberty Memorial, ca1930-1950

Folder 8. Publications: “The J.C. Nichols Co, A family’s vision helps shape a city” The Kansas City Times, November 22, 1984

The J.C. Nichols Company: A Commemorative publication 75 years

J.C. Nichols Company, Kansas City, Missouri

Shifra Stein’s Kansas City, A Unique Guide to the Metro Area, 1986

Plaza Living, a Romantic Encounter with Kansas City’s Most Gracious Neighborhood J.C. Nichols Company, ca. 1980’s

“Sophisticated down-home Kansas City” National Geographic Traveler, September/October 1996

Folder 10. Longview Farm, Designer’s Showhouse XVIII, May 1987

“Designer’s Showhouse” Kansas City Star article, April 26, 1987

Folder 11. “A palace on Gladstone Boulevard” (Kansas City Museum), Kansas City Star, February 8, 1981

Articles about homes on Verona Road and Sunset Hills, Kansas City Times, July 3, 1987


“The Beast of Mission Hills” Star Magazine, August 2, 1987

Folder 13. 5500 Ward Parkway, Designer’s Showhouse XXII, April 18, 1991

“The showhouse: full of surprises” Kansas City Star, April 12, 1991


Book. When You Care Enough, Joyce C. Hall with Curtiss Anderson, 1979

Volume 1897 Sears Roebuck Catalogue Consumer’s Guide, 1968 reproduction