

# FINDING AID

## Walterboro Girl Scout Neighborhood Organizational Records

*at the Colleton County Memorial Library Archives*

This is a general overview and finding aid for the organizational records of the Walterboro Girl Scout Neighborhood (1954 -1965). For additional information about the archival collection or to request access to a collection contact the reference librarian at 843-549-5621, ext. 3.

### Descriptive Summary

**Identifier** CCMLAR 005

**Title** Walterboro Girl Scout Neighborhood Organizational Records

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**Repository** Colleton County Memorial Library Archives  
600 Hampton Street, Walterboro, SC 29488  
843-549-5621, colletonlibrary.org

**Donated By** Margie Shook & Madge Crosby (Former Troop Leaders)

**Overview** Organizational records of the Walterboro Girl Scout Neighborhood from the mid-1950's to the mid-1960's. This collection includes individual troop member records, leader/volunteer records, financial records, meeting minutes, cookie sales and badge records, activity guides, training guides, regional newsletters, newspaper clippings, and miscellaneous papers.

**Access** Accessible by the general public. Access to these records may be requested through the Reference Librarian at 843-549-5621, ext. 3.

### Organizational History

The first known Girl Scout Troop in Colleton County was organized in Walterboro, SC in early 1923. An article published in "The Press & Standard" for 10 Jan 1923 (pg 8) asks that "Girl scouts and those wishing to join..." meet on the following Friday to organize. The local Girl Scouts were first organized by the local Civic League and initially met in the Civic League's "Rest Room," a small visitor's center that they operated on the Court House grounds, although

later the troop would meet on the second story of the Civic League building on Wichman St. on the same lot as the Little Library. Several troops were active in Colleton County throughout the 1920s, 1930s and 1940s (there was a troop in Cottageville as well).

Several troops were active in Walterboro, SC in the mid-1950s, although the number of troops in the town would explode in the late 1950s/early 1960s with 15 local troops in the town in 1959. Collectively these troops were known as the Walterboro Girl Scout Neighborhood. Troops met at local churches and synagogues, troop leader homes, local schools and even the local Boy Scout hut, among other locations. The Girl Scouts have remained an important part of Colleton's communities well into the 21st century.

## About the Donors of the Collection

The *Walterboro Girl Scout Neighborhood Organizational Records* were donated to the Colleton County Memorial Library at an unknown date in the late 20th or early 21st century by former Girl Scout Troop Leaders **Madge Crosby (1923-2011)** and **Margie Shook (1924-2013)**. Both had daughters who were active in the Girl Scouts and can be seen mentioned in various papers of this collection under their names or as Mrs. Herbert Crosby or Mrs. Charles Shook.

## Some Names from the Collection

Many local individuals are named in the collection, too many to record here, however, most were from Caucasian families living in the Hampton Street/Wichman Street area, as well as the Forest Hill and Mayfield Terrace communities of the late '50s and '60s.

Common family names include Adkins, Bailey, Beach, Benton, Berry, Bishop, Black, Blocker, Crosby, Drawdy, Fennell, Fulmer, Gillespie, Headden, Hiers, Hiott, Hodges, Hrvol, Key, Kirby, Levy, Linder, Litchfield, Mines, Mobley, Moore, Neale, Padgett, Peurifoy, Price, Pontius, Potts, Ramsey, Reynolds, Roberts, Rodgers, Russell, Sanford, Shook, Smith, Smoak, Strickland, , Sweat, Truluck, Unger, Walker, Warshaw, Weissenstein, Younginer, Ziegler among others.

## Inventory

### Box 1

Folder 1	Individual Girl's Records, A - K (Binder 1)
Folder 2	Individual Girl's Records, L - R (Binder 1)
Folder 3	Individual Girl's Records, S - Z (Binder 1)
Folder 4	Leader/Volunteer Registrations, Alphabetized (Binder 1)
Folder 5	Activity Guides, Games & Nature Outings (Binder 1)
Folder 6	Guide for Troop Leaders from the Carolina Lowcountry Council (Binder 1)
Folder 7	Receipts (Binder 1)
Folder 8	1959 Exit Interview Guide/Forms (Binder 1)

- Folder 9 1954 Meeting Minutes (Binder 1)
- Folder 10 1961 Meeting Minutes (Binder 1)
- Folder 11 Badge Forms (Binder 1)
- Folder 12 1954-1959 Financial Records (Binder 1)
- Folder 13 Cookie Sales (Binder 1)
- Folder 14 Letters, Notes, Awards (Binder 1)
- Folder 15 1954-1960 Troop Attendance (Binder 1)
- Folder 16 Parent Consent Forms (Binder 1)
- Folder 17 1954-1959 Troop Registrations (Binder 1)
- Folder 18 1962 Troop Registrations with Leadership Lists (Binder 1)

Also includes **Binder 1** - A black binder entitled "Troop Records and Reports" with accompanying folder with original tabbed page dividers.

## Box 2

- Folder 1 Circa 1963 Troop Leader's Guides to "Growing Up Today" (Binder 2)
- Folder 2 "The Grapevine", Vol. 30 Nov/Dec 1964 & Vol 31 Jan-May 1965 (Binder 2)
- Folder 3 Program Change Guidelines (Binder 2)
- Folder 4 Girl Scout Leader Notebook - Table of Contents, Chapters 1 - 5 (Binder 2)
- Folder 5 Girl Scout Leader Notebook - Chapters 6 - 9 (Binder 2)
- Folder 6 Girl Scout Leader Notebook - Chapters 10 - 16 (Binder 2)
- Folder 7 Girl Scout Leader Notebook - Program Risers & Standards, Glossary (Binder 2)
- Folder 8 Pin & Badge Order Forms - Blank (Binder 2)
- Folder 9 Program Riser's Guide - Troop Consultant (Binder 2)
- Folder 10 1957 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 11 1958 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 12 1959 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 13 1960 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 14 1961 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 15 1962 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 16 1963 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 17 1964 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 18 1965 Meeting Minutes (Binder 3)
- Folder 19 1958 - 1962 Letters, Misc (Binder 3)
- Folder 20 1958 - Newspaper Clippings (Binder 3)
- Folder 21 Misc. Pamphlets (Binder 3)
- Folder 22 Misc. Notes & Correspondence, Untitled Forms (Binder 3)
- Folder 23 Receipts (Binder 3)

Also includes **Binder 3** - A black binder in bad condition, not title which contained the items listed above designated "Binder 3."