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The Elizabeth Stowe Papers were deposited with Winthrop University Archives and Special Collections in 1989 by Elizabeth Stowe.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 6.25 ft
Approximate number of pieces included: 12,500 pieces

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Scope and Content Note: **The Elizabeth Stowe Papers consist of yearbooks, newspaper clippings, letters, magazines, sheet music, prayer books, photographs, invoices, Winthrop College papers, envelopes, letters, meeting minutes, alumna information, invitations, wills, insurance papers, genealogy books, contacts lists, Baptist newsletters, lesson plans, history books, and bibles. Martha Elizabeth Stowe (1910-2000) was a 1932 Winthrop graduate and remained very active on campus working with the Winthrop Christian Association and Gamma Delta Kappa Gamma. Stowe worked for Winthrop University for many years as a Residence Life Coordinator, graduate assistant, and as a training school supervisor. Ms. Stowe helped lead the campaign in the late 1980s to get Winthrop's founder David Bancroft Johnson into the South Carolina Hall of Fame. She was very active in her church and the local community working with children, homeless shelters, the York County Historical Society, the South Carolina Department of Archives and History, the Catawba Regional Planning Council, local schools, and the National Historic Preservation Society.**

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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

MARTHA ELIZABETH STOWE (1910-2000)

- 1910, Sep. 9 Martha Elizabeth Stowe born in Rock Hill on September 10 to William Ernest Stowe and Janie Campbell Smith-Stowe
- 1922 Brother William Ernest Stowe Jr. is born in November.
- 1928 Graduates high school as salutatorian.
- 1928-1932 Attends Winthrop and graduates with a Bachelors of Fine Arts degree.
- 1936 Attends summer school at the College of William and Mary.
- 1937 Attends summer school at the University of North Carolina.
- 1939-1941 Attends summer school at Columbia University. Elizabeth obtains her master's degree.
- 1948 Named executive secretary of the Winthrop Christian Association
- 1950-1958 Executive secretary of the Winthrop Christians Association and Hostess of Johnson Hall at Winthrop.
- 1957 Residence Hall Counselor and Manager.
- 1963 President of the York County Association for Mental Health.
- 1967-72 Teaches English at Rock Hill High School.
- 1968-1969 Counselor of adult education at Sullivan.
- 1972 Graduate assistant to Jess T. Casey as the Music Library Assistant.
- 1979-1981 President of the York County Historical Society.
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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1-6	1-17	NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS/MAGAZINES This series consists of newspaper clippings and magazines related to Winthrop, education, and retirement.	1905-1991
6-8	18-23	BROCHURES/PAMPHLETS This series consists of pamphlets, brochures, and schedules of events that Ms. Stowe collected through her travels.	1904-1991, nd
8-10	24-29	BILLS/INVOICES This series consists of bills, receipts, invoices, and tax information pertaining to her personal life and organizations she participated in.	1970s-1990 nd
10-13	30-38	CORRESPONDENCE This series consists of correspondence related to her family, activities and organizations that she participated in.	1850-1991
13-14	39-42	WINTHROP CORRESPONDENCE This series consists of correspondence, invitations, articles, and other papers relating to Winthrop University.	1971-1991
15	43-46	DAVID BANCROFT JOHNSON This series consists of information and writings about the founder of Winthrop.	nd
16	47-48	SOUTH CAROLINA HALL OF FAME This series consists of information on the South Carolina Hall of Fame, recipients, nominees, and the campaign to get Winthrop's founder D.B. Johnson into the South Carolina Hall of Fame.	1980s
16-17	49-52	MISCELLANEOUS This series consists of notes, papers, and other writings from Ms. Stowe.	nd
17	53-54	PHOTOGRAPHS This series consists of photographs of Ms. Stowe's family, friends, and places she visited.	nd
17	55	RECIPES This series consists of baking recipes Ms. Stowe collected.	nd

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<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
17	56	FIRE INSPECTION REPORT This series consists of a Fire Inspection Report for Winthrop College by the South Carolina Insurance Commission.	1955
18	57-59	YORK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY This series consists of information, correspondence, plans, meeting minutes, invitations, and other things related to Ms. Stowe's involvement with the York County Historical Society.	1960-1988
18	60	SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORY This series consists of correspondence, information, meeting minutes, and pamphlets on South Carolina History.	1988
19	61	STUDENT WORK This series consists of works Ms. Stowe completed as a student in college.	1970s
19	62	TEACHING This series consists of the contracts, lesson plans, and schedules of Ms. Stowe's years as a teacher, mainly teaching high school English.	1967-1982
19	63	WINTHROP HISTORY This series consists of photocopies from several publications that cover Winthrop History and Winthrop's founder and first president, David Bancroft Johnson. Also included are photocopies of several original documents including deeds, correspondence, and reports relating to Winthrop History.	nd
20	64	CATAWBA REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL This series consists of meeting minutes, letters, plans, and other papers related to the Catawba Regional Planning Council that Ms. Stowe participated in.	1979-1988
20	65	ZONING BOARD This series consists of information about the Zoning Board of Adjustment Appeals dealing with Rock Hill, South Carolina zoning lines, rezoning, and new property.	1987-1990

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20	66	NATIONAL HISTORICAL SOCIETY This series consists of information contracts, proclamations, meeting minutes, and correspondence concerning the National Historical Society.	1979-1987
20	67	SC DEPARTMENT OF ARCHIVES AND HISTORY This series consists of information, correspondence, and member records of the South Carolina Department of Archives and History.	1980-1989
20	68	HISTORIC PRESERVATION SOCIETY This series consists of letters, notes, and meeting minutes concerning the Historic Preservation Society.	1979-1984
21	69	GENEALOGY This series consists of genealogical information on the Stowe family and genealogy workshop itineraries and notes. Included is a genealogy of the Smith and Thomasson Families by Juanita H. Steffy. Ms. Stowe was descended from the Smith Family on her mother's side.	1970s-1980s
21	70	THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHER EDUCATORS OF VOCATIONAL HOME ECONOMICS This series consists of information, rosters, meeting minutes, newsletters, and financial information on the NATEVHE.	1976-1984
21	71	AMERICAN VOCATIONAL ASSOCIATION This series consists of information and meeting minutes concerning the American Vocational Association and the Graduate Fellowship Committee of the Home Economic Division.	1962-1986
21	72	WILLS AND INSURANCE This series consists of the last will and testament of Ms. Stowe and her parents as well as different types of insurance information such as car and medical insurance.	1970s-1990s
21	73	WESTMINSTER TOWERS This series consist of menus, calendars, newsletters, and correspondence related to Westminster Towers while ms. Stowe lived there.	1989-1991

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21	74	POSTCARDS This series consists of postcards sent to Ms. Stowe and postcards she collected on her travels.	nd
22	75	MAPS This series consists of maps of Ms. Stowe's travels throughout South and North Carolina and various places she visited.	nd
22	76	DESIGNS This series consists of sketches Ms. Stowe made of patterns for sewing and embroidery	nd
22	77	NEEDLEWORK This series consists of needlework or embroidery that Ms. Stowe kept.	nd
22	--	CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION This series consists of a framed Certificate of Commendation that Ms. Stowe received from the National Association of Mental Health on November 5, 1963.	1963
23	--	BOOKS This series consists of prayer books, receipts books, travels books, bibles, lesson books, history books, checkbooks, books of by-laws, training books, army songbooks, end of year reports, and Winthrop Student Handbooks.	1892-1986
24	--	MEMORABILIA This series consists of religious books, history books, workshop books, Winthrop magazines, Winthrop's yearbook the Tattler, scrapbooks, and magazines.	1894-1960s
25	--	MEMORABILIA This series consists of calendars, knitting needles, Winthrop handbooks, York County Library program suggestions, scrapbook pages, and notepads.	1937-1991