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Princess Patricia Club fonds. - [textual record]. - 1948-1999. - 37.5 cm of textual records and photographs.

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Administrative history

The Princess Patricia Club of Moose Jaw was formed in October 1933 by Maudie Radcliffe Baylay and Nan Evans Buchbach. The original aim was to help young girls during the Depression. Assistance was given to numerous girls, but soon extended to needy families and the elderly.

The first executive elected were Maudie Radcliffe Baylay, president; Nan Evans Buchbach, vice-president; Verna Woods Forrest, secretary; and Dorothy Knox Gibson, treasurer. Blue and silver were chosen as the club's colours. Meetings were held weekly. A special project was undertaken once a month. The prime source of fund raising became the afternoon tea and bazaar. Other projects included charity balls, supper dances, tag days, gala Boxing Day dances and sales of roses and tulips.

In 1939 the Princess Patricia Club was invited to become the auxiliary to the 77th Battery Royal Canadian Artillery. During World War II, the Princess Patricia Club sent more than 2800 parcels to Battery personnel serving overseas. Funds raised were also spent on bursaries, nursing scholarships, milk for Britain campaign, children's shelters, the elderly and the blind. In later years the Club supported many institutions and local agencies including the Union Hospital, Providence Hospital, St. Anthony's Home, Pioneer Lodge, the Christmas Stocking Fund, and Easter boxes for shut-ins.

In 1999, after 66 years on a most distinguished record, the Princess Patricia Club, mostly because of a declining and aging membership disbanded. A final donation of the Club's funds was made to the Foundation for the Moose Jaw Union Hospital.

Scope and content

This fonds consists of the history, constitution, minutes of meetings and financial records of the Princess Patricia Club. There are eleven scrapbooks containing primarily newspaper clippings and some photographs of the Club's history, business and activities.

Conservation note

This fonds was re-boxed and foldered in 2004.

Note of immediate source of acquisition

Donated to the Archives Dept. by Rea MacDiarmid in 1999.

Accruals

No further accruals expected.

Finding aids

See file list.

File List

MJ-91/1. - Club Business. - [textual record]. - 1948-1999. - 12.0 cm of textual records. Box V-73

This series consists of the constitution and by-laws, minutes of meetings and financial records.

001 - Constitution and Bylaws 1952, 1957

002 - Minutes 1962-1971

003 - Minutes 1971-1979

004 - Minutes 1978-1985

005 - Minutes 1986-1991

006 - Minutes 1991-1999

007 - Financial Records 1948-1953

008 - Financial Records 1960-1977

009 - Financial Records 1977-1985

010 - Financial Records 1984-1999

MJ-91/2. - Club Activities and History. - [textual record, graphic material].- 1933-1999. - 25.5 cm of textual records and photographs.

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This series consists of eleven scrapbooks covering the history and activities of the Princess Patricia Club, as well as three copies of a history of the Club.

001 - Scrapbook 1933-1938

- 002 Scrapbook 1938-1940
- 003 Scrapbook 1940-1944
- 004 Scrapbook 1944-1945
- 005 Scrapbook 1946-1948
- 006 Scrapbook 1949-1951
- 007 Scrapbook 1953-1954
- 008 Scrapbook 1954-1956
- 009 Scrapbook 1957-1958
- 010 Scrapbook 1956-1961
- 011 Scrapbook 1970-1998
- 012 History (3 copies)