

Grand Rapids Central High School Sorosis Club Records Collection 430

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Summary Information

Repository	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Title	Sorosis Club Records
Date [inclusive]	1910-1979
Extent	1.0 Linear feet
Language	English

Biographical/Historical note

The original idea for the Sorosis Club came from a faculty member of Grand Rapids Central High School named Agnes Ginn. She served as the original sponsor for the club at Central High School. Twenty-one students were invited to membership in 1909. The club considered itself a literary society. Its membership consisted of female students who had achieved high academic standing in English. After graduating from Central High School this group then changed its name to Alumnae Sorosis of Central High School. The group would then meet monthly in a member's residence, usually with 15-25 members in attendance, until 1979.

Scope and Contents note

The materials within the Sorosis Club Records Collection consists of print materials that span most of the 20th Century. The bulk of the material is made up of the minutes of the club starting in 1909 and ending in 1979. These Minute Books are divided between Senior Sorosis Minute Books and Alumnae Sorosis Minute Books. The Senior Sorosis Books cover the time period when the women were students at Central High School. The Alumnae Sorosis Books cover the time period after the students left Grand Rapids Central High School.

The second part of the collection is primarily made up of correspondence of club members. This part of the collection also spans most of the 20th Century.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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

Controlled Access Headings

Geographic Name(s)

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History -- 20th Century

Subject(s)

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

Minutes

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Membership Roster 1933	1	10
1968 Sixtieth Reunion Materials	1	13
Minutes		
	Box	Folder
Senior Sorosis Minutes Book 1910-1919	1	1
Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1916-1930	1	2
		Box
Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1949-1959		1
Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1930-1935		1
Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1935-1949		1
Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1959-1962		1
Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1966-1979		1
	Box	Folder

Treasurer Reports

Alumnae Sorosis Minutes Book 1962-1965	1	3
Treasurer Reports	Box	Folder
	1	3
	Box	Folder
Treasurer's Book 1908-1912	1	11
Treasurer's Book 1920-1931	1	12
Correspondence		
	Box	Folder
Member Correspondence	1	4
Member Correspondence	1	5
Member Correspondence	1	6
Member Correspondence	1	7
Member Correspondence	1	9