

## Guide to the Honor Flight South Alabama Records

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### **Descriptive Summary:**

Title: Honor Flight South Alabama Records, 2008-2013

Creator: Honor Flight South Alabama

Quantity: 9.25 linear feet

Abstract: Records of Honor Flight South Alabama, a service organization based in Spanish Fort, Alabama that organized trips to visit the national World War II monument in Washington, DC for veterans of that conflict residing in South Alabama.

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### **Biographical Note:**

The Honor Flight South Alabama (HFSA) organization was led by Director Barry Lee Booth, DMD, Margaret Coley, Col. John New, Col. Pat Downing, Cdr. Pete Rhiem. HFSA sponsored trips to Washington DC for veterans of World War II. These trips afforded veterans the opportunity to visit the United States' National Monuments dedicated to their military service. Veterans interested in participating completed an application process which included written description of their military service experience. Veterans who travelled on an Honor Flight were joined by Guardians or volunteers responsible for assisting them. Guardians submitted applications to participate and paid a set fee for their travel.

The organization ran nine flights between 2008 and 2013 and sponsored various local commemorations and events honoring veterans of the armed services. This organization raised funds privately and also received community grants and public funding to carry out its mission.

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### **Scope and Content:**

Contains administrative records, correspondence, digital image files, financial records, children's artwork, and video. The bulk of the collection is made up of applications submitted by veterans and guardians (individuals who accompanied veterans on the trip). These forms contain standardized information about participants and were used for planning

purposes. The complete flight packets contain written descriptions of each veteran's service, and some contain facsimiles of supporting documents. The correspondence series contains letters and artwork from local children made for veterans as well as letters from participants thanking the HFSA staff.

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**Processing notes:**

This collection has been arranged and described at the file level by Christopher Stanford, Michael Campbell, and Deborah Gurt. There was no discernable original order in the collection when received. Records were organized into 4 series by function.

- I. Program documents encompass forms used by the organization to gather information from participants outside the organization, including veterans and guardians.
- II. Organizational (internal) documents include correspondence and logistical records resulting from the function of the organization – making plans for the flights, and fundraising efforts. Also included here are financial records representing the very informal nature of the organization. Donations that were received were photocopied as the method of tracking. We decided to preserve these because in many cases they were accompanied by personal notes.
- III. Correspondence includes letters for Dr. Booth and other leaders of the organization. It also includes "Mail Call" items – letters and artwork from local children to veterans expressing their thanks.
- IV. Audiovisual Material contains digital photographs and video taken at Honor Flight events.

This collection contained many duplicates which were removed during processing. In addition, simple forms gathering such information as T-shirt sizes were discarded. Two published works were removed from the collection and cataloged separately.

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**Provenance:** Gift of Dr. Barry Lee Booth

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**Arrangement:**

- I. Program Documents
  - a. Veteran Applications
  - b. Guardian Applications
  - c. Complete flight packets I-IX
- II. Organizational documents
  - a. Policies & procedures
  - b. Logistics and trip planning
  - c. Financial records, donor lists
  - d. Time cards
  - e. Funding agency correspondence
- III. Correspondence
  - a. Letters and cards to Dr. Barry Lee Booth
  - b. Cards, letters and artwork for Veterans (Mail Call)
- IV. Audiovisual materials
  - a. Photographs
  - b. Videography

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**Content List:**

**Series I. Program Documents, (4 containers).**

**Series II. Organizational Documents, (1 container, 1 oversize tube)).**

**Series III. Correspondence, (3 containers).**

**Series IV. Audiovisual Materials, (1 container + 26 GB digital media).**

**Series I.**

**Box # 1**

- 1 Veteran Applications- A-Az
- 2 Veteran Applications- Ba-BI
- 3 Veteran Applications- Bo-Br
- 4 Veteran Applications- Bu
- 5 Veteran Applications- C-CI
- 6 Veteran Applications- Co-Cu
- 7 Veteran Applications- D-Da
- 8 Veteran Applications- De-Do
- 9 Veteran Applications- Du-Dz
- 10 Veteran Applications- Ea-Fu
- 11 Veteran Applications- Ga-Gi
- 12 Veteran Applications- Go-Gw
- 13 Veteran Applications- Ha-Hi
- 14 Veteran Applications- Ho-Hy
- 15 Veteran Applications- In-Jo
- 16 Veteran Applications- Ka-Ku
- 17 Veteran Applications- La-Ly
- 18 Veteran Applications- Ma-McCa
- 19 Veteran Applications- McCI-McS
- 20 Veteran Applications- Me-Mu
- 21 Veteran Applications- Ne-Ow

**Box # 2**

- 1 Veteran Applications- Pa-Pr
- 2 Veteran Applications- Q-Ru
- 3 Veteran Applications- Sa-Sh
- 4 Veteran Applications- Si-Sm
- 5 Veteran Applications- Sn-Sv
- 6 Veteran Applications- Ta-Tu
- 7 Veteran Applications- U-Wh
- 8 Veteran Applications- Wy-Yo
- 9 Guardian Applications- Ab-Ba
- 10 Guardian Applications- Bo-Br
- 11 Guardian Applications- Bu-Ca
- 12 Guardian Applications- Ch-Cu
- 13 Guardian Applications- Da-Dy

**Box # 3**

- 1 Guardian Applications- Ea-Fu
- 2 Guardian Applications- Ga-Gw
- 3 Guardian Applications- Ha-Hi
- 4 Guardian Applications- Ho-Je
- 5 Guardian Applications- Jo-Kr
- 6 Guardian Applications- La-Lu
- 7 Guardian Applications- Ma-Me
- 8 Guardian Applications- Mi
- 9 Guardian Applications- Mo-Nu
- 10 Guardian Applications- Oc-Ow
- 11 Guardian Applications- Pa-Qu
- 12 Guardian Applications- Ra-Sa
- 13 Guardian Applications- Sc-Sp
- 14 Guardian Applications- St-Te
- 15 Guardian Applications- Th-Wa

## 16 Guardian Applications- We-Z

### **Box # 4**

- 1 Honor Flight (HF) I-complete flight packet
- 2 HF II - complete flight packet
- 3 HF III-complete flight packet
- 4 HF IV-complete flight packet
- 5 HF V-complete flight packet
- 6 HF VI-complete flight packet
- 7 HF VII-complete flight packet
- 8 HF VIII-complete flight packet
- 9 HF IX-complete flight packet
- 10 HF V change notices 2011
- 11 HF VII-RED, WHITE, BLUE, Guardians/Media/Medical Bus List
- 12 HF VI-white bus veterans
- 13 HF-Guardian Database 2010
- 14 HF-Veteran Database Contact Information 2010-2012
- 15 HF II-Veteran & Guardian Reserves
- 16 HF Correspondence unopened 2011
- 17 HF II-Date Change response [after 8/18/09]
- 18 Veteran flight date change responses as of 8/18/09
- 19 Mailed veteran application list & veteran reserve list 6/26/09

### **Series II.**

#### **Box # 5**

- 1 Organizational Documents - Honor Flight Network Policies and Procedures, OPlan
- 2 Organizational Documents - Volunteer Applications
- 3 Organizational Documents - Financial Records-Time cards
- 4 Organizational Documents – Trip Planning and Logistics
- 5 Organizational Documents – Trip Planning and Logistics
- 6 Organizational Documents – Veteran & Guardian Lists
- 7 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Invoices, 2009-10
- 8 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Invoices, 2011-12

- 9 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2009
- 10 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2009
- 11 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2009
- 12 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2010
- 14 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2010
- 15 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2011
- 16 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2012
- 17 Organizational Documents - Financial Records – Deposits, 2013
- 18 Organizational Documents - Donation Receipt Form (blank)
- 19 Organizational Documents – Mississippi Honor Flight
- 20 Organizational Documents - Correspondence
- 21 Organizational Documents- Clippings, printed material

**Box 5a – tube**

Contains 3 charts for the Red, Blue, White buses

**Series III.**

**Box # 6**

- 1 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Jack C. Lufkin
- 2 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Richard Peterson
- 3 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Melvin Brassfield
- 4 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Robert Meador
- 5 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans
- 6 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Cecil McMullan
- 7 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans
- 8 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-from Dawes Intermediate School
- 9 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Jean Davenport Branum
- 10 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-from Perdido School
- 11 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Ezell Williams
- 12 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-James Bryars
- 13 Correspondence-Mail Call\_ Happy Birthday "Jack" Jacobson
- 14 Correspondence-Mail Call\_ Happy Birthday "Jack" Jacobson
- 15 Correspondence-Mail Call\_ Happy Birthday "Jack" Jacobson



- 16 Correspondence-Mail Call\_ Happy Birthday "Jack" Jacobson
- 17 Correspondence-Mail Call\_ Happy Birthday "Jack" Jacobson

**Box # 7**

- 1 Correspondence-Mail Call-Harold J. Gibson, Donald E. Ingraham
- 2 Correspondence-Mail Call-Lyle H. Peterson, Julius C. Eardley
- 3 Correspondence-Mail Call- From Bayside Academy
- 4 Correspondence-Mail Call
- 5 Correspondence-Mail Call
- 6 Correspondence-Mail Call-James "Robb" Robinson
- 7 Correspondence-Mail Call-Louis Wynne
- 8 Correspondence-Mail Call-Charles Wohlerl
- 9 Correspondence-Mail Call-Robert Wheeler
- 10 Correspondence-Mail Call-Ernest Thompson
- 11 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans from school kids
- 12 Correspondence-Letters to Veterans-Harold Inge Bryars
- 13 Correspondence-Gulf Shores High School

**Box # 8**

- 1 Correspondence-"Thank you" Cards, Notes, Letters, etc.
- 2 Correspondence
- 3 Correspondence-"Thank you" Cards, Notes, Letters, etc.-Miscellaneous
- 4 Correspondence- Christmas Cards
- 5 Correspondence-"Thank you" Cards, Notes, Letters, etc.
- 6 Correspondence-"Thank you" Cards, Notes, Letters, etc.
- 7 Correspondence-"Thank you" Cards, Notes, Letters, etc. to Dr. Booth /Honor Flight  
Staff
- 8 Correspondence-"Thank you" Cards, Notes, Letters, etc.
- 9 News clippings

**Box # 9**

- 1 Box of birthday cards for John Jacobson

- 2 Proclamation for John Jacobson
- 3 Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition to Major John "Jack" Jacobson
- 4 Framed photograph of John Jacobson silhouette w/ newspaper article
- 5 Photograph of the Quartermaster School group Company C Provisional Battalion,  
Camp Lee, Virginia 1941

**Series IV.**

**Box #10**

- 1 Baldwin County Commission-October 2, 2009
- 2 Honor Flight II-September 16, 2009
- 3 Honor Flight IV-September 22, 2010
- 4 Baldwin County Commission-July 19, 2011
- 5 Images of Jeff Sessions visiting veterans
- 6 Baldwin County Commission-December 6, 2011
- 7 Honor Flight VII-May 9, 2012
- 8 Honor Flight VIII-
- 9 Baldwin County Commission-December 4, 2012
- 10 Baldwin County Commission-July 6, 2012
- 11 Baldwin County Commission-July 19, 2011

Additional digital media stored at:

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- 📁 HFSA - ANGEL RIDE
- 📁 HFSA - 01122011 - FSU vs BSU
- 📁 HFSA - 1122014 CELEBRATION OF LIFE
- 📁 HFSA - 01262013 SR BOWL LADD STADIUM
- 📁 HFSA - 02052011 Univ of Mobile
- 📁 HFSA - 02272011 USA Red White & Blue Basket Ball Game
- 📁 HFSA - 03132011 Amer Legion Post 199 Presentation
- 📁 HFSA - 03252011 TBN TV
- 📁 HFSA - 04122013 AL FEDERATION WOMENS CLUB
- 📁 HFSA - 04282016 UOM LEADERSHIP BANQUET
- 📁 HFSA - 05072010 Heron Lakes Golf Tournament
- 📁 HFSA - 09122010 HANK AARON STADIUM
- 📁 HFSA - 09182011 Louis Zamperini Bookdihnh
- 📁 HFSA - 09262015 POLO ON THE POINT
- 📁 HFSA - 10202013 - LEGACY REUNION
- 📁 HFSA - 11042010 MEDIACOM DOCUMENTARY
- 📁 HFSA - 11102011 - Condoleezza Rice Book signing and UOM Leadership Banquet
- 📁 HFSA - 11212009 VET DAY CELEBRATION ROBERTSDALE
- 📁 HFSA - BALDWIN COUNTY COMMISSIONER MEETINGS
- 📁 HFSA - FLIGHTS TO DC
- 📁 HFSA - FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS
- 📁 HFSA - HORACE LUCKY
- 📁 HFSA - MOBILE CITY COUNSEL MEETING
- 📁 HFSA - ORIENTAIONS
- 📁 HFSA - PARADES & MARDI GRAS BALLS
- 📁 HFSA - POLO ON THE POINT
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