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Collection Information

Abstract : Collection includes lists of members and officers, program booklets (1952-1991); minutes of meeting (1958-2002), records of the corresponding secretary, death and inactive files

and membership application forms.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository

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(lcsh, aat, gmgpc, etc.)

Women -- Massachusetts -- Worcester -- Societies and clubs.

Social clubs -- Massachusetts -- Worcester.

Worcester (Mass.) -- Social life and customs.

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Historical/Biographical Notes

In 1911, pre-nuptial bridal parties gave birth to the formation of a club. Ten young woman invited a friend each to meet with Ruth Woodward to form the Wittenagemot Club. The name was taken from the Anglo-Saxon words “Witan” meaning wise men, and “Agemot” meaning meeting. Women from the Worcester area were the members. Nine monthly meetings were held yearly, which included either a luncheon or desert, and discussion topics that could range from politics, to book reviews, crafts, to community service. The club disbanded in 2002.

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Series Descriptions

- Series 1: Minutes, Lists of Officers and Members
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- Series 4: Notes of Corresponding Secretary
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- Series 7: Entertainment Menus
- Series 8: Letters of Resignation
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- Series 10: Death and Inactive Card File
- Series 11: Secretary’s Reports
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- Series 14: Scrapbooks
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Series 1, Minutes, Lists of Officers and Members

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2002.18.1.1-.2	Minutes (1958-1960)
1	2	2002.18.1.3-.4	Minutes (1960-1962)
1	3	2002.18.1.5-.6	Minutes (1962-1964)
1	4	2002.18.1.7-.8	Minutes (1964-1966)
1	5	2002.18.1.9-.10	Minutes (1966-1968)
1	6	2002.18.1.11-.12	Minutes (1968-1970)
1	7	2002.18.1.13-.14	Minutes (1970-1972)
1	8	2002.18.1.15-.16a	Minutes (1972-1975)
1	9	2002.18.1.17-18	Minutes (1975-1977)
1	10	2002.18.1.19-.20	Minutes (1977-1979)
1	11	2002.18.1.21-.22	Minutes (1980-1982)
1	12	2002.18.1.23-.24	Minutes (1982-1984)
1	13	2002.18.1.25-.26	Minutes (1984-1986)
1	14	2002.18.1.27-.28	Minutes (1986-1988)
1	15	2002.18.1.29-.30	Minutes (1988-1990)
1	16	2002.18.1.31-.32	Minutes (1990-1992)
1	17	2002.18.1.33-.34	Minutes (1992-1994)

1 18 2002.18.125-36 Minutes (1994-2002)

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Series 2, Program Booklets

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	19	2002.18.2.1-.7	Program Booklets (1952-1959)
1	20	2002.18.2.8-.14	Program Booklets (1960-1969)
1	21	2002.18.2.15-.24	Program Booklets (1970-1980)
1	22	2002.18.2.25-41	Program Booklets (1980-1998)

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Series 3, Membership Applications and Letters of Support

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	23	2002.18.3.1	1940-1950
1	24	2002.18.3.2	1951-1960
1	25	2002.18.3.3	1961-1970
1	26	2002.18.3.4	1971-1973

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Series 4, Notes of Correspondences

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
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Series 5, Executive Board Minutes

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
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1	29	2002.18.5.2	1950-1976

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Series 6, Constitution and By-Laws

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	30	2002.18.6.1-.4	1965, 1976

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Series 7, Entertainment Menus

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	31	2002.18.7.1	1979-1987

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Series 8, Letters of Resignation

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
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Series 9, Miscellaneous Items

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	33	2002.18.9.1	Blank Stationary, Newspaper Articles
1	34	2002.18.9.2	Photograph of 70 th Anniversary in 1981 of club. (Pictured are; Betty Richards, Betty Caswell and Vera Dowden)

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Series 10, Death and Inactive Card File

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	35	2002.18.10.1	A-L
1	36	2002.18.10.2	M-Y

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Series 11, Secretary's Reports

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	37	2002.18.11.1	1913-1914
2	37	2002.18.11.2	1926-1927
2	38	2002.18.11.3	1933
2	38	2002.18.11.4	1934

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Series 12, Treasurer's Statements

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2	39	2002.18.12.1	1930-1945
2	39	2003.18.12.2	1923-1925

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Series 13, Historian's Reports

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2		2002.18.12.3	1929-1984

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Series 14, Scrapbooks

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3	2002.18.14.1	Scrapbook with miscellaneous newspaper articles.
3	2002.18.14.2	Scrapbook with miscellaneous newspaper articles.

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Series 15, Calendars

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	40	2002.18.15.1-.6	Calendars 1923-1929
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Series 16, Clerk Reports

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	42	2003.18.16.1	Clerk Reports
4	43	2003.18.16.2	Clerk Reports

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Series 17, Anniversary Materials

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	44	2002.18.17.1-.15	Miscellaneous material relating to the 17 th

			and 20 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.
4	45	2002.18.17.16-.30	Miscellaneous material relating to the 20 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.
4	46	2002.18.17.31-.45	Miscellaneous material relating to the 20 th and 25 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.
4	47	2002.18.17.46-.60	Miscellaneous material relating to the 25 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.
4	48	2002.18.17.61-.77	Miscellaneous material relating to the 25 th , 60 th and 75 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.

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Series 18, Photographs

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
4	49	2002.18.18.1-.7	Slides of the 40 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.
4	49	2002.18.18.8-.15	Pictures of the 75 th Anniversary of the Wittenagemot Club.