Wagner College Forum for Individual Freedoms (WCFIF) Collection

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Title: Wagner College Forum for Individual Freedoms (WCFIF) Collection

Dates: 1963 – 1967

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Scope and Content:
The Wagner College Forum for Individual Freedoms (WCFIF) was founded in 1964 in response to the civil rights movement. Its purpose was to support and advance individual freedoms on the campus, in the community, and in the nation. The collection includes minutes, correspondence, newsletters, brochures and other material related to WCFIF activities specifically and civil rights in general.

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Folder list:

Folder Number | Folder Title
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1 | Campus Community Chest
   - Documents related to WCFIF’s participation in the C.C.C.; 1966.

2 | Catalogs - Collegiate Buyers Guide
   - Two catalogs; includes WCFIF logo proof.

3 | Congress of Racial Equality (CORE)
   - Publicity material for CORE.

4 | Constitution
   - includes various revisions.

5 | Correspondence – 1964-1967
   - Letters and memos related to the local activities of WCFIF and the civil rights movement throughout the country.
6 Correspondence – Federal Bureau of Investigation
   - Letter to J. Edgar Hoover regarding revival of Ku Klux Klan activity in southern
     states and response from Hoover; 1966.

7 Faculty-Student Exchange
   - Correspondence and legislative material related to the possibility of faculty and/or
     student exchange programs with predominantly African American colleges; 1964-
     1965.

8 Fair Housing Pledge
   - Pledge cards and correspondence from the Church and Synagogue Fair Housing
     Council; 1965.

9 Handbook – Intergroup Relations
   - A resource handbook for elementary school teachers, grades 4, 5, and 6; 1963.

10 Harlem Youth Unlimited (HARYOU-ACT)
   - Correspondence, publicity material, and newsletters; 1965.

11 Heights Freedom Movement
   - Correspondence and newsletters; 1965.

12 High School Recruitment
   - Correspondence and lists pertaining to predominantly African American high
     schools throughout the country from which WCFIF sought to recruit for Wagner
     College; 1964.

13 History and Origin
   - Notes and minutes from meetings held to discuss possible discriminatory actions
     on campus and formation of a group to address these issues. Some WCFIF minutes
     are attached to these early documents; 1964.

14 Minutes
   - General and Steering Committee minutes; 1964-1966.

15 Miscellaneous - Notes
   - Handwritten notes and lists.

16 National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
   - Correspondence; 1964.

17 News and Publications - External
   - News clippings and newsletters about civil rights; 1964-1965.
   - “The Stakes Grow Higher,” 44th annual report, American Civil Liberties Union
     (ACLU); 1964.

18 Newsletter
   - Newsletter mailing lists.
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| 19 | Northern Student Movement  
- Brochure, correspondence, and publicity material; 1964. |
| 20 | Paul Quinn College  
- Flyer and correspondence related to book donations provided by WCFIF to Paul Quinn College; 1966. |
| 21 | Publicity  
- Flyer publicizing WCFIF meeting; 1964. |
| 22 | Tutoring  
- General articles and correspondence on high school tutoring programs for African American students; 1963, 1965.  
- Specific lists of tutors available and correspondence related to WCFIF tutoring program with Port Richmond High School; 1965. |
| 23 | Tutoring – Harlem College Assistance Program (HARCAP)  
- Correspondence, outline, and evaluations of HARCAP tutoring provided by members of WCFIF; 1964-1965. |