International Association of Women Police (IAWP)
Supplementary Collection

2016 Donation

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Source: Transferred from: Illinois state University Archives
See also: IAWP papers already held by John Jay
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Size: 36 linear feet (44 boxes)

Date: 1956-2015

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Availability: Open to researchers by appointment

Scope and Contents

The bulk of this supplementary collection is comprised of the Papers of Dr. Lois Lundell Higgins, IAWP president from 1956 to 1964. These papers encompass much of her professional work outside of IAWP, including with the Illinois Association of the Chiefs of Police; The Chicago Police Department’ International Federation of Catholic Alumnae and other groups. This is not surprising as the papers appear to have come from her office at the U. of Illinois. Several certificates and awards given to Dr. Higgins are in these boxes. There are also many photographs of the Chicago P.D., some from as early as the 1920s. These are perhaps from her editorship of the Chicago Police Digest, of which many issues were found in these boxes. Papers related writing, research and public appearances of Dr. Higgins are also in these boxes as well as many news clippings.
One linear foot of material is associated with Felicia Shpritzer, IAWP president from 1972-1976. In addition to some materials on IAWP, the papers document her work as an NYPD officer and her successful lawsuit to allow women to sit for the departmental promotional exam.

There is a relatively small amount of material that documents IAWP’s history. Most of it is related to IAWP membership records, and international scholarship award applications and award recipients. With this 2016 donation there was a significant addition to our holdings of the IAWP publications--the IAWP Bulletin and the subsequent IAWP publications, Policewoman and WomenPolice. These were removed to be catalogued; the issues that remain in the collection are duplicate copies. It should be noted that we still lack Vol. 26, no. 2 (1992) of WomenPolice and issues from 1966-1967 of Policewomen’s Bulletin.

Other non-IAWP international serials were removed for filing with other international law enforcement materials in the library.

**Series I: IAWP records**

Box 1: International Scholarship awards, 1985-89; 1992-93
Box 2: International Scholarship awards, 1993-96; 1998; Trophy companies
Box 3: Membership, A-E
Box 4: Membership, G-Z
Box 5: Membership, 1991-1994
Box 6: Membership, 1995-1996
Box 7: Membership, 1997-1998
Box 8: International Membership, A-C
Box 9: International Membership, C-P
Box 10: International Membership, P-Misc.
Box 11: Invoices, Statements of A-O Subscribers, ca. 2000-2004
Box 12: Invoices, Statements of P-T active Subscribers; financial records, ca. 1994-2004

**Series II: Lois Higgins**

Box 13: Correspondence, Policewoman’s Manual; University of Seven Seas
Box 14: University of Seven Seas
Box 15 University of Seven Seas
Box 16: Crime Prevention Bureau, Correspondence, Memorabilia
Box 17: Correspondence, News clippings, partial Thesis
Box 18: Correspondence, Codes of conduct
Box 19: Correspondence, personal papers, miscellaneous
Box 20: Scrapbooks (Crime Bureau)
Box 21: Scrapbooks (Crime Bureau, Jim Doherty)
Box 22: Clippings (Police Digest)
Box 23: Clippings, Literature outline, mock-ups
Box 24: Clippings, biographical information on Higgins
Box 25: IFCA
Box 26: IFCA
Box 27: Certificates, photographs & miscellaneous
Box 28: Illinois Policewomen’s Association
Box 29: Higgins Publications, writings, speeches
Box 30: Writing: “Narcotics & Narcotics Addiction”
Box 31: Framed drawing, photographs, plaques
Box 32: Banquet of the Golden Plate
Box 33: Bolan Academy
Box 34: Police Digest working files
Box 35: Police Digest working files
Box 36: Miscellaneous publications, periodicals
Box 37: Miscellaneous periodicals
Box 38: Chicago Police Department unframed photographs and pencil drawings
Box 39: Chicago Police Department photographs, framed and unframed
Box 40: Chicago Police Department photograph negatives
Series III: Felicia Shpritzer
Box 41: Correspondence (1961-1995), writings, news clippings, memorabilia, photographs

Series IV: Miscellaneous Publications
Box 42: Newspapers, 2003-2007