



## Guide to the West Concord Garden Club Records, 1938-1992

### Administrative Information

**Title and Dates:**

West Concord Garden Club Records, 1938-1992

**Repository:**

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**Author of Finding Aid:**

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**Creator:**

West Concord Garden Club

**Language:**

The materials in this collection are in English.

**Extent:**

3 boxes

**Abstract:**

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## Access and Use

### **Acquisition Information and Provenance:**

The West Concord Garden Club Records were a gift of Paula Smith, August 1994.

### **Processing Information:**

The finding aid was updated by Katelynn Vance in October 2014. This finding aid follows the standards set-forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

### **Access Restrictions:**

Available for research.

### **Location:**

The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

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### **Preferred Citation:**

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## Collection Overview

### **Biographical Information/ Administrative Information:**

The West Concord Garden Club was started in February of 1938. The first president was Agnes Johnson. The object of the group was to “promote a greater interest in gardening and to exchange experiences that shall be of mutual benefit to its members.” Members all had to be actively involved in gardening. There were to be 50 members holding monthly meetings and sponsoring an annual flower show. The club held program talks on topics such as herbs, plant disease, perennials, and flower arranging. They were very active in the Hopkinton Fair and often won ribbons for their entries. They sponsored civil improvements from the Concord City Park manager regarding the damage from the 1938 hurricane. With the last of their treasury, they purchased a granite memorial bench for the Sewell’s Falls Park in West Concord.

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**Arrangement:**

The West Concord Garden Club Records are organized by type of material and then date.

**Contents List****Box 1**

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|--------------|--|
| Folder 1     | Constitutions                                |
| Folder 2     | Minutes book, 1938 - January 1959            |
| Folder 3     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1953-1959 |
| Folder 4     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1960-1961 |
| Folder 5     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1962-1963 |
| Folder 6     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1964-1965 |
| Folder 7     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1966-1967 |
| Folder 8     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1968-1969 |
| Folder 9     | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1970-1971 |
| Folder 10    | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1972-1973 |
| Folder 11    | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1974-1975 |
| Folder 12    | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1976-1977 |
| Folder 13    | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1978-1979 |
| Folder 14    | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1980-1981 |
| Folder 15    | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1982-1983 |
| Folder 16-17 | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1984-1985 |
| Folder 18-19 | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1986-1987 |
| Folder 20-21 | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1988-1989 |
| Folder 22-23 | Annual Reports and Correspondence, 1990-1991 |
| Folder 24    | Final Annual Report, 1992                    |

**Box 2**

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| Folder 1  | Treasurers book, 1948-1975                          |
| Folder 2  | Treasurers book, 1976-1992                          |
| Folder 3  | Treasurers reports, 1986-1990                       |
| Folder 4  | Passbooks and check registers, 1960s-1980s          |
| Folder 5  | Flower show reports, 1943-1947                      |
| Folder 6  | Flower show reports, 1947-1958                      |
| Folder 7  | Flower show reports, 1955-1959                      |
| Folder 8  | Flower show reports, 1962-1966                      |
| Folder 9  | Flower show reports, 1978-1982                      |
| Folder 10 | Membership forms                                    |
| Folder 11 | Membership lists                                    |
| Folder 12 | Awards  |
| Folder 13 | Scrapbook Highlights, 1938-1961, by Margaret Crabbe |
| Folder 14 | Scrapbook, 1938-1959                                |
| Folder 15 | Scrapbook, 1942-1951                                |
| Folder 16 | Scrapbook, 1952-1953, 1961-1962                     |

**Box 3**

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| Folder 1  | Scrapbook 1962-1969        |
| Folder 2  | Scrapbook, 1970-1973       |
| Folder 3  | Scrapbook, 1974            |
| Folder 4  | Scrapbook, 1973-1979       |
| Folder 5  | Scrapbook, 1980            |
| Folder 6  | Scrapbook, 1988            |
| Folder 7  | Scrapbook, 1989-1991       |
| Folder 8  | Newspaper clippings        |
| Folder 9  | Hazel Sprague, herbs, etc. |
| Folder 10 | Miscellaneous              |
| Volume 11 | Guestbook, 1942-1946       |
| Volume 12 | Guestbook, 1959-1978       |
| Volume 13 | Guestbook, 1978-1979       |
| Volume 14 | Guestbook, 1966-1988       |
| Volume 15 | Guestbook, not dated       |

**Separated Materials:**

The photographs that arrived with this collection have been moved to the New Hampshire Historical Society's Photograph Collection.

**Subject Terms****People:**

Crabbe, Margaret  
Sprague, Hazel

**Subjects:**

Agriculture  
Garden Club  
Gardening  
Gardens  
Herbs

**Locations:**

Concord, NH

**Related Materials**

Concord Garden Club Photographs in the New Hampshire Historical Society's Photograph Collection.