Finding Aid

➢ The National Federation Of Business And Professional Women’s Clubs, Inc. <
Monroe - Central Business And Professional Women’s Club
Toledo, Ohio, Records, 1954-1993

MSS-100

Size: 2.7 linear feet

Provenance: Monroe Central Business and Professional Women’s Club, through past President Sally Yeager, donated its records to the Ward M. Canaday Center in 1994.

Access: open

Collection Summary: Contains materials relating to local, regional, and national BPW clubs and includes by-laws and constitutions, correspondence, meeting minutes, newsletters, and other printed materials and scrapbooks.

Subjects: Business and Commerce, Civic Interests and Women

Related Collections:

Processing Note:

Copyright: The literary rights to this collection are assumed to rest with the person(s) responsible for the production of the particular items within the collection, or with their heirs or assigns. Researchers bear full legal responsibility for the acquisition to publish from any part of said collection per Title 17, United States Code. The Ward M. Canaday Center for Special Collections may reserve the right to intervene as intermediary at its own discretion.

Completed by: Jennifer Kahn Mandell, May 1996

Reformatted by: Arjun Sabharwal, May 2010; last updated: June 2014
Introduction

The Monroe Central Business and Professional Women’s Club was founded February 10, 1954. The group was one of many such organizations throughout the United States and internationally, providing fellowship and support to working women.

While many local, regional, state, national and international clubs continue to be active today, the Monroe Central BPW Club was absorbed by the Sylvania BPW Club in 1993.

The national group (BPW USA) formed in 1919, and the Ohio State BPW group was formed in 1920. The foremost purpose of BPW is to further the cause of working women.

There are no restrictions on the use of, or access to, this collection.
Organizational History

1954  Monroe Central Business and Professional Women’s Club founded.

1955  A scholarship fund of $100 was approved. A Whitney Vocational High School Student received the scholarship the first year.

1957  The club sponsored its first student nurse, assisting with her tuition.

1981  The club had an internal crisis over the issue of racial discrimination. A Monroe Central member presented two co-workers from Ohio Bell for Consideration; both were black. Some MCBPW members objected, setting off a conflict within the group that resulted in the resignation of one of the officers and a decline in new members which haunted the group until its dissolution in 1993.

1993  Monroe Central Business and Professional Women’s Club was dissolved; the remaining MCBPW members joined the Sylvania Business and Professional Women’s Club.
The collection is arranged in seven series.

**Series one** contains the records of the Monroe Central BPW Club, including information on the organization’s history, meetings, activities, and newsletters.

**Series two** consists of Ohio Region 2 BPW meetings and publications.

**Series three** contains a sampling of materials from other BPW clubs in Ohio Region 2.

**Series four** consists of Ohio State BPW correspondence, publications, and events.

**Series five** contains national (BPW USA) publications and materials.

**Series six** is Individual Development Program (IDP) information and materials. IDP is one of the basic member benefits through BPW, providing skills training in areas that are of importance to career success.

**Series seven** contains the contents of the scrapbooks that Monroe Central BPW maintained.

Note: Records are incomplete. Regular and Board meeting notes for 1981-1985 were not in the collection as received.
### Folder List

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Box</th>
<th>Folder</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>Charter information, annual reports, rosters</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2</td>
<td>By-laws and revisions</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
|     | 3      | Regular Meeting Minutes  
  |       |   Oct 1985 - April 1993 |
|     | 4      | Board Meeting Minutes  
  |       |   Sept. 1979 - May 1981  
  |       |   Sept. 1985 - April 1993 |
|     | 5      | Correspondence  
  |       |   Sept. 1979 - June 1981  
  |       |   Jan. 1988 - March 1993 |
|     | 6      | Financial Records |
|     | 7      | News & Views newsletter  
  |       |   Sept. 1979 - Nov 1980  
  |       |   Jan 1981 - April 1993 |
|     | 8      | Special Events Programs  
  |       |   Cassette recording of speech by Sandy Isenberg on 2/20/90 |
|     | 9      | Woman of the Year  
  |       |   MCBPW candidates |
|     | 10     | BPW sponsored scholarships- local recipients |
|     | 11     | Monroe Central BPW awards |
|     |        | Region 2 BPW  
  |       |   Region 2 Correspondence |
|     | 12     | “Issues & Updates” BPW OH Region 2 Newsletter |
|     | 13     | Region 2 Rosters |
|     | 14     | Region 2 Correspondence |
|     | 15     | Anthony Wayne BPW Club |
|     | 16     | Bellevue BPW Club |
|     | 17     | Bowling Green BPW Club |
|     | 18     | Clyde BPW Club |
|     | 19     | Fallen Timbers BPW Club |
|     | 20     | Findlay BPW Club |
|     | 21     | Fostoria BPW Club |
The National Federation Of Business And Professional Women’s Clubs, Inc.
Monroe - Central Business And Professional Women’s Club Toledo, Ohio
Records, 1954-1993

23      Ft Meigs BPW Club
24      Genoa BPW Club
25      Key to the Sea BPW
26      Maumee BPW Club
27      Oregon BPW Club
28      Sylvania BPW Club
29      Tallmadge BPW Club
30      Tiffin BPW Club
31      Toledo BPW Club
32      Trilby BPW Club
33      Westhaven BPW Club

OHIO BPW
34      Ohio BPW History, Rosters
35      Ohio BPW Correspondence
36      Ohio BPW Special Events
37      Ohio BPW Publications
38      “From Inside BPW/ Ohio” newsletter
                   1987-1988
39      “Ohio Business Woman” newspaper
                   1987 - 1993
40      “Forecasts” Ohio BPW Newsletter
                   1979 - 1980
41      “Action Lines” newsletter
42      Indiana BPW

BPW
USA
43      History
44      Recruitment
45      BPW Foundation
46      Legislative efforts
47      Outreach and service projects
48      Young Careerist Program
49      USA Publications
50      “National Business Woman”, professional journal
51      BPW International

2*      1      BPW Books
Individual Development Program (IDP)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>IDP General information/ overview</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>IDP participant self assessment tools</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>IDP session records (MCBPW sessions)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>IDP Class Manual</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>IDP Career Selection Module</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7</td>
<td>IDP Color &amp; Personality Module</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8</td>
<td>IDP Communication Skills Module</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9</td>
<td>IDP Leadership Module</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10</td>
<td>IDP Management Skills Module</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11</td>
<td>IDP Parliamentary Procedure Module</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>IDP Public Speaking Module</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3 MCBPW Scrapbook contents

4** MCBPW Scrapbook contents