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Collection 166
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<td>The Monday Guest Collection includes interviews taped between 1978 and 1984 by Grand Rapids Press reporters for a column entitled &quot;Monday Guest.&quot; The interviewees include both Grand Rapids residents and prominent individuals visiting the community. Among the interviewees are: Donald Riegle on upcoming 1980 presidential election; Walter &quot;Sparky&quot; Anderson on his new position as coach of the Detroit Tigers; Richard DeVos on business at Amway; and Guy Vander Jagt with his views on Congress. The interviews details the political, social and business history of the area. Topics of emphasis are crime, drug abuse and ethnic diversity. Also included are portraits or caricature illustrations, mostly pen and ink, but also some photographs of the guests.</td>
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Biographical/Historical note

In 1978, City Historian Gordon Olson, arranged for the tapes from the Grand Rapids Press' Monday Guest series to be donated to the Grand Rapids Public Library. The Press stopped publishing the column in 1984.

It is not known when the illustrations were received in the collection, but many appear to be of the Monday Guest interviewees.

Scope and Contents note

Contains interviews with residents of Grand Rapids and prominent individuals visiting the community. Among the interviewees are Donald Riegle on the upcoming 1980 presidential elections; Peter Secchia on the Republican Party; Walter "Sparky" Anderson on his new position as coach of the Detroit Tigers; Richard DeVos on business at Amway and how being wealthy has changed his life; and Guy VanderJagt with his views on President Ronald Reagan and Congress.

Arrangement note

The transcriptions are arranged alphabetically by the last name of the person being interviewed. However, there is currently no cross index from the name to the audio tape number, and no discernable order to the master tapes, either chronological or alphabetical.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department June 1993
Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Grand Rapids Press

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

• oral histories

Geographic Name(s)

• Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- Biography
• Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
Collection Inventory

Series I. Oral Histories

Scope and Contents note
No donor forms were included in the collection for the tapes. The Grand Rapids Press assumes that publication entails permission to use the information. Anyone wishing to use direct quotes, however, must get permission from the interviewee.

Conditions Governing Use note
Only Master tapes existed for this collection until 2007. Due to the deteriorating condition of these tapes, a Usage tape must be made before patron use. Usage tapes are being made as requested.

Subseries A. Audio Tapes. Master Tapes. Use These Tapes Only to Make Usage Tapes.

Scope and Contents note
There are 185 audio tapes, representing about the same number of interviews. Each tape has been assigned a number and they are arranged by that number.

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