# Finding aid for the Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs records Collection 020

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### **Summary Information**

**Repository** Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special

Collections Department

Title Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs records

**Date [inclusive]** 1896-1997

**Extent** 12.67 Linear feet Nineteen boxes

**Language** English

**Abstract** Founded in 1896, the Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs

was an umbrella organization for affiliated local women's clubs. The Federation was intended to concentrate the efforts of the various clubs on joint projects for social improvement. The Federation was extremely active with Red Cross duties, especially during World War II. The Grand Rapids Arts Association had its inception in the Federation, and they were instrumental in the museum development project. This collection includes papers from the club, as well as from the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs, with which the Grand Rapids Federation was affiliated. The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence, minutes of meetings, financial-

related papers and yearbooks from the 1920s-1950s.

### Biographical/Historical note

In 1896 a group of women led by Mrs. Loraine Pratt Immen conceived the idea for the Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs (GRFWC), in order to conserve the energies of various existing clubs which had been expending aimless efforts for lack of concerted action. Mrs. Immen had visited the New York Federation of Women's Clubs and brought the concept back with her. On December 2, 1896, the first meeting was held at the home of Gertrude Newton, during which they developed the club objective to secure additional strength and united action when desired. Seven clubs were represented at that meeting: Alsbicc, Igdrasil, North End, Avon Shakespeare, Elocutionists, West Side Ladies Literary Club and East Side Ladies Literary Club. At the December 14th meeting five additional clubs were added which were Froebel, Equity, Ladies Literary, South End and Shakespeariana. Upon the GRFWC's fiftieth anniversary, ca. 1911, only the West Side Ladies Literary Club, the East Side Ladies Literary Club and the North End Club of the original group still belonged to the Federation.

The GRFWC joined the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs in 1908 and the General Federation of Women's Clubs in 1914.

During their first fifty years, documented in the collection, the GRFWC undertook activities in four basic areas: children, civic, women and art. They were extremely active with Red Cross duties, especially during World War II. The Grand Rapids Arts Association had its inception in the GRFWC, and they were instrumental in the Museum Development project.

# **Scope and Contents note**

The collection covers the years 1896-1959, and is currently divided into numerous series by type of document or activity. Within the series are documents from the Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs, the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs (MSFWC), the General Federation of Women's Clubs GFWC) and the GRFWC's affiliated clubs. A majority of the collection includes correspondence, minutes, financial-related material and yearbooks.

The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence, minutes of meetings, financial-related papers and yearbooks from the 1920s-1950s. The 1904-1905 yearbook lists the following clubs: Ladies' Literary Club, Alsbicc, West Side Ladies' Literary Club, Grand Rapids Women's Club, Igdrasil Club, East Side Ladies' Literary Club, North End Women's Club, Equity Club, Eaglesfield Literary Club, Belding Women's club, Four-Time-Four Literary Club, Froebel Club, Mutual Improvement Club, Ladies Literary Society of Ada, Valley City Club, Wednesday Women's Club, Burton Heights Literary Club and the Civic League. Additional women's clubs were also part of the Federation during different time periods, or existed outside of the Federation.

### **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Information**

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department 1986

#### **Immediate Source of Acquisition note**

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Donors: Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs, 1986 and Mary B. Vandenberg.

### **Related Materials**

#### **Related Archival Materials note**

There are a number of other collections in the GRHSCC Archives related to this collection including:

Coll. 187 Lorain Pratt Immen Collection

Coll. 032 East Side Ladies Literary Club

Coll. 275 GRPL Ladies Literary Club Coll.

Coll. 082 The GR Study Class / Study Club. It is not currently know to what level the Study Club interacted with other local women's organizations.

## **Controlled Access Headings**

#### Corporate Name(s)

- Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs.
- Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs.

### Geographic Name(s)

• Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History

# Subject(s)

- Women -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids -- History
- Women -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids -- Societies and clubs

# **Collection Inventory**

#### **Series I. Club Constitution**

#### Scope and Contents note

Club Constitutions series (1935, 1948, n.d.) includes the 1935 version of the GRFWC Constitution, the West Central District of the MSFWC Constitution and 3 affiliated clubs' constitutions.

	Box	Folder
Club Constitutions. 1935, 1948, n.d.	3	6

#### Series II. Minutes

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Minutes series (1914-1953, n.d.) contains numerous bound books of minutes from meetings of the GRFWC Assembly, President's Council, Advisory Council, Executive Board and Regular Meetings. The minutes of these various components of the GRFWC are interspersed and, therefore, are arranged loosely by date only. The series also includes one unidentified group of minutes contained in the Misc. folder. One oversized book of General Assembly minutes, 1936-37, has been separated and is located in, Box 13.

Note: See Coll. 275 for the Federation Board minutes from June 1906-Apr. 1914. It is unknown if the fact that these minutes were kept with the Ladies Literary Club records might suggest that different organizations had responsibility for the minutes during different time periods, and that other missing minutes of the Federation might be found with the documents of other womens organizations.

Box Folder

Minutes, 1914-1917	7	1
Assembly, 1917-1922.	7	2
President's Council & Assembly, 1922-1928.	7	3-4
Executive Board, Advisory Council & Assembly 1923-1934.	7	5
Board, Council, Regular Meetings, 1933-1936.	7	6
Exec. Board, Advisory Council & Assembly,		
	Box	Folder
1934-1942.	7	7-8
1942-1953.	8	1
	Box	Folder
Miscellaneous, 1949, n.d.	8	2
		Box
Oversize minutes, 1936-7		13
Series III. Resolutions		
Scope and Contents note		

Resolutions series (1929, 1937, 1938, 1947, n.d.) includes resolutions adopted by the GRFWC, MSFWC, and GFWC which state their position and intended course of action on various social issues.

	Box	Folder
Resolutions, 1929, 1927, 1938, 1944, n.d.	8	3

#### Series IV. Membership and Committee Assignments.

#### **Club Membership Lists**

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Club Membership Lists (1946-1950, 1952-53, n.d.) contains numerous lists of the GRFWC's affiliated clubs' officers and members. It also includes one listing from the MSFWC.

	Box	Folder
1946-1949	8	4
1952-1953	8	4
n.d.	8	4
	Box	Folder
1963-1964 (2005.060B)	8	4
Attendance Records, 1944-1945.	8	5

Attendance Records series (1944-45) contains a once-bound group of attendance figures for the GRFWC's various departments.

Committee Directions and Membership Lists, n.d.

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#### **Scope and Contents note**

Committee Directions and Membership Lists series (n.d.) is a notebook of formal committee descriptions and duties with membership lists.

#### Series V. Correspondence

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Divided into the following subseries as follows:

General Correspondence subseries (1920-1957, n.d.) contains numerous letters to and from the GRFWC concerning their activities. The correspondence reflects the organization's concern with local issues and their cooperation with various other organizations and institutions in social activism and World War II related service. A substantial portion of the series relates to everyday business proceedings of the Federation and matters between it and it's affiliated clubs. Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs Correspondence subseries (1936-56, n.d.) includes correspondence between the GRFWC and the MSFWC. A majority of the letters concern preparations for the 1939 State Convention held in Grand Rapids. Other letters deal with local members' positions on MSFWC committees.

General Federation of Women's Clubs Correspondence subseries (1940-54, n.d.) consists of the correspondence between the GRFWC and the GFWC. The letters primarily represent the activities of the Safety Committee and war-related topics.

Postal Cards subseries (1933-55, n.d.) contains correspondence in the form of postal cards with information of a diverse nature.

Telegrams subseries (1937-48, n.d.) includes 8 miscellaneous telegrams to and/or from Federation members on all levels.

	Box	Folder
General, 1920-1957, n.d.	1	1-10
MSFWC, 1936-1956, n.d.	2	1-2
GFWC, 1940-1954, n.d.	2	3
Postal Cards, 1933-1955, n.d.	2	4
Telegrams, 1937-1948, n.d.	2	5

#### Series VI. Financial.

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Subseries A. Contracts Series (1936,1947) contains 5 contracts -- 2 concerning the performance of the WLS players, 2 with the Pantlind Hotel for luncheon services and one speaker's agreement.

Subseries B. Banker's Trust Co. of Detroit Papers series (1932-38, 1943, n.d.) contains various documents pertaining to bonds held by the Federation

Subseries C. Receipts series (1940-49, 1953-54, n.d.) includes receipts for GRFWC dues, meeting room rentals, members' lunches and activity expenses.

Subseries D. Bills series is divided into the following subseries:

Bills subseries (1935-54, n.d.) consists of various bills primarily from local companies for activity expenses.

In-House Bills subseries (1936-49, n.d.) contains formal and informal bills submitted by GRFWC members for reimbursement of expenses incurred on Federation business.

Safe Deposit Box Bills subseries (1937-1953) includes bills from the Peoples National Bank of Grand Rapids Safe Deposit Department for rental charges.

Subseries E. Statements of Account series is divided into the following subseries, General Statements, Morton Hotel Statements and Pantlind Hotel Statements.

General Statements subseries (1935-1954, n.d.) consists of monthly statements from companies with which the GRFWC had accounts.

Morton Hotel Statements subseries (1940-42, 1949) contains the statements from the Morton Hotel to the GRFWC.

Pantlind Hotel Statement subseries (1935-38, 1947-48) contains statements to the GRFWC from the Pantlind Hotel.

Subseries F. Vouchers series (1948-49, n.d.) includes informal vouchers submitted for reimbursement of various GRFWC expenses.

Subseries G. Bank Statements with Checks series (1936, 1940-42, 1947-48, 1954) consists of monthly bank statements and the canceled checks of the GRFWC's account. Two statements have corresponding receipts attached.

Subseries H. Check Stubs series (1952-54) contains complete book of the GRFWC's check stubs.

Subseries I. Drafts series (1937-1942, 1944-48, 1953-54) contains orders on the treasurer for payment of various GRFWC expenses.

Subseries J. Savings Accounts Records series (1936-1940) includes a bank book for the GRFWC General Fund; deposit tickets and withdrawal slips for the General Fund; and deposit tickets and withdrawal slips for the Bernice Sirrine Scholarship Account of the GRFWC.

Subseries K. Financial Reports series(1931-1951, n.d.) contains official reports submitted by GRFWC members outlining expenses from various Federation projects, activities and daily proceedings. The Treasurer's Annual Reports are also included.

Subseries L. Ledgers series (1922-1933, 1948, n.d.) consists of 3 ledgers, A general ledger including the years from 1922 to 1933; a ledger reflecting unidentified ticket sales during the year 1948; and an undated, unidentified ledger.

Subseries L. Miscellaneous Financial series (1935, 1947, n.d.) includes a report from the Michigan Trust Co. concerning the Stuyvesant Apt. Bonds; a uniform straight bill of lading from the Pere Marquette Railway Co.; a dry cleaning tally card; a journal order; and a check stub.

"Every Inch A Lady" Raffle series (1948) contains all the papers and records	of a GRFWC'	s raffle.
Contracts, 1936, 1947.	Box	Folder
Contracts, 1930, 1947.	3	5
Bankers Trust Co. of Detroit, 1932-8, 1943, n.d.	Box	Folder
	3	7
Receipts. 1935-49, 1953-1954, n.d.	Box	Folder
	4	3-4
Bills		
	Box	Folder
General,1935-1954, n.d.	4	5
In-House, 1936-1949, n.d.	4	6
Safe Deposit Box, 1937-1953	4	7
Statements		
	Box	Folder
General, 1935-1954, n.d.	4	8
Morton Hotel, 1940-42, 1949.	4	9
Pantlind, 1935-1938, 1947-1948.	4	10
Vouchers, 1948-1949, n.d.	Box	Folder
	4	11
Bank Statements with Check, 1936, 1940-2, 1947-8, 1954.	Box	Folder

	4	12-13
Check Stubs, 1952-4.	Box	Folder
Check Stubs, 1752-4.	4	14
Drafts, 1937-42, 1944-8, 1953-4.	Box	Folder
Dians, 1737-42, 1744-6, 1733-4.	5	1-4
Savings Account Records, 1936-1940.	Box	Folder
Savings Account Accords, 1930-1940.	5	5
Financial Reports, 1931-1951, n.d.0	Box	Folder
	5	6
Ledgers, 1922-1933, 1948, n.d.	Box	Folder
Leugers, 1722-1755, 1740, n.u.	5	7
Financial Miscellaneous, 1935, 1947, n.d.	Box	Folder
Financial Miscenaneous, 1933, 1947, n.u.	5	8
Every Inch a Lady Raffle Records, 1948.	Box	Folder
Livery men a Lady Raine Records, 1740.	5	9

#### Series VII. Reports

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Divided into the following subseries:

Annual Reports (1923-1951, 1955-56) are formal reports on the activities of the Federation's officers, departments, committees and affiliated clubs. These reports, once in binders, are divided by club years, i.e. 1925-26, 1926-27, etc.

46th Annual Convention Reports (1940) are a bound group of papers concerning the 46th Annual Convention of the MSFWC held in Bay City, Michigan on April 3-6, 1940.

Miscellaneous Reports subseries (n.d.) consists of unspecified papers of varying affiliated clubs and departments. it also includes a complete listing of the Federation's affiliated clubs, their officers, committee chairmen and other pertinent information.

Box Folder

Annual Reports, 1923-1945.	2	6-10
Annual Reports, 1947-1951, 1955-1956.	3	1-2
Annual Convention, 1940.	3	3
Miscellaneous, n.d.	3	4

#### **Series VIII. Publications**

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Subseries A. Yearbook series is divided into the following subseries, GRFWC, Affiliated Clubs and MSFWC.

GRFWC Yearbooks subseries (1896-1950, 1952-56) includes the GRFWC's yearbooks that contain all information pertinent to the Federation such as club directory, officers, the year's schedule, affiliated clubs, treasurer's report and constitution.

Affiliated Clubs Yearbooks subseries (1930-1956) includes yearbooks similar to those of the GRFWC from its various associated clubs. A substantial portion of this subseries contains the Grand Rapids Woman's Club's yearbooks (1901-1954, incomplete). Additional yearbooks for Literary Clubs are housed in Coll. 275, the GRPL Ladies Literary Club Collection.

MSFWC Yearbooks subseries (1944-45) contains the Golden Jubilee issue of the MSFWC's yearbook. Series VIII. Publications, cont. Subseries B. Newsletters series is divided into the following subseries, GRFWC, West Central District, MSFWC, GFWC, and Miscellaneous.

GRFWC Newsletters subseries (1949, 1950) consists of one issue each of the Federation Broadcast and Clubwoman, which contain announcements of club activities.

West Central District Newsletters subseries (1941, 1942, n.d.) includes 3 general newsletters of the West Central District of the MSFWC.

MSFWC Newsletters subseries (1937-1955, n.d.) contains 10 issues of The Bulletin and 3 other miscellaneous newsletters from the M F@WC.

GFWC Newsletters subseries (1940-44) includes 1 issue of the General Federation Clubwoman, 4 bulletins and 1 other newsletter.

Miscellaneous Newsletters subseries (1933-1957) consists of newsletters from various organizations and institutions concerned with social improvement. It also includes 2 Bulletin of the Pan

Subseries C. Other Publications series is divided into the following subseries: Safety Publications, Americanism Campaign Publications, The Maryland Clubwoman and Song sheets.

Safety Publications (1941-42) contains, 2 issues of the GRFWC's Public Welfare Department publications; 2 issues of The Safety Beacon from the West Central District; and 3 issues of The Safety Siren published by the MSFWC's Applied Education Department, Division of Safety. These publications provide information on topics such as preventing household accidents, safe toys for children, and the proper actions to take during an air raid.

Americanism Publications (ca. 1952) contains 3 issues of a series published by the GFWC which was directed against Communism. The individual titles are, "Subversive Organizations," "Twenty Questions - Communism and Labor" and "Twenty Questions - Communism and Religion."

Maryland Clubwoman (1940) consists of 1 issue of The Maryland Clubwoman, Oct. - Nov. 1940, official publication of the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs.

Song Sheets (n.d.) contains 4 miscellaneous song sheets -- 1 each from the MSFWC and GFWC; 1 song dedicated to the founders of Grand Rapids, written by Stella Richmond Hill and adopted by the Kent Co. Federation of Women's Clubs; and 1 general song sheet. Series VIII. Publications, cont.

Subseries D. Press Releases series (1936, 1939-1947, n.d.) is divided into the following subseries, GRFWC, Kent Co. Federation, West Central District, MSFWC, GFWC and Misc. Each subseries primarily contains press releases submitted to newspapers announcing activities which correspond to the subseries' title. The Misc. subseries also contains a series of radio spots.

Subseries E. Clippings series (1932-1950, n.d.) is divided into the following subseries, General, West Central District, MSFWC, GFWC, and Nursing clippings. Each subseries contains newspaper clippings and some magazine clippings related to its title.

Subseries A. Yearbooks		
General Federation of Women's Clubs. Michigan.		
		Box
1988-1990. Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow. (2005.060B)		17
Grand Rapids City Federation of Women's Literary Clubs (Organized De	ec. 2, 1896}	
	Box	Folder
1896/97	9	1
1899	9	1
City Federation of Women's Literary Clubs (cover)/ Grand Rapids City, l Clubs (title page)	Federation o	f Women's
	Box	Folder
1900/1901	9	1

## Grand Rapids Federation of Women's Clubs. Yearbook.

1900/1901 c. 2 (2005.006B)

	Box	Folder
1901/1902 (2005.060B)	9	1

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1903/04	9	2
1904/05	9	2
1904/05 c. 2 (2005.060B)	9	2.5
1905/06	9	2
1906/07	9	2
1907/08	9	3
1908/09	9	3
1909/1910 (2005.060B)	9	3
1910/11	9	3
1911/12	9	3
1912/13	9	4
1913/1914 (2005.060B)	9	4
1914/15	9	4
1915/16	9	4

1917/18       9       5         1918/1919 (2005.060B)       9       5         1919/1920 (2005.060B)       9       5         1920/21       9       5         1921/22       9       5         1922/23       9       5         1923/24       9       5         1924/25       9       6         1925/26       9       6         1926/27       9       6         1927/28       9       6         1928/29       9       7         1929/30       9       7	1916/17	9	4
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1924/25         1925/26       9       6         1926/27       9       6         1927/28       9       6         1928/29       9       7	1923/24	9	5
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1926/27  1927/28  9 6  1928/29  9 7	1925/26	9	6
1927/28 1928/29 9 7	1926/27	9	6
1928/29	1927/28	9	6
1929/30	1928/29	9	7
	1929/30	9	7

1930/31	9	7
1931/32	9	7
1932/33	9	7
1933/34	9	8
1934/35	9	8
1935/36	9	8
1936/37	9	8
1937/38	9	8
1938/39	9.5	1
1939/40	9.5	1
1940/41	9.5	1
1941/42	9.5	1
1942/43	9.5	1
1943/44	9.5	2

1944/45 (2 copies)	9.5	2
1945/46	9.5	2
1946/47 Golden Anniversary Year.	9.5	2
1947/48 (2 Copies)	9.5	3
1948/49	9.5	3
1949/50	9.5	3
1950/1951 (2005.060B)	9.5	3
1952/1952 (2005.060B)	9.5	3
1952/53	9.5	3
1953/54	9.5	4
1954/55	9.5	4
1955/56	9.5	4
1956/57	9.5	4
1957/1958 (2005.060B)	9.5	4

1958/1959 (2005.060B)	9.5	4
1959/1960 (2005.060B)	9.5	4
		Box
Unprocessed duplicates from various years.		17
1964/1965		17
1965/1966		17
1967/1968		17
1968/1969		17
1969/1970		17
1971/1972		17
1972/1973		17
1973/1974		17
1974/1975		17
1975/1976		17

1976/1977	17
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1988/1989	17
1989/1990	17
1990/1991	17

1991/1992		17
1992/1993		17
1993/1994		17
1994/1995		17
1995/1996		17
1996/1997		17
Grand Rapids Women's Club Yearbooks, 1902-		
Grand Rapids Women's Club Yearbooks, 1902-	Box	Folder
Grand Rapids Women's Club Yearbooks, 1902- 1901/02 ([3673].1)	<b>Box</b> 10	<b>Folder</b> 1
1901/02 ([3673].1)	10	1
1901/02 ([3673].1) 1902/03	10	1
1901/02 ([3673].1) 1902/03 1903/04	10 10 10	1 1 1

1907/08 ([3673].14)	10	2
1909/10 ([3673].5)	10	2
1910/11 ([3673].6)	10	3
1911/12	10	3
1913/14	10	3
1914/15 ([3673].9)	10	3
1916/17 ([3673].10)	10	4
1917/18	10	4
1918/19 ([3673].12)	10	4
1929/30 ([3673].14)	10	5
1930/31 Existing	10	5
1931/32	10	5
1932/33	10	5
1933/34	10	5

1934/35 (2 copies) Existing + ([3673].15)	10	5
1935/36 Existing	10	6
1936/37	10	6
1938/39	10	6
1939/40	10	6
1940/41 ([3673].16)	10	7
1941/42 Existing	10	7
1945/46 Existing	10.5	1
1946/47	10.5	1
1947/48 ([3673].17)	10.5	1
1948/49 ([3673].18)	10.5	1
1949/50	10.5	1
1950/51 ([3673].19)	10.5	2
1951/52	10.5	2

1952/53	10.5	2
1953/54 ([3673].22)	10.5	2
1954/55 Existing	10.5	2
Miscellaneous Women's Club Yearbooks		
Home Literary & South Suburban Women's, 1934-		
	Box	Folder
1956	11	1
Miscellaneous Clubs, 1934-1961.	11	2
Miscellaneous Clubs, 1934-1961.  North End Woman's Club, [Items bound together] Formerly MKG37		2
		2 Folder
	/4.3.N81	
North End Woman's Club, [Items bound together] Formerly MKG37	'4.3.N81 Box	Folder
North End Woman's Club, [Items bound together] Formerly MKG37 1896/1897 ([1391].1)	<b>Box</b> 11	Folder 2.5

1900/1901 ([1397].1)	11	2.5
1901/1902 ([1398].1)	11	2.5
1903-1904 ([2396].1)	11	2.75
1904-1905 ([2396].2)	11	2.75
1905-1906 ([2396].3)	11	2.75
1908-1909 ([2396].4)	11	2.75
1909-1910 ([2396].5)	11	2.75
1913-1914 ([2396].6)	11	2.75
1914-1915 ([2396].7)	11	2.75
Wednesday Women's Club		
	Box	Folder
1903-1904 ([2397].1)	11	2.95
1904-1905 ([2397].2)	11	2.95
1905-1906 ([2397].3)	11	2.95

1906-1907 ([2397].4)	11	2.95
1907-1908 ([2397].5)	11	2.95
1909-1910 ([2397].6)	11	2.95
1910-1911 ([2397].7)	11	2.95
1912-1913 ([2397].8)	11	2.95
1913-1914 ([2397].9)	11	2.95
1914-1915 ([2397].10)	11	2.95
1915-1916 ([2397].11)	11	2.95
Creston Literary Club		
		Box
1973/1974 (2005.006B)		17
Fairview Literary Club		
		Box
1973/1974 (2005.006B)		17

General Culture Club		
		Box
1973/1974 (2005.060B)		17
Park Literary Club (Comstock Park)		
		Box
1973/1974 (2005.006B)		17
Kent County Federation of Women's Clubs.		
		Box
1941-1942 (2005.060B)		17
1965-1966 (2005.060B)		17
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs, MSFWC, Yearbooks.		
	Box	Folder
1944-5.	11	3
		Box
1940/1941		17
1941/1942		17

1943/1944		17
1944/1945 c. 2		17
1948/1949		17
1955/1956		17
1957/1958		17
1971/1972		17
1972/1973		17
Subseries B. Newsletters		
	Box	
	DUA	Folder
GRFWC, 1949, 1950.	3	Folder 8
GRFWC, 1949, 1950.  West Central District, 1941, 1942, n.d.		
	3	8
West Central District, 1941, 1942, n.d.	3	9

Pan American Union Bulletin, 1940.	3	13
Subseries C. Other Publications		
	Box	Folder
Safety Publications, 1941-1942.	3	14
Americanism Campaign, ca. 1952.	3	15
Maryland Clubwoman, Oct-Nov 1940.	3	16
Song sheets, n.d.	3	17
		Box
General Federal of Women's Clubs. National.		17
Subseries D. Press Releases		
	Box	Folder
RFWC, 1936, 1945-1947, n.d.	5	10-11
Kent Co. Federation, 1945, n.d.	5	12
West Central District, n.d.	5	13
MSFWC, 1945, n.d.	5	14

GFWC, 1939-1944, n.d.	6	1
Miscellaneous, n.d.	6	2
Subseries E. Clippings		
	Box	Folder
General, 1932-1950.	6	3-4
West Central District, 1935, n.d.	6	5
MSFWC, 1933-1948, n.d.	6	6
GFWC, 1941-1942, 1948, n.d.	6	7
Nursing, 1943-1944, n.d.	6	8
Subseries F Pamphlets		
	Box	Folder
Local, 1949, n.d.	6	10
MSFWC and GFWC, 1932-1945, n.d.	6	11
National Issues, 1936-1947, n.d.	6	12
Food and Diet, 1943, n.d.	6	13

Nursing, ca. 1942.	6	14
Misc., 1937, 1941, 1947, 1949, n.d.	6	15

#### Series IX. Activities and Programs.

#### **Scope and Contents note**

**Subseries Activities** 

Mrs. Wm. Corwith Visit series (1941-42) includes letters, itineraries and copies of publicity surrounding the speaking appearance before the GRFWC by Mrs. Wm. Corwith, an assistant in the Public Service Department of the National Broadcasting Company.

Nesbitt Case series (1936-38) consists of numerous sworn depositions and a few letters concerning the community-wide effort to remove Dr. Eugene N. Nesbitt from his post at the Sunshine Sanitarium. Obituary of Dr. Eugene N. Nesbitt added 10/1999.

Play series (1933) contains one play, The President's Garden Party, written by Barbara Bushnell Klumph in unpublished form.

Questionnaires series (1940, n.d.) includes numerous responses to the 1940 annual questionnaire of the West Central District; 2 undated District questionnaires; 2 responses to a Grand Rapids questionnaire; and a Latin America Questionnaire.

Miscellaneous material is arranged under three groupings, Federation Related, World War II Related and Miscellaneous.

Subseries. Program Materials series (1941-44) consists of various pamphlets and publications issued by the GFWC detailing their objectives and plans of action in four areas of concern, Fine Arts, Education, Legislation and National Defense.

Program series is divided into the following subseries: Annual Luncheon Programs, Federation-Related Programs and Misc. Programs.

Annual Luncheon Programs subseries (1929-1955) consists of programs from the GRFWC's Annual Spring and December Luncheons.

Miscellaneous Federation-Related Programs subseries (1932-1958) includes miscellaneous programs from meetings, conventions and other activities of the Women's City Club, the West Central District, MSFWC, GFWC and other components of the Federation.

Miscellaneous Programs subseries (1933, 1936, 1938, 1946, n.d.) contains 6 programs from events not directly related to the Federation.

What you should known About Grassroots Lobbying / GRWC/Westinghouse legislative alert Awards Program. 2005.060B

	Box	Folder
Mrs. Wm. Corwith Visit Papers, 1941-1942.	4	1
Nesbitt Case Papers, 1936-1938. Obituary of Dr. Eugene N. Nesbitt, December 13, 1965.	4	2
Play, 1933.	6	9

#### **Programs**

	Box	Folder
GRFWC? Annual Luncheon, 1929-1955.	12	1

#### GRFWC. Annual Luncheon. (2005.060B)

	Box
40th, Dec. 3, 1936	17

1941-1942	17
1947-1948	17
1948-1949	17
1950	17
1951	17
GRFWC. Miscellaneous Ephemera (2, 8/31/2005) (2005.060B)	
	Box
Invitation. Jan. 9, 1941. Debate on the Pedestrian is More Responsible for Pedestrian Accidents"	17
NovDec. 1941. Good Housekeeping?	17
General Federation of Women's Clubs. Misc. Programs.	
	Box
May 30, 1927. Grand Rapids City of Homes. State Dinner. [Is this the annual council address?] 2005.060B	17
Women's City Club, Grand Rapids. Bulletin.	
Box	Folder

v. 25, no. 5, Jan. 1948 ([2277].1) 5/24/2002	12	1.5
v. 33, no. 3, Nov. 1955. (P2005.0409) Includes a small black and white illustration of a watercolor by Reynold Weidenaar "Autumn: East Leonard Rd." pg. 12	12	1.6
Calhoun Co. Federation of Women's Clubs, Tekonsha, Mi. Apr. 25, 1944. Program 22nd Annual Meeting.	12	2
Misc. Michigan Clubs. 2005.060B		
		Box
Grand Haven. Invitation. Golden Anniversary dinner. Oct. 24, 1941.		17
MSFWC. Pioneer Club dinner. Detroit. Oct. 18, 1933		17
	Box	Folder
Citizenship Night / sponsored by the Federation of Women's Clubs under auspices of G.R. Americanization Council. July 25, 1952.	12	2
City Federation Program, May 17, 1899, at the South End Club.	12	2
General Federation of Women's Clubs. National Council. Addresses.		
		Box
1932-1935. 17th. 1936. Miami. (2005.060B)		17
1732 1733. 17th. 1730. Maini. (2003.000 <b>b</b> )		

1935-1938. 1934. Hot Springs, Arkansas (2005.060B)		17
General Federation of Women's Clubs. National. Programs.		
	Box	Folder
50th Annual. May 19-24, 1941. Atlantic City, N.J. Golden Jubilee Celebration. 2005.006B	12	2.1(?)
53rd Annual Meeting, St. Louis, Mo. Apr. 25-28, 1944. (3 items)	12	2.1(?)
93rd Annual, June 10-15, 1984, Las Vegas, Nev. 2005.006B	12	2.1(?)
General Federation of Women's Club. Michigan. See earlier programs un Federation of Women's Clubs.	nder: Michig	an
		Box
97th Annual, May 1-3, 1992, Lansing.		17
98th Annual, Apr. 16-18, 1993. Kalamazoo.		17
99th annual, Apr. 15-17, 1994. Fling + separate flyer/program for the GFWC Family Reunion Luncheon "Federal Ties" Apr. 16, 1994	Michigan	17
Kent County Federation of Women's Clubs. Directories.2005.060B		
		Box
1971-1972		17

1973-1974		17
1984-1986		17
Grand Rapids Women's Club		
	Box	Folder
Program/Menu. 43 Annual Luncheon, May 8, 1934, Grace Church Parish House	12	2.2
Anniversary Program 1890-1948	12	2.2
66th Annual Luncheon, May 21, 1957 at Women's City Club.	12	2.2
		Box
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs. Outlines of Work. Mrs. Fred M. 1944-1945. (2)	Cross.	17
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs, Annual Meeting Programs.		
	Box	Folder
1st Annual Meeting, Nov. 6-7, 1895.	12	2.4
45th Annual Convention, Mar.23-26, 1939	12	2.4
50th Annual Convention, Grand Rapids, Mi. Apr. 17-19, 1944.	12	2.4

51st Annual Convention, Detroit, Mi. Apr. 9-11, 1946.	12	2.4
52nd Annual Convention, Detroit, Mi. Apr. 8-10, 1947. (2005.060B)	12	2.4
		Box
11th annual. Oct. 17-19, 1905		17
36th, 1930		17
39th, 1933		17
40th, 1934 (2)		17
42nd, oct. 5-8, 1936		17
48th, mar. 18-21, 1942		17
49th, mar. 17-20, 1943		17
54th, Mar. 30/31, Apr. 1, 1949		17
70th, Apr. 27-29, 1965.		17
77th, Apr. 25-27, 1972		17
78th, May 9-10, 1973		17

79th, Apr.30-May 2, 1974		17
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs		
	Box	Folder
Dedication of "Loch Rio", May 12, 1958. A Girlstown Project. Belleville, Michigan.	12	2.4
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs. West Central Dist. Annual Meetings.		
	Box	Folder
Greenville, May 6, 1932.	12	2.6
Grand Rapids, Oct. 14-15, 1937. (2 items)	12	2.6
Grand Haven, oct. 10-11, 1940	12	2.6
Ionia, oct. 21-22, 1941	12	2.6
Grand Rapids, Oct. 12-13, 1943	12	2.6
Belding, Oct. 19-20, 1944.	12	2.6
35th Annual Meeting, Ionia, Oct. 10, 1956.	12	2.6
		Box
Apr. 23, 1933. Ionia.		17

15th Annual Convention, Ludington, May 14-15, 1936.

Apr. 10, 1934. Holland		17
Oct. 14-15, 1937. Grand Rapids.		17
Oct. 21-22, 1941. Ionia (3 copies)		17
Oct. 14-15, 1942. Owosso		17
36th, oct. 16, 1957. Grand Rapids.		17
44th, Oct. 27, 1966. Greenville,		17
46th, Oct. 26, 1967. Byron		17
	Box	Folder
MSFWC Official Call, 1941-1942.	12	2.6
		Box
Call of the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs for the 50th Annual M Apr. 17-19, 1944, Pantlind Hotel, Grand Rapids, Michigan. 2005.060B	Meeting,	17
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs. Northwest District.		
	Box	Folder
8th Annual Convention. Traverse City, Oct. 3-4, 1939.	12	2

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Series X. Scrapbooks

Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs. Southeastern District.		
	Box	Folder
25th Annual Meeting. Jackson, Mi., Oct. 21-22, 1943.	12	2
Women's City Club, West Central District, MSFWC, GFWC, and Misc. Clubs, 1899, 1932-1958.		
	Box	Folder
Miscellaneous, 1933, 1936, 1938, 1946, n.d.	12	3
GRFWC? Questionnaires, 1940, n.d.		
	Box	Folder
Dec. 7, 1940. 2005.060B	12	4
Miscellaneous		
	Box	Folder
Federation Related, 1935-1949, n.d.	12	5
World War II Related, ca. 1942-1945.	12	6
Miscellaneous, 1938-1956, n.d.	12	7

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Scrapbook series (1935-1947) contains one GRFWC scrapbook commemorating the Federation's Golden Anniversary year, 1946/47, including correspondence, reports, clippings, yearbooks, and a radio interview with information about its history and purpose. Also, another Federation scrapbook for 1940-1946, with loose items from the 1930's and 1940s.

	Box
Our Golden Anniversary Year, 1896-1946 (1946/47 data)	14
Home Literary Club Scrapbooks.	
	Box
1938-1939 (2006.0081) Includes clippings, original photographs, yearbooks, Michigan state convention program.	14
N.D. Clippings on the Home Literary Club, and on the Federation. (2006.0082)	14

#### Series XI. Ephemera and Realia

#### **Scope and Contents note**

Includes miscellaneous broadsides (1940-43, n.d.); a gift calendar with GRFWC imprint (1948); and a printing block with a woman's image (n.d.). It also contains an Eaglesfield Club medal presented to the GRFWC in 1950. Mrs. Eaglesfield, founder of the club and the first woman lawyer in Grand Rapids (1896), originally gave the medal to an Eaglesfield Club member.

	Box
Realia, 1896, 1940-1943, 1948, n.d.	13

### **Series XII. State Convention Records**

### **Scope and Contents note**

Records of State Convention series (1948) includes all correspondence and miscellaneous documents relating to the MSFWC State Convention held in Grand Rapids.		
	Box	Folder
State Convention Records, 1948.	8	7
Program Material		
	Box	Folder
Fine Arts, 1941-4.	8	8
Education, 1941-4.	8	9
Legislation, 1941-4.	8	10
National Defense, 1941-4.	8	11
Michigan State Federation of Womens Clubs		
	Box	Folder
Constitution and Bylaws, 1895.	8	12
Program of 1st Annual Meeting, 1895.	8	12

Michigan Club Bulletin, 1911, 1912.		8	12
Michigan History, 1926.		8	12
Michigan Federation Forum, 1929.		8	12
Of Interest to Michigan Women, 1953.		8	12
9th Annual Meeting program, 1903.		8	12
27th Annual Convention program, 1921.		8	12
31st Annual Convention program, 1925.		8	12
40th Annual Convention program, 1934		8	12
Unprocessed			
2005 0COD Including constitutions and bull-	Box	Box	Box
2005.060B - Including constitutions and bylaws, minutes, correspondence, scrapbook, etc.	14	18	19
1993.010 - two scrapbooks		Box	Box
1775.010 - two scrapbooks		15	16