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K0666 (KA1237, KA1814, KA2387, KA2448)
CARL J. DICAPO PAPERS

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Introduction

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The collection consists of the personal and business papers of Carl DiCapo, a prominent businessman and civic leader in Kansas City, Missouri. Materials include DiCapo's civic, cultural, and community activities, photographs, video tapes, certificates, plaques, and items related to the Italian Gardens Restaurant.

Carl J. DiCapo was born on November 7, 1927, in Kansas City, Missouri. He attended Northeast High School, Kansas City Junior College, and the University of Missouri, where in 1991 he received his degree in Hotel and Restaurant Management. An employee of Italian Gardens Restaurant since 1953, DiCapo became the president in 1976 and served in that capacity until his retirement in the late 1990s. He was active numerous civic organizations within the Kansas City metropolitan area. He served as the director of the Missouri Restaurant Association in 1972, the director of the Don Bosco Community Center in 1971, president of the Ethnic Enrichment Commission in 1980, commissioner of the Kansas City Board of Parks and Recreation in 1986, a member of the Desegregation Monitoring Committee in 1987, and as chairman of the Citizen's Association. DiCapo holds memberships in the Boy Scouts of America, UNICO, Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, and the Friends of the Zoo.

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Personal Files

- Biography files
- Certificates
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- Correspondence
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 - Personal
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- Photographic Slides
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- Scrapbook
- Speeches
- Citizens Association, 1987
- Desegregation Monitoring Committee, 1989
- Ethnic Enrichment Council
- Miscellaneous events, Kansas City and Columbia, Missouri
- Parks and Recreation, Kansas City, Missouri
- Parks and Recreation, manual
- Power and Light District
- Quintennial, 1992 (3 folders)

Box 2

Personal Files

- Plaques, Items Removed
- Bartle Hall
- Boy Scouts of America (2 folders)
- Parade Committee
- Bi-Centennial
- Chamber of Commerce, Greater Kansas City
- Children's Museum
- City of Fountains
- City of Hope
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- Northeast High School
- Northeast Band Uniforms

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 - Hotel and Restaurant Management Program, 1986-1996
- University of Missouri-Kansas City
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Publications

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 - Riccadonna, DeKuyper, Nicolas Buci, DeLuze, Map
 - Nicolas, Sysco
 - Gateway Gathering Systems
 - National Institute for Food Industry, Educational Foundation
 - Intoxicating Liquor and Non-Intoxicating Beer Law, State of Missouri
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 - Columbus Reliquary
- Board of Parks and Recreation
 - The Once and Future Kansas City, 1995
 - Reference, Missouri Parks, Recreation, and Boulevards, 1992, 1996
 - Brush Creek Basin Plan for Kansas City Board of Parks and Recreation
 - Kansas City Zoo Proposal, 1991
 - Ilus W. Davis Park Master Plan, 1995
 - Independence Avenue Corridor Plan, 1993
 - Brush Creek Cultural Corridor, 1992
 - A Plan for Parks, Recreation, Boulevards and Greenways, 1993
 - Swope Park, 1991
 - Tiffany Springs Park Master Plan, 1989
 - Hodge Park Master Plan, 1990
 - Swope Park and New Zoo Project, 1991
 - Guide to the 105th U.S. Congress, 1997
 - Historic and Dedicatory Monuments of Kansas City, 1987
 - Take Stock in the New Zoo, 1992
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U.S. Court of Appeals, Kalima Jenkins
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Columbus Menu
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Kansas City Business Journal, 1994