

Inventory of the

Help-One-Another Circle
Harlem Township, Winnebago County, Illinois

Records

In the

Regional History Center

RC 349

INTRODUCTION

Lynette and Judy Wherley donated the Help-One-Another Circle Records along with the Fordtran Family records to the Regional History Center on January 31, 2013. Additional materials were donated on November 24, 2015.*

Property rights in the collection belong to the Regional History Center, literary rights are dedicated to the public. There are no restrictions on access to the collection.

Linear feet of shelf space: 0.5
Number of containers: 1
Northern Illinois Regional History Center
Collection 349

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The collection contains records from Help-One-Another Circle, a women's social and philanthropy club. Records for the organization date from 1919 to 1959.

**Lola Belle (Barkely) Fordtran and Marie Barkley were integral members of Help-One-Another Circle. The Fordtran Family Collection can be found under collection number RC 330.*

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Help-One-Another Circle was established on March 12, 1919 in Harlem (Illinois). The club aimed to help the church and perform charity work. Help-One-Another Circle was established for these purposes as stated in the minutes from 1919: "1st. Its purpose to assist our hostess at our regular meetings with any work she might have for use to do.; 2nd. To build up a fund whereby we might do any charitable work the Circle might see fit to do." An additional purpose was added during the adoption of the February 18, 1925 constitution, "To promote fellowship among the women of the neighborhood." The Circle's colors were pink and white. The club disbanded sometime after October 1959.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Harlem Township (Winnebago County, Ill.)
Help-One-Another Circle

COLLECTION INVENTORY

| <u>BOX</u> | <u>FOLDER</u> | <u>DESCRIPTION</u> |
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| | | Help-One-Another Circle: |
| 1 | 1 | 1925-1962 |
| 1 | 2 | Minutes, 1919-1921 |
| 1 | 3 | Financial Records, Mar. 1940-Oct. 1950, Dec. 1954-Oct. 1959 |
| 1 | 4 | Minutes, November 1943-May 1959 |
| 1 | 5 | Brown Studios (Belvidere, IL) coupons with city tally on back (3) |
| 1 | Volumes 1-4 | Minutes and Financial Records, Sept. 1920-May 1959 |