

Finding Aid to the Lions Club of Fargo Photograph Collection

Fargo Lions Club

Fargo Lions Club Photograph Collection, 1950s-2005

42 photographic prints

2 CD's (624 digital images)

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HISTORY

The Fargo Lions Club was organized on 7 May 1921 by Frank C. Berry with forty-two charter members. E.T. Conmy served as its first president and Fred M. Hector as its first secretary and treasurer. Outgrowing meeting places at the Chamber of Commerce, Powers Hotel, and Gardner Hotel, the club quickly gained membership. In 1961, attendance at weekly meetings was eighty individuals out of 146 members. Membership and attendance fluctuated and later records show a decrease in both categories.

Many of the organization's expenditures are of a philanthropic nature. Some literature states that Helen Keller charged the early Lions organizations to ameliorate the condition of sightless individuals. More recent documents show a concern with individuals possessing hearing difficulties. The club has financed guide dogs and closed-caption televisions for needy individuals and solicits donations of old prescription glasses. During a polio epidemic in the 1950s, the club purchased an iron lung for a local hospital.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The photograph collections contains snapshots from the Fargo Marathon in 2005, picnics, and other events.

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