

Description and Finding Aid

ELIZABETH R. M. DASHWOOD FONDS

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Dates of creation

1908-1960

Extent

7 cm of textual records

2 artefacts

9 photographs

Biographical sketch

Elizabeth 'Betty' Rose Miriam Dashwood (née Southgate) was a student at St Hilda's College and a long-time volunteer at Trinity College. Betty Southgate was born on 12 January 1929 in Toronto, Ontario, and lived in Rosedale before her father moved the family to England. The Southgate family returned to Canada in 1940 as the Second World War began and once again settled in Rosedale. Dashwood attended Branksome Hall, where she was a sub-prefect, and graduated in 1948. She then attended Trinity College and was very active in college life. A member of the St Hilda's Athletic Association (serving as secretary in her third year and president in her fourth), she played on the basketball, baseball, and volleyball teams. She was treasurer of the St Hilda's Literary Institute and secretary of the Trinity Arts and Letters Club in her third year.

After graduating with a BA in modern history in 1952 she worked at the Canadian Cancer Society. She served as St Hilda's 5T2 year representative until her death. She also served on the St Hilda's Board of Trustees from 1965 to 1969, was a member of Trinity Corporation from 1969 to 2003, served on the executive committee of Corporation, and was a member of the Provost's Committee. An early member of the Friends of the Library, she remained a committed organizer of the Trinity Book Sale until her death. In recognition of her service to Trinity College, she received the St Hilda's Alumnae Association Long-Service Award and the U of T Arbor Award in 2002.

Mrs. Dashwood was also very active in her community: she served various roles in the Church of St. Simon the Apostle and ran St. Simon's Out of the Cold programme in the early 1990s and St. Peter's Food Bank until her death. She was a long-time active member and board member of the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario. Mrs. Dashwood was also active politically for the Progressive Conservative Party; in the 1980s she was the federal returning officer for Rosedale for at least two elections and one referendum.

Betty Southgate married her classmate John Dashwood (5T2) in 1957. They had two children: Geoffrey and Monica. Betty Dashwood died on 6 April 2003 at her home in Toronto.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of documents and artefacts from Betty Dashwood's time at Trinity College.

Contains series:

1. Personal documents

2. Photographs

Notes:

Acquisition history: Materials were received in one accession from Elizabeth Dashwood.

Arrangement: Materials have been left in their original order; photographs have been filed in the appropriate photograph boxes.

Restrictions on access: None.

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Provenance access points: Dashwood, Elizabeth Rose Miriam, 1929-2003

SERIES 1: PERSONAL DOCUMENTS

Dates of creation: 1948-1960

Extent: 7 cm of textual records
2 artefacts

Scope and content: Series consists of personal documents from Betty Dashwood's time at Trinity College. Files include personal correspondence, information and correspondence about college and university registration, classes, and services, as well as newspaper clippings, receipts, invitations, artefacts and programmes.

Location / File Listing

FOLDER/UNIT TITLE	START DATE	END DATE	CONTENTS	BOX/ FILE #
Newspaper clippings	1950	1953	<i>Globe and Mail</i> 18 May 1950, <i>Telegram</i> 22 April 1950, <i>Telegram</i> 13 April 1963, unnamed paper 15 April 1951 – all about Trinity Divinity graduates.	1-1
Correspondence	1947	1951	Invitation to St Hilda's Athletic Association Dinner; personal correspondence; official correspondence from the university regarding application, acceptance, and registration; information from the Provost; Trinity College Department of Religious Knowledge course information; St Hilda's dinner invitation.	1-2

Pamphlets, notices, programmes			Trinity College Library information; St Hilda's College information; Department of Physical Education for Women- first year physical education information; unused Trinity College postcard; Trinity College chapel programmes; Hart House Theatre programmes – <i>Saints Alive, Crime and Punishment, Tartuffe, The Enchanted</i> ; Centenary Year calendar of events and related programmes; social invitations; St Hilda's Diamond Jubilee 1888-1948 dance card (unused); The Athletic Program; typewritten Trinity yells and cheers; U of T conferring of degrees.	1-3
St Hilda's Alumnae Association Roll Book	1959	1960	Attendance record.	1-4
Newspaper clippings	[1949]	[1949]	Newspaper clippings with photographs regarding Trinity College Cake Fight.	1-5
Receipts and other documents	1948	1952	Receipts for college fees, typed 5T1 year yell, typed Trinity yells and songs, handwritten copy of what seems to be 'Saints' Sagacity' (St Hilda's regular contribution to Salterrae).	1-6
Plaque	1952	1952	Wooden plaque with crest and 'St. Hilda's College, Elizabeth R.M. Southgate, 5T2.'	1-7
Felt T with crest	[1948?]	[1952?]	Felt letter 'T' with U of T crest and motto	1-8

SERIES 2: PHOTOGRAPHS

Dates of creation: [1948?]-1952

Extent: 9 photographs : b+w ; 19.3 cm x 24.4 cm or smaller

Scope and content: Series consists of professional matted photographs of sports teams and clubs.

Location / item listing:

Trinity College First Soccer Eleven, 1951 (P1689)

- Athletics Photographs Box 4

Trinity College Athletic Executive, 1951-52 (P2570)

- Clubs and Committees Photographs Box 2

St. Hilda's College volleyball teams, 1951-1952 (P2571)

- Athletics Photographs Box 5

St Hilda's College softball team, 1951-52 (P2572)

- Athletics Photographs Box 5

St Hilda's College hockey team, 1951-52 (P2573)

- Athletics Photographs Box 5

St Hilda's College Literary Society 1951-52 (P2574)

- Clubs and Committees Photographs Box 7

St Hilda's College athletic group or committee [1948-1952] (P2575)

- Clubs and Committees Photographs Box 7

St Hilda's College athletic group or committee [1948-1952] (P2576)

- Clubs and Committees Photographs Box 7

Graduation portrait of Geoffrey A.H. Pearson [1950], inscribed "the very best, Liz, Geoffrey" (P2577)

- People Photographs [P]