

Lake Shore Women's Club

Preface

The purpose of the Avon Lake History Collection is to preserve the past, present, and future documentary history of Avon Lake, OH, located in Lorain County, OH, and to provide access to this history for the research needs of residents, students, and scholars of Avon Lake history.

History

The Lake Shore Union Society was the first and longest-serving organization in Avon Lake. The first meeting was held on August 7, 1870, in Avon Lake. On June 14, 1957, the club reorganized under the Ohio General Federation of Women's Clubs and became the Lake Shore Women's Club. The object of the Society was to be a social and cultural organization for the improvement of members and the raising of funds to be appropriated as the Society deemed proper. The organization supported education from the beginning, and awarded scholarships annually. The final meeting was held August 7, 2015, and all remaining members, as well as their assets and legacy, joined the Avon Lake Historical Society (ALHS).

In 2016, the ALHS merged with the Avon Lake Landmark Preservation Society to form Heritage Avon Lake (HAL), the mission of which was to "encourage the preservation and celebration of artifacts, historic sites, and structures in Avon Lake. We endeavor to serve and engage the citizenship through accessible education programs involving the life, history, and heritage of Avon Lake."

In 2018, the Peter Miller House Museum also merged with HAL.

In 2021, Heritage Avon Lake changed its name back to Avon Lake Historical Society.

When the club merged with the Avon Lake Historical Society in 2015, the collection was donated to the Avon Lake Historical Society to be housed in the Marybelle Arnold North Coast History Room at the Library.

Contents

- **Box 1:** Meeting minutes (1870-1930)
- **Box 2:** Meeting minutes (1983-2015)
- **Box 3:** Historian's Report (1956-1998) - Missing years: 1972-73, 1985-86, 1994-95, 1995-96
- **Box 4:** Two scrapbooks (1957-1959 & 1959-1961)
- **Box 5:** Two scrapbooks (1961-1964 & 1964-1969)
- **Box 6:** Two scrapbooks (2007-2008, 2008-2010)
- **Box 7:** Women's Club Yearbooks (1954-2010) Missing years: 1955-56, 1956-57, 1962-63.
- **Box 8:** Various photos, minutes, registers (2000-2015)
- **Box 9:** History scrapbooks (1969-1973 & 1973-1978)
- **Box 10:** Copies of 1983-1999 scrapbook/album with newspaper articles, realia and photos, plus additional color photos
- **Box 11:** Minutes ledgers (1986-1988, 1988-1989, 1989-1992, 1993-1996); Composition book (1996-1997, 1997-1998, 1998-1999)
- **Box 12:** Bound volumes of minutes: 1961-1964, 1967-1971, 1972-1978, 1978-1983
- Includes correspondence, articles, recipes, drawings, meeting minutes, historian reports, photo albums, yearbooks, scrapbooks, publications, audio cassette and video cassettes, check registers, and songbooks

Subject Headings

- Student scholarships -- Avon Lake (Ohio)
- Antique Group -- Avon Lake (Ohio)
- Avon Lake (Ohio) -- History
- Lorain County (Ohio) -- History.
- Lake Shore Women's Club
- Lake Shore Union Society
- Women's Club of Avon Lake.
- Peter Miller House Museum
- Avon Lake Junior Women's Club
- Avon Lake Peace Memorial
- General Federation of Women's Clubs

Contributor

Various

Date

1870-2015

Type

Print

Format

Twelve boxes plus one sealed metal box

Language

English

Related Collections

- Avon Lake Historical Society
- Avon Lake Landmark Preservation Society
- Heritage Avon Lake

Physical Location

McMahan Room, Cabinet 5 (Box 1-12), Cabinet 6 (1860 club minutes, photos, financial records), lower level, Avon Lake Public Library

Digital Location

Biblioboard.com:

<https://library.biblioboard.com/anthology/4463d81e-15a2-40d8-836b-1ee97d79f9cb>

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