

Collection #
M 1408

**CAMP FIRE GIRLS OF CENTRAL INDIANA
RECORDS ADDITION, 1954–1959**

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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NOTES:

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Camp Fire Girls, later changed to Camp Fire, Inc., was formed by Dr. Luther Halsey Gulick and Charlotte Gulick in New York in 1910. A chapter in Indianapolis was formed by Eleanor Putnam at the Downey Avenue Christian Church in Irvington in 1913. The group did not last long, but another formed at School 70 in 1919. They were granted a charter by Camp Fire Girls in 1923.

Their first camp space was at Bethany Park in Brooklyn, Indiana. They next found space at McCormick's Creek Canyon beginning in 1930. This was followed by land rented from a Mr. Arthur Baxter near 116th Street between North Meridian Street and Highway 37. The camp remained there from 1934 to 1959.

In 1961, their camp moved to a portion of Bradford Woods outside of Martinsville with permission from Indiana University. The Central Indiana chapter disbanded in 1988, mostly from a lack of funding. A group remains in Crawfordsville that serves the central part of the state, among others.

Sources:

Brockman, Paul. Camp Fire Girls of Central Indiana Records, 1913-1988, Indianapolis, IN. Indiana Historical Society. Archives.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection is an addition to M 0526 Camp Fire Girls of Central Indiana. It contains nine folders of manuscript materials related to the organization that date from 1954 to 1959. This includes organizational information, brochures, a development plan for a camp at Bradford Woods, and ranges of their chapter publication, titled *The Blaze*.

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