



Ladies' Library Association.

THE ANN ARBOR LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Founded March 19, 1866.

Said to have been incorporated
in April, 1866.

Building at 324 E. Huron Street
finished in 1885, deeded to
Board of Education in 1916.

Demolished in 1946 to make way
for an office building of
the Michigan Bell Telephone
Company.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

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Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Annual Meeting of April 26, 1963

The Board met on April 26, 1963 at the home of Mrs. Joselyn Van Tyne. After a lovely tea the meeting opened at 4:30 P.M. The members present were: Mrs. William Frayer, President, Mrs. John Alexander, Mrs. Arno L. Bader, Miss Eleanor Collins, Mrs. Stanley Dodge, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. James G. Hays, Mrs. R. Perry Innes, Mrs. Charles B. Vibbert, Mrs. Harold E. Wethey, Mrs. Philip Youtz.

The secretary's minutes of the fall meeting in 1962 were read by Mrs. Wethey in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. James M. Plumer, who had a Japanese guest and was unable to come. The minutes were approved and filed.

Mrs. Van Tyne gave the treasurer's report. The cash on hand on March 31, 1963 was \$2,576.16. The report was approved and filed.

The report of the Book Committee was given by the chairman, Mrs. Wethey, who also circulated among the members of the Board the long list of books bought in 1962-1963.

Mrs. Haight was appointed by the president to work with a committee of her choice on a short history of the Ladies' Library Association and possibly on a list of the books given by the Association to the Ann Arbor Public Library since the Association adopted the policy of buying only art books.

Mrs. Hays who attended the meetings of the Board of the Friends of the Library reported on the new board of the as very active and very efficient. She also mentioned the need for volunteers for the Book Fair which will take place on May 18, 1963. This year the profits from the Fair will be used to buy children's books, which always are in short supply.

Mrs. Dodge reported on the book service in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and also stressed the need for more volunteers willing to give about one and a half hours a week for such service.

Mrs. Frayer gave an oral report on the Library Advisory Council and mentioned that the chairman of that group, Mrs. Edward Stasheff, expressed the thanks of the Council for the many books given to the Ann Arbor Public Library by the Ladies' Library Association.

Mrs. Frayer asked Mrs. Haight to report on the documents stored by the Association in the Michigan Historical Collections. Some concern had been voiced in the past on the handling of such documents. Mrs. Haight reassured the board; she was quite pleased with the way they were stored and handled; nothing more needed to be done about them.

Mrs. Wethey read a short history of the Ladies' Library Association written in collaboration with Mrs. Hays. Mrs. Hays mentioned the various documents collected by Miss Eliz-

abeth Slack concerning the Association's relations with the School Board; she had some of those duplicated.

Mrs. Frayer paid tribute to Miss Pattengill and her devotion to the Association. She spoke of the corner stone of the old building of the Association formerly at 324 East Huron Street. It is carved with the inscription "Ladies' Library 1885;" she asked Mrs. Bader to see what could be done with it. Finally, she spoke of the offer of Mrs. John Winter to give to the Association an old Dutch book and reminded the Board of the approaching centennial of the Association.

Mrs. Wethey asked whether the board would be in favor of buying the new facsimile of the Dresden Codex, a tenth century Mayan manuscript, for \$100.00. Mrs. Van Tynes motion to buy it was passed.

Mrs. Haight, chairman of the nominating committee, after thanking Mrs. Frayer for her work as president, presented the slate of new officers for 1963-1964:

President, Mrs. J. Plumer

Vice-President, Mrs. J. Alexander

Secretary, Mrs. P. Youtz

Treasurer, Mrs. R. P. Innes

Chairman of the Book Committee, Miss E. Collins.

In the absence of the new president, Mrs. Frayer gave the chair to the new vice-president, Mrs. Alexander.

And the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Madeleine B. Vibbert (Mrs. Charles B.)
(acting as secretary in the absence
of Mrs. James Plumer)

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1962 - March 31, 1963

Expenditures

Bank charges	.59
15 shares Con- sumers' Power	1,280.63
Refund, Diamond Match	10.50
(Transfer to Bank Certifi- cate \$1,000)	<u> </u>
Checking Acc't	149.73
Savings Acc't	1,426.43
Bank Certif.	1,000.00
	<u>2,576.16</u>

Income

Abbott Laboratories	47.50
American Electric Power	12.36
Bondholders' Management	24.00
Consumers Power	52.50
Detroit Bank and Trust	22.00
Duquesne Lighting	62.50
Sale - Diamond National	2,057.89
Diamond National - com.	11.25
Diamond National - pf.	9.38
Eastman Kodak	73.50
King Seeley	124.00
Monsanto Chemical	47.84
Massachusetts Investors Trust	41.87
Phelps Dodge	60.00
Standard Oil of Indiana	67.50
K bonds - U. S. Treasury	41.40
Bank Interest	26.78
Dues	2.00
Pattengill memorial	70.00

2,426.93 2,858.54

[Typed by Alice S. Wethey
April 1979]

Helen Bates Van Tyne, Treasurer

mrs. bruce e. vandermade

1807 hanover, ann arbor, michigan

January 7, 1963

Dear Mrs. Vibbert,

The enclosed check is from the Sorosis Club of Michigan in memory of Caroline Pattengill. Louise Schneider suggested the check be sent to you since you are active in the Ladies' Library Association.

Sincerely,

Barbara Vandermade

Ann Arbor, January 15, 1963

[To Mrs. William Frayer]

Dear Bertha:

Here is the Sorosis Club check in memory of Caroline Pattengill -- I have written Mrs. Vandermade that I am forwarding it to you, as president of the Ladies' Library Association.

Fondly,

Madeleine [Mrs. Charles B. Vibbert]

[These copies were made because the originals were not on acid-free paper]

LADIES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
Report of the Book Committee
April 1963

At the October meeting in 1962 I mentioned a discrepancy between our budget of one-thousand dollars for the year 1961-1962 and the actual amount expended by the library. This discrepancy has now been eliminated. A total of sixty-three titles, amounting to \$1,526.90 in list prices, but only \$1,012.13 in the sum actually paid, has been catalogued in the Ladies Library. The complete list with both sets of prices is appended to this report.

The program for the second ~~one~~-thousand dollars is well along. Already received are ~~twenty~~-three titles, which amount to \$364.95 in list prices, but which have actually cost only \$258.55. Thirty-eight more titles are on order, which come to \$669.20 in list prices. This interim list is also appended to the report.

It seems to be very much to our advantage, in one respect, that the buying is done by the Public Library. The discounts available to it are considerably larger than those available to us. For example, in recent years through Slater's we have bought the \$18.00 UNESCO books for \$14.40. The Public Library buys them for us at \$11.70. We rarely get more than a 20% discount through booksellers. The Public Library gets 30% and even many 40% discounts. Consequently, although the method is cumbersome for us, the results of this system are proving to be beyond our expectations.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Sunderland Wethey
Chairman, Book Committee.

ANN ARBOR PUBLIC LIBRARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

July. 1963

Mrs. Edward Stasheff, President	Friends
Mrs. J. A. Van den Broek, Secretary	Board appointed
Mrs. Ronald Hinterman	Friends
Mrs. James O'Brien	Board appointed
Mr. Homer Chance, Library Director	
Mrs. James Plumer	Ladies' Library Association
Mrs. Jack Hogan	Friends
Mr. M. W. Lacy	Board appointed
Mr. Charles Metzner	Friends
Rev. Richard I. Preis	Board appointed
Mr. Laurence Prakken	School board member
Mr. John McKeivitt	President of Friends

The Board of Education appoints 4 - 2 each year.

The Friends of the Library appoints 4 - 2 each year

Ex officio:

Superintendent of Schools
 Director of the Library
 President of Friends
 President of the Ladies' Library Association
 Board of Education observer (13th member)

[Retyped on all rag paper by Alice S. Wethey, June 1967]

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of October 24, 1963

The fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on October 24, 1963 at the home of the president, Mrs. James M. Plumer. Those present at the meeting were: Mrs. James Griffith Hays, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. Camerson Haight, Miss Eleanor Collins, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. R. Perry Innes, Mrs. James Plumer, Mrs. Philip Youtz.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting, April 26, 1963, which had been taken by Mrs. Charles Vibbert in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Plumer, were read by Mrs. Youtz. There was one correction. Miss Collins suggested that the price of the "Dresden Codex" a facsimile of a manuscript which was listed at \$10.00 should probably be listed at \$100.00. We actually paid \$90.00 for it. The minutes were then accepted for filing.

Mrs. R. Perry Innes then read the Treasurer's report. She also stated that our bank certificate had been renewed. There followed some discussion on the handling of our investments. Mrs. Innes said that the interest on our savings account was 3 1/2 %. Mrs. Hays remarked that funds in the Federal Savings and Loan drew 4 % interest, which was compounded quarterly. Mrs. Innes asked if it would be practical to have an investment counselor go over our investments now

and then. Mrs. Hays said that one could always send in a list of holdings to such a firm as Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith for advice. They advertise that "no amount is too small." The service would be free. Mrs. Haight felt that our position should be made clear to anyone whom we consulted, that is, that we are a tax exempt institution interested in the security of our principal. Mrs. Hays then said that each local bank has financial analysts. Mrs. Plumer inquired about the amount of income we received last year from our investments. The amount reported by Mrs. Innes was \$2426.43 for 1963, of which \$1000 was represented by our certificate. This compared with income some years ago of \$400. Mrs. Hays then suggested that we get someone to go over our investments and Mrs. Innes said she would feel more comfortable if this were done. The Treasurer's report was then accepted for filing. Mrs. Plumer appointed Mrs. Hays and Mrs. Van Tyne to work with Mrs. Innes on a finance committee to look over our holdings before the next meeting. This committee was also to consider whether we should keep money in savings accounts or invest it elsewhere.

Miss Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, handed copies of Mrs. Harold Wethey's report of books purchased in 1962-1963 to those who had not received them at the April meeting. Mrs. Plumer appointed Miss Hall and Mrs. Arno Bader to assist Miss Collins in the work of the Book Committee.

Mrs. Hayden reported that Mrs. Frayer and Mrs. Hays were members of her nominating committee.

Mrs. Innes reported that the Friends of the Library had assigned the proceeds of their spring book fair to Mr. Homer Chance, the librarian, for the purchase of children's books. The Friends operate a book cart project in St. Joseph's Hospital, which is financed in part by the Winifred Gibbons Mote Memorial Fund. They have two carts and they try to get to all five floors of the hospital at least twice a week. They need volunteers. The Friends of the Library hold their Membership Tea on November 10th, 1963. Prof. Chet La More of the College of Architecture and Design will speak. Some books given by the Ladies' Library Association will be shown. Miss Hall suggested that Miss Collins help on the book collecting for the Friends' book fair next spring. Proceeds of their last fair amounted to \$1443.00. Mrs. Innes is our official representative to the Friends of the Library Board. She is also corresponding secretary of the Friends of the Library.

Mrs. Plumer reported that she had been to two general and one special meeting of the Library Advisory Board. She said that some library hours had had to be cut because the millage asked for by the Board of Education last April was not voted. For the same reason, the branch libraries are out, for now, as there is no budget for them. The members of the Library Council are listed on a sheet appended to

these minutes.

Mrs. Plumer commented that our Constitution mentions an "historian" with a three-year term of office. Miss Patten-gill had been our historian. Mrs. Plumer wished to postpone the appointment of a new historian until the April annual meeting. She reminded us that our Centennial is in 1966.

Mrs. Bader was not present at this meeting, but Mrs. Plumer reported that Mrs. Bader had looked at the cornerstone of our former library building as requested at last April's meeting. This cornerstone is now in the Ann Arbor Public Library. Mrs. Bader has some ideas for its disposition which she will report at our next meeting in April.

Mrs. Plumer then presented the slate of new members proposed at our annual meeting, from which we are to vote to fill our single vacancy. Mrs. John McKeivitt was elected and the secretary was requested to so inform her.

Miss Collins read Mrs. Harold Wethey's supplementary book report. As of October 15th, 1963, \$1000.78 had been spent for the last fiscal year on art books for the library. \$498.40 has been spent to date in this fiscal year. She then passed around a copy of the list of books ordered since June. Miss Collins said that Miss Stout, librarian, had reported that one of our purchases, a loose plate portfolio, needed to be bound. Miss Down told Miss Collins that one of the books we had given the library had been lost and she

hoped that we would replace it. It was a book on the artist, George Grosz.

Mrs. Haight asked why we bought only books over \$10.00 in price for the library when the library has a budget for art books too. It was explained that the library wishes continually to show an item for art books in its budget, so as not to have that category dropped, but that it buys the less expensive books, those under \$10.00.

Mrs. Plumer then brought up a matter of new business. It seems that Mrs. Millard Pryor, when she visited Taiwan, became interested in a group of American women which was concerned because the Taiwan library had no books on western art. These women formed a committee to supply these. Mrs. Pryor wondered if we could help in any way. In the discussion which followed it came out that our Constitution would not permit us to take up such a project. But there was no reason why individual members could not help. It was suggested that copies of the book lists of our purchases might be of use to the Taiwan committee as indicating art books recommended for a public library. The secretary was asked to see that such lists were sent. Miss Collins said she would get the lists together.

The meeting was then adjourned by Mrs. Plumer.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances L. Youtz, Secretary.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 24, 1963

This report is missing from the secretary's notebook and also from the treasurer's files. In the minutes of October 24, 1963 we can read:

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[Added to the Treasurer's file by Alice S. Wethey, June 1978]

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE OUT-GOING CHAIRMAN OF
THE BOOK COMMITTEE

October 24, 1963

At the April meeting only an interim list could be passed around of the books purchased with the second one-thousand dollars allocated to us by the Public Schools. Quite a number of titles have been added since then. The fiscal year 1962-1963 was completed July 1st, 1963 and books have been received to a total of \$1,398.15 in list prices and \$1,000.78 in the prices we actually paid. Beyond that two more books were received whose list price was \$33.00 and our actual payment \$21.45.

As the out-going chairman of the book committee I present this report with the final list of the books received. Cards for all the books purchased during my chairmanship of the book committee, 1960-1963, are now in our private card file.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Sunderland Wethey

LADIES' LIBRARY - 1962-1963

	list	net
M. S. Ipsiroglu and S. Eyuboglu, <u>Turkey, Ancient Miniatures, UNESCO</u> <u>series, Vol. 16, 1961</u>	18.00	11.70
André Grabar and k. Mijatev, <u>Bulgaria:</u> <u>Mediaeval Wall Paintings, UNESCO</u> <u>series, Vol. 16, 1962</u>	18.00	11.70
Aline Saarinen, <u>Eero Saarinen in His</u> <u>Work, New Haven, 1962</u>	10.00	6.50
Jan Lauts, <u>Carpaccio, Paintings and</u> <u>Drawings, Phaidon, 1962</u>	18.00	11.70
Ellis K. Waterhouse, <u>Italian Baroque</u> <u>Painting, Phaidon, 1962</u>	7.50	5.35
J. M. Roynbee, <u>Art in Roman Britain,</u> <u>Phaidon, 1962</u>	15.00	9.75
Ludwig Münz, <u>The Drawings of Pieter</u> <u>Bruegel the Elder, Phaidon, 1961</u>	13.50	8.78
J. Hillier, <u>Utamaro, Phaidon, 1961</u>	12.50	8.12
Giacomo Caputo and A. Kriss, <u>Tunisia:</u> <u>Ancient Mosaics, UNESCO series,</u> <u>Vol. 18, 1962</u>	18.00	11.70
Jean Paul Crespelle, <u>The Fauves, New</u> <u>York Graphic Society, 1962</u>	25.00	16.25
<u>Roumania, UNESCO series, Vol. 19, 1962</u>	18.00	11.70
Richard Ettinghausen, <u>Arab Painting,</u> <u>Skira, 1962</u>	22.50	14.63
Maurizio Calvesi, <u>The Treasures of the</u> <u>Vatican, Skira, 1962</u>	27.50	17.88
Bernard Berenson, <u>The Passionate Sight-</u> <u>Seer, Simon and Schuster, 1960</u>	10.00	6.50
Cecil Roth, <u>Jewish Art, McGraw-Hill, 1961</u>	14.95	9.72

D. N. Wilber, <u>Persian Gardens and Garden Pavilions</u> , Tuttle, 1962	12.50	8.12
Jean Sutherland Boggs, <u>Portraits by Degas</u> , University of California Press, 1962	15.00	12.00
<u>Ars Hispaniae</u> , Historia Universal del Arte Hispanico, Barcelona, 1950-1962		
Vol. I, Prehistoric Art, Punic and Greek Art, Iberian Art, The Art of the Celtic Tribes	13.50	12.15
Vol. II, Roman Art, Paleochristian Art, Art of the Visigoths, Art of Asturias	13.50	12.15
Vol. III, Art of the Spanish Arabic Caliphate, Mozarabic Art	13.50	12.15
Vol. IV. Mudéjar Art	13.50	12.15
Vol. V. Romanesque Architecture and Sculpture	13.50	12.15
Vol. VI. Romanesque Painting and Minor Arts	13.50	12.15
Vol. VII. Gothic Architecture	13.50	12.15
Vol. VIII. Gothic Sculpture	13.50	12.15
Vol. IX. Gothic Painting	13.50	12.15
Vol. X. Ceramics, Porcelain, Glass	13.50	12.15
Vol. XI. Architecture of the Sixteenth Century	13.50	12.15
Vol. XII. Painting of the Sixteenth Century	13.50	12.15
Vol. XIII. Sculpture of the Renaissance	13.50	12.15
Vol. XIV. Baroque Architecture	13.50	12.15
Vol. XVIII. Miniatures, Textiles and Embroideries, Goldsmith's Art	13.50	12.15
John Lloyd Stephens, <u>Incidents of Travel in Yucatan</u> . Engravings by Frederick Catherwood, 2 vols. (1845). New edition, University of Klahoma Press, 1962	15.00	12.50

Mario Prodan, <u>The Art of the T'ang Potter</u> , 1961	20.00	9.95
Margaret R. Scherer, <u>Marvels of Ancient Rome</u> , Phaidon, 1956.	7.50	6.00
Cecil Gould, <u>An Introduction to Italian Renaissance Painting</u> , Phaidon, 1959	7.50	6.00
Michael Levey, <u>Painting in XVIII Century Venice</u> , Phaidon, 1961	6.50	5.20
Gisela M. A. Richter, <u>Kouroi</u> , Archaic Greek Youths, Phaidon, 1960	25.00	20.00
Gisela M. A. Richter, <u>Archaic Gravestones of Attica</u> , Phaidon, 1961	15.00	9.75
Gisela M. A. Richter, <u>Handbook of Greek Art</u> , Phaidon, 1959	7.95	6.36
Charles Seymour, <u>Art Treasures for America</u> , The Kress Collection, Phaidon, 1961	12.50	8.12
Paolo Enrico Arias and Max Hirmer, <u>A Hist- ory of 1000 Years of Greek Vase Painting</u> , 1962	25.00	15.00
W. G. Constable, <u>Canaletto</u> , 2 vols. Oxford, 1962	33.60	30.24
Marcel Rothlisberger, <u>Claude Lorrain: The Paintings</u> , 2 vols., Yale, 1961	40.00	26.00
Schuyler Cammann, <u>Substance and Symbol in Chinese Toggles</u> , University of Penn- sylvania Press, 1962	15.00	13.50
<u>The Jerusalem Windows of Marc Chagall</u> , Braziller, 1962	35.00	22.75
S. J. Freedberg, <u>Painting of the High Renaissance in Rome and Florence</u> , Harvard University Press, 1961	30.00	24.00
<u>Greece</u> , UNESCO seruesm k960	18.00	14.40
<u>Israel</u> , UNESCO series, 1960	18.00	14.40
<u>Ethiopia</u> , UNESCO series, 1961	18.00	14.40

Pierre Courthion, <u>Manet</u> , Abrams, 1962	15.00	9.00
Douglas Cooper, <u>Pablo Picasso, Les déjeuners</u> , Abrams, 1963	35.00	21.45
Hugo Claus, <u>Karel Appel Painter</u> , Abrams, 1962	30.00	18.00
Wilhelm Boeck, <u>Picasso Linoleum Cuts</u> , Abrams, 1963	35.00	21.00
Ernst Gall, <u>Cathedral and Abbey Churches of the Rhine</u> , Abrams, 1963	15.00	9.00
John Russell, <u>Oskar Kokoschka, Watercolors</u> , Abrams, 1963	17.50	10.85
Beurdeley, Michel, <u>Chinese Trade Porcelain</u> , Tuttle, 1962	19.50	15.60
Flexner, James Thomas, <u>That Wilder Image</u> , Little, Brown, 1962	15.00	9.75
Hobson, Robert Lockhart, <u>The Wares of the Ming Dynasty</u> , Tuttle, 1962	12.50	8.12
Laufer, Berthold, <u>Chinese Pottery of the Han Dynasty</u> , Tuttle, 1962	8.75	5.69
Leymarie, Jean, <u>French Painting: The Six- teenth Century</u> , World-Skira, 1962	29.50	19.17
Zingrosser, Carl, ed., <u>Prints</u> , Holt, Rhine- hart and Winston, 1962	12.50	8.12
Paul Frankl, <u>Gothic Architecture</u> , Pelican History of Art, Vol. 12	16.50	13.70
Postage - Wittenborn		3.00
Postage - Abrams		1.95
Totals, as of June 17, 1963	\$ 1,089.75	797.32

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Report of the Book Committee

June 17 - July 1, 1963

Carried forward	\$1,089.75	\$797.32
Morassi, Antonio, <u>Complete Catalogue of Paintings of G. B. Tiepolo</u> , Phaidon - New York Graphic Society, 1962	30.00	19.50
Munro, Thomas, <u>Evolution in the Arts</u> , Cleveland Museum of Art (distributed by Abrams), 1963	10.00	6.00 post. .30
Schonberger, Arno and Halldor Soehner, <u>The Rococo Age</u> , McGraw-Hill, 1960	23.50	15.28
<u>World of Music, An Illustrated Encyclopedia</u> , 4 vols., Abradale Press (distributed by Abrams), 1963	50.00	30.00 post. .90
Ackerman, James, <u>Architecture of Michelangelo</u> , Studio-Viking, 1961	25.00	16.25
Okudaira, Hideo, <u>Enaki: Japanese Picture Scrolls</u> , Tuttle, 1962	17.50	11.38
Berenson, Bernhard, <u>Italian Pictures of the Renaissance, The Florentine School</u> , 2 vols., Phaidon - New York Graphic Society, 1963	25.00	16.25
Comstock, Helen, <u>American Furniture: 17th, 18th and 19th Century Styles</u> , Studio-Viking, 1962	17.50	11.38
Trier, Eduard, <u>Form and Space: Sculpture of the 20th Century</u> , Praeger, 1962	15.00	9.75
Pobé, Marcel, <u>The Art of Roman Gaul</u> , University of Toronto Press, 1961	14.00	11.20 post. .30
Arnason, H. H., <u>Marca-Belli</u> , Abrams, 1963	25.00	15.00 post. .30

<u>Focillon, Henry, The Art of the West in</u>		
<u>the Middle Ages, Phaidon - New York</u>		
<u>Graphic Society, 1963</u>		
Vol. 1. <u>Romanesque Art</u>	7.95	5.17
Vol. 2. <u>Gothic Art</u>	7.95	5.17
<u>Barrett, Douglas and Basel Gray,</u>		
<u>Painting of India, Treasures</u>		
<u>of Asia series, Skira-World, 1963</u>		
	25.00	16.25
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	\$ 1,398.15	1,000.78
<u>Tunisia, Ancient Mosaics, UNESCO World</u>		
<u>Art Series, v. 19, New York Graphic</u>		
<u>Society, 1963</u>		
	18.00	11.70
<u>Briessen, Fritz von, The Way of the</u>		
<u>Brush, Tuttle, 1962</u>		
	15.00	9.75

January 27, 1964

Mrs. Frank Tessitor,
Taiwan Western Art Library,
Taipei, Taiwan.

Dear Mrs. Tessitor:

One of our members, Mrs. Pryor, when she visited Taiwan recently, became very much interested in your plans for a library of western art books for Taiwan. She sent us your little brochure and we read this at our fall meeting.

Unfortunately, according to our constitution, we can only purchase art books for the Ann Arbor Public Library. As individual members, however, we can tell friends about the work of your committee. Would you be interested in receiving art books or do you prefer to do your own purchasing with donation of money?

I am enclosing a list of our recent purchases. Our library has funds for inexpensive art books so we confine our gifts to books costing over ten dollars. These we select in consultation with the director of the library.

We feel you have a fine project and we wish you all success!

Sincerely,

Frances L. Youtz, Secretary.

(Mrs. P. N. Youtz
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USIS/Taipei

Dr. and Mrs. Howard L. Parsons
Director, US AID/China

Mr. Edgar Pike, Representative
Asia Foundation to China

Mr. Ran In-ting, Artist and
Advisor to Provincial Government
Taipei, Taiwan

Dr. Dan Saint-Rossy,
UNESCO Expert
Taipei, Taiwan

Mr. Sun Chia-chin
Fine Arts Department
Taiwan Normal University

Mr. & Mrs. Teng Chang-kuo, Dean,
National Fine Arts Academy

Mr. Neal Welliver,
Fine Arts Department
Yale University

Mr. Charles Wilder, Director
American Museum
of Atomic Energy,
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Mr. and Mrs. Teng Chang-kuo,
Chairmen

US AID/C-TR
APO 63, Box 7
San Francisco, California
February 21, 1964

Mrs. P. N. Youtz, Secretary
The Ladies Library Association
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Youtz:

I have recently returned from an extended home leave in the United States and was delighted to find your letter of January 27 waiting for me.

Thank you for your kind words regarding the Taiwan Western Art Library project. We, too, are impressed with the work that The Ladies Library Association is doing for the Ann Arbor Public Library. Mary Pryor told me a great deal about your efforts, and reading over the impressive list of titles which you have donated to the Ann Arbor Library, surely substantiates her claims.

During my home leave, I talked with many people regarding adding to the original collection of books that have been donated to the Taiwan Western Art Library. Among the persons that I talked to was Mrs. Mary Lou Jeanneny, Director of the Art Library, Donnell Branch, New York City Public Library. She looked over the list of titles and suggested some other books which she showed to me. They are lovely books, and I'll enclose a list for you to see, both of her suggestions and additional suggestions that have been drawn up by Mrs. David Finley of my committee. Any donations that any of your members would care to make will surely be appreciated by the Chinese participants of the Western Art Library, and by those of us on the Western Fine Arts Committee who recognize the need for these books. Whether your members prefer to send books or cash donations is entirely up to them. The list of titles is merely for your consideration. You can rest assured that we will be most grateful for any donations that your members care to make.

Thank you so much for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

Jane Tessitor, President
Taiwan Western Fine Arts Comm.

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ART BOOK SUGGESTIONS

by

WESTERN FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

TITLE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER OR SOURCE	PRICE
THE COMPLETE BOOK OF ARTISTS' TECHNIQUES	Kurt Herberts	Praeger, 1958, & Arts	\$11.95*
THE NATURAL WAY TO DRAW	Kimon Nicolaides	Houghton Mifflin Co., Boston, 1941	---
OIL PAINTING TECHNIQUE	Frederic Taubes	--	--
HOW TO MAKE COLLAGES	Hohn Lynch	Viking Press 625 Madison Ave, NY	--
CLAY & GLAZES FOR THE POTTER	Daniel Rhodes	Greenberg, NY (Lib. of Congress)	--
BASIC DESIGN	Kenneth F. Bates	World Pub. Col, 1960 (Lib. of Congress)	--
CEZANNE'S COMPOSITION	Erle Laran	-	--
SCULPTURE (How To type book)	William Zarach	-	-
COLOR PSYCHOLOGY, Teaching Color		Wittenborn & Co.	30.00
ON THE PHENOMENA OF COLOR & LIGHT	Heimendahl	Wittenborn & Co.	10.50
COLLAGES & THEIR MASTERS, 1911 to 1961	Janis & Rudi Blesh	College Art Assn.	7.50
The Design and Creation of Jewelry	Robert Von Neumann	College Art Assn.	18.50
TWENTY PAINTERS AND HOW THEY WORK		(NY) Watson-Guptill Pub.	-
GREAT DRAWINGS OF ALL TIME Vol. 1-Italian Vol. 2-German, Flemish Dutch Vol. 3-French, thru 1919 Vol. 4-Oriental, Spanish English, American Contemporary		7 Arts had a special offer for \$160.00	175.00
THE ARTIST IN HIS STUDIO	ALEXANDER LIBERMAN		12.50 12.50
PRIZE WINNING OIL PAINTINGS & WHY THEY WON	Margaret Harold	Allied Publications, Inc. Dept. A.M., 4110 Hillsboro Rd., Nashville 12, Tenn	6.95

* 7 Arts prices--Membership, not list.

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TITLE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER OR SOURCE	PRICE
MASTER DRAWINGS, 19th & 20th CENTURIES	denes pataky	7 Arts	\$12.95
ABSTRACT PAINTING	Michel Seuphor	7 Arts	15.95
CUBISM AND TWENTIETH CENTURY ART	Robert Rosenblum	7 Arts	17.95
THE GREAT EXPERIMENT: Russian Art	Camilla Gray	7 Arts	18.95
GREAT FRENCH PAINTINGS IN THE HERMITAGE	Charles Sterling	"	19.50
BRAQUE	John Richardson	"	9.95
ROUALT	Pierre Courthion	"	19.95
xxxxx MONET	William C. Seitz	"	11.95
PAUL KLEE: THE INWARD VISION	Werner Hoftmann	"	12.95
RANDINSKY (A book on the work of Ben Shahn)	Eill Grohmann	"	13.50
THE MAKING OF A MODERN ARTIST OF DIVERS ARTS (Constructivist movement)	Naum Gabo	Pantheon Books A. W. Mellon Lectures in the Fine Arts, 1959 Bollinen SeriesXXXV 8	
SERIES II, Metropolitan Art Seminars			
CREATIVE AND MENTAL GROWTH	Victor Lowenfeld	Mac Millan, 3rd Edition, 1958	
WHAT IS MODERN PAINTING Modern Drawings	ALFRED BARR	Museum of Modern Art " " " " " "	
The Picture History of Photography	Peter Pollach	7 Arts	12.95
THE ART AND TECHNIQUE OF COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY	A. Liberman, J. Tschener & A. B. Saarinen	7 Arts	12.95
A TREASURY OF SCANDINAVIAN DESIGN		7 Arts (Golden Press)	12.95
FURNITURE FOR MODERN INTERIORS	Mario Dal Fabbro	7 Arts	13.95
MODERN FURNITURE, ITS DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION	" " " "	" " " "	13.95

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FILE	AUTHOR	PUBLISHER OR SOURCE	PRICE
WORLD'S CONTEMPORARY ARCHITECTURE 12 vol.	Prof. Shiji Kaike	Shokoku-Sha Pub. Col # 11, 1 Chome Hirakawa, Tokyo, Japan	--
ART IN LATIN AMERICAN ARCHITECTURE	Paul Damaz	7 Arts	11.95
Modern Architecture in Mexico	Max . Cetto	"	9.50
The Architecture of Fantasy	Ulrich Conrads Hans G. Sperlich	7 Arts (Praeger, Inc.)	11.95
ARTIST'S PROOF (magazine)		Pratt Graphic Art Center	3.00 (per year)
PRIMITIVE ART			
GREEK SCULPTURE			
GREAT STYLES OF FURNITURE (Engl, Italian, French, Dutch, Spanish)		Viking	22.50
X 50-Chefs-d'oeuvre (French)		Hans Bader, Inc.)	24.50
IVERSE BOOKS, INC.			
Titles: Fritz Wotruba--Humanities in Stone			--
Barbara Hepworth-(Sculpture)--Switzerland			--
Living the Modern Way			12.95

1611 East Stadium Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan
April 4, 1964

Mrs. James M. Plumer, President,
Ladies Library Association,
1505 Golden, Ann Arbor.

Dear Mrs. Plumer:

I regret very much that I will be unable to continue as secretary of the Ladies Library Association. My husband retires from the University at the end of this June and we expect to travel next year.

Since our other plans for the future are uncertain, I think I should resign from the Board as well. You will need a full quota of members to work on the centenary plans for the L. L. A. and I think I should not hold a place under the circumstances.

I have appreciated very much the opportunity of working with you and with the Board. A commitment to books and libraries seems so important today when education for living and for earning a living should be available to everyone.

Best wishes for your work,

Sincerely

Frances L. Youtz.

(Mrs. Philip N. Youtz)

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Board Members in 1964

Mrs. John Alexander (1958)	788 Arlington	NO 3 5879
Mrs. Arno L. Bader (1962)	285 Orchard Hills	NO 3 5898
Mrs. George Cameron (1962)	1515 Ottawa Dr.	NO 2 9109
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Mrs. James G. Hays (1930)	1555 Washtenaw	NO 2 1430
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Mrs. James M. Plumer (1951)	1505 Golden	NO 2 1230
Mrs. Millard Pryor (1960)	715 Spring Valley	NO 2 2118
Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne (1951)	1921 Cambridge	NO 2 0822
Mrs. Charles Vibbert (1951)	1710 Hermitage	NO 3 4433
Mrs. Harold E. Wethey (1951)	2009 Morton	NO 2 6027
Mrs. John G. Winter (1929)	901 S. Forest	NO 3 1723

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Minutes - April 30, 1964

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on Thursday, April 30th, at the home of Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne, at 3:30. Present were Mrs. Van Tyne, Mrs. James Plumer, Mrs. John Alexander. Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. Charles Vibbert, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. George Cameron, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. William Frayer, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. Perry Innes, Miss Eleanor Collins, Mrs. John McKevitt, Mrs. Philip Youtz.

The president, Mrs. Plumer, reported that in looking over the old association records she found that until 1916, the annual meeting was opened with a reading from the Scriptures. She thought it would be nice to revive the custom and she read a passage from the sixth chapter of the Wisdom of Solomon.

The minutes were read by the secretary and were approved for filing with one correction, namely that the proceeds of the [Winifred Gibbons] Mote Memorial Fund do not go to the support of the St. Joseph's Hospital bookcarts.

The treasurer's report was read. It showed a total of funds on hand to date of \$3,551.30. Of this amount, our Bank Certificate accounts for \$1,000.00; in the Savings account is \$2,406.18. The treasurer passed around an itemized list of the shares of stock held by the Ladies Library Association.

Mrs. Alexander asked if we were putting our savings back into capital. Mrs. Plumer asked if we should continue to keep

a sum in savings or put it into bonds. Mrs. Alexander wondered if there was any reason why we should not buy common stocks. Discussion followed.

Miss Hall then moved that we allocate \$1,000 to purchase books this next year. Mrs. Alexander seconded the motion. It was passed.

Mrs. Bader moved that the finance committee study the matter and if it saw fit, invest in stocks. Mrs. Vibbert seconded the motion. Mrs. Bader also suggested that we would be getting a better interest rate from the Federal Savings and Loan than from our present savings account and that this would not be tied up on an annual basis as is our Bank Certificate. Mrs. Van Tyne did not approve of investing in Federal Savings and Loan. She thought, however, that we should not instruct the finance committee, but give them more responsibility. After some further discussion, Mrs. Bader withdrew her motion. Mrs. Frayer then moved that we refer all of this to the finance committee and that this committee in turn report to the executive committee. Miss Collins seconded this motion. It was passed.

Miss Collins gave the report of the Book Committee. She had brought with her for our perusal some of the books we had purchased for the library.

It was announced that Mrs. Innes had been re-elected corresponding secretary of the Friends of the Library.

There was some discussion of the Branch Library. This is not a possibility at present as the funds to support it have not

been voted. It was thought that the advantage of such a library was that it would spread education, making books available to people who would not otherwise get them. Like the bookmobile, the branch library would not include the basic reference books which would still be available at the main library.

The secretary read a letter from Mrs. Tessitor of Taiwan, which gave a list of books and periodicals in which their library was interested. Members of the Ladies' Library Association who had books to contribute then took down Mrs. Tessitor's address.

Mrs. Plumer reported that March 18th, 1866 was the date of the organization of the Ladies' Library Association. She appointed Mrs. Alexander to head a committee of her choosing to get ready for the celebration of the centennial in 1966. She reminded us that this date is actually only three meetings from now. Mrs. Alexander was asked to report at our annual meeting next spring. Several good histories of the organization are available, Prof. Clever Bald's, Miss Hannum's and Mrs. Wethey's.

Mrs. Bader reported that the stone from our old building could be installed in one of three possible places at the Ann Arbor Public Library.

The president then read Mrs. Youtz' letter of resignation. This was accepted with regret and Mrs. Youtz was made an emeritus member of the Ladies' Library Association.

The slate of officers for the coming year was given by Mrs. Hayden, chairman of the nominating committee. It included all the present officers with the exception of the secretary, for

which office Mrs. Bader's name was proposed, Mrs. Van Tyne moved that a unanimous ballot be cast for this slate. Her motion was seconded. The slate was passed and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Plumer, president; Mrs. Alexander, vice president; Mrs. Innes, treasurer; Mrs. Bader secretary; and Miss Collins, chairman of the book committee.

To fill the vacancy on the board, several names were suggested and Mrs. Plumer said they would be voted on at the fall meeting.

Mrs. Plumer then asked if any new business was to be reported. Mrs. Innes asked if some other member of the group should audit her report. This has been customary and it was suggested that the finance committee do this.

Miss Collins said that by buying books through the library we get a much better discount than we would in any other way. We have been doing this with our special funds for three years. The library orders the books which we have selected in cooperation with the director. Then we pay for them through the Board of Education. She moved that we continue this arrangement. Mrs. Bader seconded the motion, It was passed.

Mrs. Youtz then exhibited a copy of the Saturday Review of Literature for April, which had articles in honor of "Library Week". One of the authors described the problems of the Library of Congress. In the general economy move this year its budget was cut and the article recommended that library friends from all over the country should write the chairmen of the various

[Congressional] committees concerned with our national library and urge them to provide funds for the physical space and the personnel needed to carry on work. Mrs. Youtz moved that our president write such a letter. The motion was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances, L. Youtz, secretary

From the Minutes of the meeting of November 3, 1971, an Addendum to these Minutes of April 30, 1964:

Mrs. Youtz has left Ann Arbor and is no longer an active member in the Ladies' Library Association. She is also not an emeritus member because she did not serve for over ten years.

[Retyped in double space and on all rag paper by Alice S. Wethey,
June 1978]

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT - April 1, 1963 - March 31, 1964

INCOME	SHARES	1963-64	1962-63
Abbott Laboratories	25	42.50	47.50
American Electric Power	12	28.93	12.36
Consumers Power	15	45.00	52.50
Detroit Bank and Trust	10	17.00	22.00
Duquesne Lighting	50	65.50	62.50
B. M. I.		24.50	24.00
Eastman Kodak	10	78.55	73.50
Eastman Kodak (sale of stock)		63.79	
King Seeley	40	128.00	124.00
Monsanto Chemical	23	53.36	47.84
Mass. Investors Trust	101	41.77	41.87
Phelps Dodge	20	60.00	60.00
Standard Oil Indiana	30	77.10	67.50
U.S. Bonds, Series K		41.40	41.40
Bank Certificate \$1,000		40.00	
Bank interest 12/1/63		28.54	
Bank interest 3/1/64		17.36	
Dues		1.40	
	Total	854.70	
Checking Account		145.12	
Savings account		2,406.18	
Bank certificate		1,000.00	
	Total	4,406.00	

Expenditures - Safety Deposit box \$4.40 - already deducted from checking.

[Typed by Alice S. Wethey,
June 1978]

Joan Innes, TREASURER

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

HOLDINGS --- 1963 - 1964

ABBOTT LABORATORIES, 3 for 1 split, May 1964, and dividend up from 1963

Number of shares had been 25, not 75.

AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER, number of shares 12.

CONSUMERS' POWER, number of shares 15 or 30.

DUQUESNE LIGHTING. Number of shares 50. Dividend up from last year.

EASTMAN KODAK. 30 shares.

KING SEELEY. 80 shares. Dividend raised July this year. A split will probably come soon.

MONSANTO CHEMICAL. 22 shares.

MASSACHUSETTS INVESTORS TRUST. 101 shares now through taking capital gains in shares.

PHELPS DODGE. 20 shares.

STANDARD OIL OF INDIANA. Split 1954, 2 for 1. Dividend up Sept. 1964. Split again 1964.
Number of shares 30.

DETROIT BANK. 10 shares.

In savings at Ann Arbor Bank \$3,618.00. \$1,000 of that will be needed by the Book Committee, Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman.

Joan Innes, Treasurer.

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Report of the Book Committee, 1963 - 64

The Book Committee of the Ladies Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library during 1963-64. At the present date fifty titles have been acquired with a list price total of \$984.85. The actual cost was \$718.16, an average discount of about 37 %. Further volumes are on order which should bring the total amount spent before the end of the fiscal year, June 1st, to about \$1004.96.

A member of the library staff has requested that more books on crafts and house planning be given consideration by the committee in making lists of suggested purchases. Apparently the supply is never equal to the demand.

With this year the Association has completed the expenditure of the \$3,000.00 granted us by the Board of Education.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader

Helen Hall

Eleanor Collins, Chairman

Books acquired 1963-1964 (July 1, 1963 - April 30, 1964)

Codex Dresdensis: <u>Die Maya Handschrift der Sächsischen Landesbibliothek, Dresden, Akademie Verlag, 1962</u>	90.00	90.00
Kitzinger, Ernst, <u>The Mosaics of Monreale, S. F. Flaccovio, 1960</u>	65.00	58.50
Honour, Hugh, <u>Chinoiserie: The Vision of Cathay, Dutton, 1962</u>	12.50	10.00
D'Harcourt, Raoul, <u>Textiles of Ancient Peru and their Techniques, University of Washington Press, 1962</u>	22.50	18.00
Herberts, Kurt, <u>Oriental Lacquer: Art and Technique, Thames and Hudson, 1962</u>	48.00	43.20 post. 2.80
<u>The Great Ages of World Architecture series, Braziller, 1961 - (\$4.95 each)</u>	59.40	38.64
Alex, William. <u>Japanese Architecture, 1963</u>		
Branner, Robert. <u>Gothic Architecture, 1961</u>		
Brown, Frank. <u>Roman Architecture, 1961</u>		
Hoag, John. <u>Western Islamic Architecture, 1963</u>		
Lowry, Bates, <u>Renaissance Architecture, 1962</u>		
MacDonald, William, <u>Early Christian and Byzantine Architecture, 1962</u>		
Millon, Henry, <u>Baroque and Rococo Architecture, 1961</u>		
Robertson, Donald, <u>Pre-Columbian Architecture, 1963.</u>		
Saalman, Howard, <u>Medieval Architecture, 1962</u>		
Scranton, Robert, <u>Greek Architecture, 1962</u>		
Scully, Vincent, <u>Modern Architecture, 1961</u>		
Wu, Nelson, <u>Chinese and Indian Architecture, 1963</u>		
Cotterell, Howard H. <u>Old Pewter, Tuttle, 1963</u>	27.50	17.87
Ecke, Gustav, <u>Chinese Domestic Furniture, Tuttle, 1963</u>	25.00	16.25
Grivot, Denis and Zarnecki, George, <u>Gislebertus, Sculptor of Autun, Orion, 1961</u>	15.00	9.75
Pope-Hennessy, John, <u>Italian High Renaissance and Baroque Sculpture, 3 vols. Phaidon, 1963</u>	37.50	24.37

Schoder, Raymond, <u>Masterpieces of Greek Art</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1960	12.50	8.12
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art</u> , Vol. 7, McGraw- Hill, 1963	32.00	28.80
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art</u> , Vol. 8, McGraw- Hill, 1963	32.00	28.80
Saisselin, Rémy, <u>Style, Truth and the Por- trait</u> , Cleveland, Museum of Art, 1963	6.00	3.60
Rothenstein, John, <u>The Tate Gallery</u> , Abrams, 1963	7.50	4.85
Richie, Donald, <u>Katachi: Japanese Pattern and design in Wood, Paper and Clay</u> , Abrams, 1963	30.00	18.40
Flocco, Giuseppe, <u>Paintings by Mantegna</u> , Abrams, 1963	17.50	10.75
Rewald, John, <u>Camille Pissarro</u> , Abrams, 1963	15.00	9.00
Wilkinson, Charles, <u>Iranian Ceramics</u> , Asia House, 1963	8.50	5.55
Boon, K. G. <u>Rembrandt: The Complete Etch- ings</u> , Abrams, 1963	18.50	11.50
Berve, Helmut, <u>Greek Temples, Theatres and Shrines</u> , Abrams, 1963	25.00	15.55
Wehle, Harry, <u>Great Paintings from the Prado Museum</u> , Abrams, 1963	20.00	12.40
Huyghe, René, <u>Delacroix</u> , Abrams, 1964	35.00	21.60
Berenson, Ruth and Nuhlen, Norman, <u>George Grosz</u> , Arts Inc., 1960	12.50	10.25
Walker, John, <u>National Gallery of Art, Wash- ington, D. C.</u> , Abrams, 1963	7.50	4.70
<u>The Sculpture of Karel Appel</u> , Abrams, 1963	15.00	9.80
Meyer, Franz, <u>Marc Chagall</u> , Abrams, 1964	35.00	21.50
Weller, Allen, <u>Art USA Now</u> , 2 vols, Studio- Viking, 1963	30.00	19.50

<u>Cyprus, Byzantine Mosaics and Frescoes.</u> UNESCO World Art Series, Vol. 20, New York Graphic Society, 1963	18.00	11.70
Bussaglim Mario, <u>Painting of Central Asia,</u> Skira-World, 1963	20.00	13.00
Cooper, Douglas, <u>Great Private Collections,</u> Macmillan, 1963	25.00	16.25
Emmerich, André, <u>Art Before Columbus,</u> Simon and Schuster, 1963	10.00	6.50
Huyghe, René, <u>Larousse Encyclopedis of</u> <u>Byzantine and Mediaeval Art,</u> Prometheus-Putnam, 1963	17.95	11.67
Muraro, Michelangelo and Grabar, André, <u>Treasures of Venice,</u> Skira-World, 1963	29.50	19.17
Schuler, Josef, <u>Great Drawings of the Mas-</u> <u>ters,</u> Putnam, 1963	25.00	16.25
Selz, Jean, <u>Modern Sculpture: Origins and</u> <u>Evolution,</u> Braziller, 1963	17.50	11.37
Soby, James Thrall, <u>Ben Shahn: Paintings.</u> Braziller, 1963	15.00	9.75
Yarwood, Doreen, <u>The Architecture of Eng-</u> <u>land,</u> Putnam, 1964	20.00	13.00
Guiart, Jean, <u>The Arts of the South</u> <u>Pacific,</u> Golden Press, 1963	25.00	16.25
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	984.85	718.16
Orders outstanding	358.50	
Less 20 %	286.80	\$1004.96

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of October 27, 1964

The fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at the home of Mrs. Joseph Hayden on Tuesday, October 27, 1964, at 3:30 o'clock. After an elegant collation the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Plumer. Present were Mrs. John Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Arno Bader, Secretary, Mrs. George Cameron, Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, Mrs. Stanley Dodge, Mrs. William Frayer, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. Joseph R. Hayden, Mrs. James Griffith Hays, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. John McKeivitt, Mrs. James M. Plumer, President, Mrs. Millard Pryor, Mrs. Charles Vibbert, Mrs. John Winter, Mrs. Harold Wethey. Absent were Mrs. R. Perry Innes, Treasurer, and Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne.

The minutes of the Spring meeting, recorded by the former Secretary, Mrs. Philip Youtz, were read and approved as read. As the Treasurer was absent, Mrs. Hays presented her report, saying that a more complete one will be made at the next Spring meeting. At present there is \$3,618.00 in the Ann Arbor Bank account, \$1,000 of which will be spent during the current year by the Book Committee. As the Finance Committee had not yet held a meeting there was no list available of the stocks the Association owns. Mrs. Wethey provided a list made out in 1957 and Mrs. Hays read it and commented on

on the healthy state they seem to be in, as she pointed out many that she knew had increased in number and value.

Miss Collins submitted the report of the Book Committee. Seventy-four volumes have been purchased, amounting to a total of \$1,000.50. Miss Collins, with great physical effort, brought many of these beautiful books to the meeting so that the members could see them. A complete list of these volumes is appended.

Miss Collins also reported that Mr. Chance, the Director of the Ann Arbor Public Library, has entered into a written agreement with the Association whereby the Association is enabled to establish a Revolving Account Fund with the Ann Arbor Board of Education in order to take advantage of the greater discounts offered by publishers to such institutions. This privilege is to be continued indefinitely. This signed agreement is appended to these minutes.

Miss Collins, as Chairman of the Book Committee, spoke with appreciation of the help she has received from Miss Virginia Stout, the Order Librarian of the Ann Arbor Public Library, and expressed a wish that the Association show its gratitude in the form of a letter to Miss Stout. Mrs. Vibbert made a motion that the Secretary write such a letter, and Mrs. Keniston seconded it, and the motion was carried. The carbon copy of the letter written is appended.

After some further discussion and comments on books and

the payments for them, Mrs. Hayden made a motion that the Board of Education be given five hundred dollars by the Treasurer at this time for book purchases and the remaining amount of five hundred dollars given when it becomes necessary to do so. Miss Hall seconded this motion and it was passed.

Mrs. Plumer informed the members that Mr. Chance was much interested in the plans for the coming centennial celebration of the Ladies' Library Association and would be most cooperative about helping with such arrangements that would be made. Mrs. Plumer urged all members to "Think, think, think" about what could be done in the way of entertainment, publicity, and, perhaps, increasing our funds, and to pass on all ideas, and brilliant thoughts to Mrs. Alexander, General Chairman of this affair.

The President then made some observations about the successful outcome of pressure on the U. S. Government for restoring cuts made in the budget of the Library of Congress. Mrs. Keniston explained how every library in the country would be affected by the services the Library of Congress could give, were such a cut made. Mrs. Plumer then read excerpts from a book she had found in the Ann Arbor Public Library consisting of reports of Ladies' Library Associations of the State of Michigan and published by the State in 1876. The Ann Arbor Association reported a most "interesting lecture was given by Miss Clark on 'The Beautiful and Useful'". These clubs or

Associations were in many instances the beginnings of the Public Libraries in many towns throughout the State, and their early struggles for existence are interesting and frequently amusing. It was decided that since the Ann Arbor Ladies had squeezed many lemons with no profit at a Lemonade Stand set up on the Court House lawn on the Fourth of July, that we would be wise to avoid duplication of such effort.

Mrs. Plumer also gave some information on the meeting of the Library Advisory Council she had attended, and the part it plays in the community. She reported that the Board of Education regards the Council's recommendations for improvement of the Library's service to the Community very highly, even though some of them, such as extending the hours to be open, required further allocations of funds. She thought it would be well to publicize the fact that the Library Advisory Council exists for the purpose of making the Public Library more useful, and that suggestions made to it for that purpose would be helpful.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader, Secretary.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE

October 27, 1964

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library during the period April 30, 1964 to June 1, 1964. This brings the total amount spent for the year 1963-1964 to \$1000.50 for 74 titles. This amount also completes the expenditure of the \$3000 granted the Association by the Board of Education.

At a previous meeting of the Ladies' Library Association the question was raised concerning the possibility that payment for the books given by the Association might be made through the Public Library order department in order to take advantage of the greater discounts offered by publishers to such institutions.

Last week Mr. Homer Chance, the Librarian, notified the committee's chairman that the Board of Education had agreed to allow the Association to deposit money in a revolving fund in its office. a revolving account permits the funds to be spent without time limits. The Association would still have complete control of the choice of books, but the orders and payments would be processed through the order department of the Library.

Miss Virginia Stout, the order librarian, is willing to assume these extra duties. I should very much like, at this point, to commend most heartily her help and friendliness to this Association. Her lists from which these reports are compiled are always models of clarity and efficiency.

The Committee, as always, will be happy to receive titles for purchase from the members of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader
Helen Hall
Eleanor Collins, Chairman

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Books acquired April 30, 1964 - July 1, 1964:

	List	Net
Hunter, Sam, <u>Hans Hofmann</u> , Abrams, 1964	25.00	15.40
Vallier, Dora, <u>Henri Rousseau</u> , Abrams, 1984	25.00	15.40
Bandi, Hans-Georg, <u>The Art of the Stone Age</u> , Crown, 1961 (Art of the World series).	6.95	5.56
Friedenthal, Richard, <u>Letters of the Great Artists</u> , 2 vols., Random House, 1963.	15.00	12.00
Gasser, Manuel, <u>Self-portraits from the 15th Century to the Present Day</u> , Appleton-Century, 1963.	12.95	10.36
Gould, Mary Earle, <u>Early American Wooden Ware</u> , Tuttle, 1962.	8.50	6.80
Heydenryk, Henry, <u>The Art and History of Frames</u> , Heineman, 1963.	10.00	8.00
Hitchcock, Henry Russell, <u>Architecture of Skid- more, Owings and Merrill, 1950-1962</u> , Praeger, 1963.	18.75	15.00
Kähler, Heinz, <u>The Art of Rome and Her Empire</u> , Crown, 1963 (Art of the World series).	6.95	5.56
Leuzinger, Elsy, <u>The Art of Africa</u> , Crown, 1960 (Art of the World series).	6.95	5.56
McCoy, Esther, <u>Modern California Houses</u> , Reinhold, 1962.	12.50	10.00
Matz, Friedrich, <u>The Art of Crete and Early Greece</u> , Crown, 1962 (Art of the World Series).	6.95	5.56
Stubbe, Wolf, <u>Graphic Arts in the Twentieth Century</u> , Praeger, 1963.	30.00	24.00
Sullivan, Michael, <u>An Introduction to Chinese Art</u> , University of California Press, 1961	8.00	6.40

Tunnard, Christopher and Pushkarev, Boris, <u>Man-made America: Chaos or Control?</u> Yale University Press, 1963.	15.00	12.00
Ware, George W., <u>German and Austrian Porcelain</u> , Crown, n. d.	12.50	10.00
Woldering, Irmgard, <u>The Art of Egypt</u> , Crown, 1963 (Art of the World series).	6.95	5.56
Woolley, Leonard, <u>The Art of the Middle East</u> , Crown, 1961 (Art of the World series).	6.95	5.56
Butlin, Martin, <u>Turner Watercolours</u> , London, Barrie and Rockliff, 1962.	13.75	12.38
Lee, Sherman, <u>A History of Far Eastern Art</u> , Abrams, 1964.	25.00	15.40
Schmutzler, Robert, <u>Art Nouveau</u> , Abrams, 1964.	25.00	15.40
Chatelet, Albert and Thillier, Jacques, <u>French Painting: From Fouquet to Poussin</u> , Skira - World, 1963.	29.50	19.17
Elville, E. M., <u>The Collector's Dictionary of Glass</u> , Taplinger, 1962.	38.50	25.02
Nervi, Pier Luigi, <u>Buildings, Projects, Struc- tures, 1953-1963</u> , Praeger, 1963.	15.00	9.75
Soby, James Thrall, <u>Ben Shahn: His Graphic Art</u> , Braziller, 1963.	10.00	6.50
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	391.65	282.34
Books purchased July 1, 1963 - April 30, 1964	984.85	718.16
Total	\$ 1,376.50	1,000.50

Ann Arbor Public Schools
Revolving Fund Account
Information

Name of Account: Ladies' Library Association.

Date Established: October, 1964. Code: 671183 (Income)
672183 (Expenditures)

Purpose of the Account: To purchase Art Books.

Source of Income: Contributions from the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor.

Person or persons responsible for administering the account:
Ann Arbor Public Library
Homer R. Chance, Director.

Disposition of the Account when no longer active:
This account is to be active indefinitely.

Signed: Homer R. Chance

October 28, 1964

Miss Virginia L. Stout,
2180 Medford Avenue,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dear Miss Stout:

At the fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association yesterday, a resolution was moved and quickly passed with complete assent, that the Secretary of that organization write you and thank you for the constant, cheerful assistance you have given the Book Committee, and more especially, the Chairman of that Committee, Miss Collins.

If the Ann Arbor Public Library has a rather outstanding collection of Art books, and of course we all think it has, you may well take pride in that it wouldn't be there without your help, for the "Ladies" of the Library Association know they could not have put them on the shelves without you.

It gives me pleasure to be the Secretary privileged to convey to you our real appreciation and thanks.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Arno L. Bader,
Secretary.

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of April 26, 1965

The annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at 3:00 P. M. on Monday, April 26, at the home of Mrs. James G. Hays. Present were: Mrs. John Alexander, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. George Cameron, Miss Eleanor Collins, Mrs. Stanley Dodge, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. J. Griffith Hays, Mrs. R. Perry Innes, Mrs. John McKevitt, Mrs. James Plumer, Mrs. Charles Vibbert, Mrs. Harold Wethey. Absent were: Mrs. William Frayer, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. Millard Pryor, Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne and Mrs. John Winter.

After an "elegant Tea" Mrs. Plumer, the President, opened the meeting with verses from the Scriptures: Ecclesiastes, 38th chapter, verses from 27 on. These deal most appropriately with the art of the craftsman.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary, Mrs. Bader, and approved as read.

The President read a letter from Mrs. Frayer thanking the Ladies for sending her flowers to try to help ease the misery of a broken hip.

Miss Collins gave the report of the Book Committee, and she put on display some big (and heavy, should we get Godfrey's to help her sometime?) beautiful volumes she and Miss Hall had brought for us to see. In all, the Association has

contributed forty-two titles to the Ann Arbor Public Library this past year. It was decided to have the Treasurer issue another check for five hundred dollars to the Ann Arbor Board of Education for further purchases. A list of books purchased and the report of the Book Committee is appended.

Mrs. Innes read the Treasurer's report on the finances of the Association. At the present time the Association has a total of \$4,212.30 on deposit in checking and savings accounts. Of this, \$1,191.30 was received as earnings on stocks owned by the Association. Appended is the Treasurer's Report, containing a list of the stocks owned at this time and the return on them for last year and this.

Mrs. Innes gave a report on the last meeting of the Friends of the Library, telling of some of the gifts the Friends have made to the Library and the possibilities they have explored to be of more service to the Community. There is to be experimentation with "book deposits" in various Community Centers in the hope of reaching some of the more underprivileged youngsters (and their parents) in the city.

Mrs. Plumer reported on the activities of the Ann Arbor Public Library Advisory Council, stating that the Library now belongs to a new "Systems" group within which Libraries can not only aid one another in obtaining a wider number of books to circulate and a central area where "paper work" can be done, in this case the Ann Arbor Library, but it makes it

possible for libraries to obtain both State and Federal funds, the City Library having already received twenty-five hundred dollars. While this System is of much greater value to the small libraries of the State, it has some advantages to us also.

The President then read a letter from Mrs. Preis, saying that the self-constituted "Ladies Auxiliary" of the Friends of the Library would be grateful for help on the occasion of the dedication of the new Loving Branch Library. It was decided we all could work, and would willingly do so when asked.

Mrs. Plumer then turned the meeting over to Mrs. Alexander, Chairman of the Centennial Celebration, which falls on March 19, 1966. Mrs. Alexander read, to start discussion, a beautifully organized and comprehensive paper on the various problems involved and possible solutions to them concerning the Centennial. Since this paper could not be adequately covered in these minutes it is, therefore, appended. After much discussion on many points, it was decided to allocate at this time the sum of five hundred dollars toward the various expenses which seem necessary to start the program off, always hoping, of course, that it will cover invitations, other necessary printing, and the "collation." It should cover too, the cost of setting the cornerstone of the first Library building into one of the walls of the present building

and a bronze plaque of identification. Mrs. Bader was to undertake the determining the cost of this.

The Ladies were canvassed as to whom they would like to have as a speaker at the Celebration and the concensus was that Mr. Bidlack and Mr. Peckham and Mr. C. Bald were the persons who have evinced an interest in local history and they should be invited to speak in that order, with the hope that by offering an honorarium of fifty dollars, Mr. Bidlack would and could undertake the speaking assignment. That amount to be covered by the five hundred, of course!

In an attempt to determine the date of Easter, and hence the date for our celebration, Mrs. Plumer consulted Mrs. Hays' Prayerbook, but unfortunately Mrs. Hays seems to be a little behind with her Prayers, for the Easter tables in her book stopped in 1899. Therefore, it was decided to consult with the President of the Friends of the Library before setting a date and prevent the duplication of events on the same day.

During a discussion of displays it was suggested that items important and interesting in the growth of the Association, such as some of the old books of minutes, pictures, etc., be displayed. Miss Collins was made the Chairman of this little duty.

Mrs. Alexander said she thought one of the most "delicate and difficult" Committees would be that of the Invitation

Committee, and she thought our retiring President would be the one person who could handle this with aplomb and tact, and she was therefore appointed.

A standing bow was given to Mrs. Alexander for her careful planning and her excellent report.

Miss Hall gave the report of the Nominating Committee and the following officers were elected by unanimous vote:

Vice-President	Mrs. John Alexander
Secretary	Mrs. John McKevitt
Treasurer	Mrs. Cameron Haight
Book Committee	Miss Eleanor Collins
President	Mrs. Harold Wethey

The meeting was turned over to the new President, and Mrs. Wethey adjourned the meeting at 5:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader, Secretary.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT, April, 1965

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American Electric Power	24.93	28.93																																
B.M.I. Corp. (final payment)	230.00																																	
Duquesne Lighting	66.80	65.50																																
Detroit Bank and Trust	24.00	17.00																																
Eastman Kodak	104.45	78.55																																
Eastman (fract. share sold)	63.79																																	
Consumers Power	48.00	45.00																																
King Seeley	176.00	128.00																																
Mass. Investors' Trust	45.45	41.77																																
Phelps Dodge Corporation	62.00	60.00																																
Standard Oil	79.50	77.10																																
Monsanto Chemical	54.51	53.36																																
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[Typed by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978]

Joan Innes, Treasurer

April 1965
Report of the Committee on the
Centennial Entertainment Program

At our last meeting it was decided that a tentative program to celebrate the Ladies' Library Centennial should be prepared and presented to the members for their suggestions and criticism. As you know this anniversary falls on March 19, 1966. In drawing up such a program the questions which leap to the tongue are: what, where, and when?

I have asked a number of our members for their advice and suggestions, but because of having been out of town, I have not yet been able to talk with every one. However, so far, there seems to be a general agreement that a tea to be held in the Ann Arbor Public Library, complete with distinguished speakers, would be suitable, if not original. It has also been suggested that we have some displays of historical interest as well as of some of our recent gifts.

The present thought is that the President of the Ladies' Library open the meeting and then present a short survey of the Ann Arbor Ladies' Library Association's first one hundred years. Next Mr. Chance has agreed to say something about our present gifts and, we hope, about their value to the library and to the public. Then the President will introduce the main speaker. After this tea will be served.

Varying suggestions have been made about the sort of talk the main speaker should give. Should it emphasize the history

and early days of Ladies' Libraries in the United States or should it be about some aspect of art books in general or with illustrations in general? The choice of speaker will probably depend upon our choice of subject. If we decide it should deal with the history of Ladies' Libraries, Mr. Howard Peckham of the Clements Library and Mr. Clever Bald of the Michigan Historical Society have been suggested. If, on the other hand, we wish to hear something of the development of books on art and book illustrations then Mrs. Henry W. Howell, Jr., of the Frick Collection in New York, Mr. Paul Grigault, who is about to join the faculty of the University of Michigan, or possibly one of the art librarians from Oberlin have been mentioned. There is the question of whether or not we would like an out-of-town speaker and, if so, whether we would pay not only his expenses but a small honorarium as well.

I have asked Mr. Chance if he would consider letting us use the handsome main reading room in the library instead of the usual basement lecture room. He said it might be arranged if we would have our celebration on a Sunday and if it did not conflict with the Friends of the Library's annual meeting which falls on the last Sunday in April. March is a rather drear month for Sunday afternoon meetings so in spite of the chance of a small turnout because of two library meetings in one month, April seemed the better choice. Mr. Chance pointed out that the Friends have sometimes been disappointed by the

small attendance at their meetings and we may share the same fate. There is always the risk that people will not come, but we will hope that advance publicity will attract them. Mrs. Haight has very kindly consented to act as chairman of this committee. In order to be able to judge the probable attendance to some extent and also as a compliment to our special friends it seems proper to have a list of honored guests to whom special invitations will be sent. No committee has as yet been formed to take care of this important matter.

As for the displays, I would like very much to hear any views you may have in regard to historical and current displays. Miss Collins has kindly consented to be in charge of the display of our recent gifts.

Naturally, we will need a number of committees to cope with all these details and I hope that everyone will feel able to share in this. Also, I think, we should determine how much money we are prepared to spend on this celebration.

There will be expenses incurred from

The Publicity

The Printed Invitations

The Printed Programs

Remuneration for the cleaners and furniture movers
at the library if we use the main reading room

Refreshments and decorations

The possible honorarium for the speaker and his
expenses if we chose one from out-of-town

Probably unexpected expenses will crop up also.

I would very much appreciate your consideration and discussion of this tentative program.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. John Alexander)

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE, APRIL 26, 1965

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library from July 1, 1964 to April 26, 1965. A total of forty-two has been acquired with a list price cost of \$744.60. The actual cost was \$494.37, an average discount of about 33 %.

Further volumes are on order which should bring the total amount spent before the end of the fiscal year, June 1, to about \$625.00.

This year, for the first time, the Order Department at the Library has undertaken the actual ordering of the books for the Association. Miss Virginia Stout, the Order Librarian, has performed this added duty with her usual willingness and efficiency. By doing this she has also relieved the chairman of the book committee of a great deal of paper work and bookkeeping for which she is very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader
Helen Hall
Eleanor S. Collins, Chairman

Books Acquired July 1, 1964 - April 26, 1965

	List	Net
Cassou, Jean, <u>Jenkins</u> , Abrams, 1964	5.95	3.72
Schmalenbach, Werner, <u>Bissier</u> , Abrams, 1964	5.95	3.72
Oberhammer, Vinzenz, <u>Great Paintings from the Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna,</u> Abrams, 1964	25.00	15.40
Marchieri, Giuseppe, <u>Modern French Sculp- ture</u> , Abrams, 1964	25.00	15.35
Ishida, Mosaku, <u>Japanese Buddhist Prints</u> , Abrams, 1964	35.00	21.40
Carandente, Giovanni, <u>Voltron David Smith</u> , Abrams, 1964	15.00	9.30
Hyams, Edward, <u>The English Garden</u> , Abrams, 1964	15.00	9.30
Lancaster, Clay, <u>The Japanese Influence in America</u> , Walton H. Rawls, 1963	17.50	11.38
Panofsky, Erwin, <u>Tomb Sculpture</u> , Abrams, 1964	20.00	12.35
Bernier, Georges, <u>The Best in Twentieth Century Architecture</u> , Reynal, 1964	15.00	9.45
Dockstader, Frederick, <u>Indian Art in Middle America</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1964	25.00	15.75
Smith, Bradley, <u>Japan: A History in Art</u> , Simon & Schuster, 1964	30.00	18.90
Whinney, Margaret, <u>Sculpture in Britain, 1530-1830</u> , Pelican History of Art, Vol. 23, Penguin Books, 1964	16.50	13.70
Santangelo, Antonio, <u>A Treasury of Great Italian Textiles</u> , Abrams, 1964	30.00	18.40
Sindona, Enio, <u>Pisanello</u> , Abrams, 1964	25.00	15.40

Quintavalle, Augusta, <u>Correggio</u> , Abrams, 1964	17.50	10.85
Gastaing, Marcellin and Leymarie, Jean, <u>Soutine</u> , Abrams, 1964	17.50	10.75
De Logu, Giuseppe, <u>Caravaggio</u> , Abrams, 1964	17.50	10.75
<u>Encyclopedia of Modern Architecture</u> , Abrams, 1964	15.00	9.25
Rosenberg, James, <u>50 Lithographs</u> , Abrams, 1964	15.00	9.35
Malitskaya, K. M., <u>Great Paintings from the Pushkin Museum</u> , Abrams, 1964	25.00	15.40
Jaffé, Hans, <u>Pablo Picasso</u> , Abrams, 1964	15.00	9.30
Gentles, Margaret, <u>Masters of the Japan- ese Print: Moronobu to Utamaro</u> , Asia House (Abrams, distr.), 1964	10.00	6.20
Schuler, Elizabeth, <u>Gardens Around the World</u> , Abrams, 1964	17.50	10.80
Strommenger, Eva, <u>500 Years of the Art of Mesopotamia</u> , Abrams, 1964	30.00	18.50
Bean Jacob, <u>100 European Drawings in the Metropolitan Museum of Art</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1964	12.50	7.87
Buehler, A., <u>Art of the South Sea Islands</u> , Crown, 1962	6.95	4.38
Griswold, Alexander, <u>Art of Burma, Korea, and Tibet</u> , Crown, 1964	6.95	4.38
Groslier, Bernard, <u>Art of Indochina</u> , Crown, 1962	6.95	4.38
Hanfmann, George, <u>Roman Art</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1964	15.00	9.45
Huisman, Philippe, <u>Lautrec by Lautrec</u> , Viking-Studio, 1964	30.00	18.90

Hughe, René, ed., <u>Larousse Encyclopedia of Renaissance and Baroque Art</u> , Putnam-Prometheus, 1964	20.00	12.60
Langaard, Johan, <u>Edvard Munch</u> , McGraw-Hill, 1964	23.50	14.80
Larkin, Oliver, <u>Art and Life in America</u> , revised ed., Hold, Rinehart and Winston, 1960	16.50	10.40
Rewald, John, <u>History of Impressionism</u> , revised ed., Doubleday, 1962	25.00	15.75
Rothenstein, John, <u>Turner</u> , Braziller, 1964	20.00	12.60
Seckel, Dietrich, <u>The Art of Buddhism</u> , Crown, 1964	6.95	4.38
Spelser, Werner, <u>Art of China</u> , Crown, 1961	6.95	4.38
Wagner, Fritz, <u>Art of Indonesia</u> , Crown, 1959	6.95	4.38
Millon, Henry, <u>Key Monuments of the History of Architecture</u> , Abrams, 1965	17.50	10.85
Delaissé, L. M. J., <u>Medieval Miniatures</u> , Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.30
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art</u> , McGraw-Hill, Vol. 9, 1965	32.00	28.80
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	\$774.60	\$494.37

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of November 11, 1965

The Fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at 4:00 p.m. on November 11, 1965, at the home of the President, Mrs. Harold E. Wethey, 2009 Morton Avenue. Present were Mrs. Wethey, President, Mrs. Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Haight, Treasurer, Miss Collins, Chairman, Book Committee, Miss Hall, Mrs. Plumer, Mrs. Pryor, Mrs. Frayer, Mrs. Hayden, Mrs. Hays, Mrs. Vibbert, Mrs. Kenniston and Mrs. McKeivitt, Secretary.

After a delightful tea, Mrs. Wethey called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary and approved after correcting them to substitute Mrs. Innes' name for that of Mrs. McKeivitt, in the report on the meeting of the Friends of the Library.

Mrs. Haight gave the Treasurer's report, announcing that the Financial Committee, consisting of Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Wethey and herself, had met to go over the finances of the Association. They cashed two K bonds which were yielding only 2.7% interest. Approximately \$1000 has been added to cash on deposit, bringing the total to \$4620. On August 1, the market value of securities was approximately \$27,000. As of October 4 there was a balance in the revolving fund for the purchase of books for the Ann Arbor Public Library. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

It was announced that since Mrs. Innes, on leave of absence from the Ladies' Library Association, will be unable to represent the group at the Friends of the Library meetings, another representative should be named. Mrs. Plumer volunteered and was promptly appointed, with enthusiastic approval from the group which always enjoys her lively reports.

Mrs. Alexander, chairman of the Committee on the Centennial Celebration, announced that Sunday, April 17, 1966 at 2:30 p.m. was the precise time that had been selected and cleared for the auspicious occasion of the hundredth birthday party. Mr. Bidlack has accepted the invitation to speak on this occasion and has undertaken the necessary research. The honorarium was set at \$50.

The chairman asked for suggestions for making up a printed program. It was agreed that a sketch of the original home of the Ladies' Library Association be on the program. Mrs. Frayer will ask Mrs. Conover to do a line drawing of the building from a photograph. The group decided also that it would be most appropriate to include a brief history of the Association. The excellent history that Mrs. Wethey had written previously was suggested and agreed upon. Since this will undoubtedly be saved by many as a souvenir it was the wish of the group to have a program of a quality suitable for that purpose.

Miss Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, reported that a total of 61 titles had been added to the collection at the Ann Arbor Public Library between June 1, 1964 and June 1, 1965. In July, 1965, there was a balance of \$254.00 in the revolving fund. The Book Committee, consisting of Mrs. Bader, Miss Hall, and Miss Collins, suggested that because this is the year of the Centennial of the Association, a rather special contribution might be made to the Library. She also requested that the second \$500 of the \$1000 allocated for the current year's book purchase be deposited in the revolving fund at this time. A copy of her report is appended.

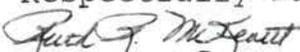
Mrs. Plumer reported on the activities of the Library Council. She reported enthusiastically that Mr. Elzay, Supt. of the Ann Arbor Public Schools under which the Public Library operates, is very library-and branch-library-minded. In outlining the library plans to this group, he envisioned four branch libraries in the city. He wishes to enlarge both the main Library and the Loving Library. In anticipating future growth of the city, he is eyeing sites at Stadium and Pauline Boulevards, and on Plymouth Road near the Bromley S.ubdivision. The opening of the Loving Library on Platt Road has released the Bookmobile for another stop. Circulation has increased astoundingly among both grownups and children. The forthcoming election on the bond issue for the public schools includes funding for additions to the libraries and another branch library.

Consideration of the program entailed much discussion of the correct name of the Association and the proper use of the apostrophe. Checking through the records revealed a lack of uniformity, undoubtedly indicating that the members of the Association have been strong individualists, each of whom used or dropped the apostrophe as she saw fit. The question of whether it should be The Old Ladies' Library Association was handled with dispatch--negatively.

Mrs. Plumer reported for Mrs. Bader on her investigation regarding a plaque to be placed with the Ladies' Library Association corner stone in the Public Library. Arnet's Monument Company gave a price of \$96.00 plus tax for an 18" x 10" bronze plaque with a raised border. This will include installation of the plaque and the corner stone, and the cleaning of the stone.

The invitation list was discussed, after agreement that we should select a nice-looking printed invitation to be sent to people especially interested in the Library. Newspaper publicity will announce the event, which will be open to the public. There is no way of knowing what the attendance will be. The second report of the Committee on the Centennial Entertainment Program is on file here~~with~~.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth R. McKevitt, Secretary

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Report of the Book Committee, October, 1965.

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collections of the Ann Arbor Public Library from April 26 to June 1, 1965. A total of sixty-one titles was added during the fiscal year, June 1, 1964 to June 1, 1965, at a cost of \$714.65. At this date, October 4, 1965, the balance in our revolving fund is \$254.00.

This being the year of our centennial celebration the members of the Book Committee would like to suggest that a rather special contribution be made to the Library. The Committee would welcome any suggestions as to the form this might take.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader

Helen Hall

Eleanor Collins, Chairman

LADIES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Books acquired April 26 - June 1, 1965

	List price	Actual cost
Berlin State Museums, curatorial staff. <u>Art treasures of the Berlin State Museums.</u> Abrams, 1965	20.00	12.40
Amiranashvili, Shalva. <u>Medieval Georgian enamels of Russia.</u> Abrams, 1965	30.00	18.35
Knappe, Karl-Adolf. <u>Dürer: the complete engravings etchings and woodcuts.</u> Abrams, 1965	18.50	11.55
Haftmann, Werner. <u>Wols: watercolors, drawings, writings.</u> Abrams, 1965	17.50	10.90
Cummings, Frederick. <u>Art in Italy, 1600-1700.</u> Detroit Institute of Arts, 1965	7.50	4.70
Hartt, Frederick. <u>Michelangelo (paintings).</u> Abrams, 1965	15.00	9.30
Tintori, Leonetto & Borsook, Eve. <u>Giotto: The Peruzzi Chapel.</u> Abrams, 1965	20.00	12.30
Bollinger, Hans. <u>Picasso for Vollard.</u> Abrams, 1965	12.50	7.75
Scamuzzi, Ernesto. <u>Egyptian art in the Egyptian Museum of Turin.</u> Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.45
Hahn, Otto. <u>Masson.</u> Abrams, 1965	5.95	3.72
Cassou, Jean and Fédit, Denise. <u>Kupka: gouaches and pastels.</u> Abrams, 1965	5.95	3.72
Carrieri, Raffaele. <u>Futurism.</u> Milan, Edizioni del Milione	35.00	35.35
Maison, K.E. <u>Themes and variations: five centuries of copies and interpretations.</u> London, Thames and Husdon, 1960	17.50	17.85
Sabartes, Jaime. <u>Picasso: Toreros.</u> Braziller, 1961	17.50	17.85
D'Ancona, Paolo. <u>Paolo Uccello.</u> McGraw-Hill, 1960	20.00	20.35
Munsterberg, Hugo. <u>Mingei: folk arts of old Japan.</u> Asia Society, 1965	9.00	5.60
	Total	\$207.14
	Total books acquired June 1, 1964-April 26, 1965	507.51
	Total for fiscal year 1964-1965	714.65

The Ladies' Library Association
Ann Arbor, Michigan

1501 Glen Leven Road
Ann Arbor, Michigan
July 28, 1965

Mr. Stuart Thayer, President
Friends of the Ann Arbor Public Library
276 Sumac Lane
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Thayer:

As you know, the Ladies' Library Association will be observing its hundredth anniversary in 1966 and plans to celebrate the occasion with a tea at the Ann Arbor Public Library

Knowing that the Friends of the Library customarily hold their annual meeting in April, our previous secretary, Mrs. Arno Bader, discussed with you and Mr. Stewart the selection of Sunday, April 17, 1966, as the date for our tea, and secured your approval.

I am writing to thank you for your kindness, as well as to confirm the telephone conversation with Mrs. Bader.

As our plans progress we shall be in touch with you regarding the Friends' participation in this happy event.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. John G. McKevitt)
Secretary

2009 Morton Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Mich.,
September 7, 1965.

Professor Russell E. Bidlack,
Department of Library Science,
Room 309, General Library,
University of Michigan.

Dear Professor Bidlack:

In March 1966 the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor will reach its hundredth anniversary and arrangements are underway for a commemorative celebration at the Public Library on Sunday, April 17. We plan to have a speaker and you are known as one knowledgeable in the history of Ann Arbor and of the libraries in this region.

Our association, of course, was only one of many at the time it was founded. We would be very pleased if you would be willing to present a lecture, not more than 45 minutes in length, on the general subject of the Ladies' Library movement of the nineteenth century, or some particular aspect of it that might especially interest you. As an honorarium we can offer you \$50.

We hope very much that you will be able to accept.

Sincerely yours,

Alice S. Wethey

Mrs. Harold E. Wethey,
President, Ladies' Library Association.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY SCIENCE
ANN ARBOR

September 9, 1965.

Mrs. Harold E. Wethey,
President, Ladies Library Assoc.,
2009 Morton Avenue,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Dear Mrs. Wethey:

Thank you for your letter of September 7.

I am honored by your invitation to speak on the Ladies Library movement at the Public Library on April 17. I am happy to accept.

The topic will be of interest to me, and after I have done some research on it I shall check with you further regarding the form which the paper should take.

Very truly yours,

Russell E. Bidlack
Russell E. Bidlack,
Professor.

2009 Morton Ave.,
Ann Arbor, Mich.,
October 8, 1965.

Professor Russell E. Bidlack,
Department of Library Science.
Room 309, General Library,
University of Michigan.

Dear Professor Bidlack:

The Ladies' Library Association is delighted that you will be the speaker at our centennial celebration in the spring. I have been negligent in not answering sooner your very gracious acceptance.

You undoubtedly know the volume entitled, I believe, "Ladies' Libraries" that was published at the time of the Centennial of the Declaration of Independence in 1875. A copy exists in the main library.

It will be a pleasure to meet you when there is something to discuss in connection with your paper.

Sincerely yours,

Alice S. Wethey

(Mrs. Harold E. Wethey)

SECOND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CENTENNIAL
ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAM

November 1965

At our last meeting we discussed possible dates for the Ladies' Library Centennial Celebration. Mrs. Arno Bader has talked with Mr. Stuart Thayer, President of the Friends of the Library and he has kindly agreed that Sunday, April 17, 1966 may be assigned to us. Mrs. McKeivitt has written him a letter confirming this conversation and Mr. Chance has entered the date on the calendar of the Ann Arbor Public Library and has agreed that we may use the main reading room of the Library.

Last spring we also discussed possible speakers and it was decided that our first choice was Professor Russell Bidlack, of the School of Library Science. Our President, herself, wrote to Mr. Bidlack inviting him to talk to us about the history of Ladies' Libraries and he accepted with pleasure. He will receive an honorarium of \$50.00.

As far as the program is concerned it seems best to have something short and snappy. Since Mr. Bidlack will be discussing the history of ladies' libraries in general, it was thought that a special talk about the history of our own Association in addition might be redundant, so that has been deleted and the suggested program is as follows:

1. The President will introduce Mr. Bidlack.

2. Mr. Bidlack will speak.
3. The President will thank Mr. Bidlack and introduce Mr. Chance.
4. Mr. Chance will say something about our plaque, which we hope will be by then in its place.
5. The President will invite our guests to have tea with us and to look at the plaque and the displays.

If there are any suggestions for alterations or additions to this program, I would very much like to hear them

The chairmen of the committees, which will deal with the arrangements, are as follows:

Invitations:	Mrs. Plumer
Publicity:	Mrs. Haight
The Plaque:	Mrs. Bader
Programs (printing):	Mrs. Hayden
Refreshments:	Mrs. McKevitt
Historical Display:	Mrs. Hays with Mrs. Van Tyne
Book Display:	Miss Collins
General Consultant:	Miss Hall

There are still several questions which we would like to put before you for your consideration and advice. Mrs. Plumer has a report to give and some questions to ask, and so has Mrs. McKevitt. Another question is whether we want to include anything in the printed program except a list of the bare bones

of the events? Also when shall we invite to pour tea? Some of our own members or some of our distinguished guests? Have you any specific suggestions? Should we have two pourers or four? And last, but not least, is there anyone here who finds she has more time to spare than she had anticipated? If so, would she volunteer to help on a committee? I know the chairmen of the various committees have been trying to get in touch with their hoped-for committee members, but not everyone has as yet succeeded in doing so. Since not all of our members will be able to participate actively in the arrangements some of the rest of us may need to double up on more than one committee and we will be most grateful for any and all offers of assistance.

Let me say again that any advice or suggestions about any part of the arrangements will be extremely gratefully received.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma W. Alexander, Chairman.

Addendum: Mr. Chance reports that the School Board has not yet approved our request that the plaque be put on the landing of the stairs leading to the second floor of the library.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 30, 1965

INVESTMENTS					
COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	DIVIDENDS	YIELD	VALUE 7/30/65
Abbott Lab.	75	44	60.00	1.8%	3,300.00
Amer. Elec. Pwr.	12	42 1/8	24.93	4.9%	505.50
Consumers' Pwr.	30	57 3/4	48.00	2.7%	1,732.22
Detroit Bank	11	56 1/4	24.00	3.8%	618.75
Duquesne Light	50	32 7/8	66.80	4.0%	1,643.75
Eastman Kodak	63	85 1/4	104.45	1.9%	5,370.50
King Seeley	160	40 1/4	176.00	2.7%	6,480.00
Mass. Inv. Trust	102	17.04	45.45	2.6%	1,738.08
Monsanto	22	84 5/8	54.41	2.9%	1,881.75
Phelps Dodge	20	70 1/4	62.00	4.4%	1,405.00
Stand. Oil Ind.	60	48 7/8	79.50	2.7%	2,932.20
			<u>\$745.54</u>		<u>\$27,607.75</u>
Series K Bonds	2	Interest	27.60		1,000.00
Savings Account		Interest	165.08		4,222.31
Checking Account					134.42
		Total	<u>\$ 938.22</u>	Total	<u>\$32,964.48</u>

I have checked the safety deposit box and found everything in order, as listed above. One K Bond will be called this October and the other one is due Feb. 1968. In October I would like to cash in the 1968 bond for \$492 as we can do better to have it in our savings account at 4 %. This move was suggested by the bank. Also we are not liable for any assessment on our Detroit Bank stock in case they fail.

Although the market has gone down since my report of May 1965, when I figured our investments as \$30,653.00 some of our stocks have gone up: King Seeley, Eastman Kodak, and Standard Oil of Indiana.

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
August 1978]

Isabel H. Haight, Treasurer

ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

November 15, 1965

Mr. Homer Chance
Director of Libraries
Ann Arbor Public Library
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Homer:

The Board of Education has approved the request of the Ladies' Library Association for the placement of the cornerstone on the wall of the landing between the first and second floors as indicated in your memo of November 8, 1965. Approval is given with the understanding that there will be no costs of any kind to the Board of Education for this project. Furthermore, it is a condition of approval that the project be properly engineered so as to ensure safety.

Sincerely,

Jack

Jack Elsay
Superintendent

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The Ladies' Library Association
Ann Arbor, Michigan

1501 Glen Leven Rd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan
February 10, 1966

Mr. Jack Elsay, Superintendent
Ann Arbor Public Schools
1220 Wells Street
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mr. Elzay:

The members of the Ladies' Library Association wish to thank you and the members of the Board of Education for your permission for us to install the cornerstone of the Ladies' Library Association [building] in an appropriate place in the Ann Arbor Public Library.

We shall, of course, assume all of the costs involved and have the project engineered properly. The installation will be completed before April 17, 1966, the date of our centennial, which we wish to commemorate.

We hope you and the members of the Board of Education will join us in celebrating our hundredth anniversary on April 17 at 2:30 p.m. at the Ann Arbor Public Library.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs. John G. McKevitt)
Secretary

[This copy was made from an original that was not on acid-free paper]

The Ladies' Library Association
Ann Arbor, Michigan

1501 Glen Leven Road
Ann Arbor, Michigan
February 10, 1966

Dear Mrs. Conover:

The members of the Ladies' Library Association wish to thank you most kindly for your lovely line drawing of the original home of the Association. It is indeed a fine addition to our collection of memoirs.

We shall have it on display at our centennial celebration on April 17, 1966, at the Ann Arbor Public Library. We hope that you will be able to join us for our celebration, which will be at 2:30 p.m.

Again, thank you so much.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs. John G. McKeVitt)
Secretary

Note by Alice S. Wethey in 1984: This was the result of a very embarrassing situation. Mrs. Conover was reputed to be a good draughtsman and she had been asked to do a drawing, which we intended to use on the cover of our brochure of the celebration. When it was finished it proved to be so inaccurate as a representation that it was unusable. My sister, Dr. Elizabeth R. S-nderland, an architectural historian who taught all her professional life at Duke University, made up another drawing that did follow the old newspaper cut of our building quite exactly. Although she deplored its lack of quality as a drawing, the ladies much preferred it and it was the one used on the cover.)

Mrs. John Alexander

788 Arlington Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

February 24, 1966

Dear Mrs. KcKevitt,

This is just a note to compliment you on your "handiwork." Such tact! Absolutely perfect. Only one problem, and that will be taken care of by the invitations. the time has been changed again to 3:00 o'clock. April 17, 1966.

I told Isabel Haight that you needed more stationery and she said you certainly could go ahead and order some more and send the bill to her as treasurer. How much had you in mind -- a hundred sheets and envelopes? My own idea would be to order it from a stationery supplier such as the ordinary Pen Company.

Margie Cameron will be delighted to help you on the Refreshment Committee as will Mrs. Hays.

Isabel also said the Treasurer's report's usually an annual affair so she had not given a formal report at the last meeting.

Thank you again for all you are doing and for the very efficient way you are doing it! I'll see you when I get back late in March.

Johnnie

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Board Members in 1966

Mrs. John Alexander (1958) Vice-president	788 Arlington	N03-5879
Mrs. Arno L. Bader (1962)	285 Orchard Hills	N03-5898
Mrs. George Cameron (1962)	1515 Ottawa Drive	N02-9109
Miss Eleanor Collins (1956) Chairman of Book Committee	703 S. Forest	N03-6255
Mrs. William A. Frayer (1951)	745 Riverview	N02-3347
Mrs. Stanley Dodge (1940)	1547 Washtenaw	N02-0620
Mrs. Cameron Haight (1951) Treasurer	2112 Vinewood	N03-4520
Miss Helen Hall (1948)	715 S. Forest	N08-6331
Mrs. Joseph Hayden (1940)	1530 Hill	N08-8033
Mrs. James G. Hays (1930)	1555 Washtenaw	N02-1430
Mrs. R. Perry Innes (1960)	3125 Geddes	N02-3902
Mrs. Hayward Keniston (1958)	1507 E. Park Pl.	N02-4164
Mrs. John G. McKevitt (1963) Secretary	1501 Glen Leven	N03-8147
Mrs. James M. Plumer (1951)	1505 Golden	N02-1230
Mrs. Millard Pryor (1960)	715 Spring Valley	N02-2118
Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne (1951)	1921 Cambridge	N02-0822
Mrs. Charles Vibbert (1951)	1710 Hermitage	N03-4433
Mrs. Harold E. Wethey (1951) President	2009 Morton	N02-6027
Mrs. John G. Winter (1929)	901 S. Forest	N03-1723

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of May 5, 1966

The annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at 3:00 P.M., May 5, 1966, at the home of Mrs. John Alexander. Present were Mrs. Wethey, President, Mrs. James Plumer, Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. John Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. Millard Pryor, Mrs. J. Griffith Hays, Mrs. William Frayer, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Treasurer, Mrs. Charles B. Vibbert, Mrs. George Cameron, and Mrs. John McKevitt, Secretary.

After gathering around Mrs. Alexander's beautifully appointed tea table, where there was much exchanging of compliments, congratulations and expressions of admiration for the success of the Association's birthday tea of the previous April 17, the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Harold Wethey, at 3:40. The minutes of the fall meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Haight was called on for the Treasurer's report. She reported that the value of our portfolio of stocks totalled \$28,310.75 as of March 31, 1966. \$885.13 was received in dividends and a fractional share of Monsanto was sold for \$36.72, bringing our receipts from stocks to a total of \$921.85. Two \$500 K Bonds, which had a low yield, were cashed, with the proceeds, \$998.90 added to our savings account, bringing that to a total of

\$5,349.61. \$177.68 interest was received from the savings account. There was a total of \$366.32 in the checking account on March 31. There are apparently delinquent dues, as only \$.80 is credited to that source of income. Total assets amount to \$34,026.68. Our expenditures for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1966, were \$568.10. The Treasurer's report was accepted and placed on file.

Miss Collins, chairman of the Book Committee, reported on this major project of the Association. From June 1, 1965 to May 1, 1966 a total of 75 books were purchased for the Ann Arbor Public Library. The list value of the books totalled \$1092.95, but we were most fortunate in securing a better than ever discount, paying a net price of \$744.35 for the books. The discount was approximately 32%. Several titles were on display at the Centennial Celebration. Last year, 61 titles were added at a cost of \$714.65. The balance in the revolving fund is \$128.61, and since there are some \$300 worth of books on order, another deposit should be made to the revolving fund. Mrs. Keniston moved and Mrs. Plumer seconded a motion to transfer \$500 to the revolving account. Motion carried.

Mrs. Plumer reported on attending the annual meeting of the Friends of the Library at the new branch of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Loving Library on Platt Road and Packard. She noted that the building was very handsome and had been

awarded a major prize by the Michigan Architectural Association. Mr. Sweetman Smith, the librarian, who was the speaker on this occasion, reported that circulation was very good. Mrs. Cameron suggested that the Association consider purchasing art books for this branch of the Library. Discussion followed. The consensus was that for the time being it would be desirable to maintain our collection intact at the Main Library, so all of our resources would be available to all library patrons at one central location. It has been the policy of the Association to purchase quite highly specialized and expensive art books for the library, that would not ordinarily be included in a public library budget. The need of the branch library is more general, and is met adequately by books of the sort that the library can purchase. Our contribution to the Public Library has created an exceptionally fine collection of art books.

Mrs. Plumer also reported that the Library Advisory Council is preparing a booklet describing all of the library services. It will be distributed to newcomers, through International Neighbors organization and the Welcome Wagon. Regarding the proposed branch libraries previously discussed, the financial problems of the Board of Education are having an impact on library plans, and it is unlikely that there will be any development in the near future. A site at Pauline and Stadium Boulevard is under consideration.

Mrs. Alexander, chairman of the Centennial Celebration, read her final report on the gala event of the season, which took place at the Ann Arbor Public Library on Sunday, April 17, at 3:00 P.M. The secretary regrets that she could not begin to do justice to the marvelous report by summarizing it. The report, therefore, is appended. Mrs. Alexander has gained the unchallenged title to the expressive use of adjectives. The report was received with great enthusiasm and the meeting had to be called to order.

A motion to Xerox and bind the historical collection as compiled by Mrs. Wethey was carried. Mrs. Wethey presented her plans to reproduce and bind the memoirs of the Ladies' Library Association. She has already had some of the material xeroxed, and will keep an account of the amount she has spent on this project, for reimbursement. The suggestion was made that we should compile a list of books given to the Ann Arbor Public Library since 1930, when the Ladies' Library Association began to specialize in art books. Miss Collins will look into this.

Mrs. Haight presented a statement of expenses incurred for the Centennial Celebration. They totalled \$429.81. The expense of cleaning and setting the cornerstone and the plaque exceeded the estimate, coming to \$47 for the cornerstone masonry, and \$117.77 for the plaque. Mrs. Bader reported that she now knows a good bit more about masonry than

she did before the Centennial, having been involved in some adjustments to the mounting of the plaque on the stairwell of the library. Report placed on file.

A motion was made to write a note of thanks to Mr. Chance for his generous assistance with our plans for the Centennial.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth R. McKeivitt,
Secretary.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1965 -- March 31, 1966

INVESTMENTS					VALUE
COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	DIVIDENDS	YIELD	3/31/66
ABBOTT LAB.	75	40 1/2	73.13	2.1 %	3,037.50
AM. EL. PWR.	12	38 1/2	15.36	3.5 %	462.00
CONSUM. PWR.	30	48 1/2	54.75	3.7 %	1,455.00
DETROIT BK.	11	54 1/2	26.40	4.4 %	595.50
DUQUESNE LT.	50	32 1/2	71.25	4.3 %	1,625.00
EASTMAN KOD.	62	122 3/4	111.60	1.4 %	7,610.50
KING SEELEY	160	36 7/8	264.00	4.4 %	5,900.00
MASS INV. TR.	105	16.78	58.14	3.3 %	1,758.75
MONSANTO	22	77 1/8	34.60	2.0 %	1,696.50
PHELPS DODGE	20	75 3/4	80.00	5.2 %	1,515.00
ST. OIL IND.	60	44 3/8	96.00	3.6 %	2,655.00
			885.13		28,310.75
Monsanto (sold frac. share)			36.72	Sav. Acc't	5,349.61
Dues			.80	Chk. Acc't	366.32
Savings account interest			177.68		
			\$ 1,100.33	Total Assets	\$34,026.68
<u>Expenditures:</u>					
Safety Deposit Box		5.00			
Books for Library		500.00		Redeemed 2 \$500 U. S. Bonds	
Stamps for Centennial		12.50		D 57245 K	506.90
Masonry for Centennial		47.00		D 242330 K	492.00
Checking Acc't charges		3.60			
					\$ 998.90
			\$ 568.10		

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
May 1978]

Isabel H. Haight, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Report of the Book Committee, May 5, 1966

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library from June 1, 1965 to May 1, 1966. A total of seventy-five titles has been acquired at a list price cost of \$1092.95. The net cost was \$744.35, an average discount of about 32%. These figures compare favorably with the sixty-one titles added last year at a cost of \$714.65.

Several of the volumes listed were included in the exhibition arranged for the 100th Anniversary celebration including the very handsome and expensive one on Chartres Cathedral.

Miss Stout, the order librarian, reports that our balance in the revolving fund is \$218.61. However, there are outstanding orders amounting to about \$300.00. Hence, another deposit should be made soon.

Once again this committee gratefully acknowledges the assistance of Miss Stout, who cheerfully does all the book and record keeping.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader

Helen B. Hall

Eleanor Collins, Chairman

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Books acquired June 1, 1965 - May 1, 1966

<u>Titles</u>	<u>List Price</u>	<u>Net Price</u>
Loehr, Max. <u>Relics of ancient China from the collection of Dr. Paul Singer.</u> Asia Society, 1965 (Abrams, dist.)	15.00	9.20
Iwamiya, Takeji. <u>Design and craftsmanship of Japan.</u> Abrams, 1964	30.00	18.40
NON-RESIDENT MEMBERSHIP, MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, NEW YORK		18.00
Lord, James. <u>A Giacometti portrait.</u> Museum of Modern Art, 1965		
<u>Alberto Giacometti.</u> Museum of Modern Art, 1965		
Grohmann, Will. <u>Paul Klee.</u> Abrams, 1965	20.00	12.30
Haftmann, Werner, intro. <u>Master watercolors of the twentieth century.</u> Abrams, 1965	17.50	10.85
Gnudi, Cesare. <u>Vitale de Bologna and Bolognese painting in the 14th century.</u> Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.40
Baldass, Ludwig. <u>Giorgione.</u> Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.35
Langlotz, Ernst. <u>Ancient Greek sculpture of South Italy and Sicily.</u> Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.25
Welch, Stuart C. & Milo C. Beach. <u>Gods, thrones and peacocks.</u> Asia Society (Abrams, dist.) 1965	10.00	6.20
<u>Encyclopedia of World art, v.10.</u> McGraw-Hill, 1965	32.00	28.80
Vergnet-Ruiz, Jean & Michel Laclotte. <u>Great French paintings from the regional museums of France.</u> Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.35
Frédéric, Louis. <u>The art of Southeast Asia; temples and sculpture.</u> Abrams 1965	20.00	12.40
Hempel, Eberhard. <u>Baroque art and architecture in Central Europe.</u> (Pelican history of art, v.22) Penguin Books, 1965	20.00	16.50
Carli, Enzo. <u>Italian primitives; panel painting of the 12th and 13th centuries.</u> Abrams, 1965	25.00	15.35
Adhémar, Jean. <u>Toulouse-Lautrec: his complete lithographs and drypoints.</u> Abrams, 1965	18.50	11.55

Gudiol, José. <u>Goya</u> . Abrams, 1965	15.00	9.35
Parmelin, Hélène. <u>Picasso: the artist and his model</u> . Abrams, 1965	30.00	18.35
Weisskamp, Herbert. <u>Beautiful homes and gardens in California</u> . Abrams, 1965	17.50	10.85
Grodecki, Louis. <u>Chartres</u> . Harcourt, Brace & World, 1963	75.00	76.05
Soby, James, intro. <u>The school of Paris</u> . Museum of Modern Art, 1965	sub.	
Fourcade, François. <u>Art treasures of the Peking Museum</u> . Abrams, 1966	25.00	15.45
Rowland, Benjamin. <u>Ancient art from Afghanistan; treasures of the Kabul Museum</u> . Asia Society, 1966	12.50	7.65
Friedländer, Walter. <u>Nicolas Poussin; a new approach</u> . Abrams, 1966	20.00	12.35
Casey, Elizabeth. <u>The Lucy Truman Aldrich collection of European porcelain figures of the 18th century</u> . Provi- dence, Museum of Art, Rhode Island School of Design (Abrams, dist.) 1965	9.00	5.60
Krautheimer, Richard. <u>Early Christian and Byzantine architecture</u> . (Pelican history of art, v.24) Penguin Books, 1965	20.00	16.40
Johnston, Frances. <u>The Hampton album</u> . Museum of Modern Art, 1966	sub.	
Lange, Dorothea. <u>Dorothea Lange</u> . Museum of Modern Art, 1966	sub.	
Geiser, Bernhard, intro. <u>Picasso: fifty-five years of his graphic work</u> . Abrams, 1965	12.50	7.75
Gowing, Lawrence. <u>Turner: imagination and reality</u> . Museum of Modern Art, 1966	sub.	
Giteau, Madeleine. <u>Khmer sculpture and the Angkor civilization</u> . Abrams, 1966	25.00	15.30
Grohmann, Will. <u>Willi Baumeister: life and work</u> . Abrams, 1966	35.00	21.30
Berger, Klaus. <u>Odilon Redon</u> . McGraw-Hill, 1965.	19.95	12.57
Eaton, Leonard. <u>Landscape artist in America; the life and work of Jens Jensen</u> . University of Chicago Press, 1964	10.00	8.00
Godard, André. <u>The art of Iran</u> . Praeger, 1965	17.50	10.93

Gosling, Nigel. <u>Leningrad</u> . Dutton, 1965	25.00	15.62
Hauser, Arnold. <u>Mannerism</u> . 2v. Knopf, 1965	25.00	15.62
Havell, E. B. <u>The art heritage of India</u> . Bombay, Taraporevala, 1964	22.50	14.06
Herbert, Robert. <u>Seurat's drawings</u> . Shorewood, 1963	15.00	9.37
Kidder, J. Edward. <u>The birth of Japanese art</u> . Praeger, 1965	29.50	18.43
Kidder-Smith, G. E. <u>The new churches of Europe</u> . Holt, Rinehart & Winston, 1964	17.50	10.93
Lillys, William & others. <u>Oriental miniatures: Persian, Indian, Turkish</u> . Tuttle, 1965	9.50	5.93
Lothrop, Samuel. <u>Treasures of ancient America</u> . Skira-World, 1964	29.50	18.43
Michelangelo. <u>The complete work of Michelangelo</u> . Reynal-Morrow, 1965?	35.00	21.87
Munsterberg, Hugo. <u>The ceramic art of Japan</u> . Tuttle, 1964	12.50	7.81
Pope, Arthur. <u>Persian architecture</u> . Braziller, 1965	25.00	15.62
Reynolds, Graham. <u>Constable, the natural painter</u> . McGraw-Hill, 1965	17.50	10.93
Rice, David Talbot. <u>Constantinople from Byzantium to Istanbul</u> . Stein & Day, 1965	15.00	9.37
Seghers, Pierre & Jacques Charpier. <u>The art of painting; v.2: From Baroque through Post-Impressionism</u> . Hawthorne, 1964	10.00	6.25
----- <u>The art of painting; v.3: In the 20th century</u> . Hawthorne, 1965	10.00	6.25
Sowers, Robert. <u>Stained glass; an architectural art</u> . Universe, 1965	12.50	7.81
Staubli, Willy. <u>Brazilia</u> . Universe, 1965	15.00	9.37
Wessel, Klaus. <u>Coptic art</u> . McGraw-Hill, 1965	17.50	10.93
Willetts, William. <u>Foundations of Chinese art</u> . McGraw-Hill, 1965	30.00	18.75
Williams, Henry & Ottalie. <u>America's small houses (and city apartments)</u> . A.S. Barnes, 1964	25.00	15.62

Wright, Olgivanna Lloyd, intro. <u>The work of Frank</u> <u>Lloyd Wright</u> . Horizon, 1965	42.50	26.56
Totals	<u>\$1092.95</u>	<u>\$744.33</u>

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Schefold, Karl, <u>Myth and Legend in Early Greek Art</u> , Abrams, 1966.	12.50	7.75
Van Schendel, A. F. E., <u>Art Treasures of the Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam</u> , Abrams, 1966.	25.00	15.45
Getlein, Frank, <u>Jack Levine</u> , Abrams, 1966	25.00	15.35
Hayward, Helena, <u>World Furniture: An Illustrated History</u> , McGraw-Hill, 1965.	17.95	11.23
Kepes, Gyorgy, ed., <u>Education of Vision</u> (Vision and Value Series, Vol. 1), Braziller, 1965.	12.50	7.81
_____, <u>Structure in Art and in Science</u> (Vision and Value Series, Vol. 2), Braziller, 1965.	12.50	7.81
_____, <u>The Nature and Art of Motion</u> (Vision and Value Series, Vol. 3), Braziller, 1965.	12.50	7.81
Kramriseh, Stella, <u>The Art of India</u> , Phaidon, 1965.	10.00	6.25
Morassi, Antonio, <u>Titian</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1965.	27.50	17.19
Cirici-Pellicer, Alexandre, <u>Treasures of Spain from Charles V to Goya</u> , Skira-World, 1965.	29.50	18.44
Phillips, John, <u>China-Trade Porcelain</u> , Harvard University Press, 1956. (dist. New York Graphic Society)	15.00	9.38
Stenton, Sir Frank, <u>The Bayeux Tapestry</u> , Phaidon, 1965.	12.50	7.81
Kainz, Luise and Olive Riley, <u>Understanding Art: People, Things and Ideas</u> , Abrams, 1966.	7.50	4.70
Rossi, Filippo, <u>Art Treasures of the Uffizi and Pitti</u> , Abrams, 1966.	25.00	15.40
	<hr/> 1,337.90	<hr/> 896.71

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

November 21, 1966

The fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on November 21, 1966 at 3:30 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Harold Wethey. Members present were Mrs. Wethey, President, Mrs. Cameron Height, Treasurer, Mrs. John Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. George Cameron, Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. Perry Innes, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. James Plumer, Mrs. Millard Pruor, Mrs. Charles Vibbert, and Mrs. John McKevitt, Secretary.

After a very elegant tea, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Wethey, at 4:05 p. M. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Haight gave the Treasurer's report. The Association's assets total \$32,162.86 as of November 17, 1966. Seventy shares of Consumers' Power stock have been added to the portfolio. Following the May meeting, \$500 was transferred to the revolving fund for purchase of books. The report was accepted and placed on file.

Miss Collins reported for the Book Committee, submitting a list of fourteen titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library from May 1 to June 1, 1966, the end of the fiscal year. During the year June 1, 1965 to June 1, 1966, eighty-nine titles were added, at a net cost of \$896.71. The list prices totalled \$1,337.90. At this time there is \$370 in the revolving fund, but since a number of books are currently on order, Miss Collins requested that a

payment be made to the fund. She said it would be helpful to the Book Committee if there could be a definite commitment made by the Board regarding the amount of money to be spent annually for books for the Ann Arbor Public Library. The amount to be spent for the fiscal year could be set at the spring meeting each year. Mrs. Plumer moved that another \$500 be assigned to the revolving fund at this time. Motion seconded and carried.

Miss Collins then confessed that she had been jolted by the reading of the minutes regarding her agreeing to look into the compilation of a list of books given to the library since 1930. Mrs. Wethey volunteered to assist in gathering this information, as she would like to record it in connection with the two volumes she is preparing.

Mrs. Plumer, our representative on the Library Advisory Council, reported on that committee's concern over the plight of the Ann Arbor Public Library, which is in a desperately bad situation. Because of lack of funds, the library had to pass up the opportunity to apply for federal funds for an addition to the library building. It has been difficult to secure answers from the School Board, but it was finally admitted that it would be eight to ten years before there would be sufficient funds available for the addition. This is in spite of the fact that when the most recent bonding issue was to be voted on, it was specifically stated that funding of the library addition was included. One-third of the funds would have been available from the federal source, had two-thirds been provided locally.

The application for this federal funding was due in August. In the meantime the extremely high bids on the new high school have created a crisis which seemingly can be met only by diverting the entire bond commitment to building the school. The disadvantage of the Library's being under the control of the Board of Education was discussed. Mrs. Keniston reported that from the librarian's viewpoint, it is better for a library to be autonomous. Although there seems to be nothing that we can do at this time, Mrs. Plumer pointed out that we must be aware of this issue. It may be possible to have a separate millage vote. The Library Advisory Board is contacting several other communities to learn of their experience in library expansion.

On the bright side, Mrs. Plumer reported that the site for the second branch library has been purchased at Stadium Boulevard and Pauline.

There was no report from the Friends of the Library, as we do not have a representative on that board currently.

Mrs. Wethey requested nominations for membership in the Association. Five nominations were made and there was a discussion regarding membership. Article VI of the By-laws was read. Membership is limited to twenty, and currently stands at nineteen. It was generally agreed that Mrs. John G. Winter, who has been a member since 1929 and has been inactive for some years, qualifies for the honor of emeritus member. Mrs. Cameron moved and Mrs. Plumer seconded a motion that Mrs. Winter be named a member emeritus of the Association.

Mrs. Plumer requested the President to name a nominating committee. Mrs. Wethey said that she had appointed Mrs. Haight chairman of the nominating committee, and asked Mrs. Plumer and Miss Collins to serve on the committee also.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth R. McKevitt, Secretary

Report of the Book Committee

Ladies' Library Association

November 21, 1966

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library from May 1 to June 1, 1966. During that month fourteen new titles were added making the total for the fiscal year, June 1, 1965 - June 1, 1966, eighty-nine at a net cost of \$896.71. Once again we enjoyed a saving of about 33 % as the list prices totalled \$1,337.90.

Our balance in the revolving fund at the end of the fiscal year was \$476.23. Since then there has been a net outlay of \$106.23 leaving \$370.00. Titles amounting to about \$600.00 list price have just been turned over to the order librarian. There are also some outstanding orders as well as our serial publications to be paid for. Hence another contribution to the Library should be made.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian Bader
Helen B. Hall
Eleanor S. Collins,
Chairman

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Books acquired from May 1, 1966 to June 1, 1966

<u>Titles</u>	<u>List price</u>	<u>Net price</u>
Schefold, Karl. <u>Myth and legend in early Greek art.</u> Abrams, 1966	12.50	7.75
Van Schendel, A.F.E. <u>Art treasures of the Rijksmuseum,</u> <u>Amsterdam.</u> Abrams, 1966	25.00	15.45
Getlein, Frank. <u>Jack Levine.</u> Abrams, 1966	25.00	15.35
Hayward, Helena. <u>World furniture; an illustrated history.</u> McGraw-Hill, 1965	17.95	11.23
Kepes, Gyorgy, ed. <u>Education of vision.</u> (Vision + value series, v.1) Braziller, 1965	12.50	7.81
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----- <u>The nature and art of motion.</u> (Vision + value series, v.3) Braziller, 1965	12.50	7.81
Kramisch, Stella. <u>The art of India,</u> new ed. Phaidon, 1965	10.00	6.25
Morassi, Antonio. <u>Titian.</u> New York Graphic Society	27.50	17.19
Cirici-Pellicer, Alexandre. <u>Treasures of Spain from</u> <u>Charles V to Goya.</u> Skira- World, 1965	29.50	18.44
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Rossi, Filippo. <u>Art treasures of the Uffizi and Pitti.</u> Abrams, 1966	25.00	15.40
	<u>244.95</u>	<u>152.38</u>
Spent June 1, 1965 to May 1, 1966	1,092.95	744.33
Total, fiscal year June 1, 1965 to June 1, 1966	<u>1,337.90</u>	<u>896.71</u>

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT - November 21, 1966

COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	VALUE 11/17/66
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	75	44 3/8	\$ 3,328.12
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	12	40 7/8	490.50
CONSUMERS POWER	100	50	5,000.00
DETROIT BANK AND TRUST	11	51 1/2	566.50
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	29 5/8	1,481.25
EASTMAN KODAK	62	124 1/4	7,703.30
KING SEELEY	160	27 1/4	4,360.00
MASS. INVESTORS TRUST	105	16.06	1,686.30
MONSANTO	22	41 1/2	913.00
PHRLPD DODGE	20	65 1/2	1,310.00
STANDARD OIL INDIANA	60	54 1/8	3,247.50
			<u>\$ 30,086.67</u>
	Checking Account		194.22
	Savings Account		1,881.97
			<u><u>\$ 32,162.86</u></u>

Expenses since Annual Meeting

70 shares Consumers Power	\$ 3,367.87
Books	500.00
Deposit Box	5.00
	<u><u>\$ 3,872.87</u></u>

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978]

Isabel H. Haight, Treasurer

Public Library

A Community Service of the Ann Arbor Public Schools

Homer R. Chance, Director

South Fifth Avenue at East William Street

Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108

Telephone: 663-3301

April 20, 1966

Mrs. John Alexander
788 Arlington Bl.
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

Mr. Paddock worked a total of 7 hours on Sunday

9:45 - 11:15	1½
12:30 - 6:00	<u>5½</u>
Total	7 hours

His rate of pay is \$2.97 per hour and should therefore receive \$20.79 for his services.

Again let me congratulate your group on a fine program Sunday. I am very grateful for your continued interest and support of the public library.

Sincerely Yours,

Homer R. Chance
Homer R. Chance

HRC/ah

P.S. I am enclosing a copy of my little bit in the program, in case you want it for your permanent file.

HRC

*Answered 4/23/66
@ Thanks*

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE LADIES' LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR

Ann Arbor, Michigan

April 17, 1966

FINAL COMMITTEE

General Chairman

Mrs. John Alexander

Invitations

Mrs. James Plumer

Publicity

Mrs. Cameron Haight

Installation of 1885 Corner Stone

Mrs. Arno Bader

Program

Copy

Mrs. Harold Wethey

Printing

Mrs. Joseph Hayden

Book Displays

Miss Eleanor Collins

Historical Displays

Arranged on posters

Mrs. Harold Wethey

In the glass case

Mrs. J. Griffith Hays

Refreshments

Mrs. John McKeivitt

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

APRIL 17, 1966

[Welcome by Mrs. Harold E. Wethey:]

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The members of the Board of the Ladies' Library Association are delighted to have all of you here as our guests at our one hundredth birthday party. We wish only that some time machine could bring back for the day the dedicated ladies who initiated the public library movement in Ann Arbor in 1866 with their civic-spirited organization. They would be happy and surprised beyond measure to see the well-designed and commodious building where we are meeting today, only two blocks from the place where they first came together.

There are a good many things that I might say here concerning the history of our Association, but I think you would all find it more interesting to listen first to the address. We are fortunate in having with us as speaker today a scholar whose interests have led him into a series of investigations into the early history of Ann Arbor and into the early history of the libraries of this region. I am honored to present Professor Russel E. Bidlack of the Department of Library Science at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Bidlack.

TO ENCOURAGE USEFUL AND ENTERTAINING READING

Russell E. Bidlack

The American public library of today has many ancestors, some of whom are but dimly remembered while others live on in the shadow of their lusty offspring.

There have been libraries for almost as long as there have been written records. Even when the book was in the form of the clay tablet in Mesopotamia or the papyrus roll in ancient Egypt, library rooms were built in temples and palaces to protect and preserve the written word. Biblical scholars tell us that the precious Ark of the Old Testament was actually a book chest containing God's laws -- a traveling library if you will, for a nomadic people.

Rome, like Athens, possessed its great public libraries, and by the Emperor Nero's time scholars and men of wealth owned private libraries which would be counted as large even today. The Elder Pliny claimed that he gathered the facts for his famous Natural History from a personal library of two thousand authors. In fact, private book collecting had become so common by the beginning of the Christian era that it was often the butt of Roman ridicule. The poet Seneca decried what he called "the extravagant, senseless multiplication of books" for make-believe scholars.

How can you excuse the man who buys bookcases of expensive woods, and, piling into them the works of unknown, worthless authors, goes yawning amongst his thousands of volumes? It is in the homes of the idlest men that you find the biggest libraries -- range upon range of books, ceiling high.

For nowadays a library is one of the essential fittings of a home, like a bathroom.

When the Ptolemies of Egypt set out to make of Alexandria the new center of Hellenism, it was a library upon which they lavished their wealth and through which they achieved immortality. When Cleopatra, the last ruler in that great dynasty, became Queen, the book collection numbered some 700,000 rolls -- a huge library even by 20th century standards. It will be recalled that one of the Queen's clever devices to win the heart of Caesar was to give her mighty guest a guided tour of the collection, with the generous provision that he could take home whatever rarities caught his eye.

With the Roman Empire's decline, of course, all of these libraries were destroyed. During Europe's long night of intellectual sleep known as the Dark Ages, it was the Monastic library which kept learning's dim light from flickering out. The casual remark of a forgotten monk became a sort of motto of the Middle Ages: A monastery without a library is like a castle without an armory."

When, in the 13th and 14th centuries, there came an awakening known as the Renaissance, it was the musty book shelves of the surviving monasteries that gave us back our classical heritage. Again, there was joy in learning and great princely libraries came into being, followed by a new breed, the college and university library. Then came the printing press, and the book, once possessed only by the man of wealth and the self-sacrificing scholar, became relatively cheap. The pleasures of book collecting were discovered by men

of even moderate means.

American library history began almost with the first settlements. Elder Brewster, spiritual leader of the Pilgrims, loaned freely to his neighbors from his private library of nearly 400 volumes, many of which he had brought on the Mayflower. In 1638 the Rev. John Harvard willed his collection of some 300 volumes to form the nucleus of a library for America's first college. In gratitude, the trustees named the institution in his honor.

In 1653, a Boston merchant named Robert Keayne willed to his hometown three hundred pounds to build a "town house" which, in addition to housing a market place, a court room, and an armory for the local artillery company, was to contain a library room. A condition of the gift, however, was that there should be preserved in the library room not only Captain Keayne's own theological books but also his four great "writing books" on the Scriptures -- "all of which are written with my own hand." The provisions of Captain Keayne's will were carried out and Boston's Town House became the home of America's first public library. As the years passed, a number of other New England towns acquired libraries through similar gifts, and when in 1810 the city fathers of the town of Salisbury, Connecticut, voted to draw upon the public treasury for the support of a town library, our first tax-supported public library came into existence.

Still another ancestor of the American public library, and one which is of particular significance to a study of the Ladies'

Library Association, was that which we now characterize as the "social library." In 1731, a man famous for many "firsts" in American history, Benjamin Franklin, launched what he called in his autobiography "my first project of a public nature," the Philadelphia Library Comapny. There can be but little doubt that Franklin had observed during his first visit to England the several reading clubs in London in which each member contributed a yearly fee for the privilege of reading the books owned by the club. In his autobiography, however, he gave no credit to anyone except himself.

I drew a sketch of the plan and rules that would be necessary, and got a skillful conveyancer ... to put the whole in the form of articles of agreement ... by which each subscriber engaged to pay a certain sum down for the first purchase of books and an annual contribution for increasing them. So few were the readers at that time in Philadelphia, and the majority of us so poor, that I was not able, with great industry to find more than fifty persons, mostly young tradesmen, willing to pay down for this purpose forty shillings each and ten shillings per snum. On this little fund we began. The books were imported; the library was open one day in the week for lending to the subscribers, on their promissory notes to pay double the value if not duly returned. The institution soon manifested its ability, was imitated by other towns, and in other provinces. The libraries were augmented by donations; reading became fashionable; and our people having no public amusements to divert their attention from study, became better acquainted with books ...

Modesty was not one of the good doctor's attributes!

Historians have quarreled with Franklin regarding his claim

that all other social libraries in America were patterned after the Philadelphia Library Company, but there is not doubt regarding its being the first.

As the social library spread throughout New England, the Middle Colonies, and into the South, two distinct patterns of organization developed. Many, like the Philadelphia Library Company, were set up as joint stock corporations. These came to be known as "proprietary libraries." To gain access to a proprietary library, it was necessary to purchase a share and become a partner in the ownership and management of the book collection. Other social libraries, however, were organized as common-law corporations and became known as "subscription libraries." Payment of an annual fee entitled one to use the book collection of a subscription library, but in no sense did the subscriber own a share of the property. There was, of course, overlapping of the two types.

The social library was almost always a circulating library, that is, the books were placed in a room somewhere, often in a private home, which was opened for an hour or two once a week for the selection and return of books. Like nearly every other formal organization of the time, membership was open only to gentlemen, although we can be sure that many a housewife determined which books her husband brought home each week.

The social library flourished during the latter half of the 18th century and the early decades of the 19th, reaching its numerical height about 1820, but by the time of the Civil War it was

rapidly disappearing. In fact, the mortality rate of the social library was always high, for the enthusiasm of its founders was rarely sustained for more than a few years. Only in large cities was the number of share buyers or subscribers great enough to permit the purchase of more than a few hundred volumes, and the slightest business recession usually resulted in an immediate drying up of library revenue. Rarely did the promoters of these libraries resort to money-raising activities for additional support.

As one might guess, Michigan's first library was a social library, more specifically a proprietary library. In 1817, a young Presbyterian preacher named John Monteith, remembered also as the first president of the Old University of Michigan, organized the City Library of Detroit. Shares costing five dollars apiece were purchased with such initial enthusiasm that some \$450.00 were raised in two weeks. Three hundred volumes were bought that spring and the City Library of Detroit appeared destined for a bright future. As usually happened, however, many of the initial proprietors soon lost interest, and rarely was a new share sold after 1817. Furthermore, a crippling recession reached Detroit in 1818, and several of the library's founders moved out of the Territory. Monteith himself left in 1821. Although various schemes were tried in succeeding years to give it new life, such as taxing the remaining shareholders, offering shares in exchange for books, and auctioning off the shares of delinquent members, the City Library of Detroit finally died a quiet death in 1837 at the age of twenty years. Its

remaining books were turned over to a recently formed organization known as the Detroit Young Men's Society.

As its name suggests, this society was created for the betterment of the clerks and apprentices who would one day constitute Detroit's mercantile and professional class. First a room and later an entire hall was equipped as a kind of club house where young men could improve themselves by listening to lectures, engaging in debate, and reading good books. As in other American cities, the Society received important support from local merchants and manufacturers with the obvious hope that their employees would acquire useful knowledge -- knowledge that would be beneficial not only in the future, but which would make them more valuable employees at the moment. The young men themselves were required to pay a modest subscription fee.

The Detroit Young Men's Society Library flourished until late in the 19th century, owning at one time some 16,000 volumes, and it served as a model for a number of other Michigan cities. A Young Men's Society Library was founded in Kalamazoo in 1859, another in Jackson in 1863; one was established in Saginaw in 1865, and one in Lansing in 1866.

Just as the Young Men's Society Library was an offspring of the social library begun by Benjamin Franklin in 1731, so also was another type which made its first Michigan appearance in 1853. This was the Ladies' Library Association. During the latter half of the 19th century, no fewer than sixty such libraries were founded

in Michigan, most of which eventually became free public libraries.

So far as its organization and purpose were concerned, a Ladies' Library was a typical social library -- some were organized on the proprietary principle, while others were simply subscription libraries. They were created, as had been their predecessors, to provide "useful and entertaining reading" for their members. Their greatest innovation is suggested by their name -- always before, libraries had been organized by and for men. There was another important difference -- their source of revenue. Financial support for the social library had always come entirely from the sale of shares or from subscription fees. From the start, however, the founders of Ladies' Library Associations supplemented this normal revenue with an endless variety of money making schemes, from strawberry festivals to cantatas, from the lemonade booth on the court house square to the magic lantern show.

There was another difference. While the gentlemen founders of the social library had made no provision for women's participation, the constitution of almost every Ladies' Library Association made specific mention of service to men. The ladies were careful to reserve the management of the library, however, to their own sex.

One final distinction should be made between the Ladies' Library Association and its predecessor -- in almost every instance the ladies immediately began looking toward the time when their library might gain municipal support and become a free public library.

To fully appreciate the Ladies' Library Movement, we must relate it to something much larger, the Woman's Rights Movement. Almost without exception, the women who founded libraries were also strong advocates of woman suffrage. A statement made by Mrs. S. A. Baker, one of the founders of the Union City Ladies' Library Association, illustrates this relationship. In 1876, Mrs. Baker wrote as follows:

During the winter of 1872, a few enterprising women, who not being allowed to vote, yet felt the need of some sphere in which to exert their powers of usefulness, formed a Christian Association, thinking to benefit someone. ... They talked in public and prayed in private over the wickedness which abounded, and some went so far as to enter the billiard halls and drinking saloons to convince men that they were on the highway to ruin. But there were women, and what could poor, weak women do who were not allowed the right of suffrage? They could only speak and weep and supplicate over the depravity of the age. After a few months of toil and wailing, with no visible improvement as to the amount of liquor drunk, cards shuffled, dances abandoned, or souls saved, the conclusion was reached that a Christian Association would not work, but perhaps something else would. What should that something else be? After much argumentation, it was decided that nothing could be more beneficial to a rising generation than cultivation of the mind, and how better to promote this intellectual growth than by select reading?

Two Michigan cities have long vied with each other for the honor of having been the home of Michigan's first Ladies' Library Association -- Kalamazoo and Flint. Both associations were

incorporated in 1853, but each had been organized informally at an earlier date. The Ladies' Library Association of Flint was the first to construct its own building, and at its dedication on June 30, 1868, Governor Crapo stated categorically: "This was the first Ladies' Library Association organized in Michigan."

Kalamazoo has never succeeded in persuading a governor to make a similar claim on its behalf, although Willis F. Dunbar, prominent Michigan historian, wrote recently that the Kalamazoo Ladies' Library Association "is the oldest women's club in Michigan."

When one examines the constitutions of these two pioneering associations, it is apparent that neither was patterned after the other. Kalamazoo's was organized on the proprietary principle, each member purchasing a share and agreeing to pay an annual tax. The Flint Ladies' Library Association was organized as a subscription library -- one joined on an annual basis and paid a yearly fee. As other Michigan towns created Ladies' Library Associations, they tended to adopt either the Flint constitution or that of Kalamazoo. By the year 1866, some half dozen Michigan towns had Ladies' Library Associations. Ann Arbor was number seven.

The year that had witnessed the demise of the old City Library of Detroit had seen the beginning of library history in Ann Arbor. On June 7, 1837, the Board of Regents, meeting for the first time, appointed the Rev. Henry Colclazer librarian of the University of Michigan. The fact that the University did not yet own a single book, along with the Regents' neglect to make any provision for

paying Mr. Colclazer a salary, dim somewhat the luster of this event in the history of library development. At a meeting of the Regents the following November, however, Henry R. Schoolcraft moved that an agent be appointed "to visit Europe for the purpose of procuring the necessary Philosophical Apparatus and standard books for the University." The intent of this resolution was carried out the following year when five thousand dollars were appropriated to purchase the nucleus of a University library. Asa Gray, recently appointed the University's first professor, was directed to select the books during his forthcoming botanical tour of Europe.

The collection of 3,401 volumes which arrived in Ann Arbor in 1840, henceforth known as the Gray Collection, was the largest array of books that most Ann Arborites had ever seen assembled in one place. In the absence of Mr. Colclazer, who had been transferred by his Conference to Detroit, a local printer named George Corselius was made acting librarian with an annual salary of \$100.

Ann Arborites with an interest in things cultural assumed, or at least hoped, that the University library would be open to the local citizenry. For a time this was actually the case, but in 1842 the Regents announced: "It has been thought altogether impracticable and inappropriate to the use and design of the college library that it should be rendered a circulating library for the benefit of the surrounding population ..."

Following the Regents' ruling, an Ann Arbor newspaper carried an editorial which read in part as follows: "The Regents have adopted

very rigorous rules for excluding the Library from all contact with the mind of man, as far as practicable to do so. In their report, they declare somewhat contemptuously, that they did not think it proper to convert the institution into a circulating library. They seem to have regarded it as an unheard of thing to make a University Library accessible to the public." Claiming that similar libraries in Europe were open to the public, the writer concluded: "Are Americans alone, of all civilized people, such a swinish herd, as cannot be trusted to approach a public library?"

The Regents' rules remained unchanged, however, and, although individual exceptions were doubtless made through the years, only the faculty, the students, and the Regents themselves, were permitted to use the books belonging to the University. Yet, even though the local citizenry was excluded, the very presence of the University library seems to have discouraged the establishment of a library for the town. Furthermore, there were three book and stationery stores in Ann Arbor by the time of the Civil War, and a general attitude prevailed that those who wanted books could buy them. Several of the churches had small Sunday School libraries for the benefit of children, and the Union School had a library of about three hundred volumes. Mary H. Clark, whose Select School for Young Ladies had been founded in Ann Arbor in 1839, owned the largest private library in the community. Numbering some two thousand volumes by the close of the Civil War, Miss Clark's books were not only used by her students, but were also frequently borrowed

by her scores of former students and friends. On July 4, 1865, during a gala celebration of the nation's independence, the Clark School, then located on the corner of North and Fourth Streets, was destroyed by fire. This tragic event became an important stimulus for the establishment of a Ladies' Library Association the following spring.

This brings us to the creation of the organization whose centennial we are celebrating today. Before describing that memorable event, however, let us pause a moment to imagine what our town was like just a century ago.

Forty-two years had passed since John Allen and Elisha Runsey had founded Ann Arbor, but most of the residents still thought of it as a youthful town, and by today's standards it was still a small town. Not counting the students, the population did not exceed 6,000. A score or more of Ann Arbor's original settlers were still living in 1866, including William S. Maynard who delighted in quoting his father's remark of 1830, when he had learned that young William had purchased several lots in the heart of the village for \$12.50: "A fool and his money are soon parted."

Ann Arbor could now boast six barber shops, three banks, five drug stores (including one called Eberbach and Co.), four harness shops, fourteen blacksmith shops, three watch and jewelry stores (including one operated by Jacob Haller), twelve millinery shops, five billiard halls, and twenty-eight saloons. Although never known as a manufacturing center, there were two woolen mills in Ann Arbor

in 1866, a blacking manufacturer, an organ builder, a hoop skirt and corset factory, ten carriage and wagon makers, four flouring mills, a broom manufacturer, and five breweries. There were four weekly newspapers, eleven churches, four dentists, twenty-three physicians, thirteen insurance agents, six tailors, and twenty-seven lawyers. The Rev Erastus Haven was now in his second year as President of the University, and the student body had grown to an unprecedented 1,205, an increase of some 250 over the previous year. There were thirty-two faculty members, including such famous professors as Thomas M. Cooley, Alexander Winchell, James C. Watson, Charles Kendall Adams, and Moses Coit Tyler. The library, housed in the Law Building (later called Haven Hall), numbered over 16,000 volumes.

To attend the university a century ago, a Michigan resident was required to pay an admission fee of ten dollars, plus annual tuition of ten dollars. A student from out-of-state was charged an admission fee of twenty-five dollars, but his tuition, like that of a Michigan resident, was ten dollars per year. "There are no dormitories and no commons with the University," according to the 1866 catalog. "Students obtain board and lodging in private families for from three to six dollars per week." Another interesting statement reads: "The Undergraduate Students are required to attend prayers daily in the College Chapel, and public worship on the Sabbath at any one of the churches in the city of Ann Arbor which they, or their parents or guardians may select."

Visitors to Ann Arbor a century ago frequently remarked about the spaciousness of the town. A former resident returning in 1867 expressed amazement at the new additions that had been platted: "New street stretch for into what, to the denizens of the rural city, is known as the "country." Of these new additions, one peculiarity is that the subdivisions are large, the lots in many cases embracing from half an acre to four or five acres each." A student from Maryland writing home in 1864 observed: "This is a great town we live in. It is laid out in the extensive proportions of a city, several miles square, with streets enough to supply a large populations with avenues of circulation. ... The plank sidewalks, the scattering houses, and large yards, orchards, etc., right in town, give the place a very primitive western air."

A principal reason for the large lots was, of course, the fact that every family of means owned at least one horse, a cow, some poultry, and, in some instances, even a few pigs. Space was therefore required for a barn as well as a house. "We killed our Pigs yesterday, so that is going to make us work enough for a while," wrote Mrs. John Maynard in her diary on January 3, 1867.

Local newspaper editors in 1866, as in 1966, delighted in chronicling the town's improvements. "Our city is putting on airs," noted Elihu Pond, editor of the Argus, on March 23, 1866. "Witness the fact that the houses and stores are being numbered under the direction of the Common Council." On August 30, 1866, Mr. Pond reported that "the ladies of the Presbyterian Church are having the

gas-fixtures put into their house of worship. Those in front of the galleries, some 30 burners, are already in; and we think their appearance is good and that the effect designed, when all are completed, about 75 burners, will be satisfactory."

On February 2, 1866, Mr. Pond devoted an entire column to Ann Arbor's new Commercial College, which had been founded the previous year. Located in the new National Bank building, it had attracted no fewer than seventy students. Mr. Pond added, "A number of young ladies are also enrolled as students. This is right. Women, generally, understand too little of accounts and business matters, and when left by fathers or husbands to settle estates ... find themselves liable to be imposed on. Every lady, consequently, should have a knowledge of book-keeping, even though they do not contemplate a professional career."

It was also on February 2, 1866, that the Argus announced that Ann Arbor's new hotel, to be called the Gregory House, had been opened to "the traveling public." "The second story is entirely finished, except the hanging of the blinds, and the fine parlors and other rooms on this floor are as pleasant as the traveler will find in any first-class hotel. ... The dining room is large, well-lighted, and airy. ... The third story will be finished in a very few days."

On June 8, 1866, the following news item appeared in the Argus: "A substance is now manufacturing from flaxseed called linoleum. It is said that it will supercede India rubber -- which it very

much resembles."

A few months prior to this announcement, under the heading "Flaggs," Pond had reported: "The Messrs. Gregory are engaged in putting down a fine flagstone walk on both fronts of their new block. It is the first laid in our city and marks the advance of improvement." There was no immediate following of the Gregory example by other merchants and homeowners, however, and for many years to come, Editor Pond regularly decried the condition of the town's plank walks. "... many of the side walks along our principal streets are in such a delapidated condition as to endanger the limbs of every pedestrian necessarily out after night-fall," editorialized Mr. Pond on August 24, 1866; "... the ladies ... are continually tearing their skirts -- whether muslin, silk or satin -- on the spike heads ..." (Perhaps one can be forgiven the observation that a spike head would have to protrude rather far to tear a lady's skirt today.)

Despite the unhappy state of Ann Arbor's plank sidewalks in 1868, no one could have been unaware of how rapidly the town was changing. It was in 1866 that Dr. Morris Hale, who had previously specialized in "Indian remedies," built his Mineral Springs House on Seventh Street, between Miller and Huron. Four stories high and equipped to accomodate as many as eighty health-seekers at one time, Dr. Hale's establishment was even blessed with a steam elevator. Another physician, Dr. Alvin W. Chase, had but recently constructed his Steam Printing Plant which still stands at the corner of North

Main and Miller. Hailed as the largest printing establishment of the west, the plant was turning out thousands of copies of the book which made the doctor's name, as well as that of his town, familiar all over the world -- Dr. Chases's Recipe Book.

Then, as now, city taxes were considered by many to be too high and when the Council proposed an 1866 budget totaling \$6,850, there followed a protest meeting of tax payers in the court house. Council's proposal to spend \$2,000 for street repairs came in for special ridicule. No one registered a complaint, however, when on March 16, 1866, the School Board accepted the bid of Peleg Marshall to build a schoolhouse in the Third Ward for \$6,300. It was in 1866 that the new Methodist Church was completed at the astronomical cost of \$65,000. When the pews were auctioned, Rice Beal, once the owner of the property on which we are meeting today, was the highest bidder. He paid \$800 for the privilege of sitting with his wife and son in the choice spot in the new church.

Physical growth was but one of the changes evident in Ann Arbor a century ago. There was also an intellectual and cultural excitement -- a growing interest in events in far-away places. Improvements in transportation, coupled with unprecedented prosperity, enabled more Ann Arborites to travel than at any previous time, and social activities grew in number and variety. Professors at the University, along with the local clergymen, were constantly prevailed upon to give public lectures on every conceivable subject, while there was a steady stream of entertainers from the outside. Ralph

Waldo Emerson lectured on "Social Aims" to an overflow audience in the Presbyterian Church on February 2, 1866. Five days later the popular journalist and traveller, B. F. Taylor, lectured on "Thought and her Chariots," and the following week Anna E. Dickenson, sometimes called the Civil War's "Joan of Arc," gave her famous address on total abstinence, politics, and woman suffrage. "Notwithstanding the severity of the evening, the Presbyterian Church was closely Filled," reported Mr. Pond in the Argus. "Admirers and non-admirers, endorsers and dissenters alike flock to hear her. The subject announced was "Ernestness," which was changed to "Flood-Tide," but with Annie the name is nothing, the lecture being the same whatever it is called. She discourses on political parties, negro suffrage, reconstruction, the President, etc., etc., cutting right and left, and sparing not."

Miss Dickinson's appearance in Ann Arbor symbolized one of the greatest changes sweeping across America following the Civil War -- women's growing demands for equal rights, or, the "New Woman" ws the movement was sometimes called. On the front page of nearly every issue of the Argus was to be found an article entitled "Woman's Nature," "Women as Workers," "Woman's New Role," "Woman's Influence," "Women in the Bible," or "Woman's Right to Suffrage." There appeared an equal number of rebuttals to these pleas, one being by Mark Twain in the Argus of April 6, 1867.

I have read the long list of lady petitioners in favor of female suffrage, and as a husband and a father, I want to protest against the whole business. It will never do to allow them to vote ...

It will never do to allow them to hold office ... They like to hold office too well. They like to be Mrs. President Smith of the Dorcas Society, or Mrs. Secretary Jones of the Hindoo Aid Association, or Mrs. Treasurer of something or other ... They are always setting up sanctified confederations of all kinds and then running for President of them. They are even so fond of office that they are willing to serve without pay.

A review by Editor Pond of a lecture delivered in Ann Arbor by John B. Gouch in January, 1866, provides another masculine jibe. Noting that even the aisles of the Presbyterian Church had been packed on this occasion, Pond added: "We notices ladies standing the entire evening; but as in these woman's rights days it is becoming a 'habit' for ladies to stand on equality with the sterner sex, we presume that the gentlemen near by meant no incivility in keeping their seats."

Despite his humorous remarks on ladies' demand for equality, Mr. Pond was actually rather sympathetic to the Woman's Rights Cause. (The fact that Mrs. Pond was a local leader in that cause may help to explain her husband's position.) So it was that the earliest reference to the establishment of a Ladies' Library Association in Ann Arbor is found in the Argus of March 9, 1866.

We cheerfully comply with a request to give notice that a meeting of the ladies of this city interested -- and that certainly should include a large number -- will be held in the basement room of the Presbyterian Church, on Monday, March 19, 1866, at 8 o'clock, P. M., to take measures to organize a Ladies' Library Association. We think the movement a timely one, and trust that there will be a large attendance.

Referring to the success of the libraries at Flint and Kalamazoo, Mr. Pond noted that they had "furnished a rallying point for the social and intellectual improvement (not only) of their members ... but of the entire community. And in the absence of a city or public library here," Pond continued, "there is abundant field for such an association."

Unfortunately, Mr. Pond did not mention by name the ladies who called the meeting, but from the Association's minutes it is apparent who they were. One was Mrs. A. E. Kellogg, a wealthy widow who lived on Ann Street, between Fifth and Division. Another was Sybil Lawrence, wife of Judge Edwin Lawrence, probably the most respected and influential man in Ann Arbor. It was in the spacious Lawrence home on Kingsley Street, near Division, that most of the town's distinguished visitors were entertained, and it was there that a Woman's Suffrage Association was founded in November, 1869, with Mrs. Lawrence as President and Mrs. Kellogg as Treasurer. The wives of several faculty members played a role in organizing the Library Association, including Mrs. Thomas Cooley, Mrs. Charles Kendall Adams, Mrs. Silas Douglas, and Mrs. Samuel Denton. As one might expect, the wives of two local book sellers were active -- Mrs. John Miller and Mrs. Lewis Gilmore.

Thirty-five ladies assembled at the Presbyterian Church on the afternoon of March 19, 1866, "notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather," and the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor was founded, although it was not officially incorporated until a month

later. A constitution, previously drawn up, was approved. "The object of this Association," it began, "shall be to establish a Library, to afford and encourage useful and entertaining reading, and other means of moral and intellectual improvement in the City of Ann Arbor." Although shares in the Association were not actually sold, the proprietary principle was followed in that to become a member one must pay an admission fee of three dollars, plus an additional dollar each succeeding year. Officers were chosen (Mrs. Kellogg was elected president) and a committee, consisting of Mrs. John Maynard, Mrs. Ebenezer Wells, and Mrs. Lawrence, to find a suitable room for the library. At their next meeting, the ladies agreed upon "a convenient and pleasant room ... in Hangsterfer's new block at a rent of fifty dollars a year."

At their third meeting on April 9, 1866, a committee was appointed to furnish "the Library Room" and another "to purchase books." It was also on April 9, 1866, that the Association acquired its first books -- Mrs. Charles Clark, whose husband was editor of the *Ann Arbor Journal*, presented David Hume's History of England in five volumes. Mrs. Kellogg also announced "that some Tableaux were in preparation for the benefit of the Association." They were to be presented on two successive evenings in the lecture hall of the University's Medical Building; general admission would be fifty cents; seventy-five cents for reserved seats.

The Tableaux were the first of dozens of projects devised by the ladies to make money for their library. Because they were the first,

and because they were presented exactly one hundred years ago, on April 17 and 18, 1866, Editor Pond's review in the Argus may be of interest.

The Tableaux Exhibitions given on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, for the benefit of the Ladies' Library Association, we regret to say were not as largely attended as either the cause or the exhibitions themselves deserved. The entertainment -- taking the two evenings together -- were the best of the kind which have been given in our city for some years. ... They were given in the lecture room of the Medical College, an admirable room for the purpose, affording every spectator a chance to see without "neck-stretching" or other exertions. The programmes included some very fine Tableaux, and the ladies and gentlemen performed their parts "to the life." Had we space ... we would specify some of the most striking scenes. ... The intervals between the Tableaux were filled by vocal and instrumental music of a superior order. We hope that the next effort made in behalf of the Ladies' Library Association will be better patronized.

The hope which Mr. Pond expressed for larger audiences in the future seldom materialized, largely because Ann Arborites were accustomed to professional entertainment -- lectures by Emerson, Bronson Alcott, Horace Greeley; readings by elocutionists of national repute; and performances by some of the finest musicians of the day. The attempts of the ladies, even when aided by their husbands and friends, seemed second rate. Mr. Pond's diary for 1867 illustrates this point:

April 8. In evening heard address of Dr. Haven before the Ladies' Library Association. A very fine thing and ought to have been more generally heard.

April 23. Attended Social of Ladies' Library Readings for Wife. Not a large gathering, but quite pleasant. Ladies

dont seem to have the faculty of drawing a crowd.
 May 13. In evening -- late -- went to Ladies' Library Readings for Wife. Gentlemen seemed shy, but three appeared. Wives had to hear themselves.

The long and distinguished history of the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor has been ably sketched by Mrs. Wethey in the program for this occasion. Today, aware as we are of the countless women's organizations that are engaged in philanthropic and intellectual pursuits, this Association may scarcely seem to have been remarkable. But when we recall the status of women a century ago, the fact that they could not vote, recalling their inability to attend most institutions of higher learning, their unequal status under the law, the jeers that greeted them if they dared speak in public, the shame that was heaped upon them if they dared to dress comfortably -- one must be impressed by the courage and determination which prompted those thirty-five ladies to assemble on a blustery March afternoon in 1866 to found a library.

Perhaps a closing quotation from a letter written by Elizabeth Cady Stanton, President of the Woman's Suffrage Association from 1865 to 1893, will illustrate my point. Miss Stanton spoke in Ann Arbor in November, 1869, and was entertained the next day by several ladies of the Library Association. In a personal letter written shortly thereafter, Miss Stanton quoted the reply which an Ann Arbor lady, whom she did not identify, made to a gentleman's assertion that women have less endurance than men.

"[This] lady remarked that she would like to see the 1,300 young

men in the University laced up in steel ribbed corsets, with hoops, heavy skirts, trails, high heels, paniers, chignons, and dozens of hair-pins sticking in their scalps, cooped up in the house year after year, with no exhilarating exercise, no hopes, aims, or ambition in life, and see if they could stand it as well as the girls. Nothing, said she, but the fact that women, like cats, have nine lives, enables them to survive the present regime to which custom dooms the sex. ..."

In its small way, the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor helped to break that custom.

[Response by Mrs. Harold E. Wethey]:

It is quite clear from the applause that all of you were as entranced as I have been through this very interesting, informative, and also very diverting paper. Thank you Mr. Bidlack.

And now I have the honor to present Mr. Homer Chance, Director of the Ann Arbor Libraries, who will make a few comments on the old corner stone.

Mr. Chance.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION - LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION April 17, 1966

ACCEPTANCE OF CORNER STONE

-- Homer Chance, Librarian

This is the first day of National Library Week -- a time when nation-wide attention through all the mass media is focussed on the importance of libraries -- their services and their needs.

I can think of no more fitting circumstance for giving recognition to those who have contributed so much to the development and promotion of library service to this community.

The Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor is one of many ladies groups throughout our state that were responsible for organizing library service in their communities. Our group is unique, however, in maintaining an unbroken existence to the present time, and we are continuing to benefit from their zeal to enrich the library program of Ann Arbor.

I feel greatly honored to be the one to accept the gift of the cornerstone and the accompanying bronze plaque for the Public Library. It is an appropriate symbol of our gratitude for the early efforts of these first dedicated women. It will also serve as a reminder of the continuing contributions this group makes to the Public Library in the form of annual gifts of expensive books in the Fine Arts.

We can look with satisfaction on the progress that has taken place in public library service in the past 100 years.

One can only speculate, in the light of rapidly advancing technology what the nature of the Public Library will be in another 100

years. But I will wager that among those celebrating the second centennial will be the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor. Thank you.

[Concluding remarks by Mrs. Harold E. Wethey]:

Thank you, Mr. Chance.

Much of our history can be viewed through the exhibits placed in various parts of this room, and I will not repeat it here. The membership of the Ladies' Library Association has vanished, for our collection of books has belonged for fifty years to the free Public Library of Ann Arbor. But the Board of Directors still functions. Our two meetings a year make it no longer possible to call us a social club. However, around the year our committees are engaged in drawing up book lists and in caring for our endowment funds. Those funds are now eight times in dollar value what they were when we turned our building over to the Board of Education in 1916.

In the years alone since this beautiful new library building was dedicated in 1957, we have contributed more than \$7,000.00 worth of handsomely illustrated books on the fine arts to the Public Library. At the dedication in 1957 Mr. Howard Peckham made the happy comment that the new library adds a room to all of our houses. We are glad to take this opportunity to look back and see how much we have added in handsome furnishings for that room.

And now may I invite you to look at the various exhibits of books

displayed on tables and counters upstairs and down, as well as historical items relating to our century of existence. Our old corner stone is in the wall of the stairway for your inspection. Most of our collection of books on the fine arts is shelved in the reading area upstairs.

Above all, may I now invite you to join us for refreshments at the other end of the room. Lemonade parties were rarely successful money makers a century ago, but strawberry festivals were. Out of sentiment we are serving a lemonade punch with strawberries, as well as tea and coffee.

Thank you all for coming to help us celebrate our birthday. We hope your grandchildren and ours will be here again for another birthday party in 2066.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Board Members in 1966

Mrs. John Alexander (1958) Vice-president	788 Arlington	N03-5879
Mrs. Arno L. Bader (1962)	285 Orchard Hills	N03-5898
Mrs. George Cameron (1962)	1515 Ottawa Drive	N02-9109
Miss Eleanor Collins (1956) Chairman of Book Committee	703 S. Forest	N03-6255
Mrs. William A. Frayer (1951)	745 Riverview	N02-3347
Mrs. Stanley Dodge (1940)	1547 Washtenaw	N02-0620
Mrs. Cameron Haight (1951) Treasurer	2112 Vinewood	N03-4520
Miss Helen Hall (1948)	715 S. Forest	N08-6331
Mrs. Joseph Hayden (1940)	1530 Hill	N08-8033
Mrs. James G. Hays (1930)	1555 Washtenaw	N02-1430
Mrs. R. Perry Innes (1960)	3125 Geddes	N02-3902
Mrs. Hayward Keniston (1958)	1507 E. Park Pl.	N02-4164
Mrs. John G. McKevitt (1963) Secretary	1501 Glen Leven	N03-8147
Mrs. James M. Plumer (1951)	1505 Golden	N02-1230
Mrs. Millard Pryor (1960)	715 Spring Valley	N02-2118
Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne (1951)	1921 Cambridge	N02-0822
Mrs. Charles Vibbert (1951)	1710 Hermitage	N03-4433
Mrs. Harold E. Wethey (1951) President	2009 Morton	N02-6027
Mrs. John G. Winter (1929)	901 S. Forest	N03-1723

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of May 5, 1966

The annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at 3:00 P.M., May 5, 1966, at the home of Mrs. John Alexander. Present were Mrs. Wethey, President, Mrs. James Plumer, Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. John Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. Millard Pryor, Mrs. J. Griffith Hays, Mrs. William Frayer, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Treasurer, Mrs. Charles B. Vibbert, Mrs. George Cameron, and Mrs. John McKeivitt, Secretary.

After gathering around Mrs. Alexander's beautifully appointed tea table, where there was much exchanging of compliments, congratulations and expressions of admiration for the success of the Association's birthday tea of the previous April 17, the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Harold Wethey, at 3:40. The minutes of the fall meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Haight was called on for the Treasurer's report. She reported that the value of our portfolio of stocks totalled \$28,310.75 as of March 31, 1966. \$885.13 was received in dividends and a fractional share of Monsanto was sold for \$36.72, bringing our receipts from stocks to a total of \$921.85. Two \$500 K Bonds, which had a low yield, were cashed, with the proceeds, \$998.90 added to our savings account, bringing that to a total of

\$5,349.61. \$177.68 interest was received from the savings account. There was a total of \$366.32 in the checking account on March 31. There are apparently delinquent dues, as only \$.80 is credited to that source of income. Total assets amount to \$34,026.68. Our expenditures for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1966, were \$568.10. The Treasurer's report was accepted and placed on file.

Miss Collins, chairman of the Book Committee, reported on this major project of the Association. From June 1, 1965 to May 1, 1966 a total of 75 books were purchased for the Ann Arbor Public Library. The list value of the books totalled \$1092.95, but we were most fortunate in securing a better than ever discount, paying a net price of \$744.35 for the books. The discount was approximately 32%. Several titles were on display at the Centennial Celebration. Last year, 61 titles were added at a cost of \$714.65. The balance in the revolving fund is \$128.61, and since there are some \$300 worth of books on order, another deposit should be made to the revolving fund. Mrs. Keniston moved and Mrs. Plumer seconded a motion to transfer \$500 to the revolving account. Motion carried.

Mrs. Plumer reported on attending the annual meeting of the Friends of the Library at the new branch of the Ann Arbor Public Library, the Loving Library on Platt Road and Packard. She noted that the building was very handsome and had been

awarded a major prize by the Michigan Architectural Association. Mr. Sweetman Smith, the librarian, who was the speaker on this occasion, reported that circulation was very good. Mrs. Cameron suggested that the Association consider purchasing art books for this branch of the Library. Discussion followed. The consensus was that for the time being it would be desirable to maintain our collection intact at the Main Library, so all of our resources would be available to all library patrons at one central location. It has been the policy of the Association to purchase quite highly specialized and expensive art books for the library, that would not ordinarily be included in a public library budget. The need of the branch library is more general, and is met adequately by books of the sort that the library can purchase. Our contribution to the Public Library has created an exceptionally fine collection of art books.

Mrs. Plumer also reported that the Library Advisory Council is preparing a booklet describing all of the library services. It will be distributed to newcomers, through International Neighbors organization and the Welcome Wagon. Regarding the proposed branch libraries previously discussed, the financial problems of the Board of Education are having an impact on library plans, and it is unlikely that there will be any development in the near future. A site at Pauline and Stadium Boulevard is under consideration.

Mrs. Alexander, chairman of the Centennial Celebration, read her final report on the gala event of the season, which took place at the Ann Arbor Public Library on Sunday, April 17, at 3:00 P.M. The secretary regrets that she could not begin to do justice to the marvelous report by summarizing it. The report, therefore, is appended. Mrs. Alexander has gained the unchallenged title to the expressive use of adjectives. The report was received with great enthusiasm and the meeting had to be called to order.

A motion to Xerox and bind the historical collection as compiled by Mrs. Wethey was carried. Mrs. Wethey presented her plans to reproduce and bind the memoirs of the Ladies' Library Association. She has already had some of the material xeroxed, and will keep an account of the amount she has spent on this project, for reimbursement. The suggestion was made that we should compile a list of books given to the Ann Arbor Public Library since 1930, when the Ladies' Library Association began to specialize in art books. Miss Collins will look into this.

Mrs. Haight presented a statement of expenses incurred for the Centennial Celebration. They totalled \$429.81. The expense of cleaning and setting the cornerstone and the plaque exceeded the estimate, coming to \$47 for the cornerstone masonry, and \$117.77 for the plaque. Mrs. Bader reported that she now knows a good bit more about masonry than

she did before the Centennial, having been involved in some adjustments to the mounting of the plaque on the stairwell of the library. Report placed on file.

A motion was made to write a note of thanks to Mr. Chance for his generous assistance with our plans for the Centennial.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) Ruth R. McKeivitt

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1965 -- March 31, 1966

INVESTMENTS					
COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	DIVIDENDS	YIELD	VALUE 3/31/66
ABBOTT LAB.	75	40 1/2	73.13	2.1 %	3,037.50
AM. EL. PWR.	12	38 1/2	15.36	3.5 %	462.00
CONSUM. PWR.	30	48 1/2	54.75	3.7 %	1,455.00
DETROIT BK.	11	54 1/2	26.40	4.4 %	595.50
DUQUESNE LT.	50	32 1/2	71.25	4.3 %	1,625.00
EASTMAN KOD.	62	122 3/4	111.60	1.4 %	7,610.50
KING SEELEY	160	36 7/8	264.00	4.4 %	5,900.00
MASS INV. TR.	105	16.78	58.14	3.3 %	1,758.75
MONSANTO	22	77 1/8	34.60	2.0 %	1,696.50
PHELPS DODGE	20	75 3/4	80.00	5.2 %	1,515.00
ST. OIL IND.	60	44 3/8	96.00	3.6 %	2,655.00
			885.23		28,310.75
Monsanto (sold frac. share)			36.72	Sav. Acc't	5,349.61
Dues			.80	Chk. Acc't	366.32
Savings account interest			177.68		
			<u>\$ 1,100.43</u>	Total Assets	<u>\$34,026.68</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>					
Safety Deposit Box		5.00			
Books for Library		500.00		Redeemed 2 \$500 U. S. Bonds	
Stamps for Centennial		12.50		D 57245 K	506.90
Masonry for Centennial		47.00		D 242330 K	492.00
Checking Acc't charges		3.60			
			<u>\$ 568.10</u>		<u>\$ 998.90</u>

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
May 1978]

Isabel H. Haight, Treasurer

FINAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION 1966

On Sunday, April 17, 1966 at three o'clock in the afternoon the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor celebrated its one hundredth anniversary. The board members, the speakers and guests met in the handsome Adult Reading Room in the main floor of the Ann Arbor Public Library on Fifth Avenue and William Street. Our president, Mrs. Harold Wethey, welcomed our guests and introduced the principal speaker, Professor Russell Bidlack, Acting Chairman of the Department of Library Science, University of Michigan. Professor Bidlack's address, entitled To Encourage Useful and Entertaining Reading, dealt with the history of libraries in general and their early development in the United States, with the rise of the Ladies' Library Association Movement and including a short historical sketch of our own Association and the Ann Arbor of 1866 from which it arose. Mr. Homer Chance, Librarian of the Ann Arbor Public Library, then accepted the cornerstone of the 1885 Ladies' Library building on behalf of the Public Library. Mrs. Wethey closed the meeting and invited everyone to view the exhibits and to enjoy refreshment.

Since copies of all the speeches accompany this report, I shall not attempt to comment upon them except to say that our president spoke with her customary polish and distinction, Professor Bidlack with a happy combination of wit and erudition, and Mr. Chance with warm and generous appreciation of the original and continuing contributions of the Ladies' Library Association to the Public Library.

Mrs. John McKeivitt's Refreshment Committee had set up three

round tables in the Children's Reading Room on the main floor. These were covered with white table cloths charmingly decorated with cut-out strawberry patterns made by Mrs. George Cameron. In the center of each table was a bowl of red and yellow tulips mixed with white and yellow chysanthemums, all very gay and crisp-looking. Ten and coffee were served from silver urns and lemonade and strawberries from a silver punch bowl in remembrance of those bygone lemonade stands and strawberry festivals so dear to our predecessors' hearts but so very unproductive financially. Small sandwiches, made by a cateress, and homemade cookies, made by the board members, were served. Mrs. Homer Chance and Mrs. Howard Peckham poured tea and coffee and Miss Frances Pyle presided at the punch bowl. The members of the Ladies' Library board wore gardenia corsages presented by Mrs. William Woolfolk of Detroit, a keen admirer of the Ladies' Library. Mrs. Millard Pryor was in charge of the guest book, a handsome red leather volume tooled in gold, a gift from Mrs. Arno Bader. Although 235 invitations were sent, only 85 persons signed the guest book. However, we were informed that this showed a respectable proportion of acceptances when compared with the 600-700 invitations customarily sent by the Clements Library for an expected attendance of only about 150.

Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, had arranged a delightful display of fine arts books on tables on the main floor and on the floor above where the Ladies' Library permanent collection is kept. The guests were invited to handle and examine the

books and to note several interesting attractions such as books written by Ann Arbor authors and the first volume purchased by the Ladies' Library, a treatise on J. M. W. Turner beside its companion piece, a modern study of the same painter.

Mrs. Wethey had gathered together a magnificent collection of old press clippings, play bills, account books and an invitation to a benefit cantata, which was displayed in a glass show case. She had also designed several handsome posters made up of photographs of more press clippings, old book plates, the cornerstone, the 1885 building and so forth. She has recently photographed all this historical material, added other interesting items, remounted everything on smaller paper and now plans to have it all bound into a single volume, which will make a very fine collection of Ladies' Librarians of great historical interest and value. Mrs. Wethey will tell you more about this fascinating project.

The 1885 cornerstone itself with the bronze memorial plaque below it is set in the brick wall on the landing of the staircase leading to the second floor. It looks very impressive indeed and lends a touch of elegance to an otherwise rather blank and uninspired stairway. Mrs. Bader supervised all the details of the stone setting and the design and lettering of the plaque. She also displayed a remarkable and, hitherto unsuspected, gift for dealing with members of the stone masons' union. The result is highly gratifying. She reports that Mr. Arnett has had the plaque shifted a fraction of an inch so that, although the plaque cannot be made to

conform exactly to the line of the masonry, the optical illusion of conformity has been improved.

I hope you all will be pleased to learn that instead of spending all of the \$500.00 set aside to cover the expenses of the celebration, the cornerstone and the plaque, we actually spent only about \$430.00. So I am going to suggest that the binding of the historical collection compiled by Mrs. Wethey be paid for from our savings. Mrs. Cameron Haight, our treasurer, will make a detailed report of the expenditures.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my thanks for all the time, thought, and wholehearted cooperation given so generously by the board to make our one hundredth birthday party the success it was. In addition to the committees already mentioned, Mrs. James Plumer and her committee gave much careful thought and study to the compilation of the perfectly splendid guest list and designed the very attractive and appropriate invitation cards. It is true that the public was invited, but our good record of attendance was due almost entirely to the guests who received invitations. The publicity was ably handled by Mrs. Haight. Several notices appeared in the papers and on the radio. Three posters were placed at strategic points such as the Public Library's bulletin board, and a fine, long article, complete with picture of Mrs. Wethey, Mrs. Plumer, Mr. Chance and the cornerstone, came out in the Ann Arbor News. The program was designed and written by Mrs. Wethey, and the sketches in it of the Ladies' Library building and the corner stone were drawn by

Miss Elizabeth Sunderland. Mrs. Joseph Hayden supervised the printing of the program and chose the attractive color scheme for its cover. Braun and Brumfield were the printers. I would like to point out that a number of the members worked for more than one committee, doing double duty, and therefore deserve double, or, in some cases, even triple thanks.

Two small but gratifying coincidences occurred in connection with our choice of April 17th. As you ^{KNOW} it, it did not coincide with the date of the first meeting of the Ladies' Library Association, which took place on March 19, 1866. However, Mr. Bidlack pointed out that the first benefit tableau to raise money for the library was presented on April 17, 1866, and Mr. Chance mentioned that it also happened to be the opening day of National Library Week for 1966. So our accidental selection of April 17th proved to be a happy choice after all.

Mrs. Haight has collected all the press clippings which are attached to this report as well as samples of the publicity posters, invitation cards, the programs, the historical material mentioned above and copies of all the speeches. So a complete record of this memorable occasion has been assembled.

In conclusion I would like to say that never before has it been my privilege and pleasure to work with a group of such enterprising, enthusiastic, able, inventive, imaginative, executive, energetic, capable, competent, efficient, intelligent, generous, effective, cooperative and hardworking women.

Again I thank you all and wish you many happy returns of the day!!!

Respectfully submitted,

[Emma W. Alexander]

Chairman of the Committee for the
Centennial Celebration.

Postscript, 1985: To keep the record entirely straight, it needs to be said that a few of the historical exhibits in the glass case did not belong to the Ladies' Library Association, but were lent by Miss Elizabeth Slack, who was long the energizing force behind the book sales of the Friends of the Library. They were a collection of clippings about the Carnegie Library, and, wonder of wonders, an original playbill for the cantata, Esther, The Beautiful Queen, staged in November 1986.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Expenses of the Centennial Celebration

Mr. Bidlack - Honorarium	\$	50.00
Cornerstone masonry - Bidwell		47.00
Bronze plaque - Arnet		117.77
Programs - Braun and Brumfield		68.64
Invitations - Ramsay		29.64
Stamps - Plumer		12.50
Posters - Kemnitz		10.00
Janitor - Mr, Paddock		25.00
Cateress - Sutch and Osugi		16.15
Food		22.70
Rental		11.08
Flowers		18.72
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	\$	429.81

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

Secretary's Report

November 21, 1966

The fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on November 21, 1966 at 3:30 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Harold Wethey. Members present were Mrs. Wethey, President, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Treasurer, Mrs. John Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. George Cameron, Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee, Miss Helen Hall, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. Perry Innes, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. James Plumer, Mrs. Millard Pryor, Mrs. Charles Vibbert, and Mrs. John McKeivitt, Secretary.

After a very elegant tea, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Wethey, at 4:05 P.M. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Haight gave the Treasurer's report. The Association's assets total \$32,162.86 as of November 17, 1966. Seventy shares of Consumer's Power stock have been added to the portfolio. Following the May meeting, \$500 was transferred to the revolving fund for purchase of books. The report was accepted and placed on file.

Miss Collins reported for the Book Committee, submitting a list of fourteen titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library from May 1 to June 1, 1966, the end of the fiscal year. During the year June 1, 1965 to June 1, 1966, eighty-nine titles were added, at a net cost of \$896.71. The list prices totalled \$1,337.90. At the end of the fiscal year, the balance in the revolving fund was \$476.23. At this time there is \$370 in the

revolving fund, but since a number of books are currently on order, Miss Collins requested that a payment be made to the fund. She said it would be helpful to the Book Committee if there could be a definite commitment made by the Board regarding the amount of money to be spent annually for books for the Ann Arbor Public Library. The amount to be spent for the fiscal year could be set at the spring meeting each year. Mrs. Plumer moved that another \$500 be assigned to the revolving fund at this time. Motion seconded and carried.

Miss Collins then confessed that she had been jolted by the reading of the minutes regarding her agreeing to look into the compilation of a list of books given to the library since 1930. Mrs. Wethey volunteered to assist in gathering this information, as she would like to record it in connection with the two volumes she is preparing.

Mrs. Plumer, our representative on the Library Advisory Council, reported on that committee's concern over the plight of the Ann Arbor Public Library, which is in a desperately bad situation. Because of lack of funds, the library had to pass up the opportunity to apply for federal funds for an addition to the library building. It has been difficult to secure answers from the School Board, but it was finally admitted that it would be eight to ten years before there would be sufficient funds available for the addition. This is in spite of the fact that when the most recent bonding issue was to be voted on, it was specifically stated that funding of the library addition was included. One-third of the funds would have

been available from the federal source, had two-thirds been provided locally. The application for this federal funding was due in August. In the meantime the extremely high bids on the new high school have created a crisis which seemingly can be met only by diverging the entire bond commitment to building the school. The disadvantage of the Library's being under the control of the Board of Education was discussed. Mrs. Keniston reported that from the librarian's viewpoint, it is better for a library to be autonomous. Although there seems to be nothing that we can do at this time, Mrs. Plumer pointed out that we must be aware of this issue. It may be possible to have a separate millage vote. The Library Advisory Board is contacting several other communities to learn of their experience in library expansion.

On the bright side, Mrs. Plumer reported that the site for the second branch library has been purchased at Stadium Boulevard and Pauline.

There was no report from the Friends of the Library, as we do not have a representative on that board currently.

Mrs. Wethey requested nominations for membership in the Association. Five nominations were made and there was a discussion regarding membership. Article VI of the By-laws was read. Membership is limited to twenty, and currently stands at nineteen. It was generally agreed that Mrs. John G. Winter, who has been a member since 1929 and has been inactive for some years, qualifies for the honor of emeritus member. Mrs. Cameron moved and Mrs. Plumer seconded a

motion that Mrs. Winter be named a member emeritus of the Association.

Mrs. Plumer requested the President to name a nominating committee. Mrs. Wethey said that she had appointed Mrs. Haight chairman of the nominating committee, and asked Mrs. Plumer and Miss Collins to serve on the committee also.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth R. McKeivitt, Secretary

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL REPORT - November 21, 1966

COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	VALUE 11/17/66
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	75	44 3/8	\$ 3,328.12
AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER	12	40 7/8	490.50
CONSUMERS POWER	100	50	5,000.00
DETROIT BANK AND TRUST	11	51 1/2	566.50
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	29 5/8	1,481.25
EASTMAN KODAK	62	124 1/4	7,703.30
KING SEELEY	160	27 1/4	4,360.00
MASS. INVESTORS TRUST	105	16.06	1,686.30
MONSANTO	22	41 1/2	913.00
PHRLPD DODGE	20	65 1/2	1,310.00
STANDARD OIL INDIANA	60	54 1/8	3,247.50
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			\$ 30,086.47
		Checking Account	194.22
		Savings Account	1,881.97
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			\$ 32,162.66

Expenses since Annual Meeting

70 shares Consumers Power	\$ 3,367.87
Books	500.00
Deposit Box	5.00
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	\$ 3,872.87

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978]

Isabel H. Haight, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

BOARD MEMBERS 1967 - 1968

Mrs. John Alexander (1958) President	788 Arlington	NO 3-5879
Mrs. Arno Bader (1962) Chairman Book Committee	285 Orchard Hills	NO 3-5898
Mrs. George Cameron (1962) Secretary	1515 Ottawa Drive	NO 2-9109
Miss Eleanor Collins (1956)	703 S. Forest	NO 3-6255
Mrs. William A. Frayer (1951)	745 Riverview	NO 2-3347
Mrs. Stanley Dodge (1940)	1547 Washtenaw	NO 2-0620
Mrs. Cameron Haight (1951)	2112 Vinewood	NO 3-4520
Miss Helen Hall (1948)	715 S. Forest	NO 8-6331
Mrs. Joseph R. Hayden (1940)	1530 Hill St.	NO 8-8033
Mrs. James G. Hays (1930)	1555 Washtenaw	NO 2-1430
Mrs. R. Perry Innes (1960)	3125 Geddes	NO 2-3902
Mrs. Hayward Keniston (1958) Vice-President Represent. Lib. Council	1507 E. Park Pl.	NO 2-4164
Mrs. John G. McKevitt (1963) Treasurer	1501 Glen Leven	NO 3-8147
Mrs. Robert Mellencamp (1966)	1600 Brooklyn	
Mrs. Howard Peckham (1966)	2108 Vinewood	
Mrs. James M. Plumer (1951)	1505 Golden	NO 2-1230
Mrs. Millard Pryor (1960)	715 Spring Valley	NO 2-2118
Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne (1951)	1921 Cambridge	NO 2-0822
Mrs. Charles Vibbert (1951)	1710 Hermitage	NO 3-4433
Mrs. Harold E. Wethey (1951)	2009 Morton	NO 2-6027

Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Meeting of April 28, 1967

The annual spring meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at 3:30 p.m. on Friday, April 28, 1967 at the home of Mrs. John Alexander. Present at the meeting were Mrs. Harold E. Wethey, President, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Treasurer, Mrs. John Alexander, Vice-President, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. Charles Vibbert, Mrs. William A. Frayer, Mrs. James M. Plumer, Mrs. Joseph Hayden and Mrs. John G. McKeivitt, Secretary.

After a delightful tea, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Wethey. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Mrs. Haight, Treasurer, distributed and explained the Treasurer's report. To date, our assets total \$35,286.42. Dividends, interest and dues for the year totalled \$1,149.49. Expenditures totalled \$1,378.12, which included a total of \$370.31 for Centennial expenditures. Mrs. Haight was commended by the group for her excellent performance of the duties of Treasurer, and it was suggested that the form of presenting the treasurer's report be a precedent for succeeding treasurers. The report was accepted and placed on file. Mrs. Haight then collected the annual dues of 10¢ per member to

add to the treasury.

Mrs. Bader reported for the Book Committee. This year the Association has purchased 47 titles for the Ann Arbor Public Library at an actual cost of \$751.95. The retail value of the books would be \$1027.15. There is a balance of \$224.28 in the revolving account. Of the 47 authors represented by the purchases, six had some connection with Ann Arbor. The purchases also included reprints of two classics long unavailable. Special thanks were expressed for the assistance of Miss Stout of the Ann Arbor Public Library.

Mrs. Haight, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the names of prospective new members nominated at the November meeting to fill our two vacancies. A vote was taken. The new Secretary will be instructed to invite these ladies to become members of the Ladies' Library Association.

Mrs. Haight then presented the report of the Nominating Committee, with the following slate of officers:

President	Mrs. John Alexander
Vice-President	Mrs. Hayward Keniston
Secretary	Mrs. George Cameron
Treasurer	Mrs. John G. McKevitt

Mrs. Vibbert moved and Mrs. Bader seconded the motion

that the slate be adopted and a unanimous ballot be cast.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Wethey turned the meeting over to the new President, Mrs. Alexander. There was a discussion of Miss Collins' recommendation at the previous meeting regarding making a Spring decision each year of the amount of money to be available for the Book Committee for the year. It was the consensus of the group that expenditures for books should be in the neighborhood of \$1000 per year. There is currently a balance of \$224.28 in the revolving account. Mrs. Bader moved that the Association should allocate \$800 to be added to the revolving fund with the proviso that if anything came up requiring additional funds, a request for them could be considered. Mrs. Frayer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mrs. Haight recommended that for the convenience of the new Treasurer, the Association's safety deposit box should be transferred from the Main Street Ann Arbor Bank to the Liberty Street Branch. The membership agreed that the transfer should be made.

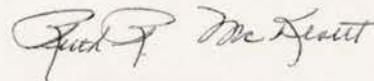
Mrs. Plumer reported for the Library Advisory Council regarding a film strip called "What is the Library?" which is in preparation for showing to schools and young people's

groups. The Ladies' Library Association contributed some pictures to this very attractive project.

Mrs. Alexander appointed Mrs. Bader chairman of the Book Committee, with Mrs. Plumer and Miss Hall as members of the Committee. Mrs. Wethey was appointed Historian. Mrs. Haight was appointed to serve with Mrs. McKeivitt on the Financial Committee. Further appointments will be made.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth R. McKeivitt, Secretary

Addendum to the Minutes of April 28, 1967 (from the Minutes of the Fall Meeting, November 3, 1971):

Mrs. Robert E. Mellencamp and Mrs. Howard H. Peckham were elected to membership in the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 31, 1967

COMPANY	SHARES	DIVIDENDS	PRICE	VALUE 3/31/67
Abbott Laboratories	75	76.00	46 1/8	3,459.00
American Electric Power	12	29.35	39 3/4	477.00
Consumers' Power (div. 10 sh.)	110	156.75	46 3/4	5,142.00
Detroit Bank	11	26.95	52 1/4	575.00
Duquesne Light	50	76.25	31 3/4	1,587.00
Eastman Kodak	62	127.10	147	9,114.00
King Seeley	160	268.00	34 7/8	5,580.00
Mass. Inv. Trust (div. and sh.)	109	67.70	16.56	1,505.00
Monsanto Chemical	22	55.23	45 3/8	998.00
Phelps Dodge	30	85.00	66 1/4	1,325.00
Standard Oil Indiana	60	105.00	51 1/2	3,090.00
		1,072.33		33,152.00
Savings account				891.22
Checking account				43.20
Bank interest		75.66	Savings certi- ficate	1,200.00
Dues		1.50		
		1,149.49		35,286.42

Expenditures:

Safety Deposit Box		5.00
Centennial:		370.31
Russel Bidlack	50.00	
Milton Kemnitz	10.61	
Ramsay Printers	29.64	
Mrs. Robert Sutch	10.00	
Gerry Osugi	6.15	
Mr. Paddock	25.00	
Braun/Brumfield	68.64	
Ruth McKevitt	33.78	
Arnet's	117.77	
Margaret Cameron	18.72	
A.A. Library, May		500.00
A.A. Library, November		500.00
Check charges		2.81
		1,378.12

Capital Reinvested:

70 shares Consumers Power, 6/27/66	3,367.87
Savings certificate	1,200.00

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978 and May 1984]

Isabel H. Haight, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

BOOK COMMITTEE REPORT

April 28, 1967

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association submits the accompanying list of titles added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library from the beginning of the fiscal year, July 1, 1966, to the present day. Forty-seven titles were acquired at a total list price of \$1027.15. The actual cost was \$751.95. At the beginning of the fiscal year there was a balance in our revolving account of \$476.23. After our November 1966 meeting \$500.00 was deposited with the Library making a total of \$976.23. With the current expenditures subtracted our present balance is \$224.28.

Among the more interesting titles on the list this year are reprints of two classics in their fields, long out of print, Kingsley Porter's Medieval Architecture and The Romanesque Sculpture of the Pilgrimage Roads. It is also interesting to note that of the forty-six authors six have or have had some connection with Ann Arbor.

With this report the chairman of the Book Committee ends her tenure of office. She would like to thank the members of her committee, Mrs. Marian Bader and Miss Helen Hall, for their understanding, patience and assistance, and would add once more a word of appreciation for Miss Virginia Stout, the Order Librarian of the Public Library, who really does the greater part of the work.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor S. Collins, Chairman.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Books acquired July 1, 1966-April 28, 1967

	<u>List price</u>	<u>Actual price</u>
Non-Resident Membership to the Museum of Modern Art		18.00
Levey, Michael. <u>Later Italian pictures in the collection of Her Majesty the Queen.</u> Phaidon-N.Y. Graphic Society, 1964	16.50	10.31
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art</u> , v.11. McGraw-Hill, 1966	32.00	28.80
Musper, H.T. <u>Albrecht Dürer.</u> Abrams, 1966	15.00	9.31
Rey, Robert. <u>Honoré Daumier.</u> Abrams, 1966	15.00	9.31
White, John. <u>Art and architecture in Italy: 1250-1400.</u> (Pelican History of Art, v.28). Penguin Books, 1966	25.00	20.50
Hoffmann, Herbert. <u>Greek gold; jewelry of the age of Alexander.</u> Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, 1965	12.50	10.00
Müller, Theodor. <u>Sculpture in the Netherlands, Germany, France, and Spain: 1400-1500.</u> (Pelican history of Art, v.25). Penguin Books, 1966	20.00	16.42
Seymour, Charles. <u>Sculpture in Italy: 1400-1500.</u> (Pelican history of art, v.26). Penguin Books, 1966	20.00	16.42
Rosenberg, Jacob, & Others. <u>Dutch art and architecture: 1600-1800.</u> (Pelican history of art, v.27). Penguin Books, 1966	20.00	16.41
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art</u> , v.12. McGraw-Hill, 1966	32.00	28.80
Bazin, ^a Termain. <u>The Louvre Museum, Paris.</u> Abrams, 1966	4.95	2.97
Boucher, François. <u>20,000 years of fashion.</u> Abrams, 1966	22.50	13.50
Denis, Valentin & T. E. De Vries. <u>Picture history of world art.</u> (2v.) Abrams, 1966	30.00	18.00
Ipsiroglu, M. S. <u>Painting and culture of the Mongols.</u> Abrams, 1966	12.50	7.50
Parmelin, Helene. <u>Picasso, intimate secrets of a studio.</u> Abrams, 1966	35.00	21.00
Rachleff, Owen. <u>Rembrandt's life of Christ.</u> Abradale Press, 1966	25.00	15.00
Tobey, Mark. <u>Tobey.</u> Abrams, 1966	5.95	3.57
	Postage	1.95
Argan, Giulio. <u>The Europe of the capitals, 1600-1700.</u> World-Skira, 1964	21.50	13.44
Benesch, Otto. <u>German painting, Dürer to Holbein.</u> World-Skira, 19	29.50	18.44

Blunt, Anthony. <u>Nicolas Poussin; a critical catalogue of his paintings.</u> N. Y. Graphic, 1966	25.00	15.63
Borsook, Eve. <u>Mural painters of Tuscany.</u> N.Y. Graphic, 1960	12.50	7.81
Clark, Kenneth. <u>Rembrandt and the Italian Renaissance.</u> N.Y. University Press, 1966	10.00	8.00
Delevoy, Robert L. <u>Dimensions of the 20th cen. 1900-1945.</u> World-Skira, 1965	21.50	13.44
Duby, Georges. <u>The Europe of the cathedrals, 1140-1280.</u> World-Skira, 19	21.50	13.44
Duby, Georges. <u>Foundations of a new humanism, 1280-1440.</u> World-Skira, 19	21.50	13.44
Edwards, Ralph. <u>The shorter dictionary of English furniture.</u> Tudor, 1965	37.50	23.44
Ettinghausen, Richard. <u>Treasures of Turkey.</u> World-Skira, 19	29.50	18.44
Huntington, David. <u>Landscapes of Frederic Edwin Church.</u> Braziller, 1966	12.50	7.81
Keyser, Eugénie de. <u>The romantic west, 1789-1850.</u> World-Skira, 1965	21.50	13.44
Millar, Oliver. <u>Tudor, Stuart and early Georgian pictures in the collection of her Majesty the Queen.</u> N.Y. Graphic Society, 1966 (2v.)	21.00	13.13
Ponente, Nello. <u>Structures of the modern world, 1850-1900.</u> World-Skira, 1965	21.50	13.44
Pope-Hennessy, John. Renaissance bronzes in the Samuel H. Kress Collection. N. Y. Graphic, 1965	18.50	11.56
Porter, A. Kingsley. Medieval architecture. (2v.) Hacker	60.00	57.00
Porter, A. Kingsley. <u>Romanesque sculpture of the Pilgrimage Roads.</u> (10v. in 3) Hacker These two titles are reprints of classics in the field.	85.00	80.75
Prown, Jules David. <u>John Singleton Copley.</u> (2v.) Harvard University Press, 1966	25.00	20.00
Richter, Gisela. <u>Furniture of the Greeks, Etruscans and Romans.</u> N. Y. Graphic, 1966	25.00	15.62
Rothenstein, John. <u>British art since 1900.</u> N. Y. Graphic, 1962	13.50	8.44
Schutz, Anton, ed. <u>Fine art reproductions,</u> 5th ed. N. Y. Graphic, 1965	25.00	15.62
Starobinski, Jean. <u>The invention of liberty, 1700-1789.</u> World-Skira, 1964	21.50	13.44

Stechow, Wolfgang. <u>Dutch landscape painting of the 17th century.</u> N. Y. Graphic, 1966	12.50	7.81
Turner, A. Richard. <u>A vision of landscape in Renaissance Italy.</u> Princeton University, 1966	15.00	13.50
Wittkower, Rudolf. <u>Sculpture of Bernini.</u> N. Y. Graphic, 1966	17.50	10.94
Newman, Alex and E Ryerson. <u>Japanese art.</u> A.S. Barnes, 1964	12.50	7.81
Whistler, James. <u>Paintings, drawings, etchings & water-colours.</u> New York Graphic, 19	14.50	9.06
Friedländer, Max. <u>From Van Eyck to Brueghel.</u> 2nd ed. Phaidon-N. Y. Graphic, 1965	11.50	7.19
Gyllensvärd, Bo and John Alexander Pope. <u>Chinese art from the collection of H. M. King Gustaf VI Adolf of Sweden.</u> Asia Society, 1966 (Abrams dist.)	9.75	5.97
Cahill, James. <u>Fantastics and eccentrics in Chinese painting.</u> Asia Society, 1967 (Abrams dist.)	10.00	6.13
Totals	<u>\$1027.15</u>	<u>\$751.95</u>

The Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Fall meeting - October 27, 1967

The fall meeting of the Ladies Library Association was held at 3 p.m., October 27, 1967, at the home of Mrs. John Alexander. Present were: Mrs. Alexander, President; Mrs. Arno Bader, Chairman of the Book Committee; Mrs. George Cameron, Secretary; Miss Eleanor Collins; Mrs. William A. Frayer; Miss Helen Hall; Mrs. Joseph Hayden; Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Vice-President; Mrs. John McKeivitt, Treasurer; Mrs. Robert Mellencamp; Mrs. James Plumer; Mrs. Millard Pryor, and Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne.

After the ladies had fortified themselves for the ordeal of the meeting by partaking of the bounty of the tea table, Mrs. Alexander called the meeting to order. She greeted the new member of the Board, Mrs. Mellencamp, and expressed pleasure that she and Mrs. Howard Peckham, also newly elected but unable today to be present, were willing to serve on the Ladies Library Association. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Mrs. McKeivitt, Treasurer, then gave the financial report. She described the fluctuation in price and value in the LLA portfolio of stocks. Current market value of the stock is up \$2000 from November, 1966. The Treasurer's detailed report is

attached to these minutes. The report was approved. Mrs. McKeivitt suggested that payment to the Revolving Fund be made after an interest date so as to get the benefit of the Bank's savings account interest.

Mrs. Frayer commented that the original Strawberry Social ladies would be amazed at the amount of money we have now!

Mrs. Bader then gave the report of the Book Committee. The series called Landmarks of the World's Art, in ten volumes, was recently bought for the Library, to provide a more "popular" series amongst the predominantly scholarly volumes that we generally acquire. The philosophy of the committee is that art books for a public library will doubtless be less scholarly than those owned by the University art library. The Committee began the new year with \$178.22. So far this year (1967) it has expended \$424.50 (list price). The discount may amount to \$283.00. (Aside by the Secretary -- Does this make sense?) There were 38 books received, 15 still on order, and more still to come.

Mrs. Alexander said that if there were no additions or corrections, the report of the Book Committee is accepted as read.

Mrs. McKeivitt reported that she had personally handed the check in payment of the books to Mr. Gene Wilson and had asked Mr. Homer Chance to make acknowledgement, but no

acknowledgement was made. She wondered if the check should be presented directly to the School Board to make sure of proper publicity so that the Association be known to be on the job. Mrs. Pryor was appointed to look into the possibilities of better publicity for the books.

Mrs. Keniston reported on the Library Advisory Board, which is at the moment studying the problem of the "Ask at the Desk" category of books -- the so-called censored books, and studying how the Library staff can best be protected from prudish attacks (Aside from Secretary: Is this properly phrased? Sounds a bit odd!)

Mrs. Pryor told the ladies assembled that she had become interested in Miles College, in Birmingham, Alabama, and hoped that the members of the Ladies Library Association could join her in collecting books to send to the college.

After a motion by Mrs. Bader, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret B. Cameron
Secretary

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT, October 27, 1967

COMPANY	INVESTMENTS			VALUE 10/25/67
	SHARES	PRICE	CHANGE since 3/31/67	
ABBOTT LAB.	75	48 1/4	+2 1/8	3,618.75
AMER. ELEC. PWR.	12	34 3/4	-5	417.00
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	40 3/4	-6	4,482.50
DETROIT BANK	11	53	0	583.00
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	29 3/4	-2	1,487.50
EASTMAN KODAK	62	131 7/8	-15 1/8	8,176.25
KING SEELEY	160	40 3/8	+5 1/2	6,460.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	109	17.05	+.49	1,858.45
MONSANTO	22	48 1/2	+7	1,067.00
PHELPS DODGE	20	71	+4 3/4	1,420.00
STANDARD OIL IND.	60	53 1/4	+1 3/4	3,195.00
				32,182.45
			Savings account balance	1,045.67
			Checking account balance	36.83
			Certificate of deposit	1,200.00
			Total assets	\$ 34,464.95
<u>Income since annual meeting:</u>		<u>Expenditures since annual meeting:</u>		
Dues	1.10	Library Revolving Fund		500.00
Dividends	629.07	Safety deposit box		5.00
Interest	17.13	Checking account charges		1.37
	\$ 647.30			\$ 506.37

Current market value of stocks is up \$3,598.48 from \$30,086.47 on 11/21/66, but down \$669.55 from \$32,852.00 on 3/31/67.

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978]

Ruth R. McKeivitt, Treasurer

ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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December 29, 1967

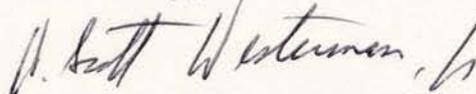
Mrs. John Alexander
President, Ladies Library Association

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

The Board of Education and the Administration express their grateful appreciation to the Ladies Library Association for the gift of \$500.00 for the purchase of books for the Ann Arbor Public Library.

The gift was formally accepted by the Board of Education meeting in regular session, Wednesday, December 27, 1967. Acknowledgement was made to the continuing interest and support of the Ladies Library Association in behalf of the Ann Arbor Public Library. It is this kind of support which enables Ann Arbor to have an outstanding library.

Sincerely,



W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
Acting Superintendent

WSW/mm

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

May 8, 1968

The Annual meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on May 8, 1968 at the home of Mrs. John McKevitt. Pink apple blossoms both inside and outside the house added to the pleasure of the occasion. After a delicious tea the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. John Alexander. Those present were: Mesdames Bader, Frayer, Haight, Innes, Keniston, McKevitt, Mellen-camp, Peckham, Pryor and Wethey.

In the absence of the Secretary Mrs. Alexander asked Mrs. Haight to read the minutes of the last meeting. After clarification of the word "prudery" in reference to the library books classified as "Ask at the Desk", Mrs. Keniston suggested that the minutes read: "prudish attacks." The minutes were then approved.

Mrs. McKevitt gave the report of the Treasurer. The market value of our stocks as of April 1, 1968 was \$32,431.44, down \$721 from 1967, our dividends amounted to \$1,096.54. She had reviewed each stock and recommended that we make no changes. We have \$1088.58 in our savings account plus a savings certificate of \$1200. In addition we have \$36.18 in our checking account and \$1.70 in petty cash from dues. Mrs. McKevitt suggested turning the petty cash over to the Secretary or President for purchase of stamps and to terminate the checking account as we only write three checks a year and these can be withdrawn from the savings account. During the year \$1000 was given to the Public Library for books. However, no

acknowledgement was made by Mr. Chance or the Board of Education. Mrs. McKevitt's report with suggestions was approved.

Mrs. Bader, Chairman of the Book Committee, brought a fine selection of handsome new books which the Ladies' Library has given to the Public Library. She reported that the annual purchases amounted to \$804.98 (list price \$1,095.25) leaving a balance of \$103.24 in the account. She suggested that \$400 be voted today to carry the account through the summer and until our next meeting. The report was accepted.

Mrs. Pryor reported on publicity stating that the radio stations had not replied after their initial interest in the Ladies' Library and suggested that we abandon this project.

Mrs. Keniston, our representative on the Library Advisory Council and The Friends of the Library, reported on the activities of these two groups stressing the excellent services provided by the Public Library on such a limited budget and urging all the members to vote favorably on the Bonding Issue for the Library at the next election on June 10th. She stated that the circulation had increased considerably contrary to nation-wide decrease in library circulation; that a Bookmobile stop was now made at Lurie Terrace, a new service for shut-ins has been established; that a plan for books to be taken to the jail was being formulated; that library services were planned at the elementary schools for the summer, and many more worthwhile projects. She reminded us of the Friends' Book Sale on May 18th. The report was accepted.

The Nominating Committee with Mrs. Wethey as Chairman assisted by Mrs. Keniston and Mrs. Haight felt that our present officers were doing such a splendid job that they all should be reelected. It was so moved by Mrs. Pryor and voted unanimously.

Mrs. Alexander then appointed Mrs. Keniston to continue her position as our representative to the Library Advisory Council and the Friends of the Public Library and complimented her on her interesting and enthusiastic reports. Mrs. Keniston told of a new slide and taped-sound program of the library which she had seen and suggested we might borrow it. Mrs. Peckham moved that this be borrowed for our Fall Meeting. The motion was approved.

Mrs. Bader then moved that we vote \$400 to be given the Library now. The motion was approved. The question of whether the check should be given directly to the Board of Education or to Mr. Chance was discussed but not resolved.

Mrs. Wethey brought up the question of the dates on which our meetings were held (supposedly April and October), giving a concise history from the beginning of the Ladies' Library until now, pointing out the non-conformity of dates. She suggested a freer range of time and the By-Laws could be changed to read: Spring Meeting and Fall Meeting. Mrs. Wethey moved that this proposed change in By-Laws be considered at the Fall Meeting so that a vote can be taken at our next Annual Spring Meeting. The motion was approved.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Isabel Haight for Margaret Cameron, Secretary.

May 8, 1968

A HISTORY OF THE ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

In the Constitution of 1866 Article 15 stated, "The Annual Meetings of this Association shall be held on the second Monday in April." The Constitution of 1887 in Article 13 repeated that statement exactly. A check on the years between 1915 and 1930 showed that while all the meetings were held in April, only one in five took place on the second Monday.

In 1931 Article IV of the new Constitution stated, "There shall be an annual meeting in April." Between 1931 and 1959 fifteen meetings were held in months other than April, in March, May, or June.

In 1959 the revised and expanded Constitution had the provision, "The annual meeting shall be held the last Friday in April" and also provided for a second meeting sometime in October. For two years thereafter the meetings appear to have been actually on that date.

But in April 1961 it was voted that "the Annual Meeting shall be held during the second half of April." Our record since then continues to show that specifying definite dates is futile, for meetings have been scheduled in both November and May, instead of April and October. Part of the trouble at present is the fact that many of us are involved with the University. April is now a difficult month, since with the new trimester April is the end of the spring session.

Consequently I move that the constitutional provision for meetings be amended to read, "There shall be two meetings each year, one in the spring and one in the fall."

Alice S. Wethey.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1967 - March 31, 1968

COMPANY	SHARES	INVESTMENTS		VALUE
		PRICE	DIVIDENDS	3/31/68
ABBOT LAB.	75	46.50	\$ 75.00	\$ 3,487.50
AMER. ELEC. POWER	12	34.125	17.76	409.50
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	38.25	209.00	4,207.50
DETROIT BANK	11	52.50	28.60	577.50
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	29.375	80.75	1,468.75
EASTMAN KODAK	62	146.25	130.20	9,067.50
KING SEELEY	160	37.375	256.00	5,980.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	116	15.84	57.82	1,837.44
MONSANTO	22	41.625	36.80	915.75
PHELPS DODGE	20	62.70	68.00	1,255.00
STAND. OIL IND.	60	53.75	117.00	3,225.00
			\$ 1,076.93	\$ 32,431.44
A.A. Bank Savings Account *	interest		32.58	bal. 1,088.59
A.A. Bank Checking Account				36.18
A.A. Bank Certif. of Dep.	interest		60.00	1,200.00
Dues			2.80	
Cash on hand				1.70
			\$ 1,172.31	\$ 34,757.91

Expenditures:

Safety deposit box rent	\$	5.00
Library Revolving Fund		1,000.00
Checking account fees		2.02
		<u>1,007.02</u>

* Passbook has error of \$1.76 in credit of interest, corrected April 1. This balance shows corrected figure. This balance includes \$69.41 deposit in process when error was discovered, but not credited until April 2.

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978]

Ruth R. McKevitt, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT - SUPPLEMENT 4/1/67 - 3/31/68

	April 1, 1967	March 31, 1968
Savings account balance	881.22	1,088.59 *
Checking account balance	43.20	36.18
Income Dividends to 3/31/68	1,096.54	
Cash on hand		1.70
Interest to 3/31/68	92.58	
Expenditures		1,007.02
Dues	2.80	
Deposits not credited until		
April 67, but earned in March	7.15	
	<u>\$ 2,123.49</u>	<u>\$ 2,133.49</u>

* This balance corrected for error in interest entry (1.76) corrected April 3. This balance is corrected also for \$69.44 earned prior to April 1 - deposit in process when error discovered but not corrected until April 3.

Our stocks are earning 3.4 % in dividends.

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
May 1978]

Ruth R. McKeVitt, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

PORTFOLIO OF STOCKS - October 14, 1968

COMPANY	SHARES	DIVIDENDS 1967-1968	ANTICIPATED DIVIDENDS	VALUE 4/3/68	VALUE 10/14/68
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	75		75.00	3,487.50	4,893.55
AMERICAN ELEC. POWER	12		18.24	409.50	441.00
CONSUMERS' POWER	110		209.00	4,207.00	4,620.00
DETROIT BANK	11		28.60	557.50	712.25
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50		83.00	1,468.95	1,493.75
EASTMAN KODAK	124		140.00	9,067.50	10,416.00
KING SEELEY	160			5,980.00	[5,980.00]
HOUSEHOLD FINANCE (pf.)	160		330.00	10,720.00	[10,720.00]
MASS. INV. TRUST	116		58.00	1,837.44	2,025.36
MONSANTO	22		36.20	915.75	1,188.00
PHELPS DODGE	20		68.00	1,255.00	1,582.50
STANDARD OIL (Ind.)	60		126.00	3,225.00	3,495.00
		\$ 1,096.54	\$ 1,222.04	\$ 43,131.14	\$ 47,567.41 [?]

Bank balance 10/14/68 \$ 1,337.83
 Bank balance 10/67 972.59

Expenditures
 Safety deposit box \$ 5.00
 Library Revolving Fund 400.00
 Check charge .30

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
 May 1978]

Ruth R. McKevitt, Treasurer

ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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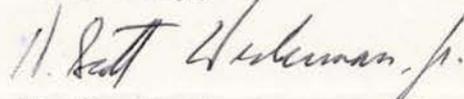
Mrs. John Alexander
788 Arlington Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

The Board of Education and the administration of the Ann Arbor Public Schools would like to express their appreciation to the Ladies Library Association for the gift of \$400 for the purchase of art books.

The gift was formally accepted by the Board of Education meeting in regular session, Wednesday, August 7, 1968. It is through such continuing contributions that an outstanding collection of art books has been established at the library. We hope that the Association will continue to evidence its support in such positive actions.

Sincerely,



W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
Superintendent

CG:Homer Chance
WSW:mw

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE

1967-1968

Began new year with \$178.22.

Rossi, Filippo, <u>The Uffizi and Pitti</u> , Florence, Abrams, 1967.	7.50	4.50
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Read, Herbert, <u>The Styles of European Art</u> , Abrams, 1967.	15.00	9.00
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Werner, Alfred, <u>Amedeo Modigliani</u> , Abrams, 1967	15.00	9.00
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Wechsler, Herman, <u>Great Prints and Printmakers</u> , Abrams, 1967.	25.00	15.00
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Hammacher. A. M., <u>Modern English Sculpture</u> , Abrams, 1967.	25.00	15.00
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The Ladies' Library deposited \$500.00.

O'Connor, Francis, <u>Jackson Pollock</u> , Museum of Modern Art, 1967.		(subscription)
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Hiroshige, Utagawa, <u>The Fifty-Three Stages of the Tokaido</u> , Honolulu, East-West Center Press, 1965.	12.50	11.20
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Hokusai, Katsuchika, <u>The Thirty-Six Views of Mount Fuji</u> , Honolulu, East-West Center Press, 1966.	12.50	11.20
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Calas, Nicolas and Elena, <u>The Peggy Guggenheim Collection of Modern Art</u> , Abrams, 1967.	25.00	15.30
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Hendy, Philip, <u>Art Treasures of the National Gallery, London</u> , Abrams, 1967.	25.00	15.30
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Hofmann, Werner, <u>Expressionist Watercolors, 1905-1920</u> , Abrams, 1967.	20.00	12.30
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Noma, Seiroku, <u>The Arts of Japan</u> , Tokyo, Kodansha International, 1966.	20.00	18.45
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Boggs, Jean, <u>Drawings by Degas</u> , Abrams, 1967.	15.00	9.25
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D'Espezel and Fosca, <u>The Pageant of Painting</u> , Abrams, 1967.	15.00	9.25
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Parmelin, Hélène, <u>Picasso; Women; Cannes and Mougins, 1954-1963</u> , Abrams, 1967.	22.95	14.02
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Ordered August 29, 1967:

Arnason, H. Harvard and P. E. Guerrero, <u>Calder, Van Nostrand, 1967.</u>	15.00
Bowness, A., ed., <u>Impressionism and Post-Impressionists, Great Art and Artists of the World Series, Watts, 1965.</u>	12.95
Foster, Joseph K., <u>Marc Chagall: Posters and Personality, Reynal, 1966.</u>	10.00
Garlick, K., ed., <u>British and North American Art to 1900, Great Art and Artists of the World Series, Watts, 1966.</u>	12.95
Hammacher, A. M. and R. H. Vanderbrande, <u>Flemish and Dutch Art, Great Art and Artists of the World Series, Watts, 1966.</u>	12.95
Hare, Richard, <u>The Art and Artists of Russia, New York Graphic Society, 1966.</u>	17.50
Hodin, J. P. <u>Kokoschka, The Artist and His Time, New York Graphic Society, 1966.</u>	12.50
Kampfer, Fritz and Beyer, Klaus G., <u>Glass, A World History, The Story of 4000 Years of Fine Glass-Making, New York Graphic Society, 1967.</u>	32.50
Koepf, Hans, <u>Masterpieces of Sculpture, Putnam, 1966.</u>	25.00
Laclotte, M., ed., <u>French Art from 1350-1850, Great Art and Artists of the World Series, Watts, 1966.</u>	12.95
Lanoman, Eli, <u>Chinese Portraiture, Tuttle, 1966.</u>	10.00
Monteverdi, M., ed., <u>Italian Art to 1850, Great Art and Artists of the World Series, Watts, 1966.</u>	12.95
Mount, Charles m., <u>Claude Monet, Simon and Schuster, 1967</u>	10.00
Myers, Bernard, <u>How to Look at Art, Great Art and Artists of the World Series, Watts, 1966.</u>	12.95
Realités, eds of, <u>Treasures of the Louvre, 2 vols., Putnam, 1966.</u>	50.00

Strong, D. E. and others, <u>Origins of Western Art, Great Art and Artists of the World Series</u> , Watts, 1966.	12.95
Sullivan, M., <u>Chinese and Japanese Art, Great Art and Artists of the World Series</u> , Watts, 1966.	12.95
Sylvester, D., ed., <u>Modern Art, from Fauvism to Abstract Expressionism, Great Art and Artists of the World Series</u> , Watts, 1966.	12.95
Tolnay, Charles de, <u>Hieronimus Bosch</u> , Reynal, 1966.	47.50
Tyler, Parker, <u>The Divine Comedy of Pavel Tchelitchew</u> , Fleet, 1966.	17.50
Vaillant, Annette, <u>Bonnard</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1966.	27.50
Vey, H. and Xavier de Salas, eds., <u>German and Spanish Art to 1900, Great Art and Artists of the World Series</u> , Watts, 1966.	12.95
Williams, Henry and Ottalie, <u>Great Houses of America</u> , Putnam, 1966.	20.00

\$ 424.50

Some of these have been received, but there are no invoices yet, so the books cannot be transferred to the "received" list yet

with discount approximately
283.00

Leonardo da Vinci, <u>Leonardo da Vinci on Painting, a Lost Book</u> , Carlo Pedretti, ed., University of California Press, 1964.	12.00
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Ordered October 19, 1967:

<u>Landmarks of the World's Art Series</u> , McGraw-Hill, 10 volume set.	40.75
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Kitson, Michael, The Age of the Baroque.
 Garbini, Giovanni, The Ancient World.
 Strong, Donald, The Classical World.
 Lassus, Jean, The Early Christian and Byzantine World.
 Martindale, Andrew, Man and the Renaissance.
 Kidson, Peter, The Medieval World.
 Lynton, Norbert, The Modern World.
 Auboyer, Jeannine, The Oriental World.
 Lommel, Andreas, Prehistoric and Primitive Man.
 Grube, Ernst, The World of Islam.

Also ordered October 19, 1967:

Noma, Seiroku, <u>Japanese Sense of Beauty.</u>	7.95
Shosoin Office, <u>Treasures of the Shosoin.</u>	32.50

Almost ordered:

Ingres, Jean A. D., <u>Ingres, Centennial Exhibition, 1867-1967.</u>	7.95
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Grover, Ray and Lee, <u>Art Glass Nouveau.</u>	27.50
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LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

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LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

October 17, 1968

The Annual autumn meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held at 3:30 P. M. on Thursday, October 17, 1968, at the home of Mrs. Cameron Haight. Present at the meeting were Mrs. John Alexander, President, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Vice-President, Mrs. John McKevitt, Treasurer, Mesdames Haight, Peckham, Plumer, Van Tyne, Hayden, Cameron and Miss Collins.

After a delicious tea, which included crabmeat sandwiches (!), Mr. Homer Chance, Director of the Ann Arbor Public Libraries, showed slides of the Library with an accompanying sound-track, to acquaint the Ladies with the many activities of the Library.

When Mr. Chance had withdrawn, Mrs. McKevitt, the Treasurer, gave the financial report. The market value of King-Seeley stock is up, largely due to its merger with Household Finance Corporation, with the latter the absorbing company. The valuation of the portfolio is nearly \$9,000 over its market value last year. And now we are getting \$120 more in dividends from King-Seeley-Household Finance. Mrs. Alexander replied to the complaint of the Treasurer that she had had no acknowledgement of last May's gift of \$400 to the Library Revolving Fund, and said she did receive an acknowledgement. The annual dues of 10 cents per person were collected. It was moved, seconded and passed, that if there were no additions or corrections, the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Mrs. Alexander commented that the absence of Mrs. Bader meant

there would be no book report, but took the opportunity to ask if we should give more money to the Book Committee since we have a larger income this year. Miss Collins moved and Mrs. Van Tyne seconded, that the extra income be invested in income stock. The motion was passed.

Mrs. Plumer then moved and Mrs. Peckham seconded, that the Ladies' Library Association give up to \$500 to the Library, at the discretion of the Book Committee. The motion was passed.

There was a discussion concerning a change in the By-Laws regarding the date of the Annual Meeting and it was decided to vote on this at the next Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Alexander appointed the Nominating Committee as follows: Mrs. Hayden, Chairman, Mrs. Van Tyne, Miss Collins.

There was a brief discussion about the kind of art books the Ladies' Library Association should be providing for the Public Library. It was suggested to Mrs. Bader and the Book Committee that the standing order list be augmented by the catalogues of the art exhibitions of the major museums, as well as Asia House, etc.

There were no further questions, so the meeting was adjourned at 5:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret B. Cameron, Secretary.

1501 Glen Leven Road
Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48103
November 25, 1968

Mrs. John Alexander, President
Ladies' Library Association
788 Arlington Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Mich., 48104

Dear Johnnie:

It is with great regret that I submit my resignation as Treasurer of the Ladies' Library Association , as my husband has accepted a position with Temple University and we shall be leaving for Philadelphia shortly before February first.

I have enjoyed the Ladies' Library Association very much -- particularly the pleasant association with the members of this truly unique group.

I shall do everything I can to assist in the transfer of duties to my successor. We shall have to discuss this at an early date, since changes of address on the Association's holdings are involved.

Sincerely,

Ruth R. McKeVitt

There was an informal meeting of the Ladies' Library Association on January 7th, 1969, at a luncheon party in honor of Mrs. John McKevitt who is shortly leaving Ann Arbor. Mrs. Howard Peckham presented a noble meal to twenty enthusiastic Board members. At this time was announced the new program of picture rental which the Ladies' Library Association has underwritten in part. A list of the available pictures is attached.

Mrs. Alexander appointed Mrs. Peckham to serve as Treasurer in Mrs. McKevitt's place.

[Margaret Cameron ?]

Note: No list was found here in the minutes. Instead it is part of the records of the Annual Meeting of April 28, 1969. See below.

Public Library

A Community Service of the Ann Arbor Public Schools

Homer R. Chance, Director

South Fifth Avenue at East William Street

• Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108

• Telephone: 663-3301

February 10, 1969

Mrs. John Alexander
788 Arlington Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

I want to acknowledge the check for \$500.00 from the Ladies Library Association and to express my sincere appreciation for the continuous support your organization has given to the enrichment of this library. The Ann Arbor Public Library can be proud of its rich heritage and the part the Ladies Library Association has played in its development. Your regular gifts to the art section of our book collection has made it possible to offer exceptional resources to the art lovers of this community.

We are grateful for your interest and support of our programs.

HRC/ah

Sincerely

Homer R. Chance

Homer R. Chance
Director of Libraries

ANN ARBOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Director of Personnel
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Business Manager

February 26, 1969

Mrs. John Alexander
788 Arlington Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mrs. Alexander:

The Board of Education formally accepted the Ladies' Library Association gift of \$500 at its regular meeting of February 19, 1969. The check has been deposited, and the sum will be applied toward the purchase of art books and prints.

The Board and the Administration of the Ann Arbor Public Schools acknowledge the gift as representing a continuation of the generous and dedicated support which the Ladies' Library Association has provided through the years. It is through such support that the Ann Arbor Public Library has been able to develop some outstanding collections. We are most appreciative of all of the efforts of the Ladies' Library Association, and we wish you well in your future activities in behalf of the Public Library.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
Superintendent

WSW/mw

cc: Mr. Homer Chance

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Cornerstone In Library
Commemorates Original Building

By Kathie Blackmer

(News Women's Editor)

Back in 1866 members of the Ann Arbor Ladies' Library Association had an idea. Taking the town's cultural future into their own hands, they initiated what today has become the Ann Arbor Public Library.

Today, still interested in the cultural future of Ann Arbor, the Ladies' Library Association is supporting a new idea—one that will make it possible for town people to enjoy art without investing in it. The association has given money which will serve as the financial seed for the library's new circulating art collection.

Starting on April 7 persons holding an adult library card will be able to check out one of 53 prints for a month at a time. The prints may be renewed once, and persons wishing to check out a print already on loan may reserve the painting of their choice at the library's second-floor reference desk, where a color catalogue of the collection will be available for viewing.

During the coming week, the pictures in the library collection will be on exhibit. Washable and very solid, the prints are made of masonite. Included are works by Cezanne, Chagall, Dali, Monet, Picasso, Van Gogh and Wyeth.

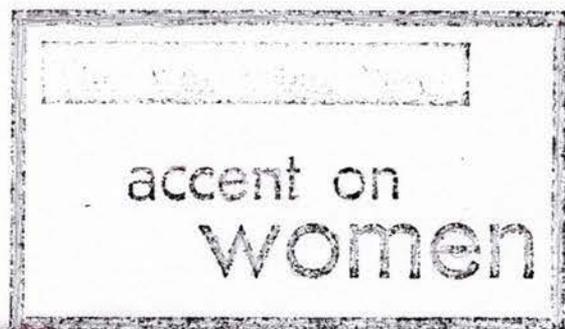
"Because of the quality of the prints, we expect that they will appeal to many people," says Mrs. Ronald F. Brender, who is the reference librarian in charge of the circulating art collection. "The emphasis is on the contemporary, and we hope eventually to incorporate originals from Ann Arbor artists."

Supporting the library in the field of art is not a new venture for the library ladies. Since 1931 the group has concentrated its efforts in making money available to the Ann Arbor Public Library for the purchase of art books. Approximately \$1,000 is donated each year, and the money buys books which otherwise might not be within the library's realm.

"Because of the gifts, we are not hampered by prices in choosing the art books," says Mrs. Brender.

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Approximately 2,000 art books now circulate from the library. Many University students have discovered the collection and make use of it. The American Library Directory lists art as the "special collection" of the Ann Arbor Public Library.

Included in the art area are books on architecture, pottery, porcelain and sculpture, to name a few of the topics. The area is a broad one.

"The selection on oriental works is particularly strong because there are a lot of orientalist in the community," says Mrs. James M. Plumer, a past president of the Ladies' Library Association. She currently is one of three members on the association's Book Committee. The committee, working in consultation with the library, makes the art book selections.

With a twist of her humor, Mrs. Plumer describes the Association as "a very undemocratic, self-perpetuating group." There are always 20 members, who each pay 10 cents a year in dues. Though the going was rough for the fledgling organization, today the Ladies' Library Association has enough investments to sustain its contributions to the library each year.

Early in its history, the Association chose strawberry festivals on the courthouse green as a means of raising money for its cultural efforts, but today no fund-raising is necessary. "It's a wonderful organization to belong to!" says Mrs. Plumer.

Many of Ann Arbor's most prominent women have been a part of the Ladies' Library Association. The list of past presidents reads as much like a list of "Who's Who in Ann Arbor" as the list of artists included in the new circulating print collection reads like a "Who's Who In Art."

Sarah Caswell Angell, wife of a University president, served as president of the Ladies' Library Association from 1873-1876. Mrs. Harry B. Hutchins, also a U-M first lady, served from 1897-1902. Anna Botsford Bach, president of the Ann Arbor Board of Education and founder of the Old Ladies Home which today bears her name, led the Association, as did Mrs. Victor C. Vaughan, wife of a prominent dean of the University's medical school.

In their heyday during the latter quarter of the 19th century, there were at least 25 ladies' library associations in the state of Michigan. Concerned about the cultural status of their communities, the ladies decided to act. Once libraries had sprung up in their communities, the ladies allowed their associations to disband.

"As far as we know, ours is the only Ladies' Library Association left in Michigan," says Mrs. Plumer. Ann Arbor is fortunate not to have lost the services of its Association, for after 100 years the community is still gaining from the group's cultural concern.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

April 28, 1969

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 P. M. at the home of the president, Mrs. John Alexander. Present were Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. William Frayer, Mrs. Robert Mellencamp, Mrs. Millard Pryor, Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne and Mrs. Harold Wethey.

The minutes of the October meeting were read by Mrs. Keniston. An omission was noted: the motion to change the By-Laws as to the dates of the meetings was brought up last spring and discussed, and is to be voted on today.

Report of the President: There was a report of an informal meeting in January and a luncheon on January 7 given by Mrs. Peckham honoring our former treasurer Mrs. McKevitt who has now left Ann Arbor. Mrs. Peckham replaces Mrs. McKevitt as treasurer. Recent letters of thanks from Mr. Homer Chance for the continuing support of the Ladies' Library were read. A report was made about the color prints purchased by the Ladies' Library, a loan collection to be circulated by the Public Library. A reception to open the collection was held at the Public Library on March 29. Mrs. Bader and Mrs. Cameron and other members of the Ladies' Library were present.

Report of the Treasurer: Read by Mrs. Cameron Haight. Eastman Kodak and Phelps Dodge made stock splits this past year. Most companies have raised their dividends and all stocks have risen in price. A rubber stamp has been acquired with the name of the Ladies' Library for use in depositing checks. A special meeting in March brought

the decision to put off purchase of more stock, because of the uncertain market. Last year our investments were worth \$34,000. This year on March 29 they were worth \$45,241. \$900 was put in the revolving fund for the purchase of books for the Public Library this past year.

Report of the Book Committee: Read by Mrs. Bader, Chairman of the Book Committee. 48 books were purchased in the past year. In 1968-1969 a total of \$907.34 was spent for books and modern color prints. This last project cost \$181.15, which was drawn from the book fund. Rental fee for each print is \$1.00 per month.

Other reports: Mrs. Pryor read a description of the reception which opened the display of the color prints. It was written by Mrs. Plumer, who is absent. The opening was a great success.

Mrs. Keniston reported on the meetings of the Advisory Council of the Library. Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Westerman, visited the Council in January when he reported that some interest funds were available to purchase a new site for a branch library. The location considered best two years ago is at the shopping center where the A. and P. is located. The good parking space available in evening hours is a consideration.

Other business: The motion made last year by Mrs. Wethey concerning the amendment of the By-Laws was considered. The motion was made that specific dates for the meetings should be deleted and the By-Laws amended to read that there be two meetings each year, one in the spring and one in the fall. Passed unanimously.

Report of the Nominating Committee: Made by Mrs. Hayden, The
new slate:

Mrs. Bader - President.

Mrs. Keniston - Vice President.

Mrs. Cameron - Secretary.

Mrs. Peckham - Treasurer.

Miss Collins - Chairman of the Book Committee.

Passed unanimously. On the motion of Mrs. Van Tyne a vote of gratitude was made to the outgoing officers.

The meeting adjourned about 5:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice S. Wethey, Secretary Pro-Tem.

LADIES' LIVRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 31, 1969

During this past year from April 1, 1968 to March 31, 1969 two of our stocks split two for one, thereby increasing our holdings in Eastman Kodak from 62 shares to 124 shares and Phelps Dodge from 20 shares to 40 shares. Massachusetts Investors Trust gave us 7 extra shares as a stock dividend, plus \$14.97 in capital gains.

The following companies raised their dividends: American Electric Power, Monsanto, Standard Oil of Indiana.

Since we seldom use a checking account I opened a new one where we pay only 10 cents for each check written. I also bought a rubber stamp, with our name, number, etc., at the bank for use on all checks and deposits.

With a fluctuating market this past year all of our stocks with the exception of one have risen beyond last year's price. The finance committee, composed of Isabel Haight, Joan Innes and Dorothy Peckham, Treasurer, and Johnny Alexander, met in March to discuss the purchase of additional stock. Due to the present state of the stock market it was decided to delay purchase at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

(Retyped by Alice S. Wethey, 1978 and 1988)

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT, January 1, 1969

Receipts, April 1, 1968 to January 1, 1969:

Dividends:

Abbott Laboratories	\$ 56.25
American Electric Power	13.86
Consumers" Power	156.75
Detroit Bank and Trust	14.30
Duquesne Lighting	62.25
Eastman Kodak	79.36
King Seeley	180.00
Mass. Invest. Trust	51.50
Monsanto	28.75
Phelps Dodge	53.00
Standard Oil Indiana	94.50
	<u> </u>
	\$ 790.52

Interest:

Certificate of Deposit	45.00
Savings account	33.84
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	78.84

Dues	<u>1.10</u>
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Total income \$ 870.46

Transferred from ckecking account to savings	36.18
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Expenses:

Revolving Fund Public Library	\$ 400.00	
Safety Deposit Box	5.00	
Check charge	.30	
Postage (secretary)	<u>1.10</u>	
		Total expen. \$ 406.40

On deposit April 1, 1968:

Savings	1,088.59	
Checking	<u>36.18</u>	
		Total \$ 1,124.77

On deposit January 1, 1969: \$ 1,588.83
(Checking account closed out and added to savings)

Petty cash fund, April 1, 1968	\$ 1.70
Registered mail charge 11/26	<u>.87</u>
Balance	\$.83

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
May 1978]

Ruth R. McKevitt. Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1968 - March 31, 1969

INVESTMENTS				VALUE
COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	DIVIDENDS	3/31/69
ABBOTT LAB.	75	73 1/2	\$ 75.00	\$ 5,512.50
AMER. ELEC. POWER	12	35	18.60	420.00
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	42 5/8	209.00	4,688.20
DETROIT BANK	11	65 1/2	28.60	720.50
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	29 1/4	83.00	1,462.50
EASTMAN KODAK	124	69 1/2	141.36	8,618.00
HOUSEHOLD FIN. pf.	160	65 3/4	275.00	10,520.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	123	16.17	66.47	1,988.91
MONSANTO	22	47 1/2	39.10	1,045.00
PHELPS DODGE	40	48	72.00	1,920.00
STAND. OIL IND.	60	61 1/4	129.00	3,675.00
Certif. of Deposit			60.00	1,200.00
			\$ 1,197.13	\$ 41,770.61
			Savings account, 3/31/69	1,436.46
			Checking account, 3/31/69	24.90
			Cash on hand	.87
			Total assets	\$ 43,232.80

Balances and Income

Interest, Savings Acc't	46.86
Dues	1.10
Balance Savings 4/1/68	1,088.59
Balance Checking 4/1/68	36.18
Dividends, etc.	1,197.13
Cash on hand	1.70

\$ 2,371.56

Expenditures

Safety Deposit Box	5.00
A.A. Pub. Library	900.00
Rubber Stamp	2.00
Checking charges	.40
Postage	1.97

\$ 909.37

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey,
June 1978]

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE

April, 28, 1969

The Chairman of the Ladies' Library Association Book Committee begs to submit the following report for 1969:

During the academic year of 1968-1969 the Library has bought a total of forty-eight books of interest to people interested in Art and Culture. The Ladies also departed from the ritual of just buying books to branch out and support the Library in their effort to establish a rental library of art reprints. The total amount of monies expended in both efforts came to \$907.34. The books were bought at a considerable reduction from the publishers; list prices, which may be seen from the attached list of books purchased.

The picture rental is seemingly a smashing success. All paintings have been rented and the only return is from a student at Markley Hall who had to return it before he left town. Many of the pictures have a reserve waiting list of eight to nine names, with, as could be expected at first, the representational pictures being the most popular. The Van Gogh Flowers and the Wyeth Bushel Basket having the longest list of names on reserve. But curiously the Dali has a long list too and it is hoped that people will get more daring as they get more familiar with the pictures. The Library Staff looks ahead when they see a waiting list for original graphics, and are confident they will be able to supply them. I, personally, am glad we could give them the small boost of \$181.15, which got them off the ground, so to speak.

There is now \$166.57 left in the Library account, and a stack of cards with suggestions for future purchases.

Respectfully,

Marian H. Bader, Chairman of the
Book Committee.

BOOKS PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY 1968-1969

	list	actual
Began the new year with 173.91.		
Ladies' Library deposited \$400.00.		
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art, vol. 13, McGraw-Hill, 1968</u>	32.00	28.80
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art, vol. 14, McGraw-Hill, 1968</u>	32.00	28.80
Blake, William, <u>Songs of Innocence and of Experience, Orion-Grossman, 1967</u>	20.00	12.50
Wallace, David, John Rogers, <u>the People's Sculptor, Wesleyan Univ. Press, 1967</u>	20.00	16.00
Spencer, Herbert, ed., <u>The Penrose Annual, v. 60, 1967, Hastings House, 1967</u>	16.50	10.31
Vásquez, Pedro Ramirez, <u>The National Museum of Anthropology, Mexico, art, architecture, archaeology, anthropology, Abrams, 1968</u>	25.00	15.42
Hallade, Madeleine, <u>Gandharan Art of North India, Abrams, 1968</u>	25.00	15.42
Cooper, Douglas, <u>Picasso Theatre, Abrams, 1968</u>	25.00	15.42
Burke, Joseph and Colin Caldwell, <u>Hogarth, The Complete Engravings, Abrams, 1968</u>	25.00	15.42
Arp, Jean, <u>Sculpture: His Last Ten years, Abrams, 1968</u>	20.00	12.24
Janson, H.W. and Dora, <u>The Story of Painting, from cave painting to modern times, Abrams, 1968</u>	15.00	9.24
Weitzmann, Kurt and others, <u>A Treasury of Icons, Sixth to Seventeenth Centuries, Abrams, 1968</u>	35.00	21.54
Munsterberg, Hugo. <u>Art of the Far East, Abrams, 1968</u>	7.95	5.01
Rachleff, Owen S. <u>Great Bible Stories and Master Paintings, Abradale, 1968</u>	22.50	13.92
Hofstätter, Hans, <u>Art of the Late Middle Ages, Abrams, 1968</u>	7.95	5.01

	list	actual
Bernal, Ignacio, <u>3000 Years of Art and Life in Mexico</u> , as seen in the National Museum of Anthropology, Mexico City, Abrams, 1968	7.50	4.68
Hartnoll, Phyllis, <u>The Concise History of Theatre</u> , Abrams, 1968	7.50	4.68
Deuchler, Florens, <u>A Short History of Painting from case art to Jackson Pollock</u> , Abrams, 1968	7.95	4.95
<u>Encyclopedia of World Art</u> , vol. 15, McGraw-Hill, 1968	32.00	28.80
Collard, Elizabeth, <u>19th Century Pottery and Porcelain in Canada</u> , McGill University Press, 1967	22.50	20.61
Duncan, David Douglas, <u>Great Treasures of the Kremlin</u> , Abrams, 1968	25.00	15.42
Arnason, H. H., <u>History of Modern Art</u> , Abrams, 1968	22.50	14.04
Hammacher, A.M., <u>Genius and Disaster: The Ten Creative Years of Vincent Van Gogh</u> , Abrams, 1968	17.50	10.86
Gerard, Max, ed., <u>Dali</u> , Abrams, 1968	30.00	18.42
Ladies' Library deposited \$500.00		
Andrew, Wayne, <u>Architecture in Chicago and Mid-America</u> , Atheneum, 1968	20.00	12.50
Audubon, John James, <u>Imperial Collection of Audubon Animals</u> , Hammond, 1968	25.00	15.63
Bazin, Germain, <u>The Baroque</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1968	25.00	20.00
Carter, John and Percy Muir, <u>Printing and the Mind of Man</u> , Holt, 1967	27.50	17.19
Daix, Pierre, <u>Picasso: The Blue and Rose Periods</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1967	35.00	28.00
Dunn, Dorothy, <u>American Indian Painting of the Southwest and Plains Areas</u> , University of New Mexico Press, 1968	25.00	20.00

Haggar, Reginald, <u>Concise Encyclopedia of Continental Pottery and Porcelain</u> , Praeger, 1968	18.50	11.56
Hansen, Hans Jurgen. <u>Art and the Seafarer; A Historical Survey</u> , Viking, 1968	28.00	17.50
Nicolson, Nigel, <u>Great Houses of the Western World</u> , Putnam, 1968	25.00	17.50
Richter, G. M. A., <u>Korai: Archaic Greek Maidens</u> , Phaidon-Praeger, 1968	35.00	21.88
Roh, Granz, <u>German Art in the 20th Century</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1968	30.00	24.00
Ruhemann, Helmut, <u>The Cleaning of Paintings</u> , Praeger, 1968	20.00	12.50
Smith, Bradley, <u>Mexico: A History in Art</u> , Harper and Row, 1968	30.00	18.75
Ten per cent of the framed art prints		181.15
Pallottino, Massimo, <u>The Meaning of Archaeology</u> , Abrams, 1968	25.00	15.36
Courthion, Pierre, <u>Georges Seurat</u> , Abrams, 1968	15.00	9.30
Ashton, Dore, <u>Modern American Sculpture</u> , Abrams, 1969	25.00	15.36
Garbisch, Edgar, <u>101 Masterpieces of American Primitive Painting</u> , American Federation of Arts, 1962	15.00	9.38
Von Winning, Hasso, <u>Pre-Columbia Art of Mexico and Central America</u> , Abrams, 1968	35.00	21.66
De Calatchi, Robert, <u>Oriental Carpets</u> , Tuttle, 1967	22.50	14.06
Hale, Nathan, <u>Embrace of Life; the Sculpture of Gustav Vigeland</u> , Abrams, 1969	25.00	15.54
		<u>907.34</u>
Ordered 2/6/69 but not yet received:		
Meryman, R. <u>Andrew Wyeth</u> , Houghton Mifflin, 1968	75.00	

Report on the Circulating Print Collection: The preview of the Ann Arbor Public Library's Circulating Print Collection took the form of an invitational reception held on March 29th from 8:00 to 10:00 in the evening in the meeting room of the Library. The attractive invitations, addressed by hand, were sent in the name of the Ladies' Library Association and the staff of the Library. Members of the Ladies' Library Association were asked to pour for half-hour periods and of course added to the decorativeness of the occasion.

The prints were displayed on the walls of the room at a good height and well spaced. A list of the 53 titles was given to each guest and some requests were registered during the evening. The prints remained on display and the exhibit was opened to the public all the following week; they went into circulation the week of April 7th.

The reception was well attended and was a very pleasant occasion; a nice feature was the music provided by a string quartette from the Ann Arbor High School. Most of the credit for the affair goes to Mrs. Brender of the Library staff who planned and supervised all the details and who is in charge of the print collection. She has made an illustrated catalogue in notebook form from which prints may be chosen.

Very little publicity preceded the opening; an article on the Ladies' Library Association, its history and its relationship to the circulating prints, appeared the next morning in the Sunday, March 30th issue of the Ann Arbor News, with a gorgeous full-length

picture of our Book Committee Chairman and our Secretary. (These estimable ladies, when being pressed into this sacrificial activity, each remarked: "Oh! I must get my hair done before Monday!"). The article also carried as a headpiece a photograph of the cornerstone [of our original building]. The article was planned and prepared for by Mary Pryor and was written by Kathy Blackmer of the Ann Arbor News staff. From various comments received from friends inside and outside our Association, it appears that it was widely read. (The undersigned takes full responsibility for the comments quoted, which were mostly intended to be off the record and to spark the reporter's enthusiasm. So far we have not been investigated by any un-American Activities Committee!).

Very respectfully submitted,

Carol Plumer

(who is very sorry to be absent)

March 1969.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Color prints purchased for rent
by the Ann Arbor Public Library

January 8, 1969

Albers, Homage to a Square, with Rays.

Bazas, Composition: Red and Gray.

Bonnard, The Cactus.

Bonnard, Le Ponte de Grenelle (1919).

Braque, Still Life with Grapes.

Buffet, Orange Bouquet.

Buintaine, Evening in the Marshes.

Cascella, Spring in the Abruzzi Hills.

Cathelin, Summer.

Cezanne, In the Valley of the Oise.

Chagall, Morning Mystery.

Clavé, Twilight.

Crippa, Aurora Borealis (1952).

Dali, Morte.

Degas, Dancers in Blue (1890).

De Taël, Football 1952.

Drikba, Latent Antagonism.

Dufy, Jean, Bois de Boulogne.

Engel, Don Quixote.

Estevé, Composition 1956.

Feininger, Before the Rain.

Foss, Street in Montmartre

Gauguin, Tahitian Landscape.

Gottlieb, Thruss.
Graves, Bird Searching.
Hofmann, Veluti in Speculum.
Hundertwasser, The Grand Route.
Hundertwasser, The Singing Bird.
Kandinsky, Improvised Dreams.
Kerg, Golden Light.
Klee, Adventure Ship.
Kline, Black, White and Gray.
Le Ba Dang, The Dead Branches.
Malevich, Suprematist Composition (Airplane Flying).
Manessier, Evening in a Little Harbor.
Marc, Deer in the Forest.
Miró, Inverted personages.
Mondrian, Composition in Blue A, 1917.
Monet, Fishing on the Seine.
Monet, Yellow Iris.
Nicholson, August 1959 (Argolis).
Nielsen, The Moon.
Picasso, Before the Thrust.
Reuther, Red Trio.
Rholfs, Sunflowers.
Rouault, Flight into Egypt.
Sanjuan, Still Life.
Soulages, Peinture, 1955.

Valache, The Roundup.

Van Gogh, Street in Antwerp.

Van Gogh, Sunflowers.

Vlaminck, Winter Landscape.

Winter, Africana.

Wyeth, Half Bushel.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

April 28, 1969

President:	Mrs. Arno Bader
Vice-President:	Mrs. Hayward Keniston
Secretary:	Mrs. George Cameron
Treasurer:	Mrs. Howard Peckham
Chairman, Book Committee	Miss Eleanor Collins

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne

Miss Eleanor Collins

Elizabeth O. Hayden, Chairman

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

1968 - 1969

For the last year and a half the Ladies' Library Association has received formal acknowledgement and thanks in writing from the superintendent of the Ann Arbor Public Schools, Mr. H. Scott Westerman, for the money the Association has given the Ann Arbor Public Library. This winter the President was much gratified to receive a letter of thanks from Mr. Homer Chance, Director of the Library, as well. I would like to read it to you.

In the fall of 1968 Mrs. McKevitt submitted her resignation as Treasurer and as member of the Association, because she and her family were planning to move to Philadelphia in January of this year. The President accepted her resignation with great regret as she had been a very able and lively member, as well as a charming person whom all of us hated to lose. On Tuesday, January 7, 1969, Mrs. Peckham gave a delightful luncheon for the Ladies' Library Association in honor of Mrs. McKevitt. This proved to be a most pleasant occasion, full of stimulating conversation and delectable food. It was at this time, since nearly all the members were present, that Mrs. Peckham was appointed to assume the office of Treasurer in place of Mrs. McKevitt. Mrs. Peckham took over the Association's books, accounts and records as of January 1, 1969 and has been handling our finances since that time.

It was also at Mrs. Peckham's luncheon that Mrs. Bader reported on the decision of the Book Committee, to include \$ 181.15 in our

contribution to the Library in order to start a renting service for framed prints of well-known paintings. This was a new departure for the Ladies' Library, but art prints seemed to be closely allied with art books, so we were happy to support this new project and its evidence of increasing interest on the part of the Library in boosting art for the public.

On Saturday, March 29, 1969, at 8 o'clock in the evening the Ann Arbor Public Library gave a reception and exhibition of the collection of prints to be circulated. Mrs. Brender, who is in charge of the project, arranged the reception and invited members of the Ladies' Library to pour tea and coffee at the refreshment table. A number of members, including the President, were out of town on March 29 and were much disappointed to miss this interesting event. However, I have here a clipping from the account published by the Ann Arbor News, and kindly saved for us by Mrs. Haight, with accompanying photographs of Mrs. Bader and Mrs. Cameron, which I am attaching to this report. I understand that the reception was a great success.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma W. Alexander, President.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
of
THE LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
1969

ARTICLE I NAME
The name of this association shall be THE LADIES'
LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE II PURPOSE
The purpose shall be to build up a Fine Arts Collec-
tion of books and magazines to be deposited in The
Ann Arbor Public Library.

ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP
Membership shall be of two kinds: active and
emeritus.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I MEETINGS
There shall be two meetings each year, one in the
spring and one in the fall.
Special meetings may be called by the President or by
two members of the executive committee whenever
necessary.
At the spring meeting annual reports shall be sub-
mitted in writing by all elected officers with
such other reports as the President may deem de-
sirable.

ARTICLE II QUORUM
A quorum shall consist of eight members.

ARTICLE III AMENDMENTS
These by-laws may be amended at the spring meeting,
provided notice of the proposed changes has been
given at the fall meeting.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS
The officers shall consist of the President, Vice-
President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman of
the Book Committee and shall hold office for a
term of one year. The nominating committee shall
prepare a ballot of officers and proposals for
new members for the spring meeting.

ARTICLE V DUES
The dues shall be ten cents a year, payable at the
spring meeting.

ARTICLE VI

MEMBERSHIP

Active members shall be limited to twenty members resident in Ann Arbor, nominated at either of the stated meetings and voted on at the next.

Emeritus membership shall be confined to women who have served ten years or more on the Board. A member may become emeritus by her own choice or by vote of the Board. They shall be notified of all meetings and may attend them but shall have no vote. They shall be entitled to all reports and publications of the Board. They shall pay no dues.

ARTICLE VII

DUTIES

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board. She shall appoint a nominating committee of three members to serve throughout the year. In consultation with the Treasurer she shall appoint two members to the Finance Committee and with consultation with the chairman of the Book Committee she shall appoint two members to that committee. She may appoint such other committees or representatives of the Board to civic affairs as she deems desirable. She shall serve on all committees ex-officio except the nominating committee.

The Vice-President shall perform all the duties of the President in her absence.

The Secretary shall notify the members of all meetings, keep the minutes of all meetings and maintain the membership roll.

The Treasurer shall receive, conserve, and disburse all funds of the Association. She shall act as chairman of the finance committee and at the end of the fiscal year obtain an audit of her books.

The Chairman of the Book Committee shall with her Committee select the books to be purchased during the year according to the status of the Treasury. She shall keep an up-to-date file of the books so purchased and deposit the books in the Ann Arbor Public Library.

The Executive Committee shall consist of all elected officers and shall convene on the call of the President to transact any necessary business in the interim between meetings.

The Finance Committee shall advise with the Treasurer on the assets of the Association. No stocks or bonds may be bought or sold without the consent of the Finance Committee. (In a resolution adopted on September 22, 1952 and not since that date cancelled or amended, it was stated "That any three officers of the Executive Committee consisting of five are hereby authorized to sell and assign stock and securities owned by the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor.")

ARTICLE VIII

DEPOSITORIES

The depositories of the Association shall be a bank for the monies, a safety box for securities and legal and rare documents, and The Michigan Historical Collections for such records as the Association may wish to preserve there. An historian appointed by the President for a term of three years shall act as curator of such records and write a history of the Association's activities at fitting times.

[Prepared by Helen Bates Van Tyne]

Amended in 1961 as follows:

ARTICLE I

The annual Meeting shall be held during the second half of April.

ARTICLE VI.

Active members shall be limited to twenty members resident in Ann Arbor, nominations to be made at any meeting and voted on at the next.

Amended in 1969 as follows:

ARTICLE I.

There shall be two meetings each year, one in the spring and one in the fall.



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May 18, 1969.

Miss Kathie Blackmer, Women's Editor

Ann Arbor News

Ann Arbor, Michigan:

Dear Miss Blackmer:

The enclosed clipping is self explanatory. However I should like to offer this information; Within the membership of the Michigan Federation there still exist five Ladies Library Associations. How the one in Ann arbor became lost of misplaced I do not know but these were started by Lucinda H. Stone who was the 'Mother of the Club Movement in Michigan and a part of the Federation of Michigan as a State.

In existance today besides LLA in Kalamazoo are the following: Port Huron LLA; Port Huron Alpha Chapter LLA; Schoolcraft LLA: Wayland LLA. We should like to offer them the opportunity of rejoining the "Grouop"

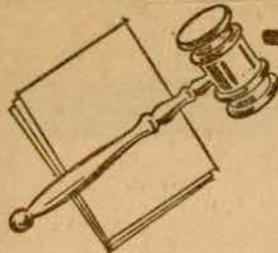
Any information concerning this LLA would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

Janice van Blaricom
Janice van Blaricom
(Mrs. Robert)

Forward Together!

KALAMAZOO GAZETTE, Sunday, May 11, 1969



The Gavel Falls

Convention, LLAs Making News

By MARJORIE G. GOLDSMITH, Family Living Editor

- National Council of State Garden Clubs in convention in Dallas.
- Kalamazoo woman to be installed as director of Council's Central Region.
- Ann Arbor has state's only Ladies' Library Association???

"WEARING two hats" — that of director of the Central Region of the National Council of State Garden Clubs and that of the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, Inc., is Mrs. Claude G. Wirick, 450 W. South.

This week Mrs. Wirick will be installed as director of the Central Region, National Council of State Garden Clubs, now in convention in Dallas, Texas. The region comprises seven states; Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Michigan, Missouri, and Wisconsin.

And until June 6, Mrs. Wirick is president of the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, Inc., an office she has held for the last two years.

At the national convention, which began last Thursday and continues through Wednesday, Mrs. William H. Barton of East Lansing, will be installed as national president. The third from Michigan to serve in that high office.



MRS. CLAUDE G. WIRICK
'Wearing Two Hats'

Among the 1,500 delegates present for the Wednesday installation ceremony of Mrs. Barton, Mrs. Wirick and other national officers, will be 25 women from Michigan, including Mrs. M.C.J. Billingham, 522 Cherokee; Mrs. Clayton E. Fader, 4127 Bronson Blvd.; Mrs. Bradley Ormes, 1509 Southern, and Mrs. Albert S. McCawley, Three Rivers.

"Our 40th Year — Pride and Purpose" is the convention theme. Garden tours, workshops, banquets, award presentations, receptions, business sessions, speakers, and

the like are highlights of the national meet. . .

A FEATURE story dated March 30 in the Ann Arbor News has been the reason for many arched eyebrows in Kalamazoo.

That story, by Kathie Blackmer, News women's editor, tells of the activities of the Ann Arbor Ladies' Library Association members who "back in 1866 . . . taking the town's cultural future into their own hands, initiated what today has become the Ann Arbor Public Library."

Presently and "still interested in the cultural future of Ann Arbor," the organization has made it possible for the citizenry to enjoy art without purchasing it by giving money to "serve as the financial seed for the library's new circulating art collection."

All is fine with the Kalamazoo LLA, but then the story continues: "In their heyday during the latter quarter of the 19th century, there were at least 25 ladies' library associations in the state of Michigan. Concerned about the cultural status of their communities, the ladies decided to act. Once libraries had sprung up in their communities, the ladies allowed their associations to disband." (One arched eyebrow!)



Quoting Mrs. James M. Plumer, a past president of the 20-member Ann Arbor LLA, the story continues, "As far as we know, ours is the only Ladies' Library Association left in Michigan." (Both eyebrows arched!)

And to illustrate the story was a photo of the cornerstone in the Ann Arbor library commemorating the original building. The cornerstone says, "Ladies Library 1885."

WE WOULD suggest that members of the LLA in Ann Arbor visit the LLA building in Kalamazoo which is the home club of the president of the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs — Mrs. Robert van Blaricom, 527 Lodge Lane.

Presently, having a membership of several hundred women, Kalamazoo's LLA is active in many community, county and state projects, and it still maintains a library in its own building.

As for heritage, we suggest that the Ann Arbor LLA members check their public library for a history of the Kalamazoo organization or look up the name Lucinda Hinsdale Stone.

A visit to Kalamazoo by any Ann Arbor LLAer might prove interesting. If she were to stop at 333 S. Park, a view of the Michigan Historical Site plaque is quite visible, even from the sidewalk. And if she attends a Monday afternoon LLA meeting, she will find the Kalamazoo organization very much alive!

As for other LLA's in Michigan — there's an active one in Schoolcraft, just 14 miles south of Kalamazoo.

So much for the "junior" club in Ann Arbor . . .

T H E A N N A R B O R N E W S

Ann Arbor, Michigan

[May 1969]

Mrs. Plumer -

Thought you might be able to pass on these messages to your Library Ladies. I don't know how we could have known beforehand, but we certainly stirred up a hornet's nest by assuming that Ann Arbor's Library Association is the sole one left!

It looks to me as if the organization in Grand Rapids is more similar to the Women's City Club than the Ladies' Library Association

Oh well ...

Kathie Blackmer

May 16, 1969

Dear Mrs. Plumer:

The March 30, 1969 issue of the Ann Arbor News ran a story by Women's Editor Kathie Blackmer telling of the part your Ladies' Library Association played in what is now the Ann Arbor Public Library and its Art Program.

The story went on to say the Ann Arbor L. L. A. is probably the last one remaining in Michigan.

The Kalamazoo Gasette Women's Editor with tongue in cheek decided to reply to Kathie with the enclosed story which was published in the May 11, 1969 Gazette.

With my best wishes for many years of L. L. A. service to your community.

Cordially

(Mrs. P.) Belle Minar



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July 7, 1969.

Mrs. Arno Bader
285 Orchard Hills Drive
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104.

Dear Mrs. Bader:

Sometime ago after reading a reprint in our paper taken from one in Ann Arbor I wrote to our Federated Clubs in Ann Arbor concerning your being interested in joining the Federation.

In view of the fact that we have five Ladies Library Ass. in our Federation and quite active ones, we are wondering if we might come to one of your meetings to present the work of the Federation.

Our LLA in Kalamazoo is the third oldest Club in the United States and has the oldest Club house. I belong to this Club and so I am better informed concerning it.

If we can speak with you we should be pleased.

Sincerely,

Janice van Blaricom
(Mrs. Robert)

Forward Together!

August 6, 1969
285 Orchard Hills Dr.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Mrs. Robert van Blaricom, President
Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs
527 Lodge Lane
Kalamazoo, Michigan 49001

Dear Mrs. van Blaricom:

I am very sorry not to have answered your letter of July 7 before now, but I have been on vacation and just have returned to work. I do, however, wish to thank you for your kind letter regarding the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs, and at the next meeting of our group I shall bring it to the attention of the Ladies Library Association.

Our group is a small one, limited to but twenty persons, and we meet only twice a year for the sole purpose of allocation of the funds we have from some early investments to the purchasing of Art Books and materials for the Ann Arbor Public Library. Our dues are kept to the same amount they were when the Association was founded in 1866, ten cents a year, and the Association has no social program whatsoever. I am, therefore, dubious as to whether we would be interested in becoming a part of the State Federation, but I wish to thank you for your generous offer to come and inform us about the possibilities, and should the group be favorable to this I shall write you again.

Yours sincerely,

Marian Bader
(Mrs. Arno L. Bader)

Public Library

A Community Service of the Ann Arbor Public Schools

Homer R. Chance, Director

South Fifth Avenue at East William Street

• Ann Arbor, Michigan 48108

• Telephone: 663-3301

September 4, 1969

Mrs. Howard Peckham, Treasurer
Ladies Library Association
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

The Public Library is most grateful for the \$500 for the purchase of additional art books for the library's collection. It came while I was away on vacation and I am sorry for the delay in acknowledging its receipt.

We are very proud of the enviable collection of art books that your group has made available to the community through the Public Library. Ann Arbor is most fortunate for the interest that your group has had in providing good library service for over a century.

Sincerely yours,

Homer R. Chance

Homer R. Chance

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A N N A R B O R • M I C H I G A N

September 11, 1969

Ladies Library Association
Mrs. Howard Peckham, Treasurer
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

Would you convey the appreciation of the Board of Education and the Administration of the Ann Arbor Public Schools to the Ladies Library Association for the generous donation of \$500 to be used for the purchase of art books for the public library. The Board formally accepted the gift at its regular meeting of September 10, 1969.

We are most pleased to acknowledge this continued support by your group and assure you that the books will be purchased and added to the expanding collection as rapidly and carefully as possible.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
Superintendent

cc: Homer Chance, Director
of Public Libraries

The Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Fall meeting - October 29, 1969

The fall meeting of the Ladies Library Association was held at 3 p.m. on October 29, 1969, at the home of Mrs. Arno Bader. Present were: Mrs. Bader, President; Mrs. William Frayer; Mrs. Joseph Hayden; Mrs. Cameron Haight; Mrs. Perry Innes; Mrs. James Plumer; Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Vice-President; Mrs. Robert Mellencamp; Miss Eleanor Collins, Chairman of the Book Committee; Mrs. Millard Pryor; Mrs. John Alexander; and Mrs. George Cameron, Secretary.

After an extremely tasty tea, interrupted by the inspection of our hostess's collection of silver snuff boxes, pebbles and other works of God and man, Mrs. Bader called the meeting to order.

There was some discussion about new membership in view of several vacancies in the Association: the resignation of Mrs. McKevitt, and three ladies who are in the emeritus status. Mrs. Haight was appointed chairman of the nominating committee with Mrs. Frayer and Mrs. Innes.

Miss Collins has asked to be relieved of her duties as Chairman of the Book Committee and Mrs. Mellencamp was appointed as chairman in her place.

In the absence of Mrs. Peckham, Treasurer, Mrs. Haight gave her report. The total market value of the portfolio is \$1800 higher than in the spring. The Finance committee met in the spring to decide how best to invest the funds in the savings account. Fifteen shares of Standard Oil of Indiana, and 12-5/8 shares of Detroit Bank and Trust have been purchased, while the stock in American Electric Power has been sold. Mrs. Bader appointed the Finance Committee: Mrs. Peckham, Chairman; Mrs. Haight and Mrs. Pryor. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Miss Collins then gave the report of the Book Committee. Twenty-six titles have been added to the Library's art books since the spring meeting. This circulating collection of pictures has been a success, and Mrs. Brender, the librarian in charge, has asked the Ladies Library Association to help underwrite the purchase of 25 more pictures for rental purposes. Purchase of posters for framing and rental was also discussed. It was moved, seconded and unanimously passed that the Ladies Library Association through the Book Committee, extend up to \$150 toward the purchase of more pictures for rental.

Mrs. Keniston reported on the Ann Arbor Public Library Advisory ^{Committee} Board, of which she is the LLA liaison member. The Ladies Library Association member on the Advisory Board is now

a voting member, which is a step up in the world. The major project of the Advisory ^{Committee} Board is finding a site for a new branch library. A site on Pauline near Stadium is under consideration, as well as a site near the A & P at Plymouth and Nixon. Mrs. Keniston discussed some of the projects at the Library and praised the staff with great warmth, especially because of their activities in Black Studies.

In the category of New Business, Mrs. Bader said she had had a letter from the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs suggesting that the AALLA join the Federation. Mrs. Bader's letter of reply is enclosed with these minutes.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret B. Cameron
Secretary

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
TREASURER'S REPORT, October 29, 1969

COMPANY	INVESTMENTS		VALUE
	SHARES	PRICE	10/29/69
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	75	72 1/4	\$ 4,418.75
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	37	4,070.00
DETROIT BANK	25	65 1/2	1,637.50
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	24 3/4	1,237.50
EASTMAN KODAK	124	78 1/4	9,703.00
HOUSEHOLD FINANCE pf.	160	71 1/2	12,440.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	123	16.07	1,976.61
MONSANTO	22	42	924.00
PHELPS DODGE	40	49 5/8	1,995.25
STANDARD OIL IND.	75	52 3/4	3,955.25
Total value of investments			42,357.86
Savings account balance			339.21
Certificate of Deposit			1,200.00
Total assets			\$ 43,897.07

<u>Income since Annual Meeting:</u>		<u>Expenditures since Annual Meeting</u>	
Dues	.60	Library Revolving Fund	500.00
Dividends	865.88	Safety Deposit Box	5.00
Sale of stock	438.20	New safety box charge	1.25
		Checking acc't charges	.50
		15 sh. Stand. Oil Ind.	1,063.81
		12 sh. Detroit Bank	798.86
		5/8 sh. Detroit Bank	40.78
	\$ 1,304.68		\$ 2,410.20

Five of our stocks have gone down, three have risen, and two are unchanged. Our total Market Value is \$1,800 higher than on April 1, which is good in view of the declining market of the past half year. The finance committee met in the spring and decided to invest some of our accumulated savings, but first it was agreed that we should consult several advisory services for review of our portfolio. They recommended that we increase several of our present holdings to 100 shares and sell one of our smaller holdings. We purchased 15 additional shares of Standard Oil of Indiana and 12 more shares of Detroit Bank and Trust. We then sold 12 shares of American Power.

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
June 1978]

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE

October 29, 1969

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association reports that since the spring meeting a total of twenty-six titles has been added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library at a cost of \$518.40. The list prices totalled \$741.85 which amounts to a discount of about 29 %. A list of the titles accompanies this report.

Apparently the circulating collection of reproductions of paintings has had a great success, so much so that the Library would like to increase the number of reproductions. Mrs. Brender, who is in charge of this project, has asked if we might be willing to help with the purchase of another group. She estimates that the initial 10 % payment for this would be about \$100.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Collins, Chairman (pro-tem)

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION 1969-1970

Kahnweiler, Daniel-Henry, <u>Juan Gris: His Life and Work</u> , Abrams, 1969.	25.00	15.48
Haak, Bob, <u>Rembrandt: His Life, His Work, His Time</u> , Abrams, 1969.	30.00	18.60
Russell, John, intro., <u>Ben Nicholson: Drawings, Paintings and Reliefs</u> , 1911-1968, Abrams, 1969.	35.00	21.54
Michalowski, Kazimierz, <u>Art of Ancient Egypt</u> , Abrams, 1969.	40.00	24.60
Pericot-Garcia, Galloway, and Lommel, <u>Prehistoric and Primitive Art</u> , Abrams, n. d.	25.00	15.42
Young, William, comp., <u>A Dictionary of American Artists, Sculptors, Engravers of the Western Hemisphere</u> .	37.50	37.74
Great Drawings of the Louvre Museum, Paris: Bacou, Roseline, <u>The German, Flemish and Dutch Drawings</u> , Braziller, 1968.	20.00	12.50
_____, <u>The Italian Drawings</u> , Braziller, 1968.	20.00	12.50
Serullaz, Maurice, <u>The French Drawings</u> , Braziller, 1968.	20.00	12.50
Cook, Olive, <u>The English House Through Seven Centuries</u> , Nelson, 1968.	27.50	17.19
<u>The Frick Collection</u> , 2 vols., Princeton, 1968.	40.00	36.00
Richter, Gisela M. A., <u>Engraved Gems of the Greeks and the Etruscans</u> , Phaidon-Praeger, 1969.	45.00	37.50
Roters, Eberhard, <u>Painters of the Bauhaus</u> , Praeger, 1969.	18.50	11.56
White, James, <u>National Gallery of Ireland</u> , Praeger, 1968.	27.50	17.19
Hammacher, A. M., <u>The Evolution of Modern Sculpture: Tradition and Innovation</u> , Abrams, 1969.	25.00	15.48

Yoyotte, Jean, <u>Treasures of the Pharoahs</u> , Skira-World, 1968.	29.50	20.31
Bidermanas, Izis and McMullen, Roy, <u>The World of Marc Chagall</u> , Doubleday, 1968.	25.00	15.63
Clifford, Derek and Timothy, <u>John Crome</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1968.	18.50	14.80
Gerson, Horst, <u>Rembrandt Paintings</u> , Reynal- Morrow, 1968.	39.95	24.97
Harris, John and others, <u>Buckingham Palace and its Treasures</u> , Studio-Viking, 1968.	25.00	15.63
Hedecoe, John, ed., <u>Henry Moore</u> , Simon and Schuster, 1968.	35.00	21.88
Lensen, George, <u>Faces of Japan: A Photo- graphic Study</u> , Diplomatic Press, 1968.	30.00	30.00
Lissitzky-Kuppers, Sophie, <u>El Lissitzky: Life, Letters, Texts</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1968.	30.00	24.00
Smith, David, <u>David Smith</u> , Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1968.	22.95	14.34
Smith, Robert, <u>The Art of Portugal: 1500-1800</u> , Meredith Press, 1968.	24.95	15.59
Wilmerding, John, <u>A History of American Marine Painting</u> , Little Brown, 1968.	25.00	15.63

Public Library

A Community Service of the Ann Arbor Public Schools

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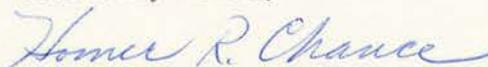
Dear Mrs. Peckham:

We acknowledge with thanks the check for \$500.00 from the Ladies Library Association for the purchase of new art books for the library's collection. Your continued interest in improving our resources in this area is much appreciated by our library patrons. Our community is fortunate in being able to enjoy such an outstanding art collection which has been possible only by your generous contributions over a long period of time.

We value very highly the fine close working relationship that has developed between your group and our staff and hope this will continue for years to come.

HRC/ah

Sincerely Yours,



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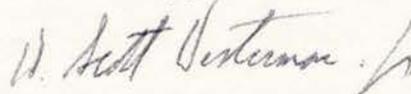
Dear Mrs. Peckham:

The Board of Education formally accepted the gift of \$500.00 from the Ladies Library Association at its regular meeting of February 18, 1970. The Board and Administration of the Ann Arbor Public Schools wish to convey their sincere appreciation to you and the Association for this most generous contribution to our library system.

The \$500.00 will be used to purchase new art books for the library's collection as you so designated. This will allow the expansion of a valuable part of our library offerings.

Your interest in the development of the Ann Arbor Public Library and your contributions over the years to the library system have been most beneficial to the entire community. We hope to continue this fine relationship.

Sincerely,



W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
Superintendent

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cc: Mr. Homer Chance

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RUTH BEATTY
COORDINATOR OF ART

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March 3, 1970

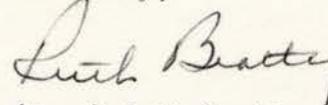
Mrs. Howard Peckham
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

One of the pleasures of this town is the excellent library facilities. Any research in art that students or I have needed, has been adequately met in the Ann Arbor Library. The cost of art books is generally prohibitive for a home or for children to buy.

I wish to congratulate you on your wisdom in giving \$500 for the purchase of art books and to personally thank you for this gift.

Sincerely,


(Mrs.) Ruth Beatty

RB:ae

The Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Spring meeting - April 21, 1970

The annual spring meeting of the Ladies Library Association was held on Tuesday, April 21, 1970, at 3 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Arno Bader.

Those present were: Mrs. Bader, President; Mrs. William Frayer; Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Vice-President; Mrs. Howard Peckham, Treasurer; Miss Eleanor Collins; Mrs. Robert Mellencamp, Chairman of the Book Committee; Mrs. John Alexander; Mrs. Harold Wethey; Miss Helen Hall; Mrs. Cameron Haight; Mrs. James Plumer; Mrs. Joseph Hayden; Mrs. George Cameron, Secretary; and a guest, Mrs. Hall.

A delicious tea, featuring mushroom sandwiches, was enjoyed by all; despite the continuing lament about the lateness of the spring. Only crocuses in view so far, even on the sunny side.

Mrs. Bader, our distinguished President, brought the meeting to order, and then told about visiting the picture lending department of the Ann Arbor Public Library in order to see the new collection, which at the time of this meeting is already out on loan. At the October meeting the LLA voted to help the Library in its purchases, but it turned out that the Library found funds of its own to use for purchase of the additional pictures, so the LLA funds are available for book acquisition.

Mrs. Peckham, giving the Treasurer's report, said that market value of our holdings is down about 5% from last year, which is not bad, all things considered. Purchase of stock in Standard Oil of Indiana and Detroit Bank and Trust, costing 1903.45, and grant to the Ann Arbor Library of 1000 in the past fiscal year have lowered our balance to \$370-- Mrs. Pryor is a new member of the Finance Committee, and has persuaded her husband to cast his experienced and judicial eye over our portfolio. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Mrs. Keniston then reported for the Library Advisory Council.

The Library is very concerned with finding another site for a branch library with a real interest in a site on Plymouth Road near the A & P store. And there is, of course, pressing need for the addition to the main library, money for which was voted in a School Board election several years ago, but which has not been forthcoming for the Library. It is hoped that in the June 4, 1970 School Board election a separate and special "package" for this addition will be part of the Bond issue statement. The School Board has tried to send a member to attend the Library Advisory Board meetings but attendance has been very irregular.

The nominating committee, charged with the pleasant duty of finding new members of LLA to replace Mrs. McKevitt, who moved away, and Mrs. Winter, who became emerita, placed in

nomination the names of Mrs. David Huntington and Mrs. Robert A. Oneal. These ladies were elected unanimously, and the Secretary was instructed to write them a letter of invitation.

Mrs. Mellencamp reported for the Book Committee.

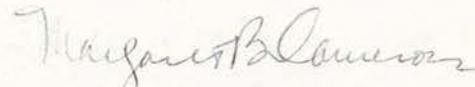
Only fourteen new titles have been added to the Library since last November, partly because the price of books has been going up and partly because the discount allowable on books has been going down. So in the future we will probably be getting fewer books for more money.

Mrs. Peckham moved that the Ladies Library Association give \$500 to the revolving fund of the Ann Arbor Public Library on July 1, 1970, for the purchase of art books with the understanding that this full amount may not be available for the second half of the Library's fiscal year. Mrs. Alexander seconded. The motion was carried.

There followed a considerable discussion of a question raised by Mrs. Mellencamp if there should be any limitations set on the type of book acquired within the field of art. It was the consensus that the "how-to-do-it" kind of book was not necessarily within the desideratum of the LLA, but yet there were many periferal art fields, such as costumes, architecture and interior decorating that would certainly be appropriate in the collection.

The nominating committee had its second innings when it proposed the re-elections of the officers. Mrs. Plumer moved that the slate be re-elected, and the motion was carried unanimously. Therefore, Mrs. Bader, President; Mrs. Keniston, Vice-President; Mrs. Peckham, Treasurer; and Mrs. Cameron, Secretary, will carry on bravely as before.

Respectfully submitted,



Margaret B. Cameron
Secretary

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 1, 1969 -- March 31, 1970

INVESTMENTS				VALUE
COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	DIVIDENDS	3/31/70
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	75	70 1/8	82,52	\$ 5,259.40
DETROIT BANK	25	60	57,80	1,500.00
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	34	211,75	3,740.00
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	24 1/8	83,00	1,206.25
EASTMAN KODAK	124	74 5/8	155,00	9,246.50
HOUSEHOLD FINANCE pf.	160	62 1/8	380,00	9,940.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	127	13,86	54,85	1,760.22
MONSANTO	22	34 1/4	41,40	753.50
PHELPS DODGE	40	52 3/4	80,00	2,110.00
STANDARD OIL (Ind.)	75	39 1/4	163,89	2,943.75
Certif. of Deposit			60,00	1,200.00
				1,370.21
Total value of investments				39,659.62
Savings account, Mar. 31, 1970				360.86
Checking account, Mar. 31, 1970				10.10
1 share Monsanto				34.50
Total assets				\$ 40,065.08

Balances and Income

Savings Acc't, Apr. 1, 1969	1,436.46
Checking " " " "	24.90
Cash on hand, " " "	.87
Dues	.60
Savings Acc't, interest	5,28
Sale of Amer. Elec. Power	438.20
Dividend, Amer. Elec. Power	4.74
	<u>\$ 3,281.25</u>

Expenditures

Stock purchases	1,903.45
A.A. Pub. Lib.	1,000.00
Checking Chg.	.60
Safety Box	5.00
New Safety Box key	1,25
	<u>\$ 2,910.30</u>

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey.
August, 1978]

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE

January 16, 1970

Madame President:

Sorry I missed you this morning. Eleanor has a copy of this booklist also. Both Mrs. Brender and Mrs. Chen were out today, but I left a message about the money for the paintings. They will both, I understand, be working tomorrow, Saturday.

Yours faithfully,

Emma H. Mellencamp

Belloni, Gian Guido and Liliana Fedi Dall'Asen, Iranian art, Praeger, \$18.50.

Artamonov, M. I., The Splendor of Scythian Art, Praeger, \$20.00

*Gregoriotti, Guido, Jewelry Through the Ages, American Heritage, \$14.95.

*Vincent, Howard P., Daumier and His World, Northwestern University Press, \$12.50.

The Drawings of Leonardo da Vinci, in the collection of her majesty the Queen at Windsor Castle, by Kenneth Clark and Carlo Pedretti, Phaidon, 3 vols., Vol. 1, \$18.00; Vol. 2, \$28.50; Vol 3, \$28.50.

American Painting, Vol. 1 by Jules David Prown; Vol 2 by Barbara Rose, Skira / World, \$50.00

*Tralbaut, Marco Ed., Vincent Van Gogh, Studio / Viking, \$37.50.

Maas, Jeremy, Victorian Painters, Putnam's, \$22.50.

Lognon, Jean and Raymond Cazelles, The tres riches heures of Jean, Duke of Berry, Braziller, \$30.00.

Pope-Hennessy, John, Paolo Ucello, Phaidon, \$24.00.

*Clark, Kenneth, Piero della Francesca, Phaidon, \$25.00.

The Complete Works of Raphael, Reynal-Morrow, \$39.95.

Wingler, Hans, The Bauhaus, M. I. T. Press, \$42.50.

- Sellers, Charles Coleman, Charles Wilson Peale, Scribner's, \$20.00
- Wethey, Harold, The Paintings of Titian, Vol 1, The Religious Paintings, Phaidon, \$35.00.
- *Lerman, Leo, The Museum (Metropolitan), Wittenborn, \$16.95.
- Jarry, Madeleine, World Tapestry, Putnam, 1969, \$25.00
- Rodriguez, A History of Mexican Mural Painting, Putnam, \$30.00.
- *Nilsson, Ster., European Architecture in India, 1750-1850, Taplinger, \$20.00.
- Pictorial Encyclopaedia of the Oriental Arts, 7 vols., Crown, \$49.50.
- Hoopes, Donelson F., Winslow Homer Watercolors, Watson-Guption, \$17.50.
- Chiarini, Françoise P., trans., Claude Lorrain; Selected Drawings, Pennsylvania State University Press, \$32.00.

The asterisk marks those books Mrs. Brender thought might be purchased with Public Library funds. I wonder if the price of the Clark and the Tralbaut will be acceptable to them.

E. H. M.

The Ladies' Library Association
Ann Arbor, Michigan

May 18, 1970.

Letters of invitation to Mrs. David Huntington and Mrs. Robert Oneal:

I hope it won't come as a terrible shock for you to know that at the Annual Meeting of the Ladies' Library Association of Ann Arbor, you were unanimously elected a member of that historic and august body.

The enclosed clipping gives you an idea of the function of the Ladies' Library Association. The duties are not arduous, comprising attendance at two meetings a year, generally in October and an April. Mrs. Bader, whose picture you see, is the President now, Roberts Keniston is Vice-President, Dorothy Peckham, Treasurer and Mrs. Mellen-camp is Book Chairman.

We hope you will accept our election and join us in our usually fairly hilarious meetings.

Sincerely yours,

Margaret B. Cameron, Secretary.

May 20, 1970.

Dear Mrs. Cameron,

I'm pleased and flattered to be asked to join the Ladies' Library Association and I, of course, accept. I will look forward to the first meeting in the fall.

Sincerely,

Zibby Oneal.

September 20, 1970.

Dear Mrs. Cameron:

From everything I've heard of the Ladies' Library Association, it is not only a cultural remnant that enriches Ann Arbor, but a truly delightful organization. Needless to say I would be overjoyed to join such an historic and august body. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Trudy Huntington.

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July 22, 1970

Mrs. Howard H. Peckham
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

The Public Library gratefully acknowledges the check for \$500.00 from the Ladies Library Association for the purchase of art books.

I will notify the Board of Education through the Superintendent of Schools of the receipt of your check so that they may formally acknowledge your gift to the library.

Your support of the library and particularly your interest in building and maintaining an excellent art section is greatly appreciated by all.

Sincerely

Homer R. Chance
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A N N A R B O R • M I C H I G A N

September 1, 1970

Mrs. Howard H. Peckham
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

The Board of Education of the Ann Arbor Public Schools formally accepted the \$500 gift from the Ladies' Library Association at its regular meeting of August 12, 1970. The money will be applied to the purchase of art books to enhance the Public Library's current collection as prescribed in your communication to Mr. Chance.

The Board of Education and the Administration of the Public Schools are most appreciative of the current gift and the continued support of the Public Library by the Ladies' Library Association.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
W. Scott Westerman, Jr.
Superintendent

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cc: Mr. Homer Chance

The Ladies Library Association of Ann Arbor, Michigan

Fall Meeting - October 28, 1970

The fall meeting of the Ladies Library Association was held on Wednesday, October 28th, at 3 P.M. in the home of Mrs. George Cameron.

Those present were: Mrs. John Alexander; Mrs. Arno Bader, President; Mrs. George Cameron, Secretary; Miss Eleanor Collins; Mrs. Cameron Haight; Mrs. Joseph Hayden; Mrs. David Huntington; Mrs. R. Perry Innes; Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Vice-President; Mrs. Robert Mellencamp; Mrs. Robert Oneal; Mrs. Howard Peckham, Treasurer; Mrs. James Plumer; Mrs. Millard Pryor; Mrs. Harold Wethey.

The tea interval was utilized by the Ladies present to make the acquaintance of (or renew it, as the case may be) the two new members of the association, Mrs. Huntington and Mrs. Oneal. After everyone had found a chair, Mrs. Bader brought the meeting to order, and requested that the minutes of the April meeting be read. They were, and there was a motion that the minutes be approved.

Mrs. Peckham, the Treasurer, then made her report. The assets of the Ladies Library Association at current market value are \$37,701.14, some two thousand dollars lower than a year ago. All stocks have gone down except Standard Oil of Indiana, but all have paid a dividend. The Finance Committee is reconsidering the Portfolio, wondering if we should acquire stock with a higher yield. The growth stocks we have have been providing an income of about \$1300 a year. Should we be providing more

money for the Library? The Portfolio is not big enough to have both growth stocks and high yield stocks. Mrs. Pryor asked if it was the policy of the Ladies Library Association to give a set amount to the Library. Mrs. Bader said there is no set amount, and that the Library has to suffer from the uncertainties of the stock market. Mrs. Mellencamp said that the Library staff got into a bind last year because it overspent its expectations. She suggested that the Ladies Library Association announce a minimum amount to be given to the Library, and increase it if dividends are good. Mrs. Peckham said she had the feeling of the group, that the Ladies Library Association continue on the course it has followed so far. The group has great confidence in the Finance Committee.

Mrs. Alexander moved, Mrs. Plumer seconded, that five hundred dollars (\$500.00) be given to the Library in January, 1971. The motion was carried.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously carried, that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Mrs. Mellencamp, for the Book Committee, announced that \$1,050.42 was given to the Library in the fiscal year July 1, 1969 to June 30, 1970. ^{List price \$1485.75, 57 volumes, 47 titles.} (The actual value of the volumes, and their number, the secretary failed to catch.) The picture loan department continues to flourish. Only one picture has been lost and the damage has been virtually none. Mrs. Mellencamp asked if the lost picture should be replaced (cost \$58.28) by the Ladies Library Association. It was decided that the Library Staff could charge it against the \$500.00 previously

granted if it so desired. The question of whether or not to try to purchase and shelve the Picasso 347, which is controversial, pornographic and expensive, was solved by the statement that we do not have the \$150.00 needed.

Mrs. Plumer moved, and Mrs. Peckham seconded that the report of the Book Committee be accepted. The motion was carried.

Mrs. Innes, our representative on the Library Advisory Board, said she had been to only one meeting so far. The land for the Plymouth Road Branch has been selected. A cheerful note for the Library's fiscal future was sounded by Mr. Hathaway, who suggested that fines for illegal hunting be assigned to the Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret B. Cameron
Secretary

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT, OCTOBER 28, 1970

INVESTMENTS				
COMPANY	SHARES	PRICE	CHANGE, since 3/31/70	VALUE 10/28/70
ABBOTT LABORATORIES	75	67 1/2	- 2 5/8	\$ 5,062.50
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	31 1/4	- 2 3/4	3,125.00
DETROIT BANK	25	57 1/2	- 2 1/2	1,437.50
DUQUESNE LIGHT	50	20 1/2	- 3 5/8	1,025.00
EASTMAN KODAK	124	65 7/8	- 8 1/2	8,228.00
HOUSEHOLD FINANCE pf,	160	57 5/8	- 4 1/2	9,220.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	127	13.25	- .41	1,682.75
MONSANTO	22	32	- 2 1/4	704.00
PHELPS DODGE	40	37 1/4	- 15 1/5	1,490.00
STANDARD OIL (Ind.)	75	47 1/4	+ 8	3,543.75
Certif. of Deposit				1,200.00
				\$ 36,718.50
		Savings acc't balance		750.59
		Checking acc't balance		4.90
		Cash on hand		1.40
		Total assets		\$ 37,475.39

Income since 4/1/70		Expenditures since Annual Meeting	
Dues	\$ 1.40	Safety Deposit Box	\$ 5.00
Dividends	882.25	Library Revolving Fund	500.00
Interest	7.48	Checking account fees	.20
	\$ 891.13		\$ 505.20

Balance March 31, 1970	\$ 370.96	Cash	
Income since April 1	891.13	Savings Acc't	750.59
	1,262.09	Checking Acc't	4.90
Expenditures	505.20	Cash on hand	1.40
	\$ 756.89		\$ 756.89

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
August, 1978]

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

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February 1, 1971

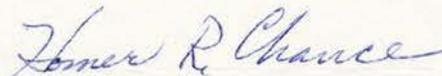
Mrs. Howard Peckham
2108 Vinewood
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mrs. Peckham

Please accept my apologies for the delay in acknowledging the check for five hundred dollars from the Ladies Library Association for additional art books for our collection.

The continued interest of your group in helping us build a fine collection for our art lovers is greatly appreciated. You should receive a formal acknowledgment from the Board of Education soon.

Sincerely yours,



Homer R. Chance, Director

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A N N A R B O R • M I C H I G A N

February 19, 1971

Mrs. Howard Peckham, Treasurer
Ladies Library Association
2108 Vinewood Boulevard
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

At its Regular Meeting of February 17, 1971, the Board of Education formally accepted the gift of \$500.00 from the Ladies Library Association. Would you convey to the members of the Association the sincere appreciation of the Board and the Administration of the Ann Arbor Public Schools for the continued commitment and dedication which this gift represents.

The new purchase of art books will further enhance an already outstanding collection. The added enjoyment of the community through this gift will be immeasurable.

Sincerely,

W. Scott Westerman, Jr.

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Superintendent

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LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

April 13, 1971

The spring meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on Tuesday, April 13, 1971 at 3:00 P. M. in the home of Mrs. Harold Wethey.

Those present were: Mrs. Arno Bader (President), Mrs. George Cameron (Secretary), Miss Eleanor Collins, Mrs. William Frayer, Mrs. Cameron Haight, Mrs. David Huntington, Mrs. Perry Innes, Mrs. Hayward Keniston (Vice-President), Mrs. Robert Mellencamp (Chairman, Book Committee), Mrs. Robert Oneal, Mrs. Howard Peckham (Treasurer), Mrs. James Plumer, Mrs. Millard Pryor, and Mrs. Harold Wethey.

The delicious tea before the meeting gave everyone a chance to enjoy one another's company and to admire (from the warm comfort of the house) the spring flowers blooming under the trees. Mrs. Bader called the meeting to order and the minutes of the fall meeting, read by Mrs. Cameron, were approved.

Mrs. Plumer collected the annual dues of ten cents per member from all those present.

The report of the Book Committee was given by Mrs. Mellencamp. Twenty-six titles have been added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library at an actual cost of \$464.51. (The list price was \$650.40 -- a saving of 28 1/2 %.) This sum includes the replacement of the reproduction lost from the circulating print collection.

Mr. Wilson of the Library staff suggested that the Ladies'

Library Association, through its book fund, support the rental of five films of the series CIVILIZATION. This request was declined. However, Sir Kenneth Clark's book, Civilization, a Personal View, has been added to the Library's collection. Miss Collins moved and Mrs. Pryor seconded the motion that the Book Committee's report be accepted. The motion was passed.

The treasurer, Mrs. Peckham, was happy to report that the market value of our stocks is about ten percent higher than it was last year. The Treasurer's detailed report as of March 31, 1971 is attached to these minutes. The Treasurer's report was accepted on the motion of Mrs. Plumer, seconded by Mrs. Wethey.

Mrs. Wethey then moved and Mrs. Mellencamp seconded a motion that the Treasurer's suggestion be followed that \$500 be given to the Ann Arbor Public Library at the beginning of July (the start of their fiscal year) and that the rest of the savings account be kept for nest egg purposes and future stock purchase.

At this point in the meeting our secretary, Mrs. Cameron, dramatically left for her trip to Greece.

Mrs. Plumer surprised and delighted everyone by bringing a sheet of the architectural drawings of the original Ladies' Library that were illustrated in The Inland Architect and Builder, Vol. VI, No. 2, 1885. The pen sketches were titled "LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION BUILDING, ANN ARBOR, MICH. / IRVING K. POND, Architect, Chicago." Mrs. Wethey will make a photographic copy of the drawing to put in the archives and will have a new bookplate made. Mrs.

Keniston will ask Mr. Chance about the feasibility of having the drawing hung in the Ann Arbor Public Library.

Mrs. Innes reported on the activities of the Public Library Advisory Council. She pointed out that the Ann Arbor Public Library is under the jurisdiction of the school board. The organization of the library in relation to the community was patterned after the New York State system because Carnegie demanded that the libraries he helped be supported by some public body and at that time the school board was willing to support the library. A disadvantage to this arrangement is that the schools always need more money and the library has become something of a step-child. Moneys from the last millage that were voted specifically for the library have been lost in the general school fund and have not been made available to the library.

The Nominating Committee (Mrs. Haight, Mrs. Plumer and Mrs. Keniston, Chairman) submitted the following slate of officers for the year 1971-1972:

President	Helen Hall
Vice-President	Margaret Cameron
Secretary	Trudy Huntington
Treasurer	Dorothy Peckham
Book Chairman	Emma Mellencamp

This slate was elected and the outgoing officers were thanked for their excellent services.

Respectfully submitted,

Trudy Huntington, Secretary pro tem.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT, March 31, 1971

COMPANY	SHARES	INVESTMENTS		VALUE
		PRICE	DIVIDENDS	3/31/71
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Certif. of Deposit			60.00	1,200.00
			1,541.92	44,043.94
		Savings account		918.93
		Checking account		14.65
		Cash on hand		1.40
		Total assets		\$ 44,978.92
<u>Income since 4/1/70:</u>		<u>Expenditures since April 1, 1970:</u>		
Dues	\$ 1.40	Safety Deposit Box	\$	5.00
Dividends	1,541.92	Library Revolving Fund		1,000.00
Interest	26.50	Checking account fees		.80
	<u>\$ 1,569.82</u>			<u>\$ 1,005.80</u>
Balance Apr. 1, 1970	\$ 370.96	<u>Cash. March 31, 1971:</u>		
Income since " " "	1,569.82	Savings account	\$	918.93
	<u>1,940.78</u>	Checking account		14.65
Expenditures	1,005.80	Cash on hand		1.40
	<u>\$ 934.98</u>			<u>\$ 934.98</u>

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
August, 1978]

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE

April 13, 1971

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library association reports that since our last meeting in October of 1970, a total of 26 titles has been added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library at an actual cost of \$464.51. This figure includes the replacement of the lost reproduction, Winter's Black Figuration, from the circulating collection. The list price totalled \$650.40, thus our discount was 28 1/2 %. A list of titles accompanies this report.

On November 24, 1970, Mr. Gene Wilson of the Ann Arbor Public Library staff called to ask whether or not the Association would be interested in co-sponsoring, with the Friends of the Library, financially from the book fund, a selection of five films from Kenneth Clark's Civilization series, to be presented in January of 1971. A poll of the officers available during the Thanksgiving holidays brought a unanimous negative, which decision was reported to Mr. Wilson. In support of the program, however, the published volume, Kenneth Clark's Civilization, a Personal View, was added to the Ladies' Library Association list of titles; it has since been received and is in circulation.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma H. Mellencamp, Chairman.

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION 1970-1971

Jaffé, Irma B., <u>Joseph Stella</u> , Harvard University Press, 1970	25.00	25.30
Bernt, Walther, <u>The Netherlandish Painting of the 17th Century</u> , 3 vols., Phaidon, 1970.	112.50	
Bredius, A., <u>Rembrandt: The Complete Edition of the Paintings</u> , Phaidon, 1969.	20.00	12.50
Reich, Sheldon, <u>John Marin: A Stylistic Analysis and Catalogue Raisonné</u> , 2 vols., University of Arizona Press.	60.00	
Timm, Werner, <u>The Graphic Work of Edvard Munch</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1969.	15.00	12.00
Wenig, Steffen, <u>The Woman in Egyptian Art</u> , McGraw-Hill, 1970.	20.00	12.50
Wildenstein, Georges, <u>Chardin: A Catalogue Raisonné</u> , New York Graphic Society, 1969.	35.00	28.00
Ayrton, Michael and Henry Moore, <u>Giovanni Pisano, Sculptor</u> , Weybright and Talley, 1970.	20.00	12.50
Mode, Heinz, <u>The Woman in Indian Art</u> , McGraw-Hill, 1970.	12.95	8.09
Meiss, Millard, <u>The Great Age of Fresco</u> , Erasmus.	30.00	27.05
Belloni, Gian Guido, <u>Iranian art</u> , Praeger, 1969.	18.50	11.56
Clark, Kenneth, <u>Civilization, a Personal View</u> , Harper and Row, 1970.	15.00	9.38
Color Reproduction, Winter's <u>Black Figuration</u> ,	67.00	58.28
(by April 10, 1971 has received only:)	291.40	225.25
Ordered from Baker and Taylor:		
Anderson, William, <u>Castles of Europe, from Charlemagne to the Renaissance</u> , Random House, 1970.	30.00	21.88
Bandinelli, Ranuccio Bianchi, <u>Rome, the Center of Power, 500 B. C. to A. D. 200</u> , Braziller, 1970.	30.00	18.75

Gerster, Georg, <u>Churches in Rock: Early Christian Art in Ethiopia</u> , Phaidon, Praeger, 1970.	29.50	18.44
Hubert, Jean and others, <u>The Carolingian Renaissance</u> , Braziller, 1970.	30.00	18.75
Sandler, Irving, <u>The Triumph of American Painting: A History of Abstract Expressionism</u> , Praeger, 1970.	25.00	
Strong, Ray, <u>The English Icon: Elizabethan and Jacobean Portraiture</u> , Yale University Press, 1970.	30.00	24.00

Ordered direct:

Goodrich, Lloyd and Doris Bry, <u>Georgia O'Keefe</u> , Whitney Museum of Art, 1970.	18.50	19.00
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Ordered from Baker and Taylor:

Fukuda, Jazuhido, <u>Japanese Stone Gardens: How to Make and Enjoy Them</u> , Tuttle, 1970.	22.50	
Kochno, Boris, <u>Diaghilev and the Ballets Russes</u> , Harpher, 1970.	35.00	

Ordered from Campbell and Hall:

Parmelin, Helene, <u>Picasso's Lithographs</u> , 1970.	65.00	
Nicholson, Benedict, <u>Hendrick Terbrugghen</u> , 1958.	25.00	
(by April 10, 1971, has received only:)	<u>168.00</u>	<u>120.82</u>

Books from Abrams:

Kanof, Abram, <u>Jewish Ceremonial and Religious observance</u> .	25.00	15.42
Abbe, Dorothy, <u>The Dwiggin's Marionettes</u> .	37.50	23.10
Hofmann, Werner, <u>The Sculpture of Henri Laurens</u> .	25.00	15.36

Hamilton, George Heard, <u>19th and 20th Century Art.</u>	18.50	11.58
Elsen, Albert, <u>Seymour Lipton.</u>	25.00	15.42
Werner, Alfred, <u>Dufy.</u>	17.50	11,34
Daltrop, Georg and A. Prandi, <u>Art Treasures of the Vatican Library.</u>	25.00	15.36
Jaffé, Hans L. G., <u>Piet Mondrian.</u>	17.50	10.86
(by April 10, 1971, had received only:)	<u>191.00</u>	<u>118.44</u>

MEMBERS AND OFFICERS OF THE LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, Fall 1971.

- Mrs. John Winter (1929,,emeritus 1966), 1939 Jackson Ave., 48103.
- Mrs. James G. Hays (1930),1555 Washtenaw Ave., 48104.
- Mrs. Stanley D. Dodge(1940), 715 S. Forest Ave., 48104.
(is moving from Ann Arbor, should be made emeritus).
- Mrs. Joseph R. Hayden (1940), 1530 Hill St., 48104.
- Miss Helen B. Hall (1948), President, 715 S. Forest Ave., 48104.
- Mrs. William A. Frayer (1951), 1939 Jackson Ave., 48103.
- Mrs. Cameron Haight (1951), 2112 Vinewood Blvd., 48104.
- Mrs. James M. Plumer (1951), 1505 Golden Ave., 48104.
(is moving from Ann Arbor, should be made emeritus).
- Mrs. Harold E. Wethey (1951), 1510 Cambridge Road., 48104.
- Miss Eleanor S. Collins (1956), 703 S. Forest Ave., 48104.
- Mrs. John Alexander (1957), 788 Arlington Blvd., 48104.
- Mrs. Hayward Keniston (1957), 2222 Fuller Rd., 48105.
- Mrs. R. Perry Innes (1960), 2100 Hill St., 48104.
- Mrs. Millard H. Pryor (1960), 715 Spring Valley Dr., 48105.
- Mrs. Arno L. Bader (1962), 285 Orchard Hills Dr., 48104.
- Mrs. George G. Cameron (1962), Vice-President, 1515 Ottawa Dr., 48105.
- Mrs. Robert Mellencamp (1966), Chairman of the Book Committee,
1600 Brooklyn Ave., 48104.
- Mrs. Howard H. Peckham (1966), Treasurer, 2108 Vinewood Blvd., 48104.
- Mrs. David Huntington (1970), Secretary, 2037 Geddes Ave., 48104.
- Mrs. Robert Oneal (1970), 501 Onondaga St., 48104.

Addresses of emeritus members:

- Mrs. Stanley Dodge, Langford Apts., 315 New England Ave., Winter Park,
Florida, 32789.
- Mrs. Josselyn Van Tyne, Carmel Valley Manor, Box 6087, Carmel,
California, 93921.
- Mrs. Charles Vibbert, 5 Roosevelt Place, Apt. 5 G, Montclair,
New Jersey, 07042.



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Homer R. Chance, Director

Mrs. Howard H. Peckham
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104

July 16, 1971

Dear Mrs. Peckham:

The Public Library is very grateful for the \$500.00 from the Ladies Library Association for new additions to our collection of art books. Your continued interest and participation in improving the resources of the Public Library is greatly appreciated.

I am conveying the receipt of this donation to the school administration for formal acceptance and acknowledgment by the Board of Education.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Homer R. Chance".

Homer R. Chance
Director of Libraries

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY'S REPORT

November 3, 1971

The fall meeting of the Ladies' Library Association was held on Wednesday, November 3, 1971 at 3:15 P. M. at the home of Mrs. Howard Peckham.

Those present were: Mrs. John Alexander, Mrs. Arno Bader, Mrs. George Cameron (Vice-President), Miss Eleanor Collins, Miss Helen Hall (President), Mrs. Cameron Haight, Mrs. Joseph Hayden, Mrs. David Huntington (Secretary), Mrs. Perry Innes, Mrs. Hayward Keniston, Mrs. Robert Mellencamp (Book Committee Chairman), Mrs. Robert Oneal, Mrs. Howard Peckham (Treasurer), Mrs. James Plumer, and Mrs. Millard Pryor. Mrs. Bader's sister, Mrs. Dillman, was an enjoyed guest.

The president, Miss Hall, called the meeting to order at 3:55. She thanked Mrs. Peckham for the delightful tea. Miss Hall said she was happy to be elected president and that this responsibility came at exactly the right moment when she would have time to savor it. Needless to say the Association is equally pleased that she is their new president.

The minutes of the fall meeting, read by Mrs. Huntington, were approved. An up-to-date list of members of the Ladies' Library Association, prepared by Miss Hall and arranged by order of election, was passed out to all those members present.

Mrs. Keniston reported that Mr. Chance was enthusiastic about the suggestion that the illustration of the "Ladies' Library

Association Building" from The Inland Architect and Builder of 1885 be hung in the Ann Arbor Public Library. Mrs. Bader moved that the original sheet be framed and hung in the Library. Miss Hall volunteered to take care of the matting and framing and later, in consultation with the library staff, the hanging. Mrs. Wethey has photographed the item for the archives and intends, upon her return from Europe, to pursue the matter of a new bookplate.

The June 1971 issue of the Michigan Gazette, published by the Michigan Historical Collections, included a picture of the old Ladies' Library building that indicated it had been designed by Gordon Lloyd of Detroit. Miss Hall was asked to inform the Historical Collections that the architect is now discovered to have been Irving K. Pond of Chicago.

Mrs. Peckham, treasurer, reported on the stocks sold and added. The members of her committee are Mrs. Haight and Mrs. Pryor. In spite of the market uncertainty occasioned by President Nixon's price freeze, none of the stocks held by this Association have skipped a dividend. We continue to possess an excellent portfolio, valued at about \$43,500. The Treasurer's report was accepted and is appended to the minutes. As we have sufficient funds in our savings account, Mrs. Peckham moved and Mrs. Mellencamp seconded the motion that the Ladies' Library Association give \$500.00 to the Ann Arbor Public Library in January. The motion passed. The \$500.00 that was given to the Public Library in July was acknowledged by Mr. Chance, but not by the new superintendant of the Ann Arbor Public Schools.

Mrs. Mellencamp, chairman of the Book Committee suggested that in addition to Miss Collins, Mrs. Oneal, a new authoress, would be an appropriate addition to the Book Committee, so she is now an official member of this committee. Since the April 1971 meeting, fifteen titles have been added to the Ann Arbor Public Library at a total cost of \$333.47. The list price for these books was \$482.00, which represents an impressive discount of slightly more than 30 %.

The Book Committee recommended discontinuing our blanket order for all art books published by Abrams Publishing Company for the following reasons: (1) an enormous increase in the number of publications, (2) a slight decline in the caliber of books published, (3) a rejection rate by the library staff of about one-third of the titles, and (4) the fact that an equal or greater discount can be realized by purchasing art books through other sources. A final advantage to canceling the blanket order is that the Book Committee will thereby have greater control over the selection of books the Ladies' Library Association donates to the Ann Arbor Public Library. Mrs. Alexander moved and Mrs. Bader seconded the recommendation by the Book Committee that the blanket order for all art books published by Abrams Publishing Company be canceled. The recommendation passed.

A new bookstore in Ann Arbor (Borders Book Shop, 518 E. William Street) carries, in addition to a good selection of art books that have been remaindered, British art publications that are not distributed by United States publishing companies and are not available through regular channels. Miss Collins moved that \$100 be donated

to the Ann Arbor Public Library designated for a closed-end purchase order to be used at Border's Bookstore on a trial basis. The \$100.00 would be available immediately and would be in addition to the \$500.00 to be given to the Ann Arbor Public Library in January 1972. Mrs. Plumer seconded the motion and it was passed.

Mrs. Mellencamp asked Mrs. Keniston to report on the print rental collection. Mrs. Keniston informed the Association that in two months time 184 prints circulated and that renters often inquire about buying the prints. This collection was "seeded" by the Ladies' Library Association and has proved to be very successful. It represents money well spent.

Mrs. Cameron donated a book to the Public Library that she received as a trustee of the University of Chicago.

The president appointed the following nominating committee for 1971-72: Mrs. Keniston, Mrs. Alexander, and Mrs. Haight (chairman).

The departure from Ann Arbor of two esteemed members, Mrs. Dodge (1940) to Florida and Mrs. Van Tyne (1951) to California, means that they can no longer be active members. Each of these ladies is entitled to emeriti status, having generously served as members of the Association for well over the required ten years. They will be recorded in the minutes as emeriti members and the secretary will write to each of these ladies informing them of their new status, thanking them for their many services to the Ladies' Library Association and expressing the Association's regret that they are no longer with us as active members.

In order to maintain a full membership of twenty active members two new members will need to be elected. Various names were given to the Nominating Committee who will present the candidates to the Association for voting on at the Spring meeting.

After going through all the minutes of the Association for the last fifteen years, Miss Hall recommended the following amendments or additions to the minutes of the Association in regards to membership: (1) Mrs. Charles Vibbert who was elected to membership in 1951 and who left Ann Arbor in 1968 has never been listed in the minutes as an emeritus member, although she served devotedly for well over ten years. It was moved by Mrs. Keniston, seconded by Mrs. Oneal, and passed that Mrs. Vibbert be officially recorded as an emeritus member and that the Secretary should inform her of her emeritus status. As an Emeritus Member, she will receive notices and publications of the Association; (2) Mrs. Philip Youtz (1960), who moved away in 1964, is therefore no longer an active member, nor is she an emeritus member because she did not serve for over ten years. In the interest of accurate records and for the information of future secretaries, the President recommended that the Minutes of April 30, 1964 should be corrected to read that Mrs. Youtz has left Ann Arbor and is no longer an active member of the Ladies' Library Association [and that she is not an emeritus member because she served less than ten years]. Mrs. Plumer so moved, Mrs. Peckham seconded this motion and it was passed. (3) The new members elected in 1967 were somehow not recorded in the minutes. These very active ✓ m

members of the Association are Mrs. Mellencamp and Mrs. Peckham, our Book Chairman and Treasurer. Mrs. Bader moved to amend the minutes of April 28, 1967 by inserting the names of Mesdames Mellencamp and Peckham. This motion was enthusiastically seconded and passed.

Miss Hall reported that Mrs. Innes prefers not to continue as representative of the Ladies' Library Association on the Ann Arbor Public Library Advisory Council and that she, as president, will serve in this capacity. A report on the activity of the Advisory Council will be given at the spring meeting.

The fall meeting was adjourned on a motion of Mrs. Pryor, a second by Mrs. Plumer and the agreement of all present. It had been a delightful afternoon.

Respectfully submitted,

Trudy Huntington, Secretary.

[Mrs. Youtz was already 63 when she was elected to the Board of the Ladies' Library Association in 1960 and was actually a member for only the four succeeding years. Her husband then retired as Dean of the Architectural School and they left Ann Arbor. Widowed in 1972 she returned to Michigan, living for perhaps 2 years at Huron Towers and died at Huron View Lodge nursing home in the spring of 1975, aged 78. Obituary in the Ann Arbor News, April 15, 1975.]

LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT, November 3, 1971

COMPANY	SHARES	INVESTMENTS		VALUE 10/29/71
		PRICE	CHANGE since 3/31/71	
CONSUMERS' POWER	110	30 1/8	-5	\$ 6,025.00
DETROIT BANK	64	51 3/4	-1 3/8	3,312.00
DUQUESNE LIGHT	100	24	- 1/2	2,400.00
EASTMAN KODAK	100	84 1/8	+5 1/2	8,487.50
GEN. PUB. UTIL	100	22 3/8		2 237.50
HOUSEHOLD FIN. pf.	100	77 3/4	+3 1/4	7,775.00
MASS. INV. TRUST	127	13.37	-1.22	1,697.99
PHELPHS DODGE	40	31 1/4	-6	1,260.00
STAND. OIL IND.	100	64 1/8	+4 3/4	6,412.50
Certif. of Deposit				1,200.00

	\$ 40,797.49
Balance, Savings Acc't	2,419.85
Balance, Checking Acc't	242.62
Cash on hand	3.00
Total assets	\$ 43,462.96

<u>Income since Annual Meeting</u>		<u>Expenditures since Annual Meeting</u>	
Dues	1.60	Safety deposit box, rental	5.00
Dividends	830.56	Library Revolving Fund	500.00
Interest	62.05	Checking account fees	1.65
Sale of stock	11,158.31	Purchase of stock	9,815.38
	<u>\$ 12,052.52</u>		<u>\$ 10,322.03</u>

Balance March 31, 1971	934.98	<u>Cash, Oct. 29, 1971</u>	
Income since Mar. 31, 1971	12,052.52	Savings account	2,419.85
	<u>12,987.50</u>	Checking account	242.62
Expenditures	10,322.03	Cash on hand	3.00
	<u>\$ 2,665.47</u>		<u>\$ 2,665.47</u>

[Retyped by Alice S. Wethey
August 1978]

Dorothy K. Peckham, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE BOOK COMMITTEE
LADIES' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

November 3, 1971

The Book Committee of the Ladies' Library Association reports that since our last meeting in April of this year, a total of 15 titles has been added to the collection of the Ann Arbor Public Library at an actual cost of \$333.47. List price of the 15 titles totalled \$482.00, a discount of slightly over 30%. This somewhat higher than usual percentage rate is the result of a purchase of the Roy Lichtenstein listed at \$30. for \$10.95, from a new source which we would like to discuss at the conclusion of this report. A list of the 15 titles is appended to this report.

After consultations with Miss Hall, President, and Mr. Gene Wilson of the Public Library staff, the Book Committee is cancelling our blanket, standing order for all art publications of Abrams Publishing Co. for the following reasons:

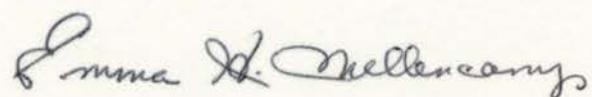
The caliber of publications by Abrams has declined somewhat since the original decision for the blanket order, and its output has increased enormously.

Of the publications offered, an estimated 30% are rejected by the Library book selection staff, and the Ladies' Library Association has no control of the actual, final selection of books to be accepted.

Since returning books to Abrams involves accounting and mailing chores by the Public Library staff, borderline titles are more apt to be kept than rejected.

Therefore, the Book Committee feels the Association ought not to afford the continuation of the blanket order. The discount now offered by Abrams will remain the same on individually selected titles; the only advantage lost will be that the Public Library staff will not be able to see all of Abrams' publications before making selections.

Respectfully submitted,



Eleanor S. Collins
Mrs. Robert Oneal
Emma H. Mellencamp, Chairman

LADIES LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

New Titles Added 4/13/71 - 11/3/71

	<u>Price</u>	
	<u>List</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Bernt, Walther, <u>The Netherlandish Painting of the 17th Century</u> . Phaidon, 1970. vol.1 (vols. 2 & 3 received previously)	37.50	33.75
Fontain, Jan & M.L. Hickman, <u>Zen Painting and Calligraphy</u> . New York Graphic Soc., 1970	18.50	14.80
Fried, Michail, <u>Morris Louis</u> . Abrams, 1971	25.00	15.84
Fukada, Kazuhido, <u>Japanese Stone Gardens</u> . Tuttle, 1970	22.50	14.06
Hammacher, A. M., <u>Marino Marini, Sculpture, Painting and Drawing</u> . Abrams, 1971.	25.00	15.54
Melville, Robert, <u>Henry Moore: Sculpture and Drawings 1921-1969</u> . Abrams, 1971	35.00	21.42
Moretti, Mario & Guglielmo Maetzki, <u>Art of the Etruscans</u> . Abrams, 1971	35.00	21.36
Narkiss, Bezalel. <u>Picture History of Jewish Civilization</u> . Abrams, 1971	17.50	11.27
Nicolson, Benedict, <u>Hendrick Terbruggen</u> . Martinus Nijhof, 1958 (Mourlot, Fernand)	25.00	19.10
Parmelin, Helene, <u>Picasso's Lithographs</u> . Boston Book & Art Publisher, 1971	65.00	49.11
Reich, Sheldon, <u>John Marin</u> . 2 vpl. Univ. of Arizona Press, 1970	60.00	48.00
Roy Lichtenstein, <u>Drawings and Prints</u> . Random/Chelsea, 1970	30.00	10.95
Sandler, Irving, <u>Triumph of American Painting, a History of Abstract Impressionism</u> . Praeger, 1970	25.00	15.63
Schmalenbach, Werner, <u>Kurt Schwitters</u> . Abrams, 1971	35.00	21.42
Shin'ichi Hisamatsu, <u>Zen and the Fine Arts</u> . Kodansha International Ltd., 1971	26.00	21.22



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Homer R. Chance, Director

December 7, 1971

Mrs. Howard Peckham, Treasurer
Ladies Library Association
2108 Vinewood Blvd.
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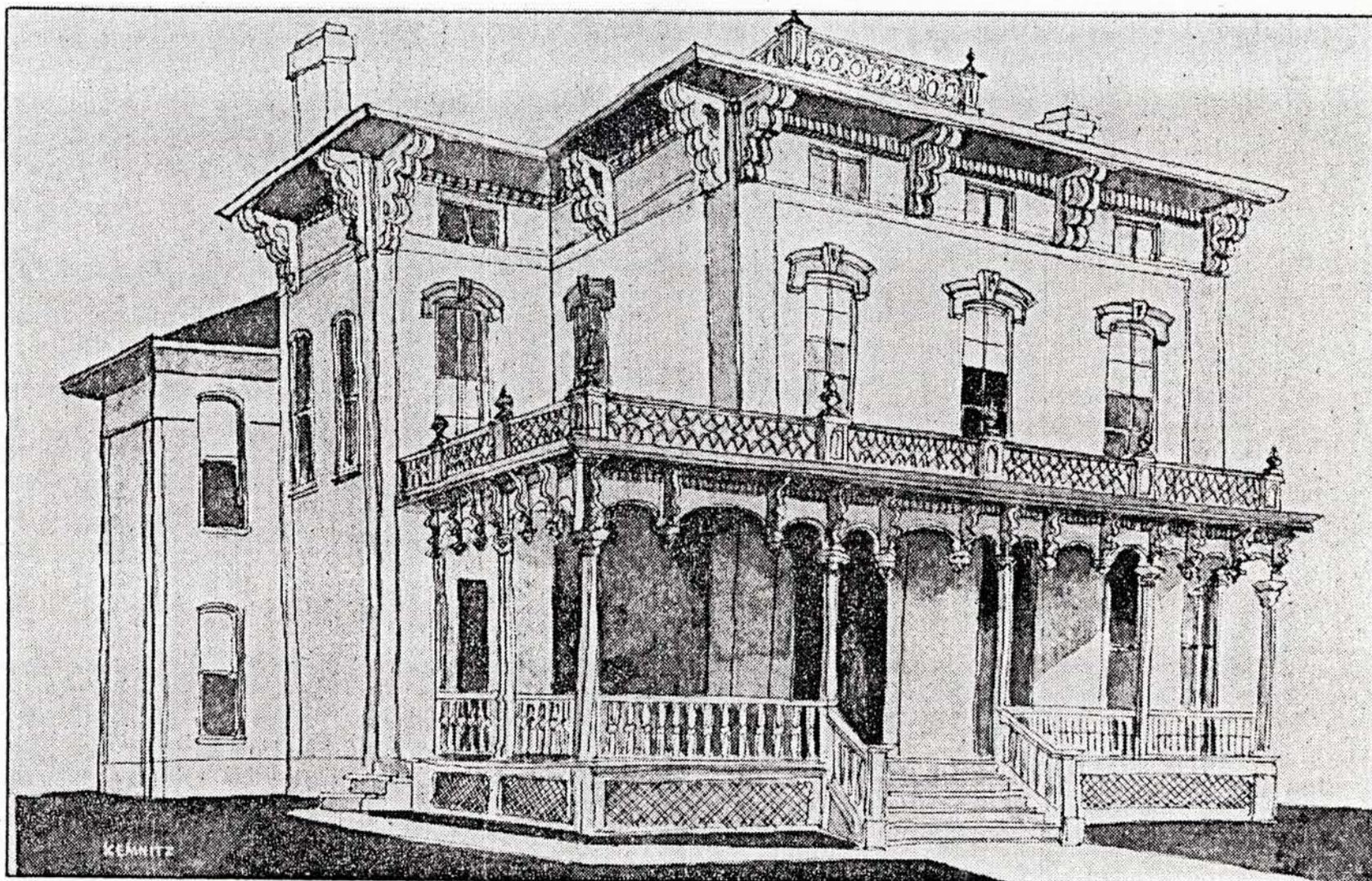
Dear Mrs. Peckham:

The library is grateful for the special contribution of \$100.00 to be used for purchasing books from Borders Book Shop. From what I have been told of the plan it sounds like an excellent opportunity to secure quality art books at a greatly reduced price.

Again may I express our appreciation for your interest in maintaining an outstanding collection in the field of art for the public library.

Sincerely yours,

Homer R. Chance
Homer R. Chance, Director



Kennitz's drawing of the Junius Beal residence, on what is now the site of the Ann Arbor Public Library

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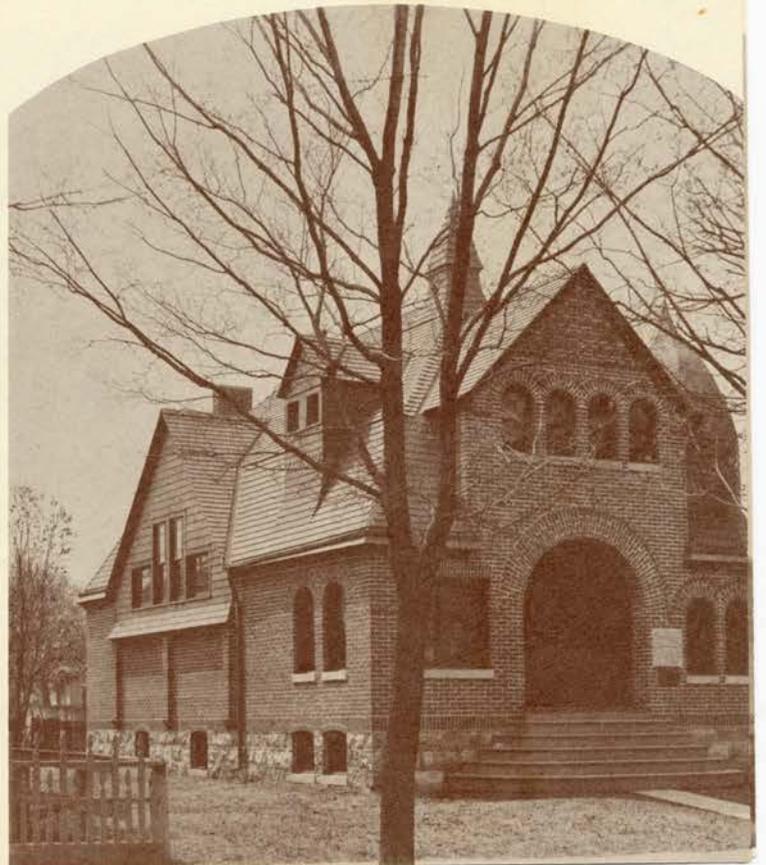
ANN ARBOR NEWS, May 1984



15. We can climb up the tower of the 1878 courthouse to take in the view captured by the photographer who made the stereoscopic picture above in 1879. On the corner of East Huron and Fifth Avenue is the old engine house where the firehouse stands today. Across the street were several small shops. The square steeple on the northeast corner of Fifth Avenue and East Washington marked the Zion German Church. On Huron at Division was the Presbyterian Church and in the distance the dome of University Hall dominated the skyline.

16. Beneath the trees between Fifth Avenue and the Presbyterian Church, the Ladies Library Association building was located in 1885. The design of this little building, by Gordon W. Lloyd of Detroit, is irresistibly attractive even today. But the only reminder of it is this old photograph.

Saving K. Pond of Chicago



This whole volume has been assembled and in great part typed by Alice Sunderland Wethey, secretary of the Ladies' Library Association 1954-1958, chairman of the book Committee 1960-1963, president 1965-1967, historian 1967 to the present day, treasurer 1973-1986.

The paper used is almost entirely 100% cotton fiber.

A duplicate has been prepared for binding and is to be deposited with the other records of the Ladies' Library Association in the Bentley Historical Library of the University of Michigan.

October 1, 1988.