

**Roanoke Public Libraries**  
**Gainsboro Branch**  
**Gainsboro Library Vertical File**  
**Miscellaneous Items Collection**

**Collection Description**

**Repository:** Gainsboro Branch of Roanoke Public Libraries

**Title:** Gainsboro Library Vertical File Miscellaneous Items Collection

**Physical Characteristics:** Fourteen (14) Flat Oversized Record Storage Boxes

**Arrangement:** This collection contains items that are oversized and arranged with restriction to size. Where possible, like items are arranged together and chronologically.

**Creator:** Gainsboro Library

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**Introduction:**

The Gainsboro Library Miscellaneous Items Collection is comprised of items that are too large for standard vertical file storage or need special considerations due to format. These items are considered part of the Gainsboro Library Vertical Files and relate to subjects found within that collection.

**Scope and Content:**

This collection consists of 14 oversized record storage boxes that contain various miscellaneous items. The materials contained in this collection are varied and range from complete newspapers, news clippings, publications, blueprints, a scrapbook, various large format paper documents, maps, a large format booklet and audio/visual media.

**Container List:**

**Box GBVF 1 of 14 – Miscellaneous Oversized Items and Roanoke Tribunes**

- “A library at work,” Roanoke Times, 9 March 1939.
- “Branch libraries used extensively,” Roanoke Times, 11 March 1939.
- “Street by street, block by block: how urban renewal uprooted black Roanoke,” Roanoke Times, 29 January 1992.
- “A neighborhood in peril,” Roanoke Times, 28 June 1995.
- “What should happen to Henry Street?” Roanoke Times, 17 March 1996.
- “The invisible inner city: poverty, crime and decay in Roanoke’s oldest

neighborhoods,” Roanoke Times, 30 October 1997.

- Roanoke Tribune, 6 August 1955.
- Roanoke Tribune, 16 February 1957.
- Roanoke Tribune, 9 March 1957.
- Roanoke Tribune, 20 September 1962.
- Roanoke Tribune, 3 November 1966.
- Roanoke Tribune, 9 August 1973.
- Roanoke Tribune, 21 June 1984.
- Roanoke Tribune, 6 March 1986.
- Roanoke Tribune, 28 August 1986.
- Roanoke Tribune, 22 January 1987.
- Supplement to the Roanoke Tribune, 9 February 1989.
- Roanoke Tribune, 23 January 1992.
- Roanoke Tribune, 18 April 1996.
- Roanoke Tribune, 19 September 1996.

#### **Box GBVF 2 of 14 – Miscellaneous Oversized Items**

- “Gainsboro/Northeast Roanoke in 1950: The neighborhoods,” Roanoke Times, 29 January 1995.
- “Old Gainsboro church to be razed,” Roanoke Times, 10 July 1996.
- “History (stubbornly) comes down,” Roanoke Times, 19 July 1996.
- Franklin County Virginia: Distinctive for its Agricultural, Horticultural, Livestock and Industrial Advantages, 1926.
- Lucy Addison Seniors – 1933.
- Lucy Addison Seniors – 1950.
- Lucy Addison Seniors, Roanoke Times, 1951.
- Addison High Seniors – 1952.
- Lucy Addison Seniors, Roanoke Times, 26 May 1953.
- City of Roanoke Proclamation: African American Heritage and Black History Month, 9 February 2008.

#### **Box GBVF 3 of 14 – Miscellaneous Oversized Items**

- Making the Past Visible: Mapping Oral Histories – Significant Places in Hurt Park.
- Hurt Park Neighborhood History Project.
- Henry Street – Past and Present.

#### **Box GBVF 4 of 14 – Gainsboro Library Blueprints**

- Gainsboro Library Blueprints, 1942.
- Gainsboro Library Renovation Blueprints, 1999.

**Box GBVF 5 of 14 – Gainsboro Library Blueprints**

- Gainsboro Library Renovation Blueprints, 1999.

**Box GBVF 6 of 14 – Gainsboro Library Blueprints**

- Gainsboro Library Renovation Blueprints, 2007.

**Box GBVF 7 of 14 – Miscellaneous Oversized Items**

- Lick Run Watershed Map
- Gainsboro Street Maps, 201 and 202.

**Box GBVF 8 of 14 – Maps**

- Town of Gainesborough Maps, 1834-1874, drawn by George Heller.

**Box GBVF 9 of 14 – Gainsboro Proposals**

- Gainsboro Proposals created by Students at Virginia Tech.

**Box GBVF 10 of 14 – Roanoke Tribune**

- Roanoke Tribune, 6 August 1955, Burrell Memorial Hospital Special Edition.

**Box GBVF 11 of 14 – Scrapbook**

- Arthur P. Brown's Military Sports Scrapbook.

**Box GBVF 12 of 14 – Miscellaneous Audio/Visual Media**

- VHS: African Americans on the Norfolk & Western Railroad 1930-1970, 2000.
- VHS: Chauncy Spencer: A Place in the Sky, 2001.
- VHS: Libraries in Action: An introduction to Roanoke Public Libraries, 2003.
- VHS: Libraries in Action, RVTV Channel 3, February 2004.
- VHS: Father James E. Goode, OFM, PH.D. Celebrating the Year of the Eucharist, 18 - 19 June 2005.
- DVD: Looking Back: Historic Gainsboro, 2007.
- CD: Star City, Roanoke, Virginia, by Don Muse and Steve Langston, 2007.
- DVD: Looking Back: The Strand, 2008.
- DVD Urban Voices: Black History Quiz with Arleen Ollie.

**Box GBVF 13 of 14 – Gainsboro Land Use Maps**

- Gainsboro Land Use Map, 1975 Plan
- Gainsboro Land Use Map, Boundary and Acquisition Map, 1975 Plan
- Gainsbor Land Use Map, 1983 Plan
- Gainsbor Land Use Map, Boundary and Acquisition Map, 1983 Plan
- Gainsboro Land Use Map, Proposed Zoning, 1983 Plan

- Gainsboro Land Use Map, Existing Zoning

**Box GBVF 14 of 14 – Miscellaneous Oversized Items**

- Publication on Commercial Interests in the Roanoke Valley, Circa 1920s,  
(includes Pinkard Industries spread.)