Chambers Communications Corp. records, circa 1966-1997

Overview of the Collection

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<td>Summary</td>
<td>Chambers Communications Corp. was a TV news production company in Eugene, Oregon. The collection contains film, videotape, DVDs, and paper reference logs.</td>
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Historical Note

Chambers Communications Corp. was a TV news production company in Eugene, Oregon. The company produced daily TV news and feature programming for the ABC affiliate station KEZI. In 1959, a group of Eugene investors formed Liberty Communications and were granted a license to establish Eugene’s second television station (the first was KVAL). The investors included Julio Silva and his daughter, Carolyn S. Chambers. KEZI went on the air for the first time on Dec. 19, 1960. In February 1983, Denver-based Tele-Communications, Inc. purchased Liberty Communications’ cable and television assets. At the time of the sale, Liberty owned thirty-three cable television systems and...
five other television stations in eleven states. In April 1983, Carolyn Chambers formed Chambers Communications Corp. and purchased several former Liberty entities, including KEZI. Chambers Communications Corp. also owned two other ABC affiliates, as well as three WB stations Oregon. The company was sold in March 2014 to Heartland Media, based on Atlanta, GA.

Content Description

The collection contains news segments produced for daily local newscasts, in-depth feature stories, some complete newscasts, year-end retrospectives, sports shows, and miscellaneous content produced or purchased by Chambers Communications Corp.. The collection consists of 16mm film, various videotape formats, DVDs, and paper reference logs.


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Preferred Citation

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

Material within this collection is minimally arranged. Any arrangement is either derived from the records’ creators or custodians or from staff at the time of initial processing. It may be necessary to look in multiple places for the same types of materials.
Processing Note

Collection processed by staff, 2014.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

This collection received a basic level of processing including minimal organization and rehousing. Description information is drawn in part from information supplied with the collection and initial surveys of the contents.

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms:
Broadcasting--United States
Media and Communication

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