Rolla, Missouri Local Council of Girl Scouts Records (R0608)

Collection Number: R0608

Collection Title: Rolla, Missouri Local Council of Girl Scouts Records

Dates: 1936-1975

Creator: Local Council of Girl Scouts (Rolla, Mo.)

Abstract: The Rolla, Missouri Local Council of Girl Scouts Records include meeting minutes, financial records, correspondence, administrative papers, and a cassette tape of “Hot Line” telephone call-in KTTR radio from 1936 to 1975.

Collection Size: 0.5 cubic foot
   (6 folders, 7 volumes, 1 cassette tape)

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@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The records were donated to the University of Missouri by Helen B. Carroll on May 8, 1997 (Accession No. RA0679).


Historical Note:
In 1934, Mary Lee Johnson organized the first girl scout troop of sixty girls in Rolla, Missouri. The first local Girl Scout Council began in 1936, with Mrs. David M. Donnan serving as the first commissioner. Two years later, the Rolla council received its first charter from the national organization of Girl Scouts of America. In 1938, the Rolla Lions Club built the “Little House” for the Girl Scouts at the corner of Fifth and Woodland streets. The log cabin was dedicated in 1939, and used for meetings, campouts, and ceremonial occasions. The cabin was razed in 1973.

The local council joined the Dogwood Trails Council (based in Springfield) in the 1970s before merging with four other southern and southeast Missouri councils to form the Girls Scouts of the Heartland (that included portions of Kansas and Oklahoma) in 2007.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following three series:

Secretary Records
Treasurer Records
Miscellaneous Papers

Scope and Content Note:

Secretary Records

The series contains the secretary’s’ record books. The records include minutes of annual meetings, lists of resident taxpayers, annual enumeration of students, warrants issued, and estimates of expenses. The series is arranged in chronological order.

Treasurer Records

This series includes the treasurer’s ledgers containing the financial records for the organization from 1939 to 1944 and 1964-1971. The series is arranged in chronological order.

Miscellaneous Papers

This series contains the charter and renewal applications, registration forms for board members, correspondence from the national Girl Scouts organization, newspaper clippings, and papers related to the “Little House.” Of interest in this folder is a cassette tape for the telephone call-in radio show “Hot Line” on KTTR in Rolla on September 12, 1972.

Container List:

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v. 2 Record book, 1949-1962
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v. 4 Record book, 1969-1971

v. 5-7 Treasurer Records
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v. 7 Ledger, 1963-1975
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  f. 2  Adult membership registration forms (board members), 1950-1963  
  f. 3  “Little House” assorted papers, 1967-1968  
  f. 4  Girl Scouts of America correspondence, 1960-1967  
  f. 5  Other papers and newspaper clippings, 1973-1974  
  f. 6  Cassette tape recording: “Hot Line” telephone call-in show on KTTR radio in Rolla, Missouri, September 12, 1972

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