MAENNERCHOR WIVES CLUB MINUTE BOOKS, 1953–64

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	2 manuscript folders
COLLECTION DATES:	1953–64
PROVENANCE:	Dorothy Linke, Lawrence, Indiana, 1999
RESTRICTIONS:	None
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RELATED HOLDINGS:	Indianapolis Maennerchor photographs, ca. 1890-1906 (Call# P 0181); The Maennerchor cook book: recipes (Call# TX715 .M34 1906)
ACCESSION NUMBER:	1999.0602
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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The object of the Maennerchor Wives Club was: "a. To promote good fellowship among our members and husbands. b. To promote the study of the music and artists prior to each concert." Membership was limited to wives of men who were part of the Indianapolis Maennerchor, an open membership men's choir established in 1854. If a husband left the Maennerchor, the woman's membership would be terminated.

The first meeting was held September 15, 1953, at which time the women decided the name of the organization should be "Women's Auxiliary of the Indianapolis Maennerchor." However, by the time they published the Rules of Order on October 20, 1953, the name was changed to "Maennerchor Wives Club" to avoid confusion with other groups.

The Club met the third Tuesday of every month. The officers consisted of a Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be chosen by annual election, except for the Chairman position, which would be held by the previous Vice-Chairman.

Sources:

Materials in the collection

Maennerchor.org. "Indianapolis Maennerchor: Gentlemen of Song since 1854." *Indianapolis Maennerchor*. Accessed March 27, 2015. http://www.maennerchor.org/

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The collection contains two bound minute books of the Maennerchor Wives Club. The minute books discuss Club meetings, including information about club rules, events (such as picnics, banquets, auctions, and Christmas parties), treasurer's reports, membership lists, and fundraising (mainly through ribbon sales).

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- 2. Click on the "Basic Search" icon.
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