Carolyn Forrest Collection

Papers, 1974-1999

.25 linear feet 1/2 manuscript box

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The papers of Carolyn Forrest were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs by Ms. Forrest in January of 2003 and opened for research in October of 2004.

Carolyn Forrest was born in Tennessee on July 29, 1932. She moved to Michigan with her husband in 1953 and in 1957, with three small children, began working at JR Winter Company, which she helped organize for the United Auto Workers. In 1967 she joined the international staff of Region 1E as the first female servicing representative in the UAW and ten years later was appointed an administrative assistant by UAW President Douglas Fraser. In 1993 she was elected an International Vice President. She retired from the UAW in 1998.

The Carolyn Forrest Collection consists of correspondence, publicity, speeches and printed material documenting important milestones in her career with the UAW as well as prestigious appointments and honors and awards she received, some for her achievements as one of a small number of female labor leaders in the United States.

Important subjects in the collection:

United Automobile Workers Women labor leaders--United States

Related collections:

UAW International Executive Board Oral Histories

Non-manuscript material:

Some photographs and video and audio tapes received with the papers have been placed in the Archives Audiovisual Department.

Box 1

- 1. Administrative Assistant; congratulations, publicity, 1977
- 2. Awards; Collier Award, 1994
- 3. Awards; misc., 1986-99
- 4. Biographical information
- 5. Correspondence, misc., 1978-97
- 6. Fraser, Douglas, 1983, 1992
- 7. Miscellaneous, 1974, 1993-97
- 8. Retirement; congratulations, publicity, 1998
- 9, Speaking engagements; corres., publicity, 1974-97
- 10. Speeches, 1995-97
- 11. UAW Region 1E International Rep; publicity, 1967
- 12. UAW Vice President; publicity, 1991-92