



TITLE: Southern Arizona School for Boys collection

DATE RANGE: 1953-1962

CALL NUMBER: MS 1491

LOCATION: Arizona History Museum, 949 E Second St, Tucson, AZ 85719

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 1 linear ft (2 boxes)

PROVENANCE: Donated by Elizabeth Straw in 2015, for Charles R. Minegar.

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HISTORICAL NOTE: The Southern Arizona School for Boys (SAS), a college preparatory ranch school, was founded by Russell Fairgrieve and George Harper. Their goal was to supplement academic studies with a variety of outdoor activities. They broke ground on an 80 acre parcel near Sabino Canyon in 1930. The lodges and main building were constructed with adobe bricks made onsite. Charles R. Minegar (1924-2013) taught at the Southern Arizona School for Boys (SAS) from 1953 to 1957. He left to study in Europe on a Fulbright Scholarship but eventually returned to SAS as Dean in 1966. The Southern Arizona School for Boys closed in 1973 and the property was sold to the Fenster School, formerly the Fenster Ranch School. In 1974 Fenster relocated its headquarters to the SAS site and incorporated students from S.A.S. and the nearby Valley School for Girls.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: This collection includes yearbooks, faculty lists, a general information publication for S.A.S. for incoming students in 1953, as well as ephemera and many photographs. The photographs are primarily snap shots but also include large format commercially taken photographs, generally from Manley Commercial Photography.

SUBJECT TERMS: Boarding schools -- Arizona -- Tucson; Private schools -- Arizona

RELATED MATERIALS: Private Boarding School collection, MS 1198

CONTAINER LIST:

Box	Folder	Description	Dates
1	1	S.B.S. "General Information for Masters at SBS"	1953
	2	S.B.S. "The Spur" (excerpt)	undated
	3	S.B.S. Faculty Lists	1953, 1959
	4	Correspondence	undated
	5	"The Rattler" S.B.S. Yearbook	1960
	6	"The Rattler" Yearbook	1961
	7	"The Rattler" Yearbook	1962
	8	Brochure for "El Carnila Ranch Camp"	undated
	9	Brochure for Fenster School	1973
	10	Rifle Competition Score Card & Medal	undated
	11	Obituary: Charles R. Minegar	2013
	12	S.A.S Laundry Bag	undated
2	1	Photographs: Faculty Portraits	undated
	2	Photographs: Class Portraits (Large Format)	undated
	3	Photographs: School Buildings & Grounds	undated
	4	Photographs: Swimming Trips	undated
	5	Photographs: School Sports (Large Format)	undated
	6	Photographs: Equestrian Activities (Large Format)	undated
	7	Photographs: Equestrian Activities	undated
	8	Photographs: School Trips	undated
	9	Photographs: School Trips (Large Format)	undated
	10	Photographs: School Hiking Trips	undated
	11	Photographs: Social Activities (Large Format)	undated
	12	Photographs: Other School Activities	undated
	13	Photographs: Dorm Life	undated
	14	Photographs: Rodeo Parade	undated
	15	Photographs: Unclassified (Large Format)	undated
	16	Photographs: Individual Class Pictures from Yearbook	1960
	17	Photographs: Small Photo Albums	undated
	18	Photographs: Negatives & Slides	undated