

Barre History Collection

**Barre Boy Scout
Collection, 1909-1985
BHC 12-13**

Volume: .75 linear feet (2 archival flip top boxes)
Inclusive dates: 1928-1993
Record types: Photographs, news clippings, printed material and correspondence

History

The first boy scout troop in the United States was organized in Barre, Vermont on October 29, 1909 by William Foster Milne, a stonecutter from Scotland, under the name "Boy Scouts Club." The club was sponsored by the Barre Baptist Church. With the formation of the Boys Scouts of America on February 8, 1910, the Boy Scouts Club of Barre, Vermont was renamed Troop 1. By December, 1910, Troop 1 had 30 members. Barre's scout troops continued to develop and by 1960, the number of troops had increased to eight.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of news clippings, Boy Scout manuals, correspondence, and a small number of photographs. Most of the material dates from around 1950, though one of the photographs dates from 1909, and several of the manuals date from the 1920s. Other printed material includes certificates and programs. Correspondence (Folder 1) is mainly from the Vermont Long Trail Council.

Related Collections

William R. Cameron Papers
Dr. Joseph W. Jackson Papers
Museum Artifacts

Inventory

BHC 12:01 Correspondence, 1948-1955
02 Photographs, 1909-1973
03 News clippings, 1941-1985
04 Historical accounts, 1975, n.d.
05 Miscellaneous, 1936-1971

Manuals and Pamphlets

BHC 13:01 Handbook for Boys, 1916
02 _____, [1918]
03 The Big Book of Scout Craft, 1929

- 04 Handbook for Boys, [1935]
- 05 _____, 1937
- 06 _____, 1944
- 07 _____, 1945
- 08 _____, 1948
- 09 _____, 1952
- 10 _____, 1960
- 11 Merit Badge Series – Reading, 1965
- 12 Bear Cub Scout Book, 1965
- 13 Wolf Cub Scout Book, 1965
- 14 Wbelos Scout Book, 1967
- 15 Handbook for Boys, 1968
- 16 Scout How Book, 1969
- 17 Merit Badge Series – Camping, 1971
- 18 American Heritage, 1976