

Dexter Monday Club Records (R0457)

Collection Number: R0457

Collection Title: Dexter Monday Club Records

Dates: 1941-1969

Creator: Dexter Monday Club (Dexter, Mo.)

Abstract: The Dexter Monday Club Records contain "Press" books of the Dexter Monday Club, a women's club at Dexter in Stoddard County, Missouri. The volumes include the club's printed yearbooks, newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs, and miscellaneous materials regarding the activities of the club.

Collection Size: (4 rolls of microfilm)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at <u>The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla.</u> If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The records were loaned to the University of Missouri for microfilming by the Dexter Public Library on January 7, 1992 (Accession No. RA0532).

Existence and Location of Originals: The original volumes may be located at Dexter Public Library in Dexter, Mo.

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Dexter Monday Club Records can be found in the following collections:

Athena Club, Charleston, Missouri Records (R0666)

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Historical Note:

The Dexter Monday Club was organized in 1922 and in the same year entered the Missouri Federation of Women's Clubs and the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Della May (McKnight) Dieckman (1880-1965) was the first president. There were thirty-six members in 1922. By the 1960s, the membership had risen to fifty. Although it was primarily a social organization, the Monday Club also undertook civic and charitable projects. These projects included sponsorship of a Girl Scout troop, college scholarships for high school seniors, and donations to the Stoddard County Home, Missouri Veterans Hospital, American Red Cross, the Boy Scouts, Boys Town and Girls Town of Missouri, and the Stoddard County Society for Crippled Children. The Monday Club was also very active in promoting the Dexter Public Library and the hospital. Funds were raised primarily through annual sales of calendars which noted the birthdays of area residents.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in chronological order.

Scope and Content Note:

The scrapbooks and "Press" books were annual projects of the Dexter Monday Club. A committee of two club members was appointed each year to assemble the materials. The scrapbooks were submitted for judging at district and state conventions, and scoresheets and awards are present in many of the volumes. Each scrapbook includes the club's printed yearbooks, newspaper clippings, lists of officers and past presidents, memorials to deceased members, miscellaneous materials pertaining to the club's projects, and various printed materials from the state and national federations. The earliest scrapbooks in the collection, for 1941-1942 and 1944-1945, include photographs of Dexter County men who served in the armed forces. Most of the scrapbooks have tables of contents but the volumes are not indexed.

Seven of the volumes in the collection are "Press" books, which are companion volumes to the scrapbooks for those years. The press books contain program notes for the year's meetings and newspaper clippings concerning the Monday Club's meetings and events. The press book for 1966-1967 also includes club yearbooks for 1922-1923 and 1931-1932.

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