FRIENDSHIP LEAGUE AND WOMAN'S PRESS CLUB OF INDIANA RECORDS, 1903-1916 (BULK 1913-1916)

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Woman's Press Club of Indiana was organized on February 18, 1913 for the purpose of bringing the women journalists of the state into "a closer fellowship of social and intellectual intercourse." Originally, Club members were Indiana female authors and reporters, but later included women from radio and television as well.

Over the years, the Club has engaged in many literary and social activities. These include donating books to libraries, contributing to the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital, and sponsoring writing contests and scholarships. It also has provided seminars, workshops, and forums for women writers and reporters. Many prominent authors, lecturers and statesmen have appeared on its programs. To honor one such prominent author, the Club erected a statue in Turkey Run State Park as a memorial to Juliet V. Strauss, a writer for the Ladies Home Journal and the Indianapolis News

In 1937, the Club became a charter member of the National Federation of Press Women. Since that time, members of the Indiana Club have served as regional Presidents of the national organization. Today, the Woman's Press Club of Indiana remains an active organization.

The Friendship League was a women's social club from Delphi, Carroll County, Indiana.

Sources:

Collection guide for Woman's Press Club of Indiana Records (M 0373)

Indiana Historical Society—Women's History, Organizations and Projects A-H (http://www.indianahistory.org/our-collections/manuscript-and-visual-collections/womens-history-materials/women2019s-history-organizations-and-projects-a-h#.V-17N_krKM8)

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The record book contains charter members' dues for the Woman's Press Club of Indiana in the first 20 pages.

Pages 20-40 contain minutes for the Friendship League of Delphi, Indiana.

Interleaved in these sections are letters, notes, and minutes, including some pages taken from later in the volume.

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