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Heather Whitestone Materials: Finding Aid

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Summary Information

Repository

Houston Cole Library
Alabama Gallery, 10th Floor
700 Pelham Road North
Jacksonville, AL 36265-1602
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Creator

Houston Cole Library

Title

Heather Whitestone Materials

Date

1991-1995

Extent

2 boxes, 129 items

Background Information

Scope and Content Note

This collection (cataloged on Bib #2712422) contains newspaper clippings, magazines, books, and an SGA resolution plaque related to Heather Whitestone McCallum (b. 1973), a JSU student in the 1990s who became Miss Jacksonville State University, Miss Alabama, and finally Miss America 1995. Whitestone, who lost the majority of her hearing after suffering an ear infection at the age of 18 months, was the first deaf person to win the Miss America pageant. She later served on the National Council on Disability and the Advisory Council on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders for the National Institutes of Health.

(Sources: Information found in the materials.)

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically:

- Box 1: 1991-1995
- Box 2: 1994-1995

Administrative Information

Access and Use

This collection is open to researchers under the guidelines set out in the *Houston Cole Library Policy and Procedures Manual*, Alabama Gallery section. Please consult the policy for specific instructions.

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Preferred citation

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Provenance

These items were discovered in 2023 by Sean Creech, the Director of Disability Resources. It is likely they were compiled by Disability Resources (formerly Disability Support Services) staff in the 1990s to mark Whitestone's winning of the Miss America pageant. They were transferred to the Library by Disability Resources in March 2023.

Processing Information

Arranged and described by Bethany Latham, 2023.

Physical Condition

Most items are in good condition; some newspaper articles are torn or frayed.

Container Contents and Collection Inventory

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Box 1 | 1991-1995

Item	Title/Description	Date
1	<i>Miss America: In Pursuit of the Crown</i> by Ann-Marie Bivans	1991
2	<i>Alabama Rehabilitation Association Newsletter</i> , volume XVII, No. 5 with article "Heather Whitestone Named Miss JSU"	1992
3	<i>Gem of the Hills</i> , Fall 1994 [Heather Whitestone on cover]	1994
4	Resolution of Commendation plaque from the Student Government Association	September 1994
5	<i>The EMBLEM: Alabama Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation Newsletter</i> , Volume 5, Number 2 [Heather Whitestone on cover]	Fall/Winter 1994
6	<i>Christian Single</i> magazine [Heather Whitestone on cover]	January 1995
7	<i>Redbook</i> magazine	February 1995
8	<i>Self Help for Hard of Hearing (SHHH) Journal</i> [Heather Whitestone on cover]	March/April 1995
9	<i>Target the Family</i> magazine [Heather Whitestone on cover]	Spring 1995
10	<i>Deaf Life</i> magazine [Heather Whitestone on cover]	July 1995
11	<i>Heather Whitestone</i> by Daphne Gray	1995
12	<i>Postsecondary Education Consortium</i> magazine [Heather Whitestone on cover]	Circa 1995

Box 2 | 1994-1995

Item	Title/Description	Date
13-28	Loose newspaper and magazine articles	1994-1995
29-129	Newspaper/magazine clippings mounted on card stock [100 articles originally contained in single folder]	1994-1995