

TITLE: Yuma Business and Professional Women's Club Collection

DATE RANGE: 1919 - 2011

CALL NUMBER: Y-MS 39

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2.5 linear feet (5 boxes)

PROVENANCE: Donated by various individuals between 1985 and 2011.

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CREDIT LINE: Yuma Business and Professional Women's Club Collection, Y-MS 39, Arizona Historical Society-Yuma

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HISTORICAL NOTE: The Yuma Business and Professional Women's Club was founded in 1919 as a local branch of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. The National Federation was initially conceived as a way of organizing professional women during World War 1 by the War Council of the Young Women's Christian Association. The war ended before plans were completed but the work continued and in 1919 the YWCA and the National Women's Association of Commerce met to discuss the creation of a federation. On July 15 the federation was formed despite the NWAC pulling out of the agreement.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: The bulk of the collection is comprised of scrapbooks and yearbooks created by Yuma Business and Professional Women's Club. In addition to these there are two folders of correspondence primarily from the early 1920s many of which were sent to the club by the National Federation. The administrative folder includes various documents pertaining to the running of the club including officer lists and financial papers. The memorabilia folder holds tickets for a 1921 musical show put on by the club to raise funds for obtaining a meeting space for the club, as well as an award ribbon. The publications folder contains a number of news clippings and assorted pamphlets, as well as copies of the periodical *National Business Woman*, produced by the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs. There are no series.

CONTAINER LIST:

Box	Folder	Title	Dates
1	1	Administrative	1920 – 1936, n.d.
	2	Administrative, Meeting Minutes	1946 – 1950
	3	Administrative, Meeting Minutes	1950 – 1951
	4	Correspondence	1920 – 1955, n.d.
	5	Memorabilia	1921, n.d.
	6	Publications	1920 – 1988, n.d.
	7	Publications, <i>National Business Woman</i>	1957
	8	Publications, <i>National Business Woman</i>	1958 – 1960
	9	Yearbooks	1919 – 2011
2	-	Scrapbooks (1)	1949
3	-	Scrapbooks (2)	1952 – 1955
4	-	Scrapbooks (1)	1968
5	-	Scrapbooks (2)	1940 – 1942