



# Grosse Pointe Historical Society

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**Doris Cook Personal Papers  
Grosse Pointe Public Schools Local History Unit  
1701 – 1970s**

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Doris Cook gave her personal papers related to local history classes taught in the Grosse Pointe Public School to the Grosse Pointe Historical Society on September 15, 2001. The collection was organized and opened for public use without restrictions in June 2002.

The collection included booklets, newspaper clipping, articles, manuscripts, maps, information and pamphlets. They relate to various phases of Grosse Pointe, Detroit and Michigan history. Of special interest are items pertaining to a Grosse Pointe tour prepared by Mrs. Cook, Gov. James J. Blanchard's Inauguration and two Michigan coloring books. The following items were removed and placed in the appropriate Grosse Pointe Historical Society collection:

1956 Maxon Grosse Pointe Map  
Detroit 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday Festival, "Official Souvenir Program" 1951  
Grosse Pointe Protestant Church, Worship Service July 1944  
Clippings: Closing of the Sacred Heart Convent  
Provencal Weir House  
Grosse Pointe News Original Building Under Construction  
The Griffin  
Mrs. Horace Dodge  
Mrs. Horace Dodge House – "Rose Terrace" (esp auction & demolition)  
Grosse Pointe Country Day School Demolition  
Harbor Hill Explosion  
Yacht Delphine

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### **SERIES I**

Clippings  
1960s-1970s

This series covers clippings about the history of Grosse Pointe, Detroit and Michigan culled from Detroit and Grosse Pointe newspapers of the 1960s and 1970s. In addition to overviews of history, there are articles about specific locations such as Detroit's Moross House, Grosse Pointe's mansions, schools and historic sites as well as the Michigan/Ohio border. People covered include Clarence Burton, the Dodges and Fords. Of special interest is an article about Molly Reeves, a deaf teenager.

#### Box 1

1. Detroit 1960s – 1970s
2. Grosse Pointe 1960s – 1970s
3. Michigan 1960s-1970
4. People (incl. Mafia) 1970s

### **SERIES II**

History  
1701 – 1980s

Primarily about the history of Grosse Pointe from 1701 to the 1970s, this series also includes data about Detroit including the 18<sup>th</sup> Century Fort Lernoult and the mid-20<sup>th</sup> Century city. Mrs Cook's Grosse Pointe Reference Notebook used when teaching local history contain clippings about houses, churches, schools, Indians, the Great Lakes, Detroit and Michigan. There are also student assignment sheets and visual aids. In addition to cards prepared for a tour of Grosse Pointe, there are location maps and additional notes. For Michigan, there are booklets about Michigan counties and official historic markers. Of special interest are correspondence, invitations and programs relating to Gov. James J. Blanchard's 1983 inauguration.

#### Box I

1. Detroit 1950s-1960s
2. Grosse Pointe 1701-1965
3. Grosse Pointe - Reference Notebook  
18th -20th Century
4. Grosse Pointe - Cook, Randy, School  
Paper 1973
5. Grosse Pointe - Tour by Doris Cook  
1968
6. Michigan 1950s-1960s
7. Michigan - Blanchard, James J.  
Inauguration Items 1982-1983

### **SERIES III**

Publications  
1956-1971

In addition to children's coloring books about Michigan, this series has two sets of information sheets – one published by the Michigan Historical Commission and the other by the Detroit Historical Society. The first contains information about the State flag, Indians and familiar place names such as Michilimackinac. The second covers shipping, lumbering, early development of Detroit institutions and well known individuals such as Houghton and Palmer. There are also volumes of *The Annual*, an annual newsletter published by the Grosse Pointe Public Schools retired teachers group.

Box 1

1. Coloring Books - Michigan 1967; 1971
2. Michigan Historical Commission - "Information Leaflets" 1956-1961
3. Detroit Historical Society - "Yesterday's Headlines" 1963-1966
4. "The Annual" (Prime Timers) 1999-2002 (MsF2002.03)