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WOMAN'S ROTARY CLUB RECORDS, 1979–1997

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 manuscript box, 5 folders of color photographs
COLLECTION DATES:	1979–1997
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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Woman's Rotary Club of Indianapolis was organized on 28 April 1919 by a group of local businesswomen with Dr. Amelia Keller serving as the organization's first president. Membership was by invitation, but was open to any woman engaged in a profession, occupation or position of responsibility. The club's goals were similar to those of their male counterpart: promote business interest of all members; establish high ethical standards in business and professions; promote acquaintance as an opportunity for service and as an aid to success; maintain interest in all public movement and civic development; and provide scholarships, fellowships or other financial assistance to individuals enrolled in accredited post-high school education institutions. The organization was non-political and had no affiliation with Rotary International. The Woman's Rotary Club supported an Endowment Fund and other earnings that provide scholarships to women of non-traditional age seeking undergraduate or graduate degrees. The club concluded its operations in 1997 when the Rotary International began accepting women members.

Sources: Information in collection.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of the organization's records from 1979 to when it ceased operations in 1997. Among the materials included in the records are by-laws; historical information; yearbooks/membership lists, 1987–1997; and the club's newsletter, *The Wheel*, 1979–1997. Other items include board materials, 1991–1996; presidential files, 1992–1995; and news clippings and magazine articles containing information regarding the club's activities, 1987–1994. Also contained in the records are materials regarding the organization's activities such as fashion shows, 1990–1996, and scholarships, 1990–1992. Visual materials in the collection include color photographs of the club's fashion shows for 1993, 1994, and 1996, as well as the 1993 Christmas program and several other functions from the 1990s.

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