

Guide to the Wednesday Club Collection

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Abstract

Materials relating to the Wednesday Club of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, a literary and public service club for women. The club was part of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Woman's Clubs. The collection consists of minute books, photographs, memorabilia, roll booklets, Missouri Club Woman newsletters and scrapbooks.

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Descriptive Overview

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Biographical Note

The Wednesday Club was founded in Cape Girardeau, Missouri in 1902 as a literary club for women that later evolved into a public service organization. The association was part of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC). Many early members were women faculty from Southeast Missouri State University, and early meetings were held on campus.

Scope and Content Note

The Wednesday Club Collection contains a significant amount of materials on women's club history. Additional materials are on the advancement of women's knowledge and women's public service, and in particular, the development of the Cape Girardeau Public Library.

The collection consists of minute books, photographs, memorabilia, roll booklets from 1902 to 1990, copies of the Missouri Club Woman newsletter from 1972 to 1990 (incomplete series), and assorted scrapbooks of the club.

Archivists Note: Finding aid was revised in April of 2008 by Sarah Stephens.

Rules or Conventions: Finding Aid prepared using DACS.

Series Descriptions

Series I: Club Minutes

Contains the Wednesday Club's meeting minutes from 1902 to 1982 and 1992 to 1995.

Series II: Administrative

Contains reports, records, and notes from the Wednesday Club's officers.

Subseries 1: Annual Reports

Contains reports from 1933 to 1949.

Subseries 2: Treasurer's Files

Contains reports from 1952 to 1954, 1968 to 1970, and 1976 to 1989. Also contains the Treasurer's notebooks from 1995 to 2003.

Subseries 3: Financial Records

Contains clubs financial records from 1979 to 1988.

Subseries 4: Secretary Notes

Contains secretary's notebooks from 1987 to 1992 and 1995 to 2003.

Subseries 5: Correspondence

Contains correspondence from 1924 and 1980.

Subseries 6: Membership

Contains membership rolls, cards, certificates, guest books, memorials, and honors given to club members from 1908 to 1990.

Subseries 7: Miscellaneous

Contains notes on conventions, newspaper clippings, photographs, and other various club related items from 1940 to 1992.

Series III: Club History

Information on the club's history from 1902 to 1990.

Series IV: Wednesday Club Programs

Includes information on programs sponsored by the Wednesday Club such as the Cape Girardeau Public Library, a treasure hunt, and dinner programs.

Series V: Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs

Subseries 1: History

Contains documents on the history of the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs from 1896 to 1976.

Subseries 2: Events

Contains programs and other documents on the different events held by the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs that were attended by the Wednesday Club of Cape Girardeau, from 1919 to 1994.

Series VI: Scrapbooks

Contains newspaper clippings, photographs, programs, flyers, and other miscellaneous items which are compiled into scrapbooks. Dates range from 1932 to 2002.

Series VII: Yearbooks

Yearbooks contain information on officers, conventions, club honors, a list of former presidents, departments and divisions, and other events held during the year.

Subseries 1: Wednesday Club Ninth District

Contains yearbooks from 1911 to 1994.

Subseries 2: Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs

Contains yearbooks from 1925 to 1990.

Series VIII: Missouri Clubwoman Publications

Publications contain a letter from the president, convention highlights, awards, reports, and other club news from May 1928 to fall 1991.

Series IX: Artifacts

Contains two artifacts, a plate and a pin, associated with the club.

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Series II **Administrative Files**
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Box 1264 **Subseries 2: Treasurer's Reports**

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Folder 015	Honors of Wednesday Club	1962-1979
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Folder 020	50 th Anniversary Program, Wednesday Club	1952 Oct
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Folder 025	General Federation of Women's Clubs "Volunteer" Bulletin	1988-1990
Folder 026	Membership Cards	Undated
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Folder 039	Club History	1902-1988
Folder 040	Brief History of GFWC of Missouri	1902-1990
Folder 041	Club History	1933-1939
Folder 042	Club History	1933-1949
Folder 043	Club History	1939-1942
Folder 044	History of the Ninth District Club Federation	1945
Folder 045	Club History	1964-1976
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Series IV	Wednesday Club Programs	
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Folder 047	Cape Girardeau Public Library and the Wednesday Club Program	1928
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Item 002	Pan-America Scrapbook	1942-1943
Item 003	Press/Publicity Scrapbook	1946-1947
Item 004	50 th Anniversary Scrapbook	1958 Oct
Item 005	Scrapbook	1960s
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Item 001	Scrapbook	1967-1968
Item 002	Scrapbook	1968-1969
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Item 002	Scrapbook	1969-1970

**Series VI
Box 1379**

Scrapbooks

Item 006 Scrapbook 1995-2002

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Item 001	Yearbook	1911-1912
Item 002	Yearbook	1913-1914
Item 003	Yearbook	1914-1915
Item 004	Yearbook	1915-1916
Item 005	Yearbook	1916-1917
Item 006	Yearbook	1917-1918
Item 007	Yearbook	1918-1919
Item 008	Yearbook	1919-1920
Item 009	Yearbook, 2 copies	1920-1921
Item 010	Yearbook	1921-1922
Item 011	Yearbook, 2 copies	1922-1923
Item 012	Yearbook, 2 copies	1923-1924
Item 013	Yearbook, 2 copies	1924-1925
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Item 040	Yearbook, 2 copies	1952-1953
Item 041	Yearbook, 2 copies	1953-1954
Item 042	Yearbook, 2 copies	1954-1955
Item 043	Yearbook, 2 copies	1955-1956
Item 044	Yearbook, 2 copies	1956-1957

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Yearbooks

Subseries 1: Wednesday Club Ninth District

Item 045	Yearbook, 2 copies	1957-1958
Item 046	Yearbook, 2 copies	1958-1959
Item 047	Yearbook, 2 copies	1959-1960
Item 048	Yearbook, 2 copies	1960-1961
Item 049	Yearbook, 2 copies	1961-1962
Item 050	Yearbook, 2 copies	1962-1963
Item 051	Yearbook, 2 copies	1963-1964
Item 052	Yearbook, 2 copies	1964-1965
Item 053	Yearbook	1966-1967
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Item 056	Yearbook, 2 copies	1969-1970
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Item 059	Yearbook, 2 copies	1972-1973
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Item 062	Yearbook, 2 copies	1975-1976
Item 063	Yearbook, 2 copies	1976-1977
Item 064	Yearbook, 2 copies	1977-1978
Item 065	Yearbook, 2 copies	1978-1979
Item 066	Yearbook, 2 copies	1979-1980
Item 067	Yearbook, 2 copies	1980-1981
Item 068	Yearbook, 2 copies	1981-1982
Item 069	Yearbook, 2 copies	1982-1984
Item 070	Yearbook, 2 copies	1984-1986
Item 071	Yearbook, 2 copies	1986-1987
Item 072	Yearbook, 2 copies	1988-1990
Item 073	Yearbook Supplement, 2 copies	1989-1990
Item 074	Yearbook, 2 copies	1990-1992
Item 075	Yearbook	1992-1993
Item 076	Yearbook	1993-1994
Item 077	Yearbook	1995-1996

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Item 009	Yearbook Supplement	1969-1970
Item 010	Yearbook	1970-1972
Item 011	Yearbook Supplement	1971-1972
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Item 014	Yearbook Supplement	1975-1976
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Item 016	Yearbook	1978-1979
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Item 005	Missouri Clubwoman	1928 May
Item 006	Missouri Clubwoman	1972 Summer
Item 007	Missouri Clubwoman	1972-1973
Item 008	Missouri Clubwoman	1973 Fall
Item 009	Missouri Clubwoman	1972-1973
Item 010	Missouri Clubwoman	1973-1974
Item 011	Missouri Clubwoman	1975 Summer
Item 012	Missouri Clubwoman	1976 Winter
Item 013	Missouri Clubwoman	1978 Jun
Item 014	Missouri Clubwoman	1978 Sep
Item 015	Missouri Clubwoman	1979 Aug
Item 016	Missouri Clubwoman	1980 Mar
Item 017	Missouri Clubwoman	1980 Oct
Item 018	Missouri Clubwoman	1983 Jan
Item 019	Missouri Clubwoman	1983 Aug
Item 020	Missouri Clubwoman	1984 Mar
Item 021	Missouri Clubwoman	1984 Sep
Item 022	Missouri Clubwoman	1984-1985
Item 023	Missouri Clubwoman	1986 Mar
Item 024	Missouri Clubwoman	1986 Summer
Item 025	Missouri Clubwoman	1986 Dec
Item 026	Missouri Clubwoman	1987 Aug
Item 027	Missouri Clubwoman	1988 Spring
Item 028	Missouri Clubwoman	1988 Summer
Item 029	Missouri Clubwoman	1988 Fall
Item 030	Missouri Clubwoman	1989 Winter
Item 031	Missouri Clubwoman	1990 Spring
Item 032	Missouri Clubwoman	1990 Summer
Item 033	Missouri Clubwoman	1990 Winter
Item 034	Missouri Clubwoman	1991 Fall

Series IX Artifacts

Item 001	"GFWC Centennial Gala", Jefferson City, MO kiln ware plate. 6" diameter	1990/May/02
Item 002	"GFWC Member" gold pin. ½" diameter	Undated