

P018- Soroptimist Club fonds
1950-1979 (predominant 1959-1970)
29 cm of textual records and 3 photographs

Administrative history: “The Soroptimist Club of the Sudbury Nickel District was chartered on January 29, 1949. It was founded by Margaret Kerr of Montreal. Elizabeth Soutar (Bess Soutar), head of the local Victorian Order of Nurses (V.O.N.), was the first President of the Sudbury Nickel District chapter. The club met twice monthly, on the second and fourth Mondays, the first only for business and the second to have a dinner meeting followed by business and/or a speaker.” (City of Greater Sudbury Archives, retrieved May 13, 2021 from <https://www.archeion.ca/soroptimist-club-of-sudbury-nickel-district-3>)

The Sudbury club was one of many clubs within the Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) federation. This federation was formed by 80 women in Oakland, California in 1921, along with Stuart Morrow as the Managing Director. Its members were women who held an important rank within their profession. They would meet regularly to learn about each other’s professions, and provide service to their fellow members, as well as to women and girls in the community within which they operated. The SIA is one of five Soroptimist federations that make up the Soroptimist International (SI) organization.

The Soroptimist Club of the Sudbury Nickel District celebrated their 25th Anniversary in 1974. However, due to declining membership, the club ceased its activities in 1979.

Scope and content: Incomplete fonds which testifies to the activities of the Soroptimist Club of Sudbury including the conferences held by the club in Sudbury (as well as those of the parent organization), and the documents/procedural guides for members of the administration. Financial documents from a limited period are also included in the fonds.

Note: Immediate source of acquisition: The fonds was donated in 1996.

Restrictions on access: Restriction on access applies to some records.

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Accruals: Additional accruals are not expected.

Associated material: Fonds 029 - Soroptimist Club of the Sudbury Nickel District, at the City of Greater Sudbury Archives may contain complementary information.

Preliminary Listing

BOX 1

1. [Christmas cards and newspaper clipping]
1950
1 cm of textual documents
2. 35th Annual Conference Luncheon Programme
1967
0.1 cm of textual documents
3. Installation of Offices, and Charter Dinner programme
undated
0.1 cm of textual documents
4. International Soroptimist Association card
undated
0.1 cm of textual documents
5. [newspaper clippings]
1959
0.2 cm of textual documents
6. Membership in club 1959
1959
0.5 cm of textual documents
7. On conducting a meeting
1961-1964
0.5 cm of textual documents
8. Handbook for counsellor for Newcomers
1973-1974
1.7 cm of textual documents
9. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 32nd conference
1964
0.8 cm of textual documents
10. [The Soroptimist Foundation]
1963
1 cm of textual documents

11. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 27th conference
1959
0.5 cm of textual documents
12. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 28th conference
1960
0.5 cm of textual documents
13. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 29th conference
1961
0.5 cm of textual documents
14. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 30th conference
1962
0.6 cm of textual documents
15. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 34th conference
1966
0.8 cm of textual documents
16. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 35th conference
1967
0.5 cm of textual documents
17. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 36th conference
1968
0.7 cm of textual documents
18. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 37th conference
1969
0.5 cm of textual documents
19. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 41st conference
1973
20. Soroptimist Federation of the Americas, Inc. Eastern Canada Region - 43rd conference
1975
0.5 cm of textual documents
21. [Club directory]
1974-1978
1.4 cm of textual documents

BOX 2

1. Representative receipt - collection books
1978-1979
0.4 cm of textual documents
2. Representative receipt - collection books
1977
0.4 cm of textual documents
3. Representative receipt - collection books
1977-1978
0.4 cm of textual documents
4. Financial statements - yearly
1952-1967
0.7 cm of textual documents
5. So now you're a club secretary
1964
0.5 cm of textual documents
6. So now you're a club president
1968
1 cm of textual documents
7. [Committees and correspondence]
1963-1977
0.4 cm of textual documents
8. [correspondence/pamphlets]
1975
1.8 cm of textual documents
9. [Membership dues/ application and correspondence]
1965-1977
1 cm of textual documents
10. [Journal - accounting book]
1967-1975
1 cm of textual documents
11. [Journal - accounting book]
1959-1966

- 1 cm of textual documents
12. [Journal - accounting book]
1949-1959
1.8 cm of textual documents
 13. [Address book]
1976(?)
1 cm of textual documents
 14. [Song book]
1970
0.2 cm of textual documents
 15. [Seals, membership card, etc]
undated
 16. Bulletins from clubs
1970-1971
4p
 17. [Call to convention/correspondence]
1970
0.7 cm of textual documents
 18. [Report and forms]
1970
0.6 cm of textual documents
 19. [Correspondence]
1968-1970
0.2 cm of textual documents
 20. Soroptimist Federation of America and Canada
1961-1970
0.5 cm of textual documents
 21. By-laws of the Soroptimist club of Sudbury Nickel district
undated
0.2 cm of textual documents
 22. [Letter, convention program, and photos]
1968-1970
0.2 cm of textual documents and 3 photographs