

MS-163: National Association of Letter Carriers, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 Records

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Title: National Association of Letter Carriers, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 Records

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Summary/Abstract:

Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) is a reorganization of the earlier Ladies Auxiliary Branch 84, which existed from 1914-1915. Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 was organized in Dayton in 1920. The records consists of administrative records, financial documents, correspondence, convention materials, and histories of the organization, and document the organization's structure, activities, membership, and finances from its beginning through the late 1970s.

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Other Finding Aid:

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Related Material:

MS-58: National Association of Letter Carriers. Branch 45 Records
(<https://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms58.pdf>)

MS-164: National Association of Letter Carriers. Branch 182 Records
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Arrangement:

The collection is arranged in five series, some containing subseries:

Series I: Administrative Records, 1914-1978
Subseries IA: Minutes of Membership Meetings, 1914-1978
Subseries IB: By-Laws, Constitution, Membership List, 1943-1976

Series II: Financial Documents, 1923-1974
Subseries IIA: Treasurer's Reports, 1923-1974
Subseries IIB: Membership Dues Records, 1967-1974
Subseries IIC: Miscellaneous Financial, 1957-1964

Series III: Correspondence, 1952-1978
Series IV: Convention Materials, 1962-1967
Series V: Histories, 1926-1944

Historical Note:

The Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 was a local branch of the National Association of Letter Carriers Auxiliary (NALC). The first auxiliary group of the NALC was established in 1905 by women interested in letter carrier issues. The members consisted of wives, daughters, mothers, and sisters of letter carriers. Their goal was to help the NALC provide better working conditions for letter carriers through legislation. As of 2019, the National Association of Letter Carriers Auxiliary is an active organization dedicated to supporting and assisting letter carriers.

Auxiliary Branch 138 is a reorganization of the earlier Ladies Auxiliary Branch 84. The Gem City Ladies Auxiliary 84 was organized on February 13, 1914 with eighteen members. The organization seems to have disappeared in 1915 with no record of its disbanding. The Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 was organized on October 9, 1920. The branch's first president was Mrs.

Olive Shippers and their first secretary was Mrs. Lora Sollenberger. As of 2012, Auxiliary 138 continues to be an active branch.

Scope and Content Note:

The records of Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 of the National Association of Letter Carriers document the organization's structure, activities, membership, and finances from its beginning through the late 1970s. The records are divided into five series: Administrative Records, Financial Documents, Correspondence, Convention Materials, and Histories.

Series I: Administrative Records, is divided into two sub-series: Minutes of Membership Meetings; and By-Laws, Constitution, and a Membership List. **Subseries IA: Minutes of Membership Meetings**, contains the minutes for meetings of Ladies Auxiliary Branch 84 from 1914 to 1915. It also contains the minutes for Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 from 1920 to 1978. The years of 1967 and 1970 are missing. **Subseries IB: By-Laws, Constitution, Membership List**, contains: Auxiliary By-Laws from 1943, 1953, 1963, and 1965; a 1976 Constitution; Proposed Amendments and Resolutions from 1962; and a 1966 Membership List.

Series II: Financial Documents, is divided into three sub-series: Treasurer's Reports, Membership Dues Records, and Miscellaneous Financial. **Subseries IIA: Treasurer's Reports, 1923-1974**, skip the years 1959 to 1961. They report the receipts and disbursements of a general fund. **Subseries IIB: Membership Dues Records**, span from 1967 to 1974. **Subseries IIC: Miscellaneous Financial** contains four miscellaneous files dating 1957-1964.

Series III: Correspondence, is incomplete, but dates from 1952 to 1978. It is of a very general nature, but mainly concerns the group's national and charitable activities.

Series IV: Convention Materials, contains Proceedings of Conventions of the National Ladies Auxiliary from 1962, 1964, and 1966; Minutes of the National Ladies Auxiliary Convention, 1964; and Minutes of Conventions of the Ohio State Ladies Auxiliary from 1961, 1963, and 1967.

Series V: Histories, contains social histories of Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 from 1926 to 1941, and 1942 to 1944. The history of 1926 to 1941 is incomplete with two of four pages missing. Also included in this series is a Citation of Honor from the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Subject Terms

Organizations/Corporate Names

National Association of Letter Carriers (U.S.). Ladies Auxiliary. Branch 138 (Dayton, Ohio) – Archives

National Association of Letter Carriers (U.S.). Ladies Auxiliary. Branch 84 (Dayton, Ohio)

Places

Dayton (Ohio) – History – 20th century

Subjects (General)

Labor unions – Ohio – Dayton

Postal service – Employees -- Labor unions

Material Types

Administrative records

Correspondence

Financial records

Minutes (administrative records)

Collection Inventory

Box	File	Description	Date
Series I: Administrative Records			1914-1978
Subseries IA: Minutes of Membership Meetings			1914-1978
1	1	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 84 Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1914 February- 1915 October 1920 October- 1927 January
1	2	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1927 January- 1936 October
1	3	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1936 November- 1945 January
1	4	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1945 January- 1951 October
2	1	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1951 November- 1959 June
2	2	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1959 July- December
2	3	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1960
2	4	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1961
2	5	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1962
2	6	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1963
2	7	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1964
2	8	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1965
2	9	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1966
2	10	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1968
2	11	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1969
2	12	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1971
2	13	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1972
2	14	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1973
2	15	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1974
2	16	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1975
2	17	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1976
2	18	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1977
2	19	Minutes, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1978
Subseries IB: By-Laws, Constitution, Membership List			1943-1976
3	1	By-laws	1943
3	2	By-laws	1953
3	3	By-laws	1963
3	4	By-laws	1965

Box	File	Description	Date
3	5	Constitution and Ritual	1976
3	6	Proposed Amendments to the Constitution to be presented at the National Convention	1962
3	7	Proposed Resolutions to be presented at the National Convention	1962
3	8	Membership List	1966 January
Series II: Financial Documents			1923-1974
Subseries IIA: Treasurer's Report			1923-1974
3	9	Treasurer's Report	1923 January-1940 December
3	10	Treasurer's Report	1941 January-1949 December
3	11	Treasurer's Report	1950 January-1958 May
3	12	Treasurer's Report	1962
3	13	Treasurer's Report	1963
3	14	Treasurer's Report	1964
3	15	Treasurer's Report	1965
3	16	Treasurer's Report	1966
3	17	Treasurer's Report	1967
3	18	Treasurer's Report	1968
3	19	Treasurer's Report	1969
3	20	Treasurer's Report	1970
3	21	Treasurer's Report	1971
3	22	Treasurer's Report	1972
3	23	Treasurer's Report	1973
3	24	Treasurer's Report	1974
Subseries IIB: Membership Dues Records			1967-1974
3	25	Membership Dues Record	1967-1968
3	26	Membership Dues Record	1969-1970
3	27	Membership Dues Record	1971-1972
3	28	Membership Dues Record	1973-1974
Subseries III: Miscellaneous Financial			1957-1964
3	29	Financial Report, Ohio State Ladies Auxiliary	1957 August-1959 August
3	30	Financial Report, Receipts, Transition of Treasurer's Funds, Ohio State Ladies Auxiliary	1959 August-1961 August
3	31	Treasurer's Biennial Report of Receipts and Disbursements, National Ladies Auxiliary	1962 July-1964 July

Box	File	Description	Date
Series III: Correspondence			1952-1978
4	1	Correspondence	1952-1960
4	2	Correspondence	1964
4	3	Correspondence	1965
4	4	Correspondence	1971
4	5	Correspondence	1972
4	6	Correspondence	1973
4	7	Correspondence	1974
4	8	Correspondence	1975
4	9	Correspondence	1978
Series IV: Convention Materials			1962-1967
4	10	Proceedings of the 28 th Biennial Convention, National Ladies Auxiliary	1962 September
4	11	Proceedings of the 29 th Biennial Convention, National Ladies Auxiliary	1964 August
4	12	Proceedings of the 30 th Biennial Convention, National Ladies Auxiliary	1966 August
4	13	Minutes of the 29 th Biennial Convention, National Ladies Auxiliary	1964 August
4	14	Minutes of the 19 th Biennial Convention, Ohio State Ladies Auxiliary	1961 August
4	15	Minutes of the 20 th Biennial Convention, Ohio State Ladies Auxiliary	1963 August
4	16	Minutes of the 22 nd Biennial Convention, Ohio State Ladies Auxiliary	1967 August
4	17	Membership Record, National Convention	1962
Series V: Histories			1926-1944
4	18	Citation of Honor awarded to Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138 by the National Association of Letter Carriers	undated
4	19	History, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1926-1941
4	20	History, Ladies Auxiliary Branch 138	1942-1944