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PREFACE

This document, the *Finding Aid for the American Revolution Patriots Fund Records, 1985-2006*, describes records produced by the American Revolution Patriots Fund (ARPF). This finding aid was issued in 2008 and is the result of an Archival Internship through the Temple University Department of History, funded by the ARPF.

DEDICATION

This finding aid is dedicated to the memory of Arthur Klein, a lifelong Philadelphian dedicated to the restoration and preservation of Philadelphia's historical landmarks.

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INTRODUCTION

This document, *The Finding Aid for the American Revolution Patriots Fund Records, 1985-2006*, is the result of work carried out by an Archives Intern from the Temple University Department of History, funded by the American Revolution Patriots Fund. It describes the records of the American Revolution Patriots Fund.

The ARPF disbanded in 2006 and turned their records over to Independence National Historical Park. The intern began work in June of 2007 and completed the project in December of the same year. The project was carried out under the guidance of Karen Stevens, Archivist and Library Manager of the Independence National Historical Park Library and Archives. The work was done in the Library and Archives of Independence National Historical Park. Intern Amanda Woolman surveyed and, based on the approved processing plan, began processing the collection in June 2007.

The material processed was arranged into series and re-housed into acid-free folders and archival boxes. Paper clips, staples and other metal fasteners were left as they were in much of the collection, unless they posed an immediate archival threat. Drawings, photographs, transparencies and oversize materials were removed from the collection and replaced with a separation sheet to indicate their initial location and their new location. Videocassettes were re-housed in an acid-free archival videocassette box. One book was removed and cataloged for inclusion in the INDE library. Separation sheets indicate its locations.

The materials described here were cataloged into the Automated National Catalog System (ANCS+) in a single record in the Collections Management Module for submission to the National catalog. This finding aid was created including a description of the collection and a collection inventory.

The finding aid is divided into four sections:

- Part 1: Collection Description:
 - a scope and content note (or brief synopsis of the collection)
 - an outline showing the organization of the collection
 - descriptions of the series into which the collection is organized

- Part 2: Historical Note: a brief history of the American Revolution Patriots Fund

- Part 3: Collection Listing: a box and folder list

PART 1:

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

American Revolution Patriots Fund Records, 1985-2006 (Bulk Dates 1992-2006)

Accession number: INDE – 4314

Catalog number: INDE 91504

Quantity: 4.5 linear feet

Storage: 5 15" x 7 ½" x 10 ¼" legal-sized half-sized record boxes
 1 8 ½" x 12 ¼" x 5 ⅜" videocassette box
 1 12 ¾" x 11 ¾" x 2" binder box
 1 54" x 42" x 3" map case drawer (oversize material)

Location: Independence National Historical Park, 143 South Third Street,
 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

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The American Revolution Patriot Fund Records, 1985 – 2006 (*bulk dates 1992-2006*) were created by the American Revolution Patriots Fund (ARPF). The collection documents the organization's fund raising efforts for a contribution toward the restoration of Washington Square.

The records consist of articles, videotapes, correspondence, photographs, publications, newspaper clippings, drawings, financial files, research materials and reports, and planning documents for interpretative plaques and fund raising. They also include construction project files re: walkways, landscaping, benches, bench plaques, a tribute to Ambassador Foglietta, and the Washington Monument, including the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the American Revolutionary War, Eternal Flame and Guard House.

Organization: Series I, Administrative Files
 Series II, Clippings
 Series III, Correspondence, 1992-2006
 Series IV, Treasurer's Working Files

Series V, Washington Square Construction and Restoration
Project Files
Series VI, Photographic Materials
Series VII, Videocassette Tapes
Series VIII, Drawings

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS

I. Administrative Files, 1992-2005

This series documents the administrative aspects of the ARPF. The agendas, Agenda Packets, Minutes, Charitable Organization Registration, By-Laws and Directory of Officers and Directors are arranged by date.

II. Clippings, 1992-2006, undated

This series contains all articles, both newspaper and magazine, published about Washington Square, including those about the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of the American Revolutionary War, Eternal Flame and public events or ceremonies held in the square during the restoration period. This is a small series - one folder - so there is no organization within this series.

III. Correspondence, 1992-2006

This series contains all correspondence to or from members of the ARPF whose subject matter is not limited to one particular aspect of the Square. For example, a piece of correspondence discussing the Foglietta Tribute would be found in Series V. Arrangement was left in the original order.

IV. Treasurer's Working Files, 1992-2006

This series documents all financial aspects of the organization. Donations, bank statements and treasurer's reports are organized chronologically.

V. Washington Square Construction and Restoration Project Files, 1985-2006

This series contains all documents relating to the planning and execution of the restoration efforts by the ARPF in partnership with the City of Philadelphia, INHP and the Fairmount Park Commission. Primary facets of the restoration project include bench plaque recognition for donations, landscaping, Tomb of the Unknown American Revolutionary War Soldier, Eternal Flame, the tribute to Ambassador Foglietta, the renovation of the walkways and waysides. Washington Square Updates are arranged chronologically.

VI. Photographic Materials, 1993-2002

This series contains all photographs, transparencies, photo negatives removed from other parts of the collection.

VII. Videocassette Tapes, 1998-2005

This series contains all videocassette tapes.

VIII. Drawings, 2001

This series contains the drawings and other oversize material used or produced by the ARPF. Due to their size, these documents were separated and are now located in drawers 35 and 167 in the Flat Files Room.

PART 2:
HISTORICAL NOTE

A Brief History of the American Revolution Patriots Fund

An agreement was reached in 1991 between the Department of the Interior and the City of Philadelphia's Fairmount Park Commission which stated that management, but not ownership, of Washington Square would pass from the Fairmount Park Commission to Independence National Historical Park when an unnamed third party agreeable to both raised the money needed to restore the Square. That third party, a non-profit corporation called the American Revolution Patriots Fund, was founded in 1992 and approved by the FPC and the Department of the Interior in 1993. Founding members include Marguerite Flounders (President), Rev. James Murrey (Vice President), Arthur Klein (Secretary, Exec. Vice President), and Win Carroll (Vice President, President). Over the next thirteen years, the ARPF raised money and planned the restoration, rehabilitation and renovation of many aspects of the Square, including the Tomb of the Unknown American Revolutionary War Soldier, the walkways, landscaping and irrigation system. The work was completed in 2006, and in the months following the turnover of management from the City to INHP the ARPF disbanded. The organization records were turned over to Independence National Historical Park for archival preservation.

The ARPF worked to bring together the support of city and neighborhood organizations and private residents of the Society Hill area, including the Washington Square Association and the Society Hill Civic Association. Over \$3.5 million was provided from the Federal Government and the City of Philadelphia, namely through historically-oriented grants and the efforts of Ambassador Thomas Foglietta, a Philadelphia native. The ARPF also assisted in the restoration efforts by researching and interviewing the teams responsible for the restoration of the Tomb of the Unknown American Revolutionary War Soldier, paving, landscaping and design of the interpretative elements. This collection documents the interaction between these organizations and people, the decisions that were made, as well as numerous efforts to recognize major contributors in the form of bench plaques, ground plaques and a tribute ceremony to Ambassador Foglietta.

PART 3:

COLLECTION LISTING

Container List

Series I: Administrative Files

- Box 1 Folder 1: Articles of Incorporation, 1992-1993, 1997
- Box 1 Folder 2: Agendas 1996-2004
- Box 1 Folders 3-5: Agenda Packets, 1996-2005
- Box 1 Folder 6: Board Meeting Minutes, 1992-2005
- Box 1 Folder 7: By-Laws, [1992]
- Box 1 Folder 8: Charitable Organization Registration Papers, 1996-2003
- Box 1 Folder 9: Directory of Officers and Directors, 1992-1999, undated
- Box 1 Folder 10: Fundraising Project Plans, 1992-2000
- Box 1 Folder 11: CoreStates/First Union Proposal, 1993-1998
- Box 1 Folder 12: Fundraising/Management Firm Proposals, 1993
- Box 1 Folder 13: Officer Biographies and Obits, 1992-2006
- Box 1 Folder 14: Publicity/Advertising, 1994-2003
- Box 1 Folders 15-16: Washington Square Association Publications and Correspondence, 1993-1999
- Box 1 Folder 17: Other Organizations' Publications and Correspondence, 1992-2003

Series II: Clippings

- Box 2 Folder 1: Clippings, 1992-2006, undated

Series III: Correspondence

- Box 2 Folder 2: Arthur Klein, 2000
- Box 2 Folders 3-5: American Revolution Patriots Fund, 1992-2006, undated

Series IV: Treasurer's Working Files

- Box 2 Folder 6: 501(c)(3)Documents, 1992-2000
- Box 2 Folder 7: Audit Reports from Hilger Flick and Co., 1999-2003
- Box 2 Folder 8: Balance Sheets and Quicken Reports, 1993-2004
- Box 2 Folder 9: Bills, 1997-2001
- Box 2 Folder 10: Check Register, Checkbook, Cancelled Checks and Deposit Receipts, 1993-2000, undated
- Box 2 Folder 11: Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Community Development Grant, 1998-1999
- Box 2 Folder 12; Box 3 Folders 1-2: Donations, 1999-2004

- Box 3 Folder 3: Return Donations, 1999-2002
- Box 3 Folder 4: Progress on Donations Reports, 1999-2003
- Box 3 Folder 5: First Union Statements, 1999-2000
- Box 3 Folder 6: Foglietta Tribute: Donation Acknowledgements, 1999-2001
- Box 3 Folder 7: Foglietta Tribute: ArtSouth Documents, 1999-2000
- Box 3 Folder 8: Foglietta Tribute: Thank-You Letters, 1999-2000
- Box 3 Folder 9: Foglietta Tribute: Correspondence and Financial Statements, 1999-2001
- Box 3 Folder 10: IRS Form 990, 1999-2004
- Box 3 Folder 11: Merrill-Lynch Statements, 2002-2004
- Box 3 Folder 12: Paid Bills, 1999-2005
- Box 3 Folder 13: Paine Webber Statements, 2000-2002
- Box 3 Folder 14: Pennsylvania Charitable Organization Applications, 1998-2005
- Box 3 Folder 15: Pennsylvania Sales Tax Exemption Approval Letters, 1993-2005
- Box 4 Folder 1: Philadelphia Foundation Statements and Correspondence, 1999-2003
- Box 4 Folder 2: Proposals for Financial Services, 1999
- Box 4 Folder 3: Requests for a Tax Return, 1994, undated
- Box 4 Folder 4: Review of Financial Statements, 1993-1999
- Box 4 Folder 5: Sovereign Bank Statements, 2004-2006
- Box 4 Folder 6: Transactions CD (Quicken,) 2006
- Box 4 Folder 7: Treasurer's Reports, 1999-2004
- Box 4 Folder 8: Vanguard Group Statements, 2004-2005
- Box 4 Folder 9: Washington Square – Richard Shapp's Files (Diskette,) undated

Series V: Washington Square Construction and Restoration Project Files

- Box 4 Folder 10: Washington Square, General Documents, 1992-2006
- Box 4 Folder 11: Archeological Supervision and Monitoring of Restoration Activities at Washington Square Report, 2000
- Box 4 Folders 12 & 12a: Bench Plaques – Donations, Bench Assignments and Correspondence with Donors, 1998-2006
- Box 4 Folder 13: Conditions Assessment and Treatment Recommendations Report (Draft), 1999
- Box 4 Folder 14: Washington Square Congressional Hearings Transcripts, 1994
- Box 4 Folder 15: Washington Square Construction Phases, General Documents, 1997-2002
- Box 4 Folder 16: Phase I – Project Manual for Construction of Washington Square Paving Restoration, 1997
- Box 4 Folder 17: Phase III – Project Manual for - Washington Square Restoration Plan – Monument, 2002
- Box 4 Folder 18: Cultural Landscape Inventory (CLI,) Commonwealth Treasures Program Documentation, National Historic Landmark Designation Application, 1994-1998
- Box 4 Folder 19: Foglietta Tribute – Program, Schedule, Non-Financial Documents, 1994-2000
- Box 5 Folder 1: Landscape Features Documentation, 1993-2001

- Box 5 Folder 2: Memorandum of Understanding between the US Dept. of the Interior and the City of Philadelphia through the Fairmount park Commission, MU-SECY-9001, 1991-2003
- Box 5 Folder 3: Washington Square Transfer and Rededication Ceremony Documents, 1999-2004
- Box 5 Folder 4: Overview Presentation of Restoration Progress, UNDATED
- Box 5 Folders 5 & 6: Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary War Soldier, Honor Guard, Eternal Flame – Clippings, Correspondence and Documents, 1989-2002
- Box 5 Folder 7: Vandalism, Security and Maintenance – Correspondence, 1994-2002
- Box 5 Folder 8: Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route – 225th Anniversary Celebration Documents, 2005-2006
- Box 5 Folder 9: Washington Square Historical Accounts, 1992-1998, UNDATED
- Box 5 Folder 10: Washington Square: A Site Plan Chronology by Denis Rabzak, 1987
- Box 5 Folder 11: “Washington Square Poems” by George McCullough, 1975
- Box 5 Folder 12: Washington Square Progress Updates, 2001
- Box 5 Folder 13 & 14: Waysides and Joel Katz Design Associates – Design and Content Plans, 1992-2003
- Box 5 Folder 15: [Drawings – Separation Sheets – see Series VIII,] 2001

Series VI: Photographic Materials

- Box 6: Administrative Files: Publicity/Advertising Photographs, UNDATED
- Box 6: Arthur Klein: Photographs, UNDATED
- Box 6: Arthur Klein Working Files: Wayside Images, 2002
- Box 6: Washington Square: Foglietta Tribute Photographs, 2001
- Box 6: Washington Square: Ground Plaque Photographs, UNDATED
- Box 6: Washington Square: Overview Presentation Transparencies, 1995
- Box 6: Washington Square: Tomb of the Unknown Revolutionary War Soldier Photographs, UNDATED
- Box 6: Washington Square: Vandalism, Maintenance and Security Photographs, 2000
- Box 6: Washington Square: Wayside Photographs, UNDATED
- Box 6: Arlington National Cemetery: Tomb of the Unknown Soldier Photographs, 1993
- Box 6: Duplicates, 1995, UNDATED

Series VII: Videocassette Tapes

- Box 7: Washington Square: The Final Push, 2005
- Box 7: Washington Square Park to National Park Service WCAU, WPVI-TV, CN8, WHYY Radio, 2003
- Box 7: Washington Square Rededication Ceremony, 2002
- Box 7: 4th of July Ceremony in Washington Square – WCAU-TV, 2001
- Box 7: Eternal Flame in Washington Square Park – WCAU-TV, 2001

- Box 7: Memorial Day Wreath laying at Washington Square Park Television Coverage – KYW, WPVI, WPHL, WCAU, 2001
- Box 7: Interview in Washington Square, 1998
- Washington Square – Combined Tapes #10 & 11, UNDATED

Series VIII: Drawings

- See Separation Sheets in Box 5 Folder 15, 2001