

Woman's Club of Minneapolis Collection

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Summary Information

Repository	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
Creator	Woman's Club of Minneapolis.
Title	Woman's Club of Minneapolis Collection
Date	1907-2001
Extent	2.17 Linear feet
Language	English

History

The Woman's Club of Minneapolis was founded in March 1907 by and for women for the purpose of "education, civic and social service, study and friendly association." Its first president was Alice Ames Winter. The club initially met at private homes and public libraries. In 1908 it moved to Handicraft Guild, 89 Tenth Street South, Minneapolis. In 1913 it relocated again to 1526 Harmon Place, Minneapolis. During its first 20 years, the club accomplishments included organizing the first Parents and Teachers Association, and planning and financing free eyes clinics and medical inspections in schools. From 1914-1917 the club supported the War effort by contributing to French relief organizations and working with the Red Cross. By 1926 the club had grown to over 1000 members. Consequently in January 1926 an ambitious fundraising campaign to build new clubhouse began. Over \$125,000 in subscriptions was raised. An additional \$125000 was raised by bonds. The club officially moved to 410 Oak Grove, Minneapolis on February 28, 1928. Prominent club members included Sister Elizabeth Kenny and Elizabeth Quinlan.

In 1976 the Woman's Club of Minneapolis sponsored the restoration of the 1848 Ard Godfrey House as a gift to the city of Minneapolis.

Description of the Collection

Five boxes. Collection consists of newspaper clipping concerning The Woman's Club of Minneapolis, the club's yearbooks spanning 1907-2001, miscellaneous brochures and programs produced by the club, and extensive papers regarding the restoration of the Ard Godfrey House.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Related Materials

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Separately filed with the SCMC periodicals is the *Bulletin*, 1925-present.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Ard Godfrey House. (Minneapolis, Minn.)

Geographic Name(s)

- Minneapolis (Minn.) -- Buildings, structures, etc.

Subject(s)

- Clubs -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Dwellings -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Historic buildings -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Women -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis -- Societies and clubs.

Newspaper Clippings

Collection Inventory

Newspaper Clippings		
	Box	Folder
Newspaper Clippings 1920-1929	1	1
Newspaper Clippings 1930-1949	1	2
Newspaper Clippings 1940-1949	1	3
Newspaper Clippings 1950-1999	1	4
Newspaper Clippings: Lectures and Guests 1965-1981	1	5
	Box	Folder
History and About 1928-2003	1	6
Annual Meetings and Reports 1997-2003	1	7
General note		
Additional annual reports can be found in the Yearbooks in boxes two and three.		
Programs and Events		

Yearbooks

	Box	Folder
Programs and Invitations 1915-1949	1	8
Programs and Invitations 1961-2003	1	9
Programs: Club Activities and Summer Meetings 1935-1968	1	10
Woman's Club Spring Salon 1946-1957	1	11
Woman's Day at Powers Undated	1	12
"Why Then, Why Now" Performance Notes 2012	1	13

General note

Script and stage directions for a performance about the history of the Woman's Club of Minneapolis. The board of the 1911 club is portrayed by the 2011 board. The performance, titled "Why Then, Why Now" was performed at the Woman's Club on January 17, 2012. Much of the research was done in the Special Collections Department at Hennepin County Library.

	Box	Folder
Miscellaneous 1928-1997	1	14

Yearbooks

	Box	Folder
Yearbooks 1907-1949	2	1

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Yearbooks 1907-1949	2	2
Yearbooks 1960-1974	2	3
Yearbooks 1975-1981	2	4
Yearbooks 1982-1988	2	5
Yearbooks 1989-1991	3	1
Yearbooks 1992-1994	3	2
Yearbooks 1995-1998	3	3
Yearbooks 1999-2001	3	4
Yearbooks 2002-2004	3	5
Ard Godfrey House		
	Box	Folder
Ard Godfrey House – Overview	4	1
Ard Godfrey House – Acquisition 1977	4	2
Ard Godfrey House – Architect Information and Correspondence 1976-1977	4	3

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Ard Godfrey House – Community Relations 1977	4	4
Ard Godfrey House – Correspondence 1975-1978	4	5
	Bin	Folder
Ard Godfrey House – Fundraising	4	6
	Box	Folder
Ard Godfrey House – Interpretation 1976-1978	4	7
Ard Godfrey House – Meetings 1976-1977	4	8
Ard Godfrey House – Meetings 1978	4	9
Ard Godfrey House – Miscellaneous Notes	4	10
Ard Godfrey House – Publicity 1976-1977	4	11
Ard Godfrey House – Refurbishing 1976-1978	4	12
Ard Godfrey House – Research	4	13
Ard Godfrey House - Meeting minutes 1976-1980	5	1
Ard Godfrey House - Godfrey House Fund	5	2
Ard Godfrey House - Lease, Insurance, Historic Preservation	5	3

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Ard Godfrey House - Correspondence, Miscellaneous	5	4
Ard Godfrey House - Personal Letters	5	5
Ard Godfrey House – Misc. Brochures and Newspaper Clippings 1977-1983	5	7