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*Descriptive Inventory*

**FA 526      CATES, Steve Dixon, b. 1940**

1 ½ boxes. 16 folders. 422 items. 1935-2005. Originals, photocopies, photographs, programs, and newsletters.

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***BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE***

Steve Dixon Cates taught school in Rutherford County, Tennessee. In 1968 Cates met Sarah Gertrude Knott when he brought a group of students, the Kittrell 4-H Square Dancers, to perform at the 31<sup>st</sup> Annual National Folk Festival in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Cates corresponded regularly with Knott until her death in 1984. His small group of square dancers evolved into the Cripple Creek Cloggers, a group of teens and adults who traveled to perform at folk festivals around the world.

***COLLECTION NOTE***

This collection consists of correspondence, pamphlets, programs, newsletters, and other materials collected by Steve Dixon Cates relating to Sarah Gertrude Knott and the National Folk Festival Association (NFFA). Included is his correspondence with Knott and others about his involvement with a variety of folk festivals and program materials from several National Folk Festivals. Also included are letters relating to Sarah Gertrude Knott Day in Murfreesboro, Tennessee and Cates's campaign to have Knott awarded a Presidential Medal of Freedom; issues of the *National Folk Festival Association Newsletter* and *Tradition*; and Cates's eulogy from Knott's funeral along with letters, articles, and papers relating to her death.

***SHELF LIST***

<b>BOX 1</b>	<b>Dixon, Steve Cates, b. 1940</b>	<b>1935-2006</b>	<b>309 items</b>
Folder 1	Inventory and associated information	1984-2006	2 items
Folder 2	Knott, Sarah Gertrude – Letters, etc., chiefly from	1968-1975	46 items

Folder 3	Knott, Sarah Gertrude – Letters, etc., chiefly from	1976-1982	29 items
Folder 4	Knott, Sarah Gertrude – Letters, etc., chiefly from	n.d.	52 items
Folder 5	Cates, Steve – Incoming materials from the National Folk Festival Association, Inc (NFFA).	1968-1976; n.d.	38 items
Folder 6	Cates, Steve – Correspondence with NFFA	1971-1977	20 items
Folder 7	Cates, Steve – Correspondence other than with Knott and NFFA	1981-1991	9 items
Folder 8	NFFA programs – Chattanooga, 1935; Nashville, 1959	1935;1959	2 items
Folder 9	NFFA program – Milwaukee	1968	49 items
Folder 10	NFFA program – Knoxville	1969-1970	50 items
Folder 11	NFFA programs at Wolf Trap, Vienna, Virginia, 1971-1976 and 1980; Calendar of Folk Festivals and related events, 1975-1976 (2); newspaper clipping, 1971	1971-1980	12 items
<b>BOX 2</b>	<b>Cates, Steve Dixon, b. 1940</b>	<b>1963-2005</b>	<b>113 items</b>
Folder 1	<i>NFFA Newsletter</i> , 1972-1975 (11) and <i>Tradition</i> published by NFFA, 1976-1977 (4)	1972-1977	15 items
Folder 2	Material related to a campaign to have Sarah Gertrude Knott presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom	1963-1981	48 items
Folder 3	Sarah Gertrude Knott Day – Correspondence, clippings, etc.	1970	33 items
Folder 4	Photos – Cates with Knott and others; Cates' dancers performing in	1970	4 items

## Lafayette Park in Washington, DC

Folder 5      Knott, Sarah Gertrude – Death      1984-1985      13 items

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**SUBJECT ANALYTICS**

Beliajus, Vyts F., 1908-1994 – Correspondence      B2,F2,3  
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Boltin, Thelma Ann, 1904-1992      B2,F2  
Buck, Frank, b. 1943      B1,F2  
Burton, Thomas – Correspondence      B1,F10  
Carter, James Earl “Jimmy” Jr., b. 1924 – Letters to      B2,F2  
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Folk dance      B1,F9  
Ford, Wendell Hampton, b. 1924      B2,F2  
Glenn, Maynard      B1,F10  
Hubbard, Carroll, b. 1937 – Correspondence      B2,F2  
Jett, T. Sutton, 1910-1989 – Correspondence      B1,F6,7; B2,F3  
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