

## **Guide to the U-Wah-Un Study Club Records**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	U-Wah-Un Study Club
<b>Title:</b>	U-Wah-Un Study Club Records
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00198
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1919-1987
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.69 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.63 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	U-Wah-Un Study Club Records (1919-1987) include a complete set of the organization's yearbooks from 1919 to 1977, a club scrapbook, meeting minutes, and financial records.

### Preferred Citation

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## Historical Note

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The U-Wah-Un Study Club was founded in 1919 in Las Vegas, Nevada as a women's literary club. The initial membership meeting in August 1919 was limited to twelve women, but the limit was raised to eighteen at the next meeting in September 1919. The first officers were Mrs. John S. Park, President; Mrs. Halle Hewetson, Vice-President; and Mrs. Charles L. Connelly, Secretary-Treasurer. The name of the club was suggested by Mrs. Helen J. Stewart and is Paiute for "Circle of Friends."

Meetings were held on the first and third Mondays of each month, and members took turns preparing the programs and hosting the meetings at their homes. Evening social meetings were sometimes held for members and their guests, and later the meetings were held in local hotels or restaurants. The club existed for many years and later took on community projects such as collecting books for the children of the Paiute Tribal Center in Las Vegas. The club is no longer active.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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U-Wah-Un Study Club Records (1919-1987) contains a complete set of club yearbooks from 1919 to 1977. The books note the topic of each meeting, the name of the person presenting the program, and the hostess of the meeting. The books also list officers and club members. They provide a complete summary of the activities of the club over a fifty-eight year period and are replete with the names of influential women of Las Vegas. In addition, the collection contains the club scrapbook, covering the years 1953-1977, member biographies, newspaper clippings, histories of the club written by members, meeting minutes, and financial records.

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## Arrangement

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Materials are arranged alphabetically.

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## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1978 by Bertha E. Franklin; accession number T- 126.

### Processing Note

Carol A. Corbett processed the collection in 1996. In 2018, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Sarah Jones revised the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Women -- Societies and clubs -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Women -- Nevada
- Literature -- Societies, etc. -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Photographs

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers	
Bank deposit records, 1955-1968	box 01	folder 01
Bank statements and canceled checks, 1974-1984	box 01	folder 02
Check register and canceled checks, 1963-1986	box 01	folder 03
Club history, notes, and general correspondence, 1943-1969	box 01	folder 04
Internal Revenue Service applications and correspondence, 1983-1984	box 01	folder 05
Meeting minutes, 1973-1979	box 01	folder 06
Poems about the club, undated	box 01	folder 07
Photographs, undated	box 01	folder 08
Receipt books, 1974-1977	box 01	folder 09
Scrapbook, 1953-1977	box 01	folder 10
Yearbooks, 1919-1929	box 01	folder 11
Yearbooks, 1928-1930	box 01	folder 12
Yearbooks, 1939-1949	box 02	folder 01
Yearbooks, 1949-1959	box 02	folder 02
Yearbooks, 1959-1969	box 02	folder 03
Yearbooks, 1969-1987	box 02	folder 04