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GARDEN CLUB OF MICHIGAN (GCM)

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The Garden Club of Michigan Archives were placed on permanent loan at the Grosse Pointe Historical Society in February 1993. After consultation with the Historical Society Curator, members of the Club directed by Club Historian, Mrs. Burt Taylor, did the initial sorting and arrangement of the documents and photographs. The collection was opened for public use without restrictions in June 1993. Major additions were made in June 2002.

The Garden Club of Michigan was created in 1911 by 50 individuals from nine Michigan cities and, two years later, became a founding member of the Garden Club of America. The Club also helped to establish the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan in 1931, the Detroit Garden Center in 1932 and the Grosse Pointe Garden Clubs Council in 1949. Though initially having a statewide membership, the Club today draws most of its participants from Metropolitan Detroit.

Since its inception, the Club has responded to the changing concerns of its members. In 1929, its Board instituted a Plant Exchange and in 1934 added an Horticulture Committee. The Club Library provided members with reference materials until 1958 when its volumes were given to the Detroit and Grosse Pointe Garden Centers. Updating of both By-laws and Handbook were required in 1965 as was creation of Policy Committee and Community Projects Fund in 1972. Legal incorporation occurred on June 1, 1984 followed by acquisition of non-profit status in December of that year.

Club activities have reflected local, state and national involvement. Sponsorship and participation in flower exhibits began with Tulip Shows in 1918 and continue today with displays at Jacobson's - Grosse Pointe. Both regional and national meetings have been planned by Club members, including Garden Club of America Annual Conventions in 1925, 1950 and 1988. The Club has provided monies for plantings at Grosse Pointe's Neighborhood Club in 1915, Greenville, North Carolina's Holbrook Public Health Hospital in 1920, Coconut Grove, Florida's "Fairchild Tropical Garden" in 1940 and Michigan's Mackinac Bridge Project in 1958. It funds were used to support the Lowthorpe School of Gardening and Landscape Architecture in 1926, to create Mrs. Henry Ford Scholarships at the School of Horticulture, Ambler, Pennsylvania in 1952 and to provide fellowships at Michigan State University in the 1960s.

The Club's first major projects focused on beautification of streets and highways. Trees were planted along Seven Mile Road in 1915 and in the Ogemaw State Forest near West Branch, Michigan in 1930. Members were responsible in 1932 for developing the Ellen Shipman

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landscaping plan for Lake Shore Road and for helping the Lawton Survey of the State Billboards and Highway Improvement. During the Depression of the 1930s, they supported the Rural Unemployment Relief Project as well as Thrift Gardens. In 1935, as part of a continuing interest in preservation of the Environment, members attended the first conservation conference for women in Lansing, Michigan. During World War II, they supervised Victory Gardens and during the 1950s, helped to develop the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Trial Gardens. In 1952, they conducted a Survey of Grosse Pointe Trees for Dutch Elm Disease and in 1956, sponsored a Litterbug Campaign. More recent projects have included a Terrace Garden at Detroit Rehabilitation Institute in 1961, experimental planting of the "Glacial Pothole" at Hidden Lake Gardens, Tipton, Michigan in 1966, Gardens at Detroit's Moross House Restoration in 1975 and a Wildflower Garden at the Detroit Zoo in 1986.

The Garden Club of Michigan Archives contains documents, photographs and memorabilia pertaining to its concerns and projects as well as those of the Garden Club of America. Organizational materials include legal documents and membership data. Member-created publications, newsletters and reference volumes also reflect member interests.

Important Subjects Covered In This Collection Include:

Conservation	Gardens/Gardening
Detroit Rehabilitation Institute	Hidden Lake Gardens
Detroit Zoo	Highway Billboards
Federated Garden Clubs	Moross House
Ferry Street Inn	Rural Unemployment Relief
Garden Club of America	

Among Significant Individuals Mentioned In This Collection Are:

Mrs. Dexter Ferry	Mrs. Esther Longyear Murphy
Mrs. Henry Ford	Mrs. Horace B. Peabody
Miss Jessie Hendrie	Mrs. Allen Shelden
Mrs. Francis King	

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS STORED WITH THE COLLECTION:

Scrapbooks: Photocopies of 1914-1984 Scrapbooks
1990 - Scrapbook
Flower Show of the Century 1999 (XVII; 1)
Betsy Warren Ford, Annual Meeting; Dallas, Tx 1967 (XVII:4)
Bertha Loud Notebook (GCM Photos 1990-1991; XVII; 4)
Detroit Zoo Plant Guide (XVII; 4)
Murphy, Elizabeth Longyear Flowers and Table Arrangements 1935 (XVII; 4)
Plaque: Detroit Civic News Award 1973
50th Anniversary: Garden Club of Michigan Sign-in Sheets (2)
Federated Garden Clubs: Bicentennial Ribbon
Printing Blocks: Program Book; Garden Club of America Annual Conference 1950

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Stereopticon

Garden Club of Michigan Awards Book 1968-1984 (XVI; 4)

Garden Club of America Visiting Gardens Guide 1967 (XVII; 4)

Drinking Water - Kuhlman Project (XVII; 4)

2003 Zone X Meeting Photographs (XVII;4)

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SERIES I

Reports / Minutes
1911- Present
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This series provides an overview of club activities from 1911 to the Present. Included are Annual Reports and Board Minutes as well as Reports from the Board of Gardeners, Corresponding Secretary and Librarian. The earliest documents are those of the Secretary.

SUBSERIES A: Annual Reports 1950 - Present

The reports in this subseries cover only the years after 1950. Earlier Annual Reports may be found in the President's Notebooks for a specific year. Included are Annual Meeting Minutes, Committee Reports (including Nominations) and financial data.

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| 1. 1950 - 1952 | 10. 1985 - 1990 |
| 2. 1953 - 1956 | 11. 1990 - 1995 |
| 3. 1956 - 1960 | 12. 1996 - 2000 |
| 4. 1960 - 1964 | 13. 2001 - 2005,2006 |
| 5. 1964 - 1967 | |
| 6. 1967 - 1970 | |
| 7. 1970 - 1975 | |
| 8. 1975 - 1980 | |
| 9. 1980 - 1985 | |

SUBSERIES B: Annual Reports - Board of Gardeners 1931 - 1968; 1976 - 1984

The Board of Gardeners is responsible for the Club's membership meetings. Items in this subseries include Annual Reports, Lists of Presentations and Speakers for each year as well as related documents and correspondence. As indicated, all years are represented except 1933-1934 and 1969-1976.

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1. 1931 - 1940 (except 1933 - 1934)
2. 1940 - 1950

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3. 1950 - 1960

4. 1960 - 1968

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5. 1968

6. 1976 - 1982

7. 1982 - 1984

SUBSERIES C: Board Minutes 1950 -1951; 1980 - Present

This subseries contains the Minutes of Board Meetings from the early 1950s and 1980s. In addition to the Minutes, there are committee and Treasurer reports as well as budget information. Board Minutes before 1950 and from 1951-1980 may be found in **SERIES III; President's Notebooks.**

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1. 1950 - 1951

2. September 1980 - May 1982

3. September 1982 - May 1985

4. September 1985 - June 1987

5. September 1987 - June 1988

6. September 1990 - June 1992

6a. October 1992 - May 1994

7. September 1994 - February 2000

8. June 2000 - June 2004

9. Oct. 2004- June 2005

SUBSERIES D: Corresponding Secretary Reports 1911 - 1932; 1956 - 1987

The documents in this subseries are among the oldest in the Club's Archives. There are listings of correspondence sent and copies of invitations to membership. Of special interest is the first notebook maintained by the Secretary from 1911-1932.

File XVIII, Drawer 1

1. 1911 - 1932 (Notebook) (relocated to XVII;4)

2. 1956 - 1970

3. 1970 - 1980

4. 1980 - 1987

SUBSERIES E: Librarian Reports 1940s

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This subseries pertains to the Club Library kept for its membership until 1958 when when books, both reference and circulating, were divided between the Detroit and Grosse Pointe Garden Centers. Of

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particular interest is a 1948 compilation of books in the Library.

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1. 1940s

SERIES II

Organization Documents

File XVIII, Drawer 1

This series contains legal and organizational documents. There are Articles of Incorporation (1984), By-Laws and Community Foundation agreements as well as job descriptions for Board positions. The majority of awards received and recommended by both the Club and its members are found here. Included are flower show prizes, certificates for donations and Volunteer commendations. Awards for the Club's major projects may also be located in **SERIES IX** under a specific project.

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1. Awards / Commendations
2. Awards / Commendations
3. Awards / Commendations
4. Articles of Incorporation 1984
5. By-Laws 1982; 1994
6. Michigan Solicitation License 1987
7. Donations / Grants 1988 - 1992
8. Job Descriptions 1986
9. Garden Club of Michigan Agreements with the Community Foundation May 1989; May 1990; November 1993

SERIES III

President's Notebooks

1928 - 1994

File XVIII, Drawer 1

Each Club President compiles a Notebook which contains information, publications, correspondence and memorabilia related to that year's activities. These Notebooks may include Executive Committee and Membership Meeting Minutes, President's speeches, member lists, planning materials and special papers (usually by Club members.). Not found in this series are

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the Notebooks for the years 1940-1944, 1956-1958, 1967-1969 and 1984-1986. Of interest is Mrs. James McMillan's 1956 President's Report in rhyme.

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| 1. 1928 - 1929 Part I | 13B. 1934-1935 Part II |
| 2. 1928 - 1929 Part II | 14. 1935 - 1936 Part I |
| 3. 1929 - 1930 Part I | 15. 1935 - 1936 Part II |
| 4. 1929 - 1930 Part II | 16. 1936 - 1937 |
| 5. 1930 - 1931 | 17. 1937 - 1938 |
| 6. 1931 - 1932 Part I | 18. 1938 - 1939 |
| 7. 1931 - 1932 Part II | 19. 1939 - 1940 |
| 8. 1931 - 1932 Part III | 20. 1944 - 1945 |
| 9. 1932 - 1933 Part I | 21. 1945 - 1946 |
| 10. 1932 - 1033 Part II | 22. 1946 - 1947 |
| 11. 1932 - 1933 Part III | 23. 1947 - 1948 |
| 12. 1933 - 1934 Part I | 24. 1948 - 1949 |
| 13. 1933 - 1934 Part II | 25. 1949 - 1950 |
| 13A. 1934 - 1935 Part I | |

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| 26. 1950 - 1951 | 48. 1974 - 1975 Part II |
| 27. 1951 - 1952 | 49. 1975 - 1976 Part I |
| 28. 1952 - 1954 | 50. 1975 - 1976 Part II |
| 29. 1954 - 1955 | 51. 1976 - 1977 Part I |
| 30. 1955 - 1956 | 52. 1976 - 1977 Part II |
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| 34. 1961 - 1962 | 56. 1978 - 1979 Part II |
| 35. 1962 - 1963 | 57. 1979 - 1980 Part I |
| 36. 1963 - 1964 | 58. 1979 - 1980 Part II |
| 37. 1964 - 1965 | 59. 1980 - 1981 Part I |
| 38. September 1965 - June 1966 | 60. 1980 - 1981 Part II |
| 39. September 1966 - June 1967 | 61. 1980 - 1981 Part III |
| 40. 1969 - 1970 | 62. 1981 - 1982 Part I |
| 41. 1970 - 1971 | 63. 1981 - 1982 Part II |
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70. 1988 - 1990 Part I

71. 1988 - 1990 Part II

72. 1990 - 1992 Part I

73. 1990 - 1992 Part II

74. 1992 - 1994 Part I

75. 1992 - 1994 Part II

SERIES IV

Horticulture Committee

1933 - 1960s

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The Horticulture Committee was created in 1933-1934 for the pleasure and instruction of members. This series includes Meeting Minutes, correspondence, committee newsletters and gardening hints as well as committee member lists. Among memorabilia are early 1940s ads for Victory Gardens using seeds from the Ferry Seed Company.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. 1933 - 1934

2. 1934 - 1935

3. 1936 - 1938

4. 1938 - 1941

5. 1941 - 1946 Part I

6. 1941 - 1946 Part II

7. 1950 - 1954

8. Miscellaneous 1939 - 1951

9. Miscellaneous 1960s

SERIES V

History

1911 - 1992

File XVIII, Drawer 3

This series traces Club development including the 1992-1993 preservation of its Archives. There are several chronologies as well as material from the Club's 40th Anniversary, lists of past Club Presidents and local estate gardeners and a poem celebrates the Cleveland club's 40th Anniversary.

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For Garden Club of American history, see **SERIES XII**.

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1. Garden Club of Michigan Archives
2. Accomplishment and Policies 1911 - 1992
3. Sarah W. Hendrie, The Garden Club of Michigan 1911 - 1931
4. 40th Anniversary 1951
5. Past Garden Club of Michigan Presidents
6. Estate Gardeners, List of 1920s
7. Garden Club of Cleveland - 40th Anniversary Poem

SERIES VI

Membership

1914 - Present

File XVIII, Drawer 3

In addition to lists of Charter and Honorary Members, this series includes Handbooks from 1914 through the 1980s. Included in these are membership, officer and committee lists, the year's program and a Club History. Resolutions and data about significant members are also found in the series.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Charter Members (1914), Honorary Members (1952) and Former Members (1981)
2. Handbook 1914
3. Handbooks 1918; 1921 - 1936
4. Handbooks 1936 - 1950
5. Handbooks 1950s
6. Handbooks 1960s
7. Handbooks 1970s
8. Handbooks 1980s
9. Individuals - Mrs. Dexter M. Ferry
10. Individuals - Mrs. Francis King (First Club President)
11. Individuals - Mrs. Edward Parker
12. Individuals - Elsie Sibley Peabody
13. Individuals - Mrs. Allan Shelden
14. Individuals
15. Handbooks 2000-2002; 2002-2004, 2004 - 2006,

SERIES VII

Programs

1932 - 1984 - 1997

File XVIII, Drawer 3

Meetings, workshops and demonstrations attended by Club members are covered in this series. Reports, scripts for plays created by members for special occasions such as the Fiftieth

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Anniversary and Membership Meeting Notices are included. There are also documents pertaining to the Detroit Garden Center's Fiftieth Anniversary and the National Council of State Garden Clubs Award Banquet.

SUBSERIES A: Membership 1932 - Present

This subseries provides data about Membership Meetings as well as Meeting Notices. From these, dates, programs and speakers can be determined.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Membership 1932 - 1933
2. Membership Meeting Notices 1944 - 1952
3. Membership Meeting Notices 1953 - 1960
4. Membership Meeting Notices 1961 - 1968
5. Membership Meeting Notices 1968 - 1976
6. Membership Meeting Notices 1976 - 1981
7. Membership Meeting Notices 1981 - 1984
8. Membership Meeting Notices 1984 - 1991
9. Program and Mailing Information 1988 - 1990
10. Membership Meeting Notices and Minutes September 1992 - February 1997
11. Membership Meeting Minutes June 2000 – June 2005

SUBSERIES B: Membership Plays 1930s - 1940s

These plays were written, produced and acted by Club members for special Membership Meetings. The subseries contains scripts for these productions but little indication of audience response.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. "The Flower Girl"
 - 1A. Skits from 1911, 1928
2. "Open Garden Day" 1932 - 1933
3. "Grandmothers at War" April 24, 1945
4. "Christmas in Denmark"

(Series VII; Programs continued)

SUBSERIES C: Membership Special Events 1936 - 2001

Anniversaries and holidays frequently resulted in special presentations. Included are planning materials, scripts for skits and memorabilia.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. 25th Anniversary Play - "March of Time" 1936

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2. 40th Anniversary Play 1951
3. Visiting Gardens 1955 - 1956
4. Christmas - Cole Opera Workshop 1958
5. Christmas 1962; 1964; "Symbols of Christmas 1980; Legends of Christmas Greens

1988

6. 50th Anniversary Skit 1961
7. 75th Anniversary Program 1986
8. 90th Anniversary Program 2001

SUBSERIES D: Special Programs - Outside Groups 1970s - Present

This subseries concerns organizations with which the Club interacted. Of interest is the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Detroit Garden Center and the Awards Banquet of the National Council of State Garden Clubs as well as exhibits at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House..

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Detroit Garden Center - Includes 50th Anniversary 1982 and 70th Anniversary 2002
2. National Council of State Garden Clubs - Awards Banquet 1975
3. Portland Garden Club - Christmas
4. Shipman, Ellen Biddle Exhibition 1998
5. 'Secret Spaces of Childhood' Exhibition 1999
6. Federated Garden Clubs 2002 Convention

SERIES VIII

Flower Shows
1915 - Present
File XVIII, Drawer 3

From its inception, the Club sponsored and participated in a variety of flower exhibitions including several Tulip Shows beginning in 1918. Later displays included the 1928 State Fair Conservation Exhibit, the 1931 North American Flower Show, the 1978 Eastland Invitational Flower Show and two University Liggett Flower Exhibits (1983; 1984). Items in this series include programs, reports, clippings and participant lists.

(**Series VIII;** Flower Shows continued)

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Flower Shows 1915 - 1917; 1920 - 1924
2. Flower Shows 1926 - 1929; 1932 - 1938
3. Tulip Show May 28, 1940
4. Flower Shows 1945; 1986; 1990 - 1993
5. Flower Shows - Invitational May 18-19, 1978

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6. Flower Shows 1995 – 2001, 2004, 2005 : Pots + Pansies
7. Cleveland Flower Shows 1997; 2002
8. Detroit Bloomfest Show 1999

SERIES IX

Projects
1927 - Present
File XVIII, Drawer 3

This series concern the major community projects which the Club has sponsored over the years. Included are reports, correspondence, plans, brochures and memorabilia. There are also related publications and awards.

SUBSERIES A: Early Projects 1927 - 1959

Documents from early Club projects before 1927 have not survived. Data about the Roadside and Billboard Committee was preserved, however, and indicates the Club's concern for conservation. Other pursuits included the Rural Unemployment Relief Project of the 1930s, 1958 plantings for the Mackinac Bridge Project and the 1959 Awards Exhibit of the Garden Club of America's Founders Fund. The Fund, created in 1934 in memory of its first President, Mrs. J. Willis Martin, provided monies for awards presented annually to individuals or groups making important contributions to horticulture.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Rural Thrift Gardens 1932 - 1933
2. Roadside and Billboard Committee 1927 - 1934
3. Garden Plan Competition 1932
4. Garden Market (for the benefit of the rural unemployed) May 20-21, 1932
5. Radio Talk - Garden Problems April 28, 1933
6. Roadside and Billboard Legislation 1957 - 1958
7. Mackinac Bridge Project 1958
8. Founders Fund (Garden Club of American) 1959

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SUBSERIES B: Hidden Lake Gardens, Tipton, Michigan 1960 - 1970

This subseries covers the experimental planting of a Glacial Pothole at the Hidden Lake Gardens. There are letters, reports, plans and brochures as well as a 1966 Founders Fund Award. Of special interest is the article about the Great Lakes area by Robert M. Kellem.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Robert M. Kellem, The Glacial Lakes Surround Michigan December 1960
2. Correspondence 1965 - 1970
3. 1966 Founders Fund Award 1966
4. Plans 1966 - 1969
5. Reports / Brochures 1970

SUBSERIES C: Moross House: Rehabilitation Gardens 1970 - 1974; Christmas 2002

This subseries includes correspondence and brochures relating to the development of the house's gardens. There are also publications by Margaret Palmer and Barbara Weller. A major part of the subseries concerns awards received for the completed project in 1974.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Margaret Palmer, Restoration - Old Garden in a Nation n.d.
2. Correspondence / Brochures 1970 - 1975
3. Report - Evaluation of a Garden Benefit Party 1974
4. Clippings
5. Barbara Weller, Moross House Garden 1974
6. 1974 Awards - May Duff Walters Trophy for Preservation of Beauty
(National Council of State Garden Clubs)
7. 1974 Awards - Elsie M. Cook Landscape Design Award
(Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan)
8. 1974 Awards - Kellogg Metal for Civic Achievement #1
(Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan)
9. 2002 Moross House Christmas Decorations, 2004 Garden Center Move

SUBSERIES D: Rehabilitation Institute - Detroit 1961 - 1983

The Terrace Garden at Detroit's Rehabilitation Institute was created by Club members for the enjoyment of those recovering at the Institute. The majority of materials in this subseries were found in three chronological notebooks compiled as the project developed. Also of interest is data concerning horticulture as therapy.
(**Series IX; Subseries D:** Rehabilitation Institute continued)

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Terrace Garden Notebook - Part I 1961 - 1968
2. Terrace Garden Notebook - Part II 1968 - 1976
3. Terrace Garden Notebook - Part III 1976 - 1983
4. Horticulture as Therapy 1982

SUBSERIES E: The Detroit Zoo Wildflower Garden 1986 - 1987

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The data in this subseries which concerns development of a specialized garden at the Detroit Zoo.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Chronology 1986 - 1987

SUBSERIES F: Grosse Pointe Projects 1932 - 2001

Throughout its existence, the Club has developed projects in Grosse Pointe, Michigan. In addition to documents relating to the Ellen Shipman Plan for Lake Shore Road plantings, Victory Gardens and Cottage Hospital landscaping, there is considerable information about the Grosse Pointe War Memorial Center. The Club's gift of the statue, Adagio, in memory of Esther L. Murphy is documented as is the creation of the Garden Center's Trial Gardens. Reports, correspondence, clippings, booklets and plans constitute the main types of items included.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Lake Shore Road Planting 1932
2. Statue - Adagio; Esther Longyear Murphy Memorial, Grosse Pointe War Memorial Center 1937 - 1974
3. Victory Gardens 1943 - 1945
4. Garden Center Trial Gardens - Grosse Pointe War Memorial 1956 - 1961
5. Garden Center Trial Gardens - Grosse Pointe War Memorial; History, Awards, Photos
6. Cottage Hospital 1977
7. Mack Avenue 1986
8. Grosse Pointe Farms Beautification History 1987
9. 'The Hill' Passageway 1995
10. Lake Shore Cleanup
11. Moross and Lake Shore Road 2001
12. Provencal- Weir House planting June 2000

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SUBSERIES G: Ferry Street, Detroit Project 1998 - 2001

The subseries documents the Club's involvement with the landscaping around the several houses on Ferry Street in Detroit's Cultural Center. Known as the Inn on Ferry Street, this endeavor is an elegant bed and breakfast which returns the block between Woodward and John R. to its former residential character. Clippings and illustrations predominate.

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1. Ferry Street Project

SUBSERIES H: Archives of American Gardens 1999 - 2001

An attempt to document significant gardens throughout the United States, this project which is housed at the Smithsonian, was supported by the Club through research and donations of documentary materials. This subseries includes brochures, a history of the Club's involvement and correspondence.

File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Archives of American Gardens 1999 – 2001
Subseries I; Lake Muskoday 2001
File XVII, Drawer 3

SERIES X

Publications
1913 - Present
File XVIII, Drawer 3 & 4

This series contains written materials relating to Club activities. There are newsletters, publications by Club members and reference information developed by the Garden Club of America. There are also outside publications acquired as relevant to Club projects.

SUBSERIES A: Garden Club of Michigan Members 1935 - 1970

This subseries includes both manuscripts, articles and books by Club members. The largest part concerns the works of Esther Longyear Murphy, a Club President and a founder of the Detroit Garden Center. Of interest is the manuscript by Caroline Alger Shelden created for the 1925 Garden Club of America Annual Meeting.

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File XVIII, Drawer 3

1. Mrs. Roy Chapin, Azalea Culture in the Northern Midwest (article) 1955 - 1956
2. Esther Longyear Murphy, Flowers and Table Arrangement 1935
(Location: File XVII, Drawer 4)
3. Esther Longyear Murphy, Flower Arrangement (manuscript) n.d.
4. Esther Longyear Murphy, Design for Bookplate (printed in 1970)
5. Caroline Alger Shelden, Michigan Gardens Under Three Flags (manuscript) 1925?
(Relocated: File XVII, Drawer 4)

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SUBSERIES B: Newsletters - Garden Club of Michigan 1977 - Present

The Club has had a newsletter since 1977-1978. Since the subseries does not contain a complete set of these newsletters, photocopies of missing issues have been made and included in their proper chronological order.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. 1977 - 1988
2. 1989 - 1994
3. 1995 - 2002
4. 2003-2004
5. 2005-2006

SUBSERIES C: Newsletters - Other 1913 - 1956

This subseries is made up primarily of Bulletins from the Garden Club of America. These are among the oldest documents in the Club Archives. There are also early copies of Flower Talks created to provide local members with horticultural information. Finally, there are selected issues of the Federated Garden Clubs' publications.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. Bulletin - Garden Club of America 1913 - 1914
2. Bulletin - Garden Club of America 1915
3. Bulletin - Garden Club of America 1916
4. Bulletin - Garden Club of America 1917
5. Bulletin - Garden Club of America 1918 - 1919
6. Flower Talks February 1914 - June 1917
7. Federated Garden Clubs 1931; 1932; 1936; 1937; 1956
8. Bulletin- Garden Club of America, June, July 2006

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SUBSERIES D: References 1922 - 1960s

Garden Club of America publications make up a large part of this subseries. These were created to provide members with lists of gardens and procedures of judging exhibits. There is a guide for Holland Bulbs, perhaps obtained at the time of the Tulip Shows.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. Garden Club of America, List of Gardens ... Open to Members 1922

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2. Garden Club of America, Flower Show and Judging Guide 1961
3. Garden Club of America, Visiting Garden Guide 1967 (File XVII; 4)
4. Garden Club of America, Guide to Public Gardens 1976?
5. Holland Bulb Garden Guide Part I
6. Holland Bulb Garden Guide Part II
7. Kokusai Bunzi Shinkokai, Garden Plants in Japan(Book in File XVII Drawer 4)
8. Gardens in Early Michigan (copied from book by M.M. Quaife?)
9. Miniature Garden
10. Plant Names, Dictionary of (rev. ed.) 1962

SERIES XI

Publicity / Clippings
1931 - 1976
File XVIII, Drawer 4

This small series contains mainly clipping scrapboos of publicity for Club activities and members. Other examples may be found in photocopied scrapbooks placed with **Miscellaneous Materials**.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. Clippings 1931 - 1936 Part I
2. Clippings 1931 - 1936 Part II
3. 1938
4. 1940s - 1950s
5. 1975 - 1976

SERIES XII

Garden Club of America
1925 - Present
File XVIII, Drawer 4

The Garden Club of America, of which the Garden Club of Michigan was a founding member, was created in 1913 to stimulate the knowledge and love of gardening, to share information and to protect the environment through education, conservation and civic improvement. In addition to selected handbooks and historical data, this series primarily concerns Annual and Zone Meetings especially those arranged by the Garden Club of Michigan.

SUBSERIES A: General Documents 1936 - Present

This subseries provides an overview of the national organization. Handbooks of 1982-1984 as well as earlier membership Locators of 1936-1938 suggest the group's structure while the publication, Fifty Gardening Years, gives a sense of its development.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. Handbooks 1982 - 1984
2. History - Fifty Gardening Years 1963
3. Membership - Locator 1936 - 1938
4. Founders Fund 1936 - 2000
5. GCA Awards 1989 - 1994

SUBSERIES B: Meetings - Annual 1925 - Present

In addition to selected materials from various Annual Meetings elsewhere, there is data pertaining to the 1925, 1950 and 1988 programs held in Detroit. As the 75th Anniversary event, the 1988 meeting makes up the largest part of this subseries. Included are detailed reports, budgets, schedules and participant lists as well as program topics and workbooks.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. Wilmington 1924; Detroit 1925 - "Gardens Under Three Flags"; Philadelphia 1936
 2. New York 1944
 3. Minneapolis 1947
 4. Detroit 1950 - Bank Statement
 5. Detroit 1950 Planning
 6. Detroit 1950 Program Books / Participants
 7. Detroit 1950 Scheduling / Buses
 8. Detroit 1950 Reports, Stenographic
- (Series XII: Subseries B: Meetings, Annual continued)
9. Detroit 1950 Reports, Final

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10. New Orleans 1953
11. Philadelphia - 50th Anniversary 1963
12. Detroit 1988 75th Anniversary Reports of Co-Chairs
13. Detroit 1988 Reports / Activities
14. Detroit 1988 Reports - Badges, Bags, Boutique
15. Detroit 1988 Reports - Contributions - First Aid
16. Detroit 1988 Reports - Greenfield Village - Hotels
17. Detroit 1988 Reports - Optional Tours
18. Detroit 1988 Reports - Optional Trips
19. Detroit 1988 Reports - Printing/ Publicity
20. Detroit 1988 Reports - Registration
21. Detroit 1988 Reports - Scheduling
22. Detroit 1988 Reports - Speakers / Transportation
23. Detroit 1988 Games
24. Detroit 1988 Letters of Appreciation
25. 1993-1995; 2003-2005 Annual Meeting Information and Reports

SUBSERIES C: Meetings, Zone 1939 - Present

Clubs belonging to the Garden Club of America are divided into regional areas called zones. The Garden Club of Michigan has at various times been placed in the Central Zone (c. 1938), Zone VII (c. 1956) and Zone X (since 1971). This subseries contains program materials and planning for regional meetings.

File XVIII, Drawer 4

1. Cleveland, Ohio June 1939
2. Zone VII 1956 - 1961
3. Cincinnati, Ohio April 1964
4. Akron, Ohio May 1966
5. 1969
6. Zone X May 1971
7. Bay City, Michigan 1976; Cleveland 2000
- 8a. Zone X May 2003
- 8b. Zone X May 2003

SERIES XIII

Photographs / Slides
1912 - Present
File XVII, Drawer 1

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This series contains photos, slides and negatives collected by the Club over the years. Many, previously in scrapbooks, have been removed and placed in their original order in polyester sleeves. Subjects range from large meetings to individual members and award winning exhibits.

SUBSERIES A: Slides c. 1926 - 1982

The slides in this subseries include both black & white and color. Some are copies of pictures made in 1926; others document Club activities. There is also one box of glass slides.

File XVII, Drawer 1

1. Photos of Slides (some from 1926) 1954
2. Glass Slides (Drawer 2)
3. Activities 1960 - 1962
4. Activities 1975 -1982

SUBSERIES B: Scrapbook Photos 1914 - 1975

These photos have been removed from acidic scrapbooks and stored in their original order. Photocopies of the scrapbooks are found under **Miscellaneous**.

File XVII, Drawer 1

1. 1914 - 1928
2. 1928 - 1954
3. 1954 - 1960
4. 1960 - 1966 Part I
5. 1960 - 1966 Part II
6. 1961 - 1962
7. 1964 - Garden, Rehabilitation Institute, Detroit
8. 1967 - 1975

SUBSERIES C: Membership Photos 1968 - 1970s

Removed from scrapbooks, these photos include many club members active between 1968 and 1972. There are "fun albums" of members at work and scenes of member gardens.

(**Series XIII; Subseries C:** Membership Photos continued)

File XVII, Drawer 1

1. Snapshots 1968 - 1969
2. Snapshots 1969 - 1971
3. "Fun Album" - 58 Members at Work Part I 1970
4. "Fun Album" - 58 Members at Work Part II 1970
5. Individuals

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6. Members' Gardens n.d.
7. Members' Gardens 1970s
8. Horticulture Workshops- 2005+2006

SUBSERIES D: Program Photos 1971 - Present

These photos provide an indication of local meetings from the 1970s to the 1990s. Included are workshops and field trips. Particularly significant are photos taken at the 1988 Garden Club of America Annual Meeting.

File XVII, Drawer 1

1. Membership Meetings 1971 - 1973
2. Annual Meeting 1974
3. Membership Meetings May 1974 - May 1975
4. Membership Meetings May 1975 - May 1976
5. Membership Meetings 1976
6. Membership Meetings 1977 - 1978
- 6A. Membership General Photos 1982 - 1983
- 6B. Membership General Photos 1984 - 1987
7. Garden Club of America Annual Meeting Part I 1988
8. Garden Club of America Annual Meeting Part II 1988
9. Membership Field Trip 1989
10. Membership Meetings Part I 1989 - 1991
11. Membership Meetings Part II 1989 - 1991
12. Membership Meetings 1991 - 1993
13. Member Garden and Zoo Tours 1993; 1994
14. Members 1993; 1994
15. April 2005 Membership/Conservation Meeting- John Dempsey
16. GCM Annual Meetings 1999; 2001; 2002, 2003, 2005