

McLean County Museum of History

As You Like It Club Collection

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Fall 2018

Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	3 Boxes
COLLECTION DATES:	1922-2014
RESTRICTIONS:	None
REPRODUCTION RIGHTS:	Permission to reproduce or publish material in this collection must be obtained in writing from the McLean County Museum of History
ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	Martha Miller (in care of Jean Grever) donated materials in January 2000. In Feb2014, the collection was expanded to include materials from the ISU Archives. In January 2018 Georgia Tufts donated additional items.

Brief History

Organized in 1914 with twelve members, this women's literary group has programs in members' homes each month. Individual members present programs such as book review, travelogues or others. The club meets twice monthly as of early 2018.

Scope

The collection includes primarily yearbooks, scrapbooks and minutes from the club.

Folder Inventory

Box 1

Folder 1: Miscellaneous

1. "Club members recollect wedding nostalgia, humor," *Pantagraph*, May 13, 1982.
2. Brief history of club from Bloomington / Normal's Literary History 1879-1987, publication of Bloomington Public Library.
3. "As You Like It History," 6 p. MS, by Martha Behr-Miller, May 2002.
4. Letter from club president Beverly Sywassink to Museum director Greg Koos enclosing donation, copy of press release on 100th anniversary of club, and anniversary program, 2 Dec 2014. 3pp.
5. Collection of Anniversary Reminiscences (yellow notebook)
6. List of Members with husbands working for Funk Bros. Seed Company
7. As You Like It Board Narrative

Folder 2: Pencil Drawings of Members (Artist: Darlene Sommers)

1. Mrs. James Holbert (Bertha)
2. Mrs. William Miller (Martha)
3. Mrs. Lincoln Behr (Charlotte)
4. Mrs. Robert Fischer (Pat)
5. Mrs. John Hollowall (Amy)
6. Ruth Steele

Folder 3: Constitutions

1. 1915 Constitution
2. Undated constitution (small format)
3. Undated constitution (large format)

Folder 4: Playscript

1. The Packing of the Home Missionary Barrel

Folder 5: Yearbooks 1916 – 1919

Folder 6: Yearbooks 1919 – 1930

Folder 7: Yearbooks 1930 - 1945

Folder 8: Yearbooks 1945 – 1960

Folder 9: Yearbooks 1960 – 1970

Folder 10: Yearbooks 1970 – 1990

Folder 11: Yearbooks 1991 - 2019

Small Three Ring Binder 1

Yearbooks 1930 – 1945

Small Three Ring Binder 2

Yearbooks 1946 – 1960

Small Three Ring Binder 3

Yearbooks 1960 – 1975

Ledger

1930 - 1958

Small Brown Notebook

As You Like It Club History 1914 - 1965

Box 2

15 notebooks of minutes

Box 3

3 notebooks of minutes

1986 – 1993

1993 – 2006

October 2006 – 2011

Scrapbook 1 Brown, 13.5” x 10.5”

Includes:

Newspaper clippings, beginning October 1924

Club photographs, beginning April 1922

Thirtieth anniversary, photographs and newspaper clippings, May 1945

Fiftieth anniversary, newspaper clippings, September 1964

Photographs, Mary Ferns annual Christmas party, 1974

Scrapbook 2 Green, 9.5” x 11”

Includes:

Newspaper clippings, beginning with thirtieth anniversary
Photographs from 1974 gathering
Photographs from 1981 gathering at Laurel Eberhart's home

Scrapbook 3 Green, 9.5" x 11"

Includes:

Club photographs, February 1930
Menu, spring luncheon, February 1982
Photographs, Christmas luncheon, 1989
Photographs, undated
Photographs, Christmas party, 1977

Scrapbook 4

Includes:

Newsclippings 1995 - 2004
Club photographs

Large Notebook 1

As You Like It Club History 1915 - 1967, Embossed three ring binder, 7" X 10.5"

Large Notebook 2

As You Like It Club Program Years 2006 – 2015
Includes numerous newspaper clippings, obituaries, funeral programs and greeting cards.

Small Photo Album

As You Like It Club Photo Album

Contents:

Centennial Celebration Luncheon, 25 Sep 2014
Christmas Luncheon and Gift Giving 8 Dec 2016