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**GENE ZABOROSKI PAPERS
1966 - 2004 (1966-1974)**

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Creator Sketch:

A native of Cypress in Northwest Harris County, Texas, Gene Zaboroski graduated from Cy-Fair High School, and in 1959 he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Agriculture from Sam Houston State College in Huntsville, Texas.

In 1966 Zaboroski ran against Democrat M. J. Dunlap for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6, and beat him with 61.4% of the vote. Zaboroski and George Bush were the first Republicans to win an election in Harris County since Reconstruction. Among his accomplishments were moving the court to Cypress, the center of Precinct 6, and implementing new programs to increase the services of the court. He was elected Chairman of the Harris County Justice of the Peace and Constable Association and Director of the State of Texas Justice of the Peace and Constable Association. In 1970 he ran unopposed for re-election.

The Harris County Commissioners Court divided and redistricted the Justice of the Peace precincts and in 1973 Zaboroski was required to run in Precinct 4-1. He lost reelection to S. P. Hancock.

In 2004, Judge Zaboroski donated family holdings including his home, a filling station, the Juergen Dance Hall and Store, and several outbuildings to Harris County Precinct 3 for an historic park. During a time of rapid growth and development in the Cypress area, Zaboroski's gift preserved historic buildings and artifacts and served as a reminder of life in Harris County during the twentieth century. The Cypress Top Historical Park is slated to open in September 2008.

Scope and Contents Note:

Printed materials including campaign ephemera, copies of 2 commissions, newspaper articles, and political advertisements, document three campaigns of Gene Zaboroski for Justice of the Peace of Precinct 6 and later Precinct 4-1 in Harris County, Texas, 1966 - 1974. Two newspaper articles discuss the Juergen Store (1974) and Zaboroski's donation to Harris County Precinct 3 (2004) of family-owned land, buildings, and artifacts which would become the foundation for Cypress Top Historical Park.

Inventory

Series: Printed Materials

Dates: 1966 – 2004 (1966-1974)

Title / Description	Date	Location
Campaign Posters	1966, n.d.	0009-V-00
Campaign Brochure	1974	0009-V-00
Campaign Handbill	n.d.	0009-V-00
Campaign Pushcards	1974	0009-V-00
Campaign Bumper Sticker	1974	0009-V-00
Campaign Letter	n.d. [1966]	0009-V-00
Commissions as Justice of the Peace, Precinct 6	1967, 1971	0009-V-00
Newspaper articles, advertisements	1966 - 2004	0009-V-00