

Inventory of the

**Veterans of World War I,
Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48
and Ladies Auxiliary
Rockford, Illinois**

Records

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INTRODUCTION

Robert Borden donated the Veterans of World War I, Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48 and Ladies Auxiliary Records to the Northern Illinois Regional History Center on May 31, 1989. Additional records were added at a later date.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Veterans of World War I Records date from 1953-1987 and document the activities of the Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48 and the Ladies Auxiliary. The records consist of two series: Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48 and Ladies Auxiliary to Barracks No. 48. Each series contains constitutions and by-laws, correspondence, minutes, financial reports, membership lists, bulletins or general orders, annual convention material, and other documentation of the activities of the organizations. In many instances the minutes include a financial report and a roll call list. Contained in boxes 7, 8, and 9 are barracks cards, membership applications, and dues listing for the barracks and auxiliary.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Veterans of World War I was organized in 1949 by twelve veterans in Cleveland, Ohio. The Department of Illinois veterans organized on August 15, 1954. The Veterans of World War I organization was given a congressional charter from the 85th Congress of the United States in 1958. The Veterans of World War I, Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48 and Ladies Auxiliary, as with all barracks and auxiliaries of the organization, were established to coordinate these veterans and their relatives for their mutual benefit, pleasure and amusement; giving them the opportunity and means of personal contact with each other in order to keep alive friendships and memories of World War I. The veterans work for the pensions in adequate amounts and for the increase in pension benefits, to secure hospitalization and out patient treatment, and to fight for the upholding of the Constitution and the national security.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Ladies Auxiliary, Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48
 Rockford
 Veterans
 Veterans of World War I, Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48
 Women's Organization
 World War I

COLLECTION INVENTORY

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Series I. Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48		
1	1	Constitution and By-laws, 1957-1972, n.d.
	2	Officers Guide, 1963, n.d.
	3	Official Rituals, 1965, n.d.
	4	Proclamations, 1963, 1967
	5	Resolutions, 1962-1965, n.d.
	6	Veterans of World War I brochures, (1961-1984), n.d.
	7	Veterans of World War I general information, 1972, n.d.
	8	Certificates, 1962, 1967, 1972
	9	History and Rhymes of the Lost Battalion, 1929
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2a	1-7	Minutes, April 2, 1953-November 4, 1982
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	4	Audits, 1962-1963
	5	Budgets, (1961-1973)
	6	Membership lists, 1953-1970
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5		Membership reports, 1958-1972
6		Elected officers, 1958-1963, 1981
7		Rosters, 1962-1963, 1966-1967, n.d.
8		Rosters of Illinois Officers, 1962-1963, 1968-1973
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	12	Perspective members, 1960, n.d.	
	13	Funeral detail, n.d.	
	14	Death notices, 1972-1973, 1978	
	15	Inspection reports, (1957-1973)	
	16	Membership Roster-342nd Infantry, Belvidere, Illinois, n.d.	
	17-18	Bulletins, 1961-1970	
	4	1-2	Bulletins, 1971-1978, 1982
3-6		Annual conventions, 1958-1973	
7		Programs, 1963-1974	
8		Legislation, 1963-1964, 1970-1971	
9		News releases and clippings, 1959-1962	
10		<u>The Torch</u> , (March 1980-June 1981)	

Series II. Ladies Auxiliary to Greater Rockford Barracks No. 48

5	1	Constitution and By-laws, 1956-1978, n.d.	
	2	Officers Guide, 1965, 1967	
	3	Resolutions, n.d.	
	4	Rituals, 1963-1965	
	5	Correspondence, (1967-1986)	
	6	Minutes, 9th District, (1973-1976)	
	7-11	Minutes, 1957-1981	
6	1	Minutes, 1982-1986	
	2-3	Financial ledgers, 1970-1984, n.d.	
	4	Membership lists, 1964-1968, 1982, 1986	
	5	Dues transmittal forms, 1982-1984	
	6	Rosters, 1986, n.d.	
	7	Roll calls, 1955-1986	
	8	Officers, 1975-1976, 1986	
	9	Certificate of Installation, 1966-1967, 1985	
	10	Memorial book, 1963-1984	
	11	General Orders, 1968, 1985-1987	
	12	Officers Reports, 1962, 1966-1967	
	13	Conventions, 1964, 1967, 1985-1986	
	14	Piano fund, 1983	
	7		Greater Rockford Barracks Cards and Applications, A-Mc
8		Greater Rockford Barracks Cards and Applications, M-Z Veterans of World War I of the United States Applications	

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Applications
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Deceased Applications
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Dropped Applications