



Descriptive Summary:

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Biographical Note

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is an organization that promotes economic security and education opportunities for women through advocacy efforts. Members include university graduates from schools in the U.S. Historically, AAUW has published bulletins, research reports, study guides, and other materials about education and women's rights.

South Dakota's first branch of AAUW (known until 1921 as Association of Collegiate Alumnae) was formed in Huron in 1917. The Aberdeen branch was formed in 1924, with a membership count of 37 in the first year. The three study groups within the Aberdeen branch were Drama, Child Study, and International Relations.

Scope and Content

This collection contains items relating to the Aberdeen Branch of the American Association of University Women. Items include meeting minutes, reports, newsletters, programs and directories, surveys, ledgers and scrapbooks, newspaper clippings, and other publications. Each series is arranged chronologically, with undated items located at the back of the series. This collection is entirely in English.

Series Descriptions:

Series Title: History	Boxes: 1	Dates: 1924 - 1985
Series Title: Meeting Minutes	Boxes: 1	Dates: 1924 - 1991
Series Title: Reports	Boxes: 1	Dates: 1941 - 1992
Series Title: Newsletters	Boxes: 1	Dates: 1953- 1992
Series Title: Programs and Directories	Boxes: 1, 2	Dates: 1926 - 1994
Series Title: Publications & Surveys	Boxes: 2	Dates: 1954 - 1960; 1972 - 1990

Series Title: Newspaper Clippings Boxes: 2 Dates: 1969 - 1991

Series Title: Drama Section Boxes: 2 Dates: 1932 - 1943

Series Title: Ledgers and Scrapbooks Boxes: 2 - 4 Dates: 1924 - 1989

Detailed Description of the Collection

1. Series Title: History

Box #1

FF1 General History, 1924-1985

Item 1 The History of the South Dakota Division of the American Association of University Women, 1917-1963

Item 2 The History of the South Dakota Division American Association of University Women, 1964-1984 (copy 1)

Item 3 The History of the South Dakota Division American Association of University Women, 1964-1984 (copy 2)

FF2 Membership Lists, 1924-1983

Box #2

Member record cards, 1960s-1980s

Stamper and stamps

2. Series Title: Meeting Minutes

Box #1

FF3 Meeting Minutes, 1924-1930

FF4 Meeting Minutes, 1930-1932, 1937-1939

FF5 Meeting Minutes, 1932-1938

FF6 Meeting Minutes

 Parent Education Section, 1936-1940

 Social Studies Group, 1940-1942

FF7 Meeting Minutes, 1940-1946

FF8 Meeting Minutes, 1946-1950

FF9 Meeting Minutes, 1957-1961

FF10 Aberdeen Branch General Meeting Minutes, 1979-1986

FF11 Aberdeen Branch General Meeting Minutes, 1987-1991

FF12 Executive Board Meeting Minutes, 1979-1986

FF13 Executive Board Meeting Minutes, 1987-1981

3. Series Title: Reports

Box #1

FF14 Annual and Biennial Reports, 1941-1957

FF15 Annual and Biennial Reports, 1957-1966

FF16 Committee and Officer Reports, 1981-1992

4. Series Title: Newsletters

FF17 Chit Chat newsletters, 1953

FF18 Chit Chat newsletters, 1954

FF19 Chit Chat newsletters, 1955

FF20 Chit Chat newsletters, 1956

FF21 Chit Chat newsletters, 1957

FF22 Chit Chat newsletters, 1959

FF23 Chit Chat newsletters, 1960

FF24 Chit Chat newsletters, 1961

FF25 Chit Chat newsletters, 1962

FF26 Chit Chat newsletters, 1963

FF27 Chit Chat newsletters, 1964

FF28 Chit Chat newsletters, 1965

FF29 Chit Chat newsletters, 1966

FF30 Chit Chat newsletters, 1967

FF31 Chit Chat newsletters, 1968

FF32 Chit Chat newsletters, 1969

FF33 Chit Chat newsletters, 1970

FF34 Chit Chat newsletters, 1971

FF35 Chit Chat newsletters, 1972

FF36 Chit Chat newsletters, 1973

FF37 Chit Chat newsletters, 1974

FF38 Chit Chat newsletters, 1975

FF39 Chit Chat newsletters, 1976

FF40 Chit Chat newsletters, 1977

FF41 Chit Chat newsletters, undated

FF42 Newsletters, 1985-1992

5. Series Title: Programs and Directories

Box #1

FF43 Aberdeen Branch programs, 1920s

FF44 Aberdeen Branch programs, 1930s

FF45 Aberdeen Branch programs, 1940s

FF46 Aberdeen Branch programs, 1960s

FF47 Aberdeen Branch programs, 1970s

FF48 Aberdeen Branch programs, 1980s

Box #2

FF1 Named Gift Honoree programs, 1970s

FF2 Named Gift Honoree programs, 1980s

FF3 Named Gift Honoree programs, 1990s

FF4 Named Gift Honoree programs, undated

FF5 Miscellaneous Events, 1985-1991

FF6 American Association of University Women Directory, 1944-1946

FF7 American Association of University Women directories, 1990-1991

FF8 Women's History Week materials, 1982

6. Series Title: Publications and Surveys

Box #2

FF9 Publications, 1972-1990

FF10 "Status of Women in the Institutions of Higher Learning in South Dakota" survey,
c. 1954

FF11 Aging survey, 1960

FF12 Membership survey, n.d.

7. Series Title: Newspaper Clippings

Box #2

FF13 Newspaper Clippings, 1969-1991

8. Series Title: Drama Section

Box #2

FF14 AAUW Drama Section programs, 1932, 1941

FF15 Drama Section meeting minutes, 1933-1938

FF16 Drama Section meeting minutes, 1938-1943

FF17 "Drama as a Key to International Understanding" course, 1934

FF18 "The Magic Carpet" script, 1935

FF19 "Recent American Theatre" course, 1940

FF20 "American Drama: 1918-1939" course, 1940

FF21 "Art Question Series: 1940-1941; Theatre" pamphlet, 1941

FF22 "Father Wins the Peace" script, n.d.

9. Series Title: Ledgers and Scrapbooks

Box #2

Item 1 Member and Account ledger, 1924-1933

Item 2 Member and Account ledger, 1933-1949

Box #3

Item 1 AAUW Scrapbook, 1954-1955

Item 2 AAUW Scrapbook, 1967-1981

Box #4

Item 1 AAUW Scrapbook, 1986-1989