

# Robert E. Kildall papers, 1960-2009

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Kildall, Robert E.
<b>Title</b>	Robert E. Kildall papers
<b>Dates</b>	1960-2009 (inclusive) 1960 2009
<b>Quantity</b>	23 cubic feet (22 boxes)
<b>Collection Number</b>	2415
<b>Summary</b>	Papers of businessman, environmentalist, and park commissioner, of Seattle, Washington
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections</a> Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 <a href="mailto:speccoll@uw.edu">speccoll@uw.edu</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	No restrictions on access.  Some material stored offsite; advance notice required for use.
<b>Languages</b>	English

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## Biographical Note

Robert E. Kildall is an environmental activist concerned with urban park development. As chairman of the Magnolia community Club he helped promote the development of Commodore Park, 1973, along the ship canal and the establishment of Discovery Park, 1974, in the Fort Lawton area. In 1974 he was appointed to the Seattle Board of Park Commissioners, and served as chairman, 1975-1977. He continued his interest in the Discovery Park project, especially in the environmental problems associated with the placement by the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle (METRO) of the West Point Treatment Facility, a waste treatment facility, adjacent to Fort Lawton. In 1977 he became chairman of the Clean Water Coalition and the Discovery Park Environmental Impact Statement Ad Hoc Committee.

## Content Description

Correspondence, minutes, reports, clippings, ephemera, and newsletters.

## Use of the Collection

### Restrictions on Use

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Organized into 5 accessions:

- Accession No. 2415-001, Robert E. Kildall papers, 1969-1977
- Accession No. 2415-006, Robert E. Kildall papers, 1973-1982
- Accession No. 2415-007, Robert E. Kildall papers, 1975-1984
- Accession No. 2415-008, Robert Kildall papers, 1960-1999
- Accession No. 2415-009, Robert E. Kildall papers, 1967-2009

### Separated Materials

Visual materials transferred to the Visual Materials Collection , 1-14-2015.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Accession No. 2415-001: Robert E. Kildall papers, 1969-1977

4.11 cubic feet (4 boxes)

Scope and Content: The papers are arranged into series according to Robert Kildall's separate activities. These include the Commodore Park series (correspondence, notebooks, scrapbooks, 1968-73); the Discovery Park series (correspondence, related papers, 1969-75); the Park Board series (defined by date, 1974-77, and by subject, i.e. anything relating to the Park and Recreation Department; with correspondence, minutes, subject series: Arboretum and Botanical Committee, 1975-77; Art in the Parks, 1976; Historical Preservation at Discovery Park, 75-76); and the Clean Water Coalition/Metro series (correspondence, minutes, related papers 1975-77).

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Container(s)	Description	Dates
	<b>Series 1: Commodore Park</b>	<b>1968-1973</b>
Box	Accession	
1	2415-001 General Correspondence	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1	2415-001 Notebook	
OS	2415-001 Scrapbooks	
1	2415-001 Clippings	
<b>Series 2: Discovery Park</b>		<b>1969-1975</b>
<b>Box</b>	<b>Accession</b>	
1	2415-001 By-laws and Historical Material (Friends of Discovery Park)	
1	2415-001 A-L Miscellaneous incoming letters	
1	2415-001 Friends of Discovery Park incoming letters	
1	2415-001 Magnolia Community Club incoming letters	
1	2415-001 Metro incoming letters	
1	2415-001 Seattle incoming letters	
1	2415-001 M-W, Unidentified, Miscellaneous incoming letters	
1	2415-001 Outgoing letters	approximately 1969-1975
1	2415-001 Minutes	
1	2415-001 Ordinances/Resolutions	
1	2415-001 News Releases	
1	2415-001 Speeches and writings	
1	2415-001 Campaign Material	
1	2415-001 Reports	
1	2415-001 Programs and Schedules	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1	2415-001 Lists	
1	2415-001 Notes	
1	2415-001 Maps	
1	2415-001 Pamphlets and Brochures	
1	2415-001 Clippings	
1	2415-001 Miscellaneous	
<b>Series 3: Park Board</b>		<b>1974-1977</b>
<b>Box</b>	<b>Accession</b>	
2	2415-001 A-B, Miscellaneous incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Hundley, Walter R. incoming letters	
2	2415-001 H-L, Miscellaneous incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Madison Park Community Club incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Metro incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Miller, John incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Montlake Community Club incoming letters	
2	2415-001 M-R, Miscellaneous incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Seattle Parks and Recreation incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Seattle incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Towne, David L. incoming letters	
2	2415-001 T, Miscellaneous incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Uhlman, Wesley incoming letters	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2	2415-001 U.S. incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Washington incoming letters	
2	2415-001 U-Y Miscellaneous incoming letters	
2	2415-001 Outgoing letters	1974-1977
2	2415-001 General Correspondence	
2	2415-001 Interoffice Correspondence - Parks and Recreation Department	1974-1977
2	2415-001 Organizational Material	
2	2415-001 Board of Park Commissioners Minutes	1974-1977
2	2415-001 Other meeting minutes	
2	2415-001 Articles of Incorporation/By-laws - Seattle Parks Foundation	
2	2415-001 Resolutions and Ordinances	
2	2415-001 Policies and Proposals	
2	2415-001 Agreement	
2	2415-001 Budget Papers and Accounts	
2	2415-001 Fee Schedules (Park Revenue)	
3	2415-001 Project Status Reports	
3	2415-001 Annual Reports	
3	2415-001 Reports and Studies	
3	2415-001 Speeches and Writings	
3	2415-001 Lists	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3	2415-001 Manual	
3	2415-001 Architectural Plans	
3	2415-001 Agendas	
3	2415-001 News Releases	
3	2415-001 Notes	
3	2415-001 Maps	
3	2415-001 Programs, Flyers, Announcements	
3	2415-001 Periodicals	
3	2415-001 Clippings - Miscellaneous	
3	2415-001 Arboretum and Botanical Committee (City of Seattle and University of Washington Joint Committee)	1975-1977
3	2415-001 Art in the Parks	
3	2415-001 Historical Preservation at Discovery Park	
<b>Series 4: Clean Water Coalition/Metro Subgroup</b>		<b>1975-1977</b>
<b>Box</b>	<b>Accession</b>	
4	2415-001 A-L, Miscellaneous incoming letters	
4	2415-001 Metro incoming letters	
4	2415-001 M-Z, unidentified, miscellaneous incoming letters	
4	2415-001 Outgoing letters	1976-1977
4	2415-001 General Correspondence	1975
4	2415-001 Metro, Citizens Water Quality Advisory Committee minutes and rosters	1976-1977

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4	2415-001 Discovery Park EIS Ad Hoc Committee minutes and rosters	
4	2415-001 Friends of Discovery Park minutes and rosters	
4	2415-001 Clean Water Coalition minutes and rosters	
4	2415-001 Regulations, Resolutions	
4	2415-001 Auburn Interceptor - Applications and Certificates	
4	2415-001 Policies and Proposals	
4	2415-001 Reports and Proposals	
4	2415-001 Writings	
4	2415-001 Agendas and Schedules	
4	2415-001 Notes	
4	2415-001 Maps	
4	2415-001 Programs and Flyers	
4	2415-001 Periodicals	
4	2415-001 Clippings - Personal and Political	
4	2415-001 General Correspondence	
4	2415-001 Politics	

## Accession No. 2415-006: Robert E. Kildall papers, 1973-1982

4.55 cubic feet (6 boxes)

Scope and Content: Historical features, correspondence, minutes, reports, ephemera, clippings, subject series.

A large part of this accession deals with Discovery Park. Much of the remaining portion is about water quality and waste treatment.

Restrictions on Access: Open to all users.

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Acquisition Info: Donated by Robert Kildall, 10/14/1982.

### **Accession No. 2415-007: Robert E. Kildall papers, 1975-1984**

3.83 cubic feet (5 boxes)

Scope and Content: Correspondence, mailings, reports, environmental impact statements, clippings, ephemera4.

Bulk concerns Discovery Park, Seattle. Campaign to save military buildings at old Fort Lawton as historic sites. Opposition to METRO plan for large increase in size of the West Point waste treatment plant.

Restrictions on Access: Open to all users.

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Acquisition Info: Donated by Robert Kildall, 1/31/1986.

### **Accession No. 2415-008: Robert Kildall papers, 1960-1999**

10 cubic feet (6 boxes)

Scope and Content: Correspondence, reports, periodical clippings on Discovery Park, Kiwanis Park, and West Point Treatment Plant.

Restrictions on Access: Open to all users.

Restrictions on Use: Creator's literary rights transferred to the University of Washington Libraries.

Acquisition Info: Donated by Robert E. Kildall, 2/8/2000.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box	Accession	
1	2415-008 Summary of Discovery Park Files	
1	2415-008 Historical Features-"Discovery Park History"#, including historical references and listing of correspondence	
1	2415-008 Discovery Park Correspondence	1960-1988
1	2415-008 Friends of Discovery Park Correspondence	1973-1974
2	2415-008 Discovery Park Correspondence	1986-1994
2	2415-008 Friends of Discovery Park Correspondence	1986-1995



Container(s)	Description	Dates
3	2415-008 Discovery Park Correspondence	1994-1995
3	2415-008 Friends of Discovery Park Correspondence	1992-1995
4	2415-008 Discovery Park Correspondence	1996-1998
4	2415-008 Friends of Discovery Park Correspondence	1996
5	2415-008 Summary of Discovery Park Files	
5	2415-008 Discovery Park Correspondence	1992, 1998-1999
5	2415-008 Friends of Discovery Park Correspondence	1994-1995
6	2415-008 Discovery Park Correspondence	1985-1999
6	2415-008 Friends of Discovery Park Correspondence	1995
6	2415-008 Metro Lawsuit	1987
6	2415-008 Metro EIS for West Point	1987-1988
6	2415-008 Bob Kildall Drafts	undated
6	2415-008 Clippings	
6	2415-008 Miscellaneous Files	undated
6	2415-008 Vol. 5 - Public Comments on the Draft Supplement Plans and the Draft Supplemental Impact Statement	1986 July
6	2415-008 Vol. 5 - Public Comments on the Draft Plan and the Draft Environmental Impact Statement	1985 November

## Accession No. 2415-009: Robert E. Kildall papers, 1967-2009

.51 cubic feet (1 box)

**Scope and Content:** Collection includes news clippings, correspondence, newsletters, meeting minutes, photographs, printed news articles, lists, memos, reports, pamphlets, copy of "Passage to the Sea: History of the Lake Washington Ship Canal and Hiram M. Chittenden Locks", purchase application, deed, Landmark Nomination Report, procedural manuals, and information on United Indians of All Tribes Foundation (UIAT) and the death of Bernie Whitebear.

Restrictions on Access: No restrictions on access.

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Acquisition Info: Ruth Kildall, 2016-01-13

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/ Folder	Accession	
1/1	2415-009 Discovery Park: Files of Ann Mack (1968-2007 & Beyond)	1968-2009
1/2	2415-009 Discovery Park: Files of Ann Mack (1968-2007 & Beyond)	1968-2009
1/3	2415-009 Discovery Park: Correspondence Records (Year 2001 - Book 1)	2000-2005
1/4	2415-009 Discovery Park	1990-2003
1/5	2415-009 Discovery Park	1990-2003
1/6	2415-009 Discovery Park: Correspondence File, News Articles, Etc (2001 - Book 3)	1997-2001
1/7	2415-009 Chapel on the Hill - Discovery Park (Year 2002-2004 & Beyond)	1978-2009
1/8	2415-009 Seattle Beautiful - Operation Triangle Parks + 100th Arbor Day Incense Cedars Planting - Magnolia Community Club	1970-2000
1/9	2415-009 Commodore Park History (Book 2)	1967-2008

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

Environmentalists--Washington (State)--Seattle--Archives  
Parks--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

### Personal Names :

Kildall, Robert E., 1920-2014--Archives

### Corporate Names :

Friends of Discovery Park (Seattle, Wash.)--Archives  
Seattle (Wash.). Board of Park Commissioners--Archives

### Geographical Names :

Discovery Park (Seattle, Wash.)

Fort Lawton (Seattle, Wash.)

**Other Creators :**

**Personal Names :**

Caminiti, Benella

(creator)

Carpine, Heidi H

(creator)

Chapman, Bruce K

(creator)

Dickenson, Calhoun

(creator)

Hill, Tim, 1936-

(creator)

Hundley, Walter R

(creator)

Larkin, Wayne

(creator)

Pritchard, Joel M. (Joel McFee), 1925-1997

(creator)

Schell, Paul E. S

(creator)

Simon, Elsie

(creator)

Town, David L

(creator)

Uhlman, Wesley C. (Wesley Carl), 1935-

(creator)

Voorhees, Donald S

(creator)

Wilder, Robert

(creator)

Wimmer, Thomas O., 1910-1987

(creator)

**Corporate Names :**

Clean Water Coalition (Seattle, Wash.)

(creator)

Friends of Discovery Park (Seattle, Wash.)

(creator)

Madison Park Community Club

(creator)

Magnolia Community Club (Seattle, Wash.)

(creator)

Montlake Community Club (Seattle, Wash.)

(creator)

Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle. Citizens' Water Quality Advisory Committee

(creator)

Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle. Council

(creator)

Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle. West Point Advanced Waste Treatment Liaison Committee

(creator)

Seattle (Wash.). Department of Parks and Recreation

(creator)  
Seattle Art Museum  
(creator)  
Seattle Arts Commission (1971-2002)  
(creator)  
Seattle Historical Society  
(creator)

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