

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY**  
**S0501 (SA4659)**  
**KATHY MCKEMY PAPERS, 1975-2014**

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**Introduction**

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The Kathy McKemy Papers contain bylaws, meeting minutes, newsletters, booklets, and newspaper clippings primarily documenting her involvement with the National Organization for Women's (N.O.W.) and the Missouri, Greater St. Louis, and North St. Louis County chapters of N.O.W. Materials of interest include bylaws and correspondence for the North St. Louis County Chapter of N.O.W., one of the first St. Louis-area N.O.W. chapters.

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**Box List**

**Box 1**

National Organization for Women

Bylaws, 1979-1980, 1985, 2005

Chapter development reports, no date

Conference workbook, 1979

*Don't Assume I Don't Cook: Recipes for Women's Lives* cookbook, 1998

Equal Rights Amendment, 1977-1982

"The First Women's State of the Union Address", 1977

Florida Citrus Commission, J.P. Stevens Products, Wal-Mart workers, and Mitsubishi boycotts, no date

History abbreviated history, chronology of NOW, nuts and bolts of NOW, 1985, 1999

Issue Report: Sexual harassment, young women, and abortion, 1992, 1999

Ladies Against Women chant, introduction to NOW, and volunteerism, no date

Lesbian and transgender rights, affirmative action, and equal pay, no date

Membership 101, statement of purpose, model operating rules, and general information, no date

Membership Recruitment and Retention handout and calendars, 1992, 1999, 2005-2006

Memos to state and local committees, 2000-2004

Monitoring the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission: Analysis of District

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Offices, and local chapter directory, 1978  
*National NOW Times*, 1976, 1978-1984, 1989, 1995, 1998, 2003-2007  
NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund, 1998  
Pamphlets, and brochures, 1979-2006  
Presidents Molly Yard and Ellie Smeal, 1982-1987  
Seneca Falls, 1999

**Box 2**

Missouri National Organization for Women

40th anniversary celebration, Betty Tyson birthday party, and 1978 standing vigil  
Reminisce, 2006-2007  
Bylaws, treasurer reports, handbook, and rosters, 1994-2008  
Equal Rights Amendment in Missouri, 1981-2012  
Newspaper clippings, 1979-2004  
Meeting minutes, 2002-2009  
Political Action Committee meeting minutes, questionnaire, and flyers, 2004-2008  
*Show Me NOW* and NOW News newsletter, 1980-1982, 2001-2007  
State conferences, 1979, 1989, 1998  
St. Clair-Madison, and Metro-East National Organization for Women chapters, 1979

Greater St. Louis National Organization for Women

Budget, expense, and annual treasurer reports, 1998-2005  
Bylaws, operating rules, and yearly goals, 1993-2002  
Congressional and local elections, 1980-2010  
Contributors and transaction reports, 2004  
Event and meeting flyers, 2002-2011  
Kathy Sokol harassment suit, and Vice President Brenda Pollard's funeral, 2003-2004  
Meet the Candidates Night, Psychology of Women Course, Jeanne Kirkston, holiday dinner, and tribute to African Americans events, 1996-2004  
Meeting minutes, correspondence, agendas, and resolutions, 1999-2011  
Missouri Women's Report, and Women's Yellow Pages, 1999, 2011  
Ms. Foundation "Take Your Daughters to Work", 1999  
Newsletter, 1979, 1998-2006  
Photographs, 1976-2006  
Press releases and "Why the Pope Can't Change the Church's Position on Birth Control: Implications for Americans", 1999  
Rosters, mailing and email lists, no date  
North St. Louis County Chapter of National Organization for Women  
Chapter application, notes, correspondence, bylaws, and certificate of incorporation, 1974-1979  
Event flyers, leadership list, and memos, 1975  
*Keepin' the Thing Goin'-NOW*, 1975-1989

**Box 3**

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- North St. Louis County Chapter of National Organization for Women
  - Newsletter, Volume I-III, 1975
- Miracle Supply Company Picket
  - Action alert, memos, and flyers, 1999
  - Patricia Ireland biography and photograph, 1999
  - Newspaper clippings, 1999
  - Press releases, 1999
- American Association of University Women, Ferguson-Florissant Branch
  - Action Alert and publications, 2002-2009
  - Correspondence, pamphlets, and memos, 2001-2003
  - Sexual harassment and convention magazine, 2011, 2013
- Other Groups
  - Alliance for the Status of Missouri Women and U.S. Department of Labor Women's Bureau, 2003
  - Citizen's Party, West County Democrats, and Harriet's List, 1984, 2000-2010
  - Democratic National Committee Women's Vote Center, 2004
  - Interchange Resource Center, Missouri NARAL, and Show Me Choice, 1979, 1999-2000
  - Metro St. Louis Women's Political Caucus, 2000-2013
  - Missouri and St. Louis Women's Coalition, 2002-2009
  - Missouri Women's Network and Missouri Alliance for Choice, 1990-2002
  - Missouri Women's Vote Project, 1984-1986
  - Newsletters, 1979-2009
  - Pamphlets and brochures, no date
  - Veteran Feminists of America, 2014
- Political
  - Abortion, rural Democrats, and somatic cell nuclear transfer, 1998-2002
  - Adult Abuse Remedies law, 1979, 1995
  - Correspondence, 1978-1979
  - Joint custody in Missouri, Ingrid Owens campaign, and economics, 1983, 2006
  - Newspaper clippings, 1979-2003
  - Kaye Steinmetz PML Legislative report, 1979
  - Washington Social Legislation bulletin, Congressional Capsule, Harriet Woods and Robert Young newsletter, 1979
  - Equal Rights Amendment
    - ERA Extension Resolution, and countdown, 1978-1982
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  - ERA PAC and Missouri ERA Coalition, 1978-1980
  - Equal Rights Amendment Center, and Missouri Equal Rights Ratification Fund, 1977-1982
  - Newspaper clippings and articles, 1977-2005
  - Pamphlets and brochures, 1977-1980
  - Phyllis Schlafly, 1978-1982
- Education
  - Ferguson-Florissant School District staff recognition dinner and women's history curriculum, 1997

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Artifacts

Bumper stickers, no date

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Equal Rights Amendment, feminist, and political buttons, no date