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Founders' Day records

Dates: 1957-1994

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Provenance:

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disposed of. **See Also:**

Administrative History

Founders' Day was created in 1959 in order to honor Arnold Damen, S.J., and his associates, the University's founders, who were men of vision that planned for future greatness as they guided Loyola during its infancy. Founders' Day became a time when all who were familiar with the goals of Loyola had an opportunity to reflect upon what has made and what continues to make Loyola a superior institution of higher education.

Awards were presented in several categories. Civic awards were given to people who dedicated their lives to working in the Chicago community and for setting outstanding examples of responsible citizenship to present and future generations. Alumni citations were given for distinguished service to Loyola University, the Church, community or profession and for exemplifying the ideals of Jesuit education. Former alumni awardee included Jack O'Malley, the former state's attorney of Cook County. The honorary alumnus award was bestowed on an individual who typified Loyola's generous friends who volunteered in the continuing quest for quality education and service to others. President's Medallions were presented to a student from each school in the university who exemplified the scholarship, leadership and service to Loyola that echoed the spirit of its founders.

In 1994 the Founders Day celebration was suspended by the Vice-President of Development. It was reinstated in 2002 by President Michael J. Garanzini, S.J.

Scope and Content

The Founders Day collection was originally part of the Public Relations collection. In its current form, it consists of 27 files in 3 archives boxes. Files are

arranged alphabetically and the records within each file are organized chronologically. This collection includes files from 1959 to 1994. Most of the files, however, are from 1964 to 1981 and contain invitations, convocation programs, correspondence, and newspaper clippings. The annual programs are arranged in the beginning of each Founders' Day file. For more information, see the Founders' Day photographs in the photo file. For recipients of the President's Medallion after 1994, please see the Awards-President's medallion reference file.

Subjects:

Loyola University Chicago Founders' Day Awards Accession No.: UA1997.38

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1	1	Founders' Day,	1959-1960
1	2	Founders' Day,	1961
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1	4	Founders' Day,	1964
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1	6	Founders' Day,	1967
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1	9	Founders' Day,	1970
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2	1	Founders' Day, General	1975
2	2	Founders' Day, General	1976
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2	4	Founders' Day, General	1977
2	5	Founders' Day, General	1978
2	6	Founders' Day, General	1979
2	7	Founders' Day, General	1979
2	8	Founders' Day, Alumni Nominees	1980
3	1	Founders' Day, General	1980
3	2	Founders' Day, General	1980
3	3	Founders' Day, General	1981
3	4	Founders' Day	
		President's Medallion Recipients*	1981
3	5	Founders' Day, Programs	1983-1994
3	6	Past Founders Day Alumni Awardees,	1957-1977

^{*} For the 1982 President's Medallion winners, see the President's Medallion file.