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WOMAN'S PRESS CLUB OF INDIANA RECORDS, 1913-1988

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	8 manuscript boxes, 1 half manuscript box 6 bound volumes 4 photograph folders 3 color photograph folders 1 oversize folder
COLLECTION DATES:	1913-1988
PROVENANCE:	Woman's Press Club of Indiana, Betty Lane, Club Historian, Indianapolis, Indiana, 14 November, 1981
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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Woman's Press Club of Indiana was organized on February 18, 1913 for the purpose of bringing the women journalists of the state into "a closer fellowship of social and intellectual intercourse." Originally, Club members were Indiana female authors and reporters, but later included women from radio and television as well.

Over the years, the Club has engaged in many literary and social activities. These include donating books to libraries, contributing to the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital, and sponsoring writing contests and scholarships. It also has provided seminars, workshops, and forums for women writers and reporters. Many prominent authors, lecturers and statesmen have appeared on its programs. To honor one such prominent author, the Club erected a statue in Turkey Run State Park as a memorial to Juliet V. Strauss, a writer for the Ladies Home Journal and the Indianapolis News

In 1937, the Club became a charter member of the National Federation of Press Women. Since that time, members of the Indiana Club have served as regional Presidents of the national organization. Today, the Woman's Press Club of Indiana remains an active organization.

Sources:

Materials in collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is an ongoing accession, with additions given by the Woman's Press Club of Indiana as records are no longer needed for current business. This portion of the records includes the years 1913 to 1988.

Series 1: Minutes

The club minutes document the ideas and plans discussed by the women in the press club from 1942-1984.

Series 2: Correspondence and Papers

This series contains correspondence and other papers relating to the function of the club from its inception in 1913 to 1983.

Series 3: Membership and Attendance

This series consists of lists of members, member profiles, lists used for attendance at meetings or events, and cards for members who chose not to renew their membership. It covers the period 1942 to 1986.

Series 4: Financial Papers

This series consists of treasurer's reports, bank statements, deposit slips, paid vouchers, budgets, and audits from 1935 to 1983.

Series 5: Workshops and Seminars

These papers contain information about workshops and seminars organized and attended by members of the Woman's Press Club of Indiana in the 1970s and 1980s.

Series 6: Newspaper Clippings

This series documents the mention of the Woman's Press Club of Indiana or its members in newspapers dating from 1937 to 1976.

Series 7: Publications

This series contains member directories from 1932 to 1988, issues of the club tabloid *Mid-Day Moon* that was published before 1935, and issues of the monthly newsletter *The Bulletin* from 1936 to 1988.

Series 8: Bound Volumes

The bound volumes include scrapbooks with photographs, membership lists, newspaper articles, and programs related to the functions of the organization from 1913 to 1947, as well as account ledgers kept by the club's treasurer from 1945 to 1974.

Series 9: Photographs

The photographs include images from meetings, conferences, and other events.

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