

GERMAN – AMERICAN CLUB (MUTUAL AID SOCIETY) COLLECTION

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ACQUISITION: The collection was donated by Ronald H. Gangle, 1998.

ACCESS: Restricted access: materials fragile; access by request at Main Library archives only; material does not circulate.

VOLUME: 3 document boxes, 3 linear ft.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection primarily consists of various ledger books, journals, and record books from 1917 to 1946. Some items are in German and some are in both German and English. Also included are various plaques, framed proclamations and other memorabilia.

ARRANGEMENT: By type of material.

INVENTORY:

BOX 1:

1. Ledger.
In German 1917-1926. Outside of spine says Journal. Includes names of individuals who made payments. Also included are loose items such as receipts, which are in binder #1A.
2. Ledger Accounts.
In English, May 1, 1938 to September 14, 1942. Includes a list of members in the front of the ledger.
3. Record.
In English and German. Ledger of expenses, 1930-31.
4. Ledger.
In English and German, May 1, 1931 to May 1, 1932. Anton Fogler in ink on front outside cover. Includes list of members and their addresses in front of book.
5. Record.
In German, 1927-43. Expenses and other disbursements. Some pages are stamped German-American Mutual Aid Society. Also included are loose items such as financial statements, which are in binder #5A.
6. Journal.
In German, December 20, 1925 to December 13, 1926.

7. Ledger.
May, 1928 to May, 1930. Includes lists of names and addresses of people who paid for stock of the G. H. Home Co.
8. Journal.
May, 1929 to June, 1930. Includes names of individuals or businesses paid and amounts. Last page of book, 296, is headed Guest Registration February 3, 1946.
Some names continued on page 294.
9. Journal.
In German and English, 1927, 1928, 1929, and 1930. Names and addresses, payments of persons who bought shares, and lists of accounts paid and amounts.

BOX 2:

10. Journal.
May, 1932 to November, 1938. Debt and credit entries.
11. Journal.
December, 1938 to November, 1941. Debt and credit entries.
12. Journal.
In German, June, 1919 to September, 1926. Debt and credit entries.
13. Ledger.
1928 to 1930. Register of names and addresses of persons who paid on stock.
14. Record.
1927 to 1937. Includes names of individuals.
15. Appraisal Estimate.
September, 1960, German-American Club.
16. Notebook.
In German, January, 1933 to 1942. Appear to be meeting minutes.
17. Photocopies of picture of German-American Club.
18. Akron Germania Kalendar, 1916, in German.
19. 9 Folders.

In German, meeting minutes from January, 1933 to December, 1942.
The 1942 date may be a typographical error.

20. Constitution of the German-American Mutual Aid Society of Akron, Ohio, December 13, 1981. 3 copies.

BOX 3: Plaques, Awards, Etc.

1. German-American Club Polka Centre of Akron, May 8, 1988. Size: 13 x 10 ½.
2. German-American Club Congratulations on your 50th Anniversary, November 4, 1978. Size: 12 x 9.
3. Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island Centennial Commission document acknowledging contribution of the German-American Mutual Aid Society Ladies Auxiliary signed Lee A. Iacocca and Gerald R. Ford. No date. Size: 12 x 9 1/4.
4. Proclamation of “German-American Day”, Donald L. Plusquellic, Mayor of the City of Akron, Ohio, dated September 15, 1988.
5. German-American Club Polka.
 - 5A. Framed Certificate for the German-American club polka, Akron, Ohio from Henry “Happy Hank” Powlak, September, 1982. Size: 10 ½ x 8 ½.
 - 5B. Framed copy of the German-American Club Polka, musical score. Size: 10 ½ x 8 ½.
6. International Institute of Akron.
 - 6A. Ladies Auxiliary of the German-American Mutual Aid Society, October 28, 1929. Size: 7 x 5.
 - 6B. German-American Mutual Aid Society, October 28, 1989. Size: 7 x 5.
7. International Institute of Akron, German-American Mutual Aid Society, October 24, 1988. Size: 7 x 5.
8. International Institute of Akron.
 - 8A. Ladies Auxiliary of the German-American Mutual Aid Society, October 24, 1987. Frame damaged. Size: 7 x 5.
 - 8B. German-American Mutual Aid Society, October 24, 1987. Size: 7 x 5.

9. International Institute.
German-American Mutual Aid Society, 1986. Size: 7 x 5.