

Tuesday Club Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator	Tuesday Club. (Minneapolis, Minn.)
Title	Tuesday Club Collection
Date	1896-1958
Extent	0.21 Linear feet
Language	English

History

The club was founded in May of 1874 in Minneapolis and was originally called the Grecian Study Class. Initial meetings were held in a hall on Hennepin Avenue, but were soon moved to the home Mrs. Cyrus Aldrich in order to save costs. In 1882 the club began to switch its area of study from Greek history to biographies and was thus renamed the Biographical Club. The name Tuesday Club was never formally adopted; it simply came to be called the Tuesday Club to distinguish it from another club that many members also belonged to that met on Mondays.

The club members prided themselves in the diversity of their religious background and their ability to discuss religious questions with great freedom. Initially, club meetings were strictly business, but as membership began to decline the club decided to become more social in nature, including a luncheon before the meeting in an effort to improve meeting attendance.

Charter Members were: Mrs. Cyrus Aldrich, Mrs. Lardner Boatwick, Mrs. Frank Butterfield, Mrs. Flora Crane Connor, Mrs. D.B. Dorman, Mrs. Louise Coolbaugh Hall, Mrs. John Hoskins, Mrs. Charles Johnson, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Mary E. Partridge, Mrs. J.O. Purce, Mrs. Shillook, Maria Von Schlegel, Mrs. Willet, Mrs. Villa Aldrich Wright.

Mrs. C.C. (Emma Lou) Crane, though not a charter member, became one of the club's longest tenured member and eventually became known as the "Club Mother".

From April 1917 until January 1919 all regular club work was set aside in order to devote the time to Red Cross work. Members of the club were involved in the initial plans to form the Woman's Club of Minneapolis.

Description of the Collection

One Box. Collection consists of newspaper clippings about the Tuesday Literary Club and the club's annual programs spanning 1896-1958.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Biographical Club. (Minneapolis, Minn.)
- Grecian Study Class. (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Subject(s)

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

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Newspaper clippings 1914-1949	1	1
Annual programs 1896-1924	1	2
Annual programs 1926-1958	1	3