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FACULTY WOMEN'S CLUB

RECORDS, 1926-1978 9 linear inches

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<u>History</u>

In 1926, a fifty-dollar budget for furnishings along with a room was designated to the women faculty of Fresno State Teachers College (now California State University, Fresno) by the campus administration. In 1927 the women faculty held a meeting to discuss organizing a club. It was determined that women faculty and full-time women on the administrative staff were eligible for membership. Dues were set at \$1.50 and a constitution was drafted. In 1965 the constitution was revised and the name of the club changed to the C.S.U.F. Women's Club.

The purpose of the Faculty Women's Club was "to further social interests and to promote cooperation in professional matters." (Box 1, Constitution, 1972)

In April 1977 the Faculty Women's Club disbanded because of declining membership and waning interest.

The Faculty Women's Club should not be confused with the Faculty Wives Club, which was founded in 1925 to promote friendships among the wives of the faculty members and staff. The Faculty Wives Club is still active.

Scope and Content Note

The Faculty Women's Club collection measures 9 linear inches and dates from 1926 to 1978. This collection consists of activity flyers, correspondence, memoranda and financial reports, meeting minutes, lists of various club committees, and an annual list of new members. One document describes the origins of the club and another describes a piece of artwork the club owned called "The Conversation Piece," which now is kept in the Special Collections reading room. There are several bound volumes, including the club's constitution and by-laws, a receipt book, a minutes journal and a scrapbook which documents all activities hosted by the club and contains holiday and thank you cards.

Box no. Description

Box 1

Accounts, 1926, 1959-1964, 1966, 1969-1978 Activities, 1943-1944, 1959, 1962-1976 and undated Committees Members, 1932-1938, 1940-1944, 1950-1961, 1968-1969, 1971 and undated Various committees, 1937-1946, 1961-1964, 1977 Constitution, 1954, 1965, 1972 Constitution and by-laws (bound), 1965, 1972 Correspondence and memoranda, 1935-1936, 1942-1943, 1962-1964, 1966, 1969-1978 and undated Equipment, 1931-1934 History, undated Lists of women faculty, 1937, 1968-1969, 1976 Members Active, 1937-1943, 1958-1959, 1962-1976 and undated Retired, 1944-1945, 1971 and undated Minutes Loose, 1927-1934, 1936, 1960, 1969-1976 and undated Bound, 1945-1972 Newsletters, 1933, 1936-1937, 1939, 1973-1975 Officers, 1942-1947, 1974-1976 Purchases, 1935, 1937, 1944-1945, 1976-1977 Questionnaires, 1936, 1938, 1971 and undated Receipt book, 1936-1945 Requisitions, 1975-1976 Scrapbook, 1954, 1957-1965, 1967, 1970-1972 and undated "The Conversation Piece," 1972-1973 Treasurer's reports, 1963, 1966-1968, 1970-1971, 1974-1976