



## THE STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF MISSOURI RESEARCH CENTER-KANSAS CITY

K0005

Missouri Valley Chapter-Society of Architectural Historians (MVC-  
SAH) Records

1966-1981

3 cubic feet

*The organization records of the society, including minutes, financial records, newsletters, and correspondence concerning the establishment of the MVC Architectural Records Collection.*

### HISTORY:

The Missouri Valley Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians was established by a charter which was initiated by the signature of 12 persons as prescribed by SAH bylaws. The initial petition was sent to SAH headquarters in Philadelphia in the summer of 1966, but delays at the national organization caused the petition ratification to be delayed until early 1967. At that time the membership numbered 21 persons from the Missouri/Kansas area. E.F. Corwin was the first president of the chapter, and the bylaws of the MVC-SAH were written under the direction of him, the officers and directors of the chapter. Membership discussion established the goals and activities of the MVC to be: the encouragement of preservation efforts; the nomination of historic structures to the National Register of Historic Places; and the development of lectures and tours to encourage scholarly study of the historic architecture within the Missouri valley.

During the presidential term of George Ehrlich, plans for the salvage of early Kansas City, Missouri architectural plans were formalized. The records were deposited in the Linda Hall Library and an initial assessment of their historic value and condition was made. Through the joint efforts of the MVC and the UMKC Library, the architectural plans were catalogued and transferred to the Special Collections of the UMKC Library. In 1980 administrative responsibility for the MVC Architectural Records Collection was given to the Western Historical Manuscript Collection.

## PROVENANCE:

These records were a gift of Dr. George Ehrlich, past president of the Missouri Valley Chapter - Society of Architectural Historians (MVC-SAH). They were received as accession KA0061 on January 13, 1981. An additional gift was made by Dr. Kenneth LaBudde, member and past officer, as accession KA0134 on March 26, 1982. Another addition was made by Dr. George Ehrlich as part of accession KA0158 on July 23, 1982.

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## DESCRIPTION:

The collection consists of organizational papers compiled by George Ehrlich, particularly his own papers as president of MVC-SAH from April 1971 - April 1973 and concerning the initial organizational establishment of the MVC Architectural Records Collection. The records include general correspondence, minutes, treasurer's reports, chapter and national bylaws, chapter activities and preservation recommendations.

The first addition to KC005 contains meeting notices, activity plans and correspondence relating to the operation of the MVC - SAH. These papers have been interfiled within the collection by topic and chronology. Those papers which are dated after 1975 have been foldered separately with headings corresponding to the original accession. The correspondence of Dr. LaBudde relating to his official duties for MVC-SAH is also foldered separately

The second addition consists of the presidential report for 1973-1974 as given by Curtis Besinger, president. Also included is a letter from Besinger to Ehrlich and a copy of a resolution adopted by the membership in October, 1974.

**INVENTORY:****BOX 001**

- Folder 1. General correspondence, 1966-1970
- Folder 2. General correspondence, 1971-1972
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- Folder 4. Bylaws
- Folder 5. Elections - ballots, nomination notices
- Folder 6. Presidential Reports, May 1967 - February 1973
- Folder 7. Executive Committee - minutes, meeting notices, August 1967 - March 1971
- Folder 8. Announcements - meetings, lectures, agendas, 1967-1973
- Folder 9. Meeting minutes and agenda, April 1967 - May 1973
- Folder 10. Annual Treasurer Reports, April 1967 - April 1973
- Folder 11. Projects - National Register of Historic Places nominations, letters of registration
- Folder 12. Projects - Union Station Symposium
- Folder 13. Projects - SS Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Boonville, Missouri, preservation efforts

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- Folder 14. Projects - Alexander Majors Home, preservation efforts
- Folder 15. Projects - 1975 National Meeting of the Society of Architectural Historians/College Arts Association (SAH/CAA), plans, proposals
- Folder 16. Projects - Boonville, Missouri Architectural Tour, November 13, 1971
- Folder 17. Projects - St. Charles, Missouri Architectural Tour, April 29-30, 1972
- Folder 18. Projects - Fayette, Missouri Architectural Tour, April 23, 1973
- Folder 19. MVC-SAH Architectural Archives - reports, procedures - covers the establishment of the repository, access, cataloguing, and reproduction
- Folder 20. MVC-SAH Architectural Archives - requests for use and information

- Folder 21. MVC-SAH Architectural Archives - photographs
- Folder 22. Correspondence- Dr. Kenneth LaBudde
- Folder 23. Meeting announcements, notices, agendas, 1974-1980
- Folder 24. Elections, 1976
- Folder 25. Membership and mailing lists
- Folder 26. Minutes, 1974-1980
- Folder 27. Treasurers Reports, 1974-1979
- Folder 28. Projects - St. Joseph Tour
- Folder 29. Projects - Elsay and Principia College Tour
- Folder 30. Architectural Archives - reports, 1976-1978
- Folder 31. General correspondence, 1974
- Folder 32. Presidential Report, 1974

**BOX 003**

- Folder 33. *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians*, March, May & October 1980
- Folder 34. *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians*, December 1980, March & May 1981
- Folder 35. *Journal of the Society of Architectural Historians*, October & December 1981
- Folder 36. Membership
- Folder 37. Secretary  
includes list of officers from 1967-1981, list of duties, and combination to PO Box
- Folder 38. Correspondence, 1965-1980
- Folder 39. Local Meetings and Tours
- Folder 40. Minutes 1967-1980 (incomplete)  
includes minutes from Organizational Meeting April 16, 1967  
Missing years 1973-1976 & 1979 completely
- Folder 41. Chapter By-laws (Missouri Valley Chapter)
- Folder 42. Why don't you join...
- Folder 43. Meeting Notices
- Folder 44. National By-laws
- Folder 45. Report of Chapter President, 1967, 1971, 1973
- Folder 46. Publicity and Clippings
- Folder 47. National Meetings and Tours

- Folder 48. Newsletters 1967-1973
- Folder 49. Newsletters 1974-1981
- Folder 50. Brochures of the Society of Architectural Historians
- Folder 51. "Host" ribbons and envelopes
- Item 3x5 card file: Member lists