

## Draper Women's Club Collection

<b>Repository:</b>	Rockingham Co. Historical Collections Gerald B. James Library Rockingham Community College P. O. Box 38 Wentworth, NC 27375
<b>Title:</b>	Draper Women's Club Collection
<b>Accession No.:</b>	05-069
<b>Extent:</b>	2 boxes
<b>Provenance:</b>	The collection was donated on 26 July 2005 by Karen Cochran of the Draper section of Eden, NC. The club records were in the possession of her aunt, Ruby Riddle, who was one of the longtime members of club.
<b>Inclusive Dates:</b>	1930-2004
<b>Subject Headings:</b>	Clubs – Draper (N. C.) Clubs – Rockingham County (N. C.)
<b>Preferred Citation:</b>	<i>Draper Women's Club Collection. 05-069. Rockingham Co. Historical Collections, Gerald B. James Library, Rockingham Community College.</i>
<b>Descriptive Note:</b>	The Draper Women's Club had its origins in the Mother's Club, which was formed in 1922. This club was begun by Mrs. May Campbell who was the women's director at the Draper YMCA. She invited all the young mothers of the community to monthly meetings. The club grew rapidly in membership and achievements, and in 1932 it became a member of the North Carolina Federated Women's Clubs. The object of the club was "the united effort toward peace, charity, equity and higher civilization." Over the years, club projects included help for Draper school, beautification of homes, streets and public buildings, a new community park on the site of the Old Mill Pond, flower shows and more. The club also supported charitable organizations and was one of the sponsors of the Rockingham County Fine Arts Festival for a number of years.

The club continued its civic projects into the 1990s, but due to deaths and the aging of its members it became less active until it disbanded in 2004.

**Contents:**

Cancer Crusade – 1950, 1951

Club constitution and bylaws

Club programs – 1930s, 1940s, 1950s

Club scrap books – 1950-51, 1954-58

Correspondence – 1937, 1940-44, 1950s, 1960s, 1970s, 1980

Correspondence – Civil defense, WWII, 1941-45

Financial records – 1930-33, 1938-43, 1954-55, 1987-1990, 1992-2004

Fine Arts Festival programs

Improvement projects

*Life* magazine, 3 Aug 1953

Membership

Miscellaneous materials

Newspaper clippings – 1930s, 1940-1957, 1959, 1960s, 1970s, 1980s

North Carolina Women's Club History 1902-1942, gavel, rubber stamp

Photographs: Mother and Daughter Club 1920s (3), Draper Women's Club ca. 1940, Draper Motor Company 1920s

Secretaries' Minute Books – 1934-41, 1944-53, 1958-60

Yearbooks: 1963-73, 1990, 1993, 1996

