



## Guide to Manuscript Collections | Women's Clubs

### **2007.192 Catholic Women's Activities Club of Oklahoma City**

The Catholic Women's Activities Club Collection contains administrative files, financial records, departmental records, and scrapbooks for the Oklahoma City organization.

### **2002.031 General Federation of Women's Clubs**

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) is an international organization dedicated to community improvement through volunteer service. Women's clubs existed across the country, but it was not the GFWC until April 1890 when Jane Cunningham Croly invited clubs throughout the United States to attend a ratification convention in New York City. Sixty-three clubs attended and took action to form the GFWC. In the late 1890s, the GFWC passed its first resolution against child labor, and later Jane Addams worked on the Federation's Child Labor Committee to improve child labor laws. The biggest crusade of the GFWC is to improve the lives of children through improvements to the public library system and the Crusade for Seat Belts program. Other large movements include the Violence Against Women Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the Family and Medical Leave Act. The GFWC also works to create global change, using outreach programs to span all areas of the lives of the members, families, and communities. Their accomplishments include establishing public libraries, developing kindergarten in the public school system, and working for food and drug regulation. Following the terrorist attacks in New York on September 11, 2001, members contributed enough money for a fully-equipped ambulance for the NY Fire Department to replace equipment lost in the tragedy. The second century of the GFWC has come with the motto "Unity in Diversity" and a large number of programs to suit the needs of their communities.

### **2006.072 Heeko Club Collection**

The Heeko Club women's organization was a unit of the Pawhuska Women's Club that was devoted to social and literary pursuits. The club was founded in 1911 and operated in Pawhuska, Oklahoma, for fifty years.

### **2002.029 Ladies Music Club Collection**

The Ladies Music Club of Oklahoma was founded in 1908 by nine women who wished to promote the acquisition and appreciation of culture in the new state of Oklahoma. Since that time, they grew tremendously and now have up to seven presidential positions as well as the usual offices. They have luncheons, concerts, recitals, and other programs that foster an appreciation of music. They also have a Junior Music Club for aspiring students of music, as well as numerous awards and scholarships that they provide to college students who are majoring in music to help them with their financial responsibilities. The collection contains numerous financial records: receipts, bills, financial correspondences, etc. It also

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contains member rosters, newspaper clippings, personal correspondence, yearbooks, and a history of the club compiled by one of the historians. Various resolutions, amendments, and constitutions for the club are also included. Furthermore, the collection boasts various programs from the different performances they have hosted, miscellaneous items from the America National Bank (the apparent bank of choice for the club, at least for a time), newsletters, checks, and ledgers complete the collection. The entire collection ranges in date from the early twentieth century through the beginning of the twenty-first century.

### **2011.154 Oklahoma City Federation of Colored Women's Clubs**

The Oklahoma City Federation for Colored Women's Clubs is a federation of Oklahoma City's African American women's organizations. The Brockway Community Center is the OCFCWC's primary meeting place. Every year the OCFCWC hosts a dinner open to the general public in order to discuss social and political issues. The organization has hosted several other events to discuss social issues, including a 2000 meeting to discuss the challenges of grandparents raising grandchildren. In 1997 the organization hosted the National Federation for Colored Women's Club's Corporate Campaign Orientation in Oklahoma City. Photographs, scrapbooks, ledgers, paintings, and financial records documenting the history of this organization.

### **2002.030 Oklahoma Federation of Music Clubs Collection**

The Oklahoma Federation of Music Clubs Collection contains convention materials, event programs, club constitutions, and handbooks for the national, state, and junior divisions of music clubs. The collection also includes scrapbooks constructed by members and historical information regarding the club. The materials are organized topically and placed in alphabetical order.

### **2002.032 Oklahoma Federation of Women's Clubs Collection**

This collection includes minutes, programs, and other publications concerning the activities of women's clubs in Oklahoma. Minutes of individual clubs and president's files have been compiled here, as well as histories of districts and programs of club events.

### **1997.046 Oklahoma State Federation of Women's Clubs**

The Oklahoma State Federation of Women's Clubs Collection contains convention programs and annual membership yearbooks detailing members and sessions held. The collection also contains correspondence of group officers regarding the Child Labor Act of 1909 and club organizational issues.

### **1980.012 Sorosis Club of Oklahoma City Collection**

The Sorosis Club of Oklahoma City Collection contains yearbooks, event materials, and meeting minutes. The oversize materials are scrapbooks that range from 1909 to 1969.

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### **2006.010 Women's Club of the Protestant Rescue Congregation**

Two ledgers, both handwritten in the German language, of the records of a women's religious club established in El Reno, Oklahoma Territory, in 1903.

### **1983.018 Wright, Muriel**

The Muriel H. Wright collection contains documents, correspondence, biographical data, programs, legal documents, personal papers, and personal recognitions. The collection is broken into four main series: Oklahoma Historical Society, organizations, Wright papers, and books and magazines.

The first series is categorized under Wright's time at the Oklahoma Historical Society. This includes general correspondence, letters between other members of the Historical Society, programs, and Society reports. This series also includes correspondence, research letters, maps, and newspaper articles when Wright was the editor of *The Chronicles of Oklahoma* 1943 through 1973.

The second series consists of all things pertaining to organizations. The section contains letters, correspondence, programs, membership information, invitations, reports, and minutes. The organizations covered are as followed: American Pen Women, Red Bud Women's Club, Indian Center Committee, Indian Hall of Fame, Survey of Historical Societies, Society of American Historians, Soroptimist Club, Theta Sigma Phi, Tulsa English Club, Women's Dinner Club, Mayflower Descendants, Indian Oklahoma Club, Oklahoma Memorial Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, Pioneer Women, Semi-centennial Commission, and the Oklahoma Society of Colonial Dames.

The following series includes the Wright Papers. The section begins with papers belonging to James Brooks Wright and Eliphalet Nott Wright. These papers consist of Wright's biographical and genealogical information and personal correspondence belonging to E. N. and J. B. Wright. The section also includes letters, correspondence, recognitions, programs, legal papers, and invitations regarding Muriel H. Wright's life outside the Oklahoma Historical Society. Correspondence and letters are addressed to and from friends and family. The legal documents mainly pertain to the Choctaw Nation.