



St. Louis Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Records

Collection Number: S0057

Collection Title: St. Louis Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Records

Dates: 1939-1977

Creator: St. Louis Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends

Abstract: The collection contains meeting minutes, correspondence, treasurer's reports, and newspaper clippings documenting the establishment and growth of the St. Louis Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends.

Collection Size: 1 microfilm roll

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-St. Louis](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at stlouis@shsmo.org.

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Donor Information: The records were donated to the University of Missouri by the Illinois Historical Survey on March 30, 1981 (Accession No. SA2387).

Existence and Location of Originals: The original materials are located at the Illinois History and Lincoln Collection at the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign, under "Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) Records, 1828-2017 (960)".

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the St. Louis Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends can be found in the following collections:

St. Louis Vietnam Committee, American Friends Service Committee Records (S0164)

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Historical Note:

The St. Louis Monthly Meeting began in Phillipina Schneider's home in October, 1939. The Friends met in members' homes for several years and followed the Quaker pattern of organization: no pastor, unprogrammed meetings, and a "basis of silence" during meetings. The St. Louis Monthly Meeting was involved with the American Friends Service Committee activities during World War II and the Vietnam War. In 1946, the group became part of the Blue River Quarterly Meeting and Illinois Yearly Meeting. The St. Louis Monthly Meeting currently meets at 1001 Park Avenue in St. Louis, Missouri.

Arrangement:

The collection has been maintained in its original order.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains meeting minutes, reports, budgets, newspaper clippings, and correspondence relating to the creation and operation of the St. Louis Monthly Meeting from 1939-1979. Most of this collection contains meeting minutes from the group's monthly meetings. Also included in the collection are reports of membership statistics, State of Society quarterly meetings, the Ministry and Oversight committee, and yearly Treasury budgets and expenditures. The newspaper clippings feature clippings from the *St. Louis Globe Democrat* and *St. Louis Post Dispatch* regarding the group's founding and meetings. Finally, the correspondence covers topics such as membership status, Blue River Quarterly application, and potential discussion points at the monthly meetings. The collection has been maintained in its original order.

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