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High School Papers, 1952-1964, undated

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	Bob Wobbrock Gardena High School Papers
<b>Date:</b>	1952-1964 undated
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0932
<b>Creator:</b>	Gardena High School Wobbrock, Bob (Creator)
<b>Extent:</b>	1 Cubic foot (3 boxes) 4 Electronic discs (CD)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	Collection consists of yearbooks, school newspapers, sports programs, photographs, and other documents from Gardena High School (GHS), Harbor Gateway, Los Angeles, California, United States, dating from 1950s-1960s.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

This collection was donated by Bob Wobbrock in 2006.

### Separated Materials

#### **Division of Cultural and Community Life (now Division of Cultural and Community Life), National Museum of American History**

Track baton, Accession number 2006.0242.05

Track baton, Accession number 2006.0242.06

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.04.2

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.08.1

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.04.1

Marine League meet medal, Accession number 2006.0242.07.1

Marine League meet medal, Accession number 2006.0242.07.2

Marine League meet medal, Accession number 2006.0242.07.3

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.08.3

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.08.2

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.04.3

Football patch, Accession number 2006.0242.04.4

Football Cleats, Accession number 2006.0242.03

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## **Biographical / Historical**

Gardena High School (GHS) located in Harbor Gateway, Los Angeles, California, United States opened in 1907. Robert (Bob) Wobbrock attended the public high school from 1953 to 1956 where he lettered in football and track.

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## **Scope and Contents**

Collection provides insight into the lives of teenagers in California during the 1950s. The publications, particularly the newspapers, document the educational experiences and social activities of students as seen through their eyes. The photographs illustrate some of the sporting events while the yearbooks provide detailed information about the student body. Bob Wobbrock, a graduate of the winter class of 1956 saved the records of this public high school created while he was a student. The collection is arranged in three series: Series 1, Publications, 1952-1964; Series 2, Photographs, 1953-1956, undated; and Series 3, Documents, 1953-1956, undated.

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## **Arrangement**

The collection is arranged in three series.

Series 1, Publications, 1952-1964

Series 2, Photographs, 1953-1956, undated

Series 3, Documents, 1953-1956, undated

## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

### Subjects:

- High school athletes
- High school student activities
- High school students -- California
- High schools -- Alumni and alumnae

### Types of Materials:

- Photographs -- Black-and-white photoprints -- Silver gelatin -- 1950-1960
- Yearbooks -- 1950-2000

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## Container Listing

### Series 1: School Publications, 1953-1956

Scope and Contents: Consists of the school's newspapers, yearbooks, and football game programs. The students in journalism class and print shop created the newspapers, The Lark and Smoke Signals. The collection offers a complete run of The Lark and eight copies of Smoke Signals from the period 1956-1964. There are four CDs consisting of copies of The Lark and created by Wobbrock to share with classmates. The school's yearbook, El Arador, meaning the plowman, came out before summer vacation, and there are four copies found among these materials. The materials are arranged first by type and then in chronological order.

Box 1, Folder 1	Lark, 1952 November-1953 February
Box 1, Folder 2	Lark, 1953 February-1953 March
Box 1, Folder 3	Lark, 1953 April-1953 May
Box 1, Folder 4	Lark, 1953 May-1953 June
Box 1, Folder 5	Lark, 1953 October 2-1953 October 30
Box 1, Folder 6	Lark, 1953 November-1953 December
Box 1, Folder 7	Lark, 1953 December -1954 February
Box 1, Folder 8	Lark, 1954 February-1954 March
Box 1, Folder 9	Lark, 1954 March-1954 April
Box 1, Folder 10	Lark, 1954 May-1954 June
Box 1, Folder 11	Lark, 1954 June-1954 October
Box 1, Folder 12	Lark, 1954 October-1954 November
Box 1, Folder 13	Lark, 1954 December-1955 January
Box 1, Folder 14	Lark, 1955 January-1955 February
Box 1, Folder 15	Lark, 1955 March-1955 April
Box 1, Folder 16	Lark, 1955 April-1955 May
Box 1, Folder 17	Lark, 1955 May-1955 September

Box 1, Folder 18	Lark, 1955 October-1955 November
Box 1, Folder 19	Lark, 1955 November-1955 December
Box 1, Folder 20	Lark, 1956 January-1956 March
Box 1, Folder 21	Smoke Signals, 1956 February-1964 October
Box 2, Folder 1	El Arador, 1953
Box 2, Folder 2	El Arador, 1954
Box 2, Folder 3	El Arador, 1955
Box 2, Folder 4	El Arador, 1956
Box 2, Folder 5	Programs, football, 1954 October-1954 November
Box 3, Folder 5	School newspaper, 1953-1956

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## Series 2: Photographs, 1953-1956, undated

Scope and Contents: Include images documenting football games, cheerleaders, track races, and other social activities used in the yearbook. In addition, there are photographs of Robert (Bob) Wobbrock. The materials are arranged by subject.

Box 2, Folder 6            Social activities, El Arador, 1953, undated

Box 2, Folder 7            Football team, 1953, undated

Box 2, Folder 8            Bob Wobbrock, 1953, undated

Box 2, Folder 9            Students, undated

Box 2, Folder 10          Track races, 1955

Box 1, Folder 21          Winter class, 1956

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## Series 3: Documents, 1953-1956, undated

Scope and Contents: Consists of one high school diploma, one hall of fame certificate, and five athletic letter certifications. Materials are arranged in alphabetical order by type.

Box 2, Folder 11	Athletic certificates, 1953-1956, undated
Box 2, Folder 11	Diploma, 1956

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