

# **Altrusa Club of Minneapolis Collection**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
<b>Creator</b>	Altrusa Club of Minneapolis.
<b>Title</b>	Altrusa Club of Minneapolis Collection
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1961-1982
<b>Extent</b>	0.21 Linear feet
<b>Language</b>	English

## History

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Organized April 13, 1931 and received charter on December 13, 1939. Altrusa Clubs are classified and selective membership clubs composed of women who hold executive positions in diversified businesses and professions, who own and operate their own firms, and who are practicing professionals. The purpose of the organization is "to afford a main channel through which executive, business and professional women representing a wide variety of occupational fields but with similar civic and altruistic motivations can work together, thereby making possible the promotion of their common interests and more effective the contribution of their combined services to civic, national, and international understanding and betterment." The group was founded in 1917 in Nashville, Tennessee as a service club; there were several local clubs in Minnesota. The club helped raise money for grants-in-aid to women from Australia, Asia Latin America, the Middle East and New Zealand. They also raised money for the Founders Fund Vocational Aid Project which gave grants to women for training or re-training for a job or purchase of equipment to start a business.

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## Description of Collection

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One box of materials from 1960s to 1980s. Collection includes clippings (1980s), three booklets on member's manual, bylaws and classification guide, yearbook (1968-1969), miscellaneous pamphlets and in the SCMC periodicals, several issues of their newsletter *Altrusan* (1970-1972).

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Subject(s)

- Clubs -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Women -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis -- Societies and clubs.

## Collection Inventory

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	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Program from Firemen's Award Dinner December 5, 1972; Bylaws; Members Manual; Yearbook 1968-69; two Classification Guides; pamphlets; eight newsletters.	1	1
Newspaper clippings 1961-1982	1	2