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Lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E Fonds

Originals and photocopies, 54.5 cm of textual and photographic records, 1947-2011.

Scope and Content: The Lake Superior Chapter I.O.D.E. Fonds is a collection of photos, scrapbooks, minutes, membership lists, correspondence, legal documents, and annual reports concerning events and activities that were partaken in by the organization.

Series E 90/1/1: Membership Records, 1 cm, 1958-1987.

One folder containing membership roll call booklet, membership list, I.O.D.E. Life Membership Applications that were presented on the 40th Anniversary celebration of the Lake Superior Chapter.

- 1) 1958-1987, 1963.

Series E 90/2/1-2: Albums, 8.5 cm, 1972-2011.

- 1) 1972,1977,1979,1985-87,1990,1992,1999,2003,2005,2006,2008,2009.

Photo album made in tribute to the women of the Lake Superior Chapter, presented by the Thunder Bay Public Library.

- 2) 1996- 2011.

Series E 90/3/1-7: Scrapbooks, 18 cm, 1947-2010.

Six scrapbooks and one folder providing information on all the events that the women of the Lake Superior Chapter supported and funded.

- 1) 1947-1967. Contains telegrams, photos, newspaper clippings, and programmes.
- 2) 1958-1959. Newspaper clippings of beauty pageants sponsored by Lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E.
- 3) 1967-1977. Photos, newspaper clippings, and programmes.
- 4) 1977-1988. Photos, newspaper clippings, and programmes.
- 5) 1988-1995. Photos, newspaper clippings, membership lists, correspondence.
- 6) 1996-1999,2001,2003-2005,2009-2010. Newspaper clippings, and photos.
- 7) 1963, 1967, 1969, 1972-73, 1992, 1994,2006,2010. One folder containing programmes, and newspaper clippings that were intended for the scrapbooks.

Series E 90/4/1-6: Minutes, 16 cm, 1947-2011.

Six books of minutes concerning the Lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E.

- 1) 1947-1955.
- 2) 1955-1964.
- 3) 1964-1985.
- 4) 1985-1997.
- 5) 1998-2003.
- 6) 2003-2011.

Series E 90/5/1: Legal Documents, 1.5 cm, 1955, 1969, 1972, 1994.

One folder containing two constitution and by law books of the I.O.D.E., one regents



handbook, and Agreement of the Appointment of a Councillor form.

1) 1955, 1969, 1972, 1994.

Series E 90/6/1: Annual Reports, 1.5 cm, 1951-2010.

One envelope containing seventeen annual reports for the Lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E.

1) 1951, 1953, 1957, 1959, 1996-2001, 2003-2010.

Series E 90/7/1: Regents Records, 2 cm, 1949-2009.

One folder containing two exercise books with newspaper clippings and notes by Muriel Gerry who was regent of the organization, correspondence to regent Corinne Barclay, "Newfoundland's Romantic Story," Declaration of Trust, and compilation of I.O.D.E. history.

1) 1949, 1963, 1966, 1969, 1970, 1972-73, 1975, 1980, 1982, 1984-85, 1997, 2005, 2007-2009.

Series E 90/8/1-7: Subject Files, 6 cm, 1967-2010.

Seven folders, organized by subject alphabetically.

1) 1998. Documents from the sale of painting from the Agnes Limon Estate.

2) 1978-1990. Two notebooks with notes recorded in citizenship court.

3) 2010. Disbandment form, checklist and correspondence.

4) 1967. Two Friendship Garden layouts, centennial plot map, and information about the construction of the gardens.

5) 1980-1995. Correspondence, annual reports, articles, committee meeting notes, graphs, and two notebooks regarding I.O.D.E. involvement in the Genetic Counselling Clinic.

6) 1967, 1969, 1973. Correspondence, advertisements, programmes, Cargill Guide, progress reports and instructional guides regarding the I.O.D.E. Follies.

7) 1993, 2004, 2006-2007. Originals and photocopies. Death Notices and obituaries.

Organizational Sketch: The Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire was founded as an organization in 1900. The organization was founded by Mrs. Clark Murray in Montreal. The organization was based on patriotism, loyalty and service in Canada. I.O.D.E. goals were to improve the quality of the lives of children, youth and people in need, through education, social services, and citizenship programs.

The Lake Superior Chapter was formed in 1947 at a meeting with fifteen married women. The chapter was named after Lake Superior, because of its close proximity to Fort William where the organization was formed. The group met often to discuss fundraising in the local community and also internationally. Valentine teas, cooking shows, fashion shows and beauty pageants were all fundraises provided by the Lake Superior Chapter. A used clothing store, and a toy and book store were opened in the Fort William region as a fundraising technique, which both lasted a decade.

In 2011 the Lake Superior Chapter surrendered their charter. All of the remaining funds

of the organization were donated to the Mary J. L. Black Library. A plaque was placed in the library in order to properly recognize the generous donation made by the Lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E. A seat in the Children's Garden will forever be a testament to the organizations hard work and progress for the Lakehead region.

Additional Information: Donated by Corrine Barclay, last regent of the lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E.

Related Material: See also museum collection, 2010.138.1,2A-BB,3A-E,4,5,6,7,8,9,10. The collection contains photos, I.O.D.E. emblem stickers, award and certificate, and gavel, which were donated along with the Lake Superior Chapter, I.O.D.E. Fonds.