Junior Civic Club, Dexter, Missouri Records
(R0470)

Collection Number: R0470

Collection Title: Junior Civic Club, Dexter, Missouri Records

Dates: 1949-1978

Creator: Junior Civic Club (Dexter, Mo.)

Abstract: The Junior Civic Club, Dexter, Missouri Records are minute books and scrapbooks of the Junior Civic Club, a women’s club formed in 1949 at Dexter in Stoddard County, Missouri. The records include minutes of meetings, membership lists, yearbooks, correspondence, newspaper clippings, photographs, and miscellaneous printed materials.

Collection Size: (2 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 The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla. If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsмо.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 Dexter Public Library on April 1, 1992 (Accession No. RA0537).

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

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Junior Civic Club, Dexter, Missouri Records can be found in the following collections:
**Dexter Monday Club Records (R0457)**

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**Historical Note:**

The Dexter Civic and Study Club held a special meeting on April 12, 1949, to form a club for younger women in the community. The meeting resulted in the formation of the Junior Civic Club. The organization was patterned after the Dexter Civic and Study Club, and its stated purpose was to promote the civil and cultural welfare of the Dexter community. Membership was limited to twenty-one women. The Junior Civic Club affiliated with the state and national federations of women's clubs in 1949.

From its beginning, the club supported Girl Scout and Brownie troops in Dexter. Other projects over the years included support of families and children with socioeconomic challenges, purchase of playground equipment for city parks and schools, participation in city beautification projects and community festivals, the funding of scholarships, and support of local charities such as the Red Cross. Much of the work was carried out in cooperation with other civic organizations in Dexter and Stoddard County. Fundraising was carried out in many ways, the most successful of which was the production of a cookbook for the Dexter centennial in 1973.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged into the following 2 series:

- Minute Books
- Scrapbooks

**Scope and Content Note:**

**Minute Books**

The minute books contain records of meetings beginning with the organizational meeting on April 12, 1949, continuing through May 5, 1977.

**Scrapbooks**

The scrapbooks begin in 1968 and continue through 1978. They contain photographs, newspaper clippings and other items pertaining to the club's activities, and printed materials from the state and local federations. Each scrapbook also includes a yearbook with the club’s constitution and by-laws, lists of officers and members, and a summary of the year’s projects.

**Container List:**

| v. 1-8 | Minute Books |
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