

American Association of University Women Collection (SC177)

Introduction

The American Association of University Women Collection contains newspaper clippings, membership lists, monthly event programs, book and author dinner materials, and publications relating to the organization.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: The American Association of University Women
Title: American Association of University Women Collection
Dates: 1931-2014
Size: 0.63 linear feet, 2 boxes
Collection Number: SC177

Donor Information

Found in collection.

Citation Note

American Association of University Women (SC177), Missouri Valley Special Collections, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

Biographical/Historical Sketch

The Kansas City Branch of the American Association of University Women was established in 1893 when Ida Beagle Mosher, Ethel Allen, and Jessie Burnham received letters encouraging them to setup the first chapter of the AAUW in Missouri. Shortly thereafter Mosher traveled to Chicago, Illinois, to visit that city's branch and study its procedures. She was later elected as the first president of the Kansas City Branch. The organization's mission was written by Ada Braun, co-founder of the Barstow School for Girls, and included the following goals: to help its members continue their education after leaving college, to make educational activities available to the public, and to assist and guide young girls who wished to continue their education after high school. The club's first permanent meeting house was located at 3603 Warwick Boulevard. The club has changed the location of its meetings many times throughout its history and now gathers in public libraries.

Scope and Content Note

This is an artificial collection consisting of a research file, membership lists, monthly event programs, book and author dinner materials, and publications related to the Kansas City Branch of the American Association of University Women found in

Missouri Valley Special Collections. Materials in this collection are arranged by type and chronologically by date.

Series 1: Research file, 1933-1973

This series includes a research file containing newspaper clippings from the years 1933-1973 concerning the Kansas City Branch of the American Association of University Women and its activities.

Series 2: Membership lists, 1931-1983

This series includes twenty membership lists printed for members that include lists of the club's officers, committees, past presidents, and club members.

Series 3: Monthly event programs, 1945-1963

This series includes sixty-six monthly event programs from the years 1945-1963. In addition to lists of events, these programs contain lists of new members and books added to the club's library.

Series 4: Book and author dinner materials, 1964-1982

This series includes thirty-eight pieces of book and author dinner materials from the years 1964-1982.

Series 5: Publications, 1938-2014

This series contains copies of *An Appeal for Cooperation in an Educational Crisis*, one copy of *A History of the Missouri Division of the American Association of University Women, 1946-1976*, *A Century of Service, 1893-1993*, *A Century of Service (Plus 21 Years), 1893-2014*.

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Research file, 1933-1973

f.1 Research File, 1933-1973

Series 2: Membership lists, 1931-1983

f.2 1931-1933
1954-1955
1956-1957
f.3 1957-1967 (Bound)
f.4 1957-1958
1959-1960
1965-1968
f.5 1969-1970
1973-1974

1975-1976
1982-1983

Series 3: Monthly event programs, 1945-1963

- f.6 November 1945
November 1947
December 1947
April 1955-August 1955
January 1957 (2 copies)
February 1957 (2 copies)
March 1957 (2 copies)
April 1957 (2 copies)
May-August 1957
September 1957 (2 copies)
October 1957 (2 copies)
November 1957 (2 copies)
December 1957
January 1958
February 1958 (2 copies)
February 1959
- f.7 March 1960
April 1960 (2 copies)
May 1960 (2 copies)
September 1960 (2 copies)
October 1960 (2 copies)
November 1960 (2 copies)
December 1960 (2 copies)
January 1961 (2 copies)
February 1961-May 1961
October 1961-May 1962
September 1962-May 1963
September 1963

Series 4: Book and author dinner materials, 1964-1982

- f.8 Program, April 17, 1964
Program, April 30, 1965
Program, October 12, 1966
Invitation, April 24, 1971
Program, April 24, 1971
Reservation Card, April 24, 1971 (2 copies)
Invitation, April 6, 1972
Program, April 6, 1972
Flyer, April 6, 1972
Invitation, April 12, 1973 (2 copies)
Program, April 12, 1973 (2 copies)
Flyer, April 12, 1973 (2 copies)
Invitation, April 27, 1974

Program, April 27, 1974
 Flyer, April 27, 1974
 Invitation, April 3, 1975 (2 copies)
 Program, April 3, 1975
 Reservation Card, April 3, 1975
 Flyer, April 3, 1975 (3 copies)
 Invitation, April 1, 1976
 Program, April 1, 1976
 Flyer, April 1, 1976
 Invitation, April 21, 1977
 Program, April 21, 1977
 Flyer, April 21, 1977
 Invitation, April 6, 1978
 Flyer, April 6, 1978
 Flyer, April 23, 1981
 Flyer, April 22, 1982

Series 5: Publications, 1938-2014

- f.9 *An Appeal for Cooperation in an Educational Crisis*, 1938
A History of the Missouri Division of the American Association of University Women 1946-1976, 1978
- f.10 *A Century of Service 1893-1993*, 1993
A Century of Service (Plus 21 Years) 1893-2014, 2014

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