

Loretto Heritage Center Archives and Museum

Finding Aid: Personal Mission Materials, Sr. Catherine Concannon, SL

LHC17.S

Date Range: 1945-2011

Creator: Sr. Catherine "Kit" Concannon, SL

Extent: 0.33 linear ft.

Language: English, Spanish

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Creator of Material Biography: Catherine (Kit) Concannon, SL, was born September 2, 1921, in St Louis, Missouri. Her parents were John and Marie Concannon and one of her siblings, Sarah Marie Concannon, also later became a Sister of Loretto. She attended elementary school at Visitation School in St Louis and Nerinx Hall High School in Webster Groves, Missouri. She entered the Sisters of Loretto Novitiate in 1945, and made final vows August 15, 1951 as Sister Robert Mary. She completed an undergraduate degree in Elementary Education with minors in Philosophy and English at Webster College, now Webster University, in Webster Groves, Missouri.

Description: Series consists of material created by, collected by, or about Kit Concannon, from her years as a Sister of Loretto. The material consists of articles and clippings on Kit both before and after her death, as well as early correspondence with Superior General Mary Edwards regarding Kit's application to join the Sisters of Loretto in 1945. Correspondence about Kit after her death in 1987, the bulk of which is addressed to her close friend Martha Crawley, is also included. In addition, journals by Kit and excerpts from Martha Crawley's journal at the time of Kit's death are also included. Photographs of Kit in Kentucky, Peru, and Detroit and slides of Kit in El Salvador are also included. Several items were gathered by Martha Crawley and to the archives. A few notes and correspondence were donated by Delores Kincaide, and photographs from Kit's farewell birthday party in Detroit in 1986 were donated by Barbara Hagan.

Related Materials: Personnel file for Philibert (LHC04) and for the original diaries of Sr. Francisca Lamy; LHC13 for copies of some of her pamphlets.

Arrangement

Material was grouped into one series created by the archivist, as all material was grouped together in Kit's personnel file.

Sub-series 1: LHC17.S.a Clippings, Correspondence, Journals, and Photographs

Box 1: LHC17.S.a.01

- Folder 1: Articles and clippings
- Folder 2: Articles and clippings (after Kit's death)
- Folder 3: Correspondence
- Folder 4: Correspondence regarding Kit (after Kit's death)
- Folder 5: Kit Concannon's Ira Prograff Journal, 10/31/1980-11/2/1980
Journal entries created by Kit in the Ira Prograff style of journaling when she was initially diagnosed with cancer.
- Folder 6: Kit Concannon's Journal, 12/31/1985-1/31/1986
Journal entries created by Kit on 3x5 cards during a trip to El Salvador.
- Folder 7: Martha Crawley Journal Excerpts, 1/14/1987-1/27/1987
Photocopied excerpts from Martha Crawley's journal leading up to the death of Kit.
- Folder 8: Memorial Services
- Folder 9: Memorabilia and Awards
- Folder 10: Photographs and Slides