

Finding Aid for the Marguerite King Moran Grand Rapids Chicks memorabilia Collection 121

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Summary Information

Repository	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
Creator	Moran, Marguerite King, 1910-2002
Title	Marguerite King Moran Grand Rapids Chicks memorabilia
Date [inclusive]	1945-1948, n.d.
Extent	1.29 Linear feet Two boxes
Language	English
Abstract	<p>Marguerite King Moran (1910-May 2002) lived and worked in Grand Rapids, Michigan and collected memorabilia relating to the Grand Rapids Chicks baseball team. Her collection includes correspondence with team members, newspaper and graphic clippings, ephemera, and black and white photographs. The Grand Rapids Chicks were a part of the All American Girls Professional Baseball League (AAGBL) from 1945-1954. Correspondence is with team players Alma Ziegler, Ernestine “Teeny” Petras, Faye Dancer, and Connie Wisniewski. The scrapbooks contain images and information on a number of players, documenting the early years of the Chicks, their winning the league championship in 1947, allocation of players each year and information about other teams in the League.</p>

Biographical/Historical note

Marguerite King Moran (1910-2002), the daughter of Charles and Olive King, was born in Greenville, Michigan. Moran attended Michigan Street School, Lexington Street School, and Union High School, all in Grand Rapids. After high school, Moran worked as a clerk in an office during the early 1930s, then as an inspector at Diesel Equipment, GMC, in Grand Rapids, from 1941 to 1969, when she retired. After retirement Moran donated her time, by volunteering at Pilgrim Manor in Grand Rapids. Moran was married to Allison Owen Moran.

Scope and Contents note

The collection contains scrapbooks, photographs, and correspondence collected by Marguerite Moran, about the Grand Rapids Chicks. The photographs include Robinson Studio portrait photos, as well as snapshots. Moran corresponded with the players on the Chicks team during the off season and these letters are included with the collection (1946-47). The scrapbooks are an excellent source of information about the early years of the Chicks (1945-48), their winning the league championship in 1947, allocation of players each year and information about other teams in the league. The Grand Rapids Chicks were a part of the AAGBL from 1945-1954.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Marguerite Moran, June 1990, accession number 1990.018.

Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

Coll. 058 Grand Rapids Chicks Collection

Coll. 125 Robinson Studio Collection. Grand Rapids Chicks Photos Series.

Coll. 160 Helen Earlene (Beans) Risinger Collection

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- All-American Girls Professional Baseball League.
- Grand Rapids Chicks.

Genre(s)

- personal papers

Geographic Name(s)

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History

Subject(s)

- Baseball for women -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids

Photographs, Grand Rapids Chicks

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Correspondence, 1946-1947, n.d. With Faye Dancer, Ziggy Ziegler, Jorsey Bum "Teeny," Connie	1	1
Program. Muskegon Lassies [1947]	1	14
	Box	Volume
Scrapbook, 1945-48	2	1
Scrapbook, 1948	2	2
	Box	Folder
Obituary, GR Press 14 May 2002	1	15
Photographs, Grand Rapids Chicks		
	Box	Folder
SB pg. 11 (6)	1	2
SB pg. 18 (3)	1	3
SB pg. 30 (10)	1	4
SB pg. 31 (7)	1	5

Photographs, Grand Rapids Chicks

SB pg. ? (8) [Previously the only separate folder of photos] GR Chicks, June 28, 1947 snapshots.	1	6
SB pg. 41 (2)	1	7
SB pg. 42 (4)	1	8
SB pg. 43 (4)	1	9
SB pg. 44 (4)	1	10
SB pgs. 45-46 (10)	1	11
SB pgs. 47-48 (7)	1	12
SB pgs. 49-50 (3)	1	13