

The Links, Inc., Chicago Chapter Archives

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Summary Information

Repository	Chicago Public Library: Vivian G. Harsh Research Collection
Title	The Links, Inc., Chicago Chapter Archives
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Abstract	Founded in 1946 in Philadelphia, the Links, Inc. is a national women's service organization based on the ideals of combining friendship and community service. The Chicago chapter was founded in 1950 and places a special emphasis on volunteer service in the fields of youth services and promoting African American art. The Links, Inc., Chicago Chapter Archives are organized into nine series: "Chicago Chapter Organizational Records," "Serials and Newsletters," "Correspondence," "Links Annual Debutante Cotillion," "Program and Event Records," "Audio/Visual Material," "Clippings," "Memorabilia," and "Photographs."

Historical note

The Links, Incorporated, a club organization, was founded in 1946 by Margaret Hawkins and Sarah Scott in Philadelphia as an international, not for profit corporation. Hawkins and Scott first conceived of the idea of a city-club dedicated to the needs of African American women at the end of World War II. With a civic, educational, and cultural focus, the Links, Inc. implemented community service programs for the African American community.

Throughout the United States, different cities formed their own chapters under the Links, Inc. On May 21, 1950, fifteen Chicago-area women came together to found the 19th chapter of the Links, Inc., Chicago Chapter. Their focus on community service is implemented through three platforms: “National Trends and Services,” “International Trends and Services,” and “Services to Youth and Arts.” Through these platforms, the Chicago Chapter serves the city’s underprivileged and youth by raising funds to support and create programs.

The Chicago Links were active in the Civil Rights Movement and in 1954 became lifetime members of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. To celebrate the centennial of the Emancipation Proclamation, the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter played an important role in the planning of the 1963 Century of Negro Progress Exposition, the first African-American exposition held in Chicago since 1940.

From 1961 to 1967, the Chicago Chapter of the Links implemented the “Olympians” program in which members mentored talented high school kids in community service as well as cultural and career activities. In 1965 and 1966, the Chicago Links started the first privately run Head Start program, a national program part of President Lyndon Johnson’s Great Society, which provided pre-school education in impoverished and minority communities. By receiving and implementing \$20,000 in federal funds for the Head Start program, the Chicago Links helped maintain the Children’s Home and Aid Society of Illinois’ Englewood Family Center.

A major fundraising program for the Chicago Chapter is the Debutante Cotillion. After attending a Los Angeles Chapter cotillion, the Chicago Chapter started an annual cotillion June 24, 1961 at the Grand Ballroom in the Sheraton Hotel. Debutantes participated in rehearsals and workshops, such as the “College Bound” workshop.

In the 1970s and 1980s, the Chicago Chapter held annual forums on “International Trends and Services.” In 1985, they raised over \$4,000 in scholarships for Liberian students attending Chicago State University through the “International Fashion Show and Luncheon.”

In 1995, the Chicago Chapter started an annual youth conference entitled “Empowering African-American Youth,” sponsored in conjunction with Nordstrom and the City Colleges of Chicago. The conference engaged African American youth to discuss current issues plaguing them and their community and engage them in community service.

The Chicago Chapter continues to operate and serve Chicago's youth and underprivileged communities. The chapter has included such notable members as Madeline Stratton Morris, Edith Sampson, Oneida Cockrell, and Olive Diggs.

Scope and Contents note

The Links, Inc., Chicago Chapter Archives span the years 1950 to 2013 and include materials regarding the administrative duties, events and community service of the organization. The collection is organized into nine series: "Chicago Chapter Organizational Records," "Serials and Newsletters," "Correspondence," "Links Annual Debutante Cotillion," "Program and Event Records," "Audio/Visual Material," "Clippings," "Memorabilia," and "Photographs." A small amount of the event and program records are in French. These records will interest researchers in the fields of African American women's organizations, volunteer youth services, and African American fine arts.

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Children's Home and Aid Society of Illinois Records, University of Illinois at Chicago, Special Collections and University Archives

Etta Moten Barnett, Carter G. Woodson Regional Library, Vivian G. Harsh Research Collection of Afro-American History and Literature

Links Eastern Area Archival Collection, The Historical Society of Pennsylvania

North Shore Illinois Chapter of The Links Incorporated, Shorefront Legacy Center

Olive Diggs Papers, DuSable Museum of African American History

Series I. Chicago Chapter Organizational Records,

Collection Inventory

Series I. Chicago Chapter Organizational Records, 1950-2006, undated

Scope and Contents note

This series contains materials relating to the operation of the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter. Documents include agendas, reports, notes, and membership materials. This series is arranged into five subseries: “Administrative Documents,” “Financial Documents,” “Annual Reports,” “Reports and Agendas to National and Central Links,” and “Handwritten Notes.”

Subseries 1. Administrative Documents, 1950-2006, undated

Scope and Contents note

This subseries consists of administrative materials pertaining to the operation of the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter; including by-laws, reports, meeting notices and minutes, and some documents related to the National Links. All material in this subseries relates to the Chicago chapter unless otherwise noted. The series is arranged alphabetically.

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Links mission and objectives card, undated	2	2
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Subseries 1. Administrative Documents,

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National Links: forms, 1978, undated	3	7
National Links: handbook, 1961	3	8
National Links: National Assembly book, 1968	3	9
National Links: National Assembly reservation card, 1959	3	10
National Links: orientation manual, 2005	3	11
National Links: "Our Children: Linkages that Build Hope," National/ International Trends, undated	4	1
National Links: pledge, undated	4	2
National Links: project materials, 1961-1963	4	3

Subseries 2. Financial Documents,

National Links: proposed resolutions and statements of concern, 1968	4	4
National Links: "Second Milestone in National Links Achievement", 1970	4	5
New member materials, 2003, 2005	5	1
Obituary, Francis Taylor Matlock, 2002	5	2
Officers and Committees, 1968-1970	5	3
Officers and Committee Members list, 1968-1987	5	4
Olympians, Chicago Links Youth Project, 1965-1967	5	5
President's handbook, undated	5	6
Resignations and transfers, 1972-1974	5	7
Strategic planning documents, 2003-2004	5	8

Subseries 2. Financial Documents, 1956-2006, undated**Scope and Contents note**

This subseries is comprised financial reports and contributions made by the Chicago Links to Chicago area non-profit organizations and civil rights organizations; this subseries is arranged chronologically.

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Annual reports of the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter make up this subseries, which is arranged chronologically.

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Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links, 1953-2001, undated

Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

Scope and Contents note

This subseries is comprised of various Links Inc., chapter reports and agendas to both the National and Central Area Links. It primarily consists of reports from annual Central Area and National assemblies. This subseries is arranged chronologically.

	Box	Folder
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Chapter documents, 1955-1995, undated	8	2
Central Area Conference in Detroit, Michigan, 1956	8	3
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Central Area Meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio, 1958	8	6
National Assembly in New York, New York, 1958	8	7
National Assembly in Chicago, Illinois, 1959	8	8
Central Area Assembly in Wilberforce, Ohio, 1960	8	9
Delegates report, Central Area Assembly in Charleston, West Virginia, 1961	8	10
Reports from numerous chapters, "Services to Youth", 1961-1970	8	11

Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

Central Area Assembly in Memphis, Tennessee, 1962	8	12
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Reports on Links chapters, 1962-1971, undated	8	14
Central Area Assembly in Nashville, Tennessee, 1963, undated	8	15
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Report of delegate to fifteenth and seventeenth National Assembly, 1966, 1968	8	20
Audit report of National Links, 1967	8	21
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Biennial Report of 64 chapters of the Links, 1968	9	1
“Meet the Oakland Bay Chapter” report to General Assembly, 1968	9	2

Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

President's report to General Assembly, 1968	9	3
Proceedings of National Assembly, 1968	9	4
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Report of the Member at Large Committee to National Assembly, 1968-1970	9	9
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Program Report of Black Student Summer Program, 1969	9	11
Report of Secretary/Treasurer at Central Area Assembly, 1969-1970	9	12
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Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

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Report of Greenville Chapter to National Assembly, 1970	9	22
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Report of Peninsula Chapter to National Assembly, 1970	9	24
Report of San Francisco Chapter to National Assembly, 1970-1971	10	1
Report of Southern Area to National Assembly, 1970	10	2
Report of Western Area to National Assembly, 1970	10	3
Central Area Conference in Gary, Indiana, 1970-1972, undated	10	4
Report of Area Director at Central Area Assembly, 1970-1972	10	5

Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

Minutes of Annual Assembly Central Area, 1971	10	6
Report of East Texas Chapter to National Assembly, 1971	10	7
Chicago Chapter reports to Central Area Links, 1971, 1972, 1994	10	8
Report of Chicago Chapter, 1972	10	9
Biennial Report of Central Area of National Assembly in New Orleans, Louisiana, 1972	10	10
Report, Freedom and the Fine Arts Committee at National Assembly, 1972	10	11
Report of Chicago Chapter at National Assembly, 1972	10	12
Central Area Conference in Topeka, Kansas, 1973	10	13
National Assembly in Washington, D.C. (1 of 2), 1974	10	14
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Biennial Report of National Assembly in Washington, D.C., 1974	10	16
Lansing/East Lansing Chapter report booklet, 1975	10	17
Report of the National Financial Secretary to the National Assembly, 1976	10	18

Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

National Assembly in Seattle, Washington, 1976	10	19
National Assembly in Seattle, Washington report, “Improving the Quality of Life through Community Programs”, 1976	10	20
National Assembly in Seattle, Washington report, “Report of the National Financial Secretary – Celestine S. Cook”, 1976	10	21
Biennial report, Links Experience a Growing Awareness of International Affairs, 1976-1978	11	1
Central Area Conferences Silver Ann brochure, 1977	11	2
Report of Income Remitted by Chapters of the Central Area Conference, 1977, undated	11	3
Central Area Assembly Silver Anniversary souvenir book, 1977	11	4
National Assembly in Chicago, Illinois, 1978, undated	11	5
Central Area Conference in Detroit, Michigan, 1979	11	6
National Assembly in Atlanta, Georgia, 1980-1981	11	7
Report on National Assembly in Las Vegas, Nevada, 1982	11	8
National Assembly in Philadelphia, 1984	11	9

Subseries 4. Reports and Agenda to National and Central Links,

National Assembly in Wichita, Kansas, 1985	11	10
National Assembly in Nashville, Tennessee, 1986	11	11
National Assembly in Little Rock, Arkansas, 1987-1988	11	12
Central Area Conference in St. Louis, Missouri, 1989	11	13
National Trends and Services Committee program, 1991-1992	11	14
National Program report, 1992-1994	11	15
Proposal/Report "Impacting Youth through Multi-Facet Linkages," 1992-1998	11	16
Central Area Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana, 1993	11	17
Youth Committee program summary: "Our Children, Linkages That Build Hope", 1994	11	18
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National Program Report, 1994-1996	11	20
Chicago's Treasurer's report, 1995	11	21
Central Area Conference in Detroit, Michigan report, 1995	11	22

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National Assembly in New Orleans, Louisiana official report book, 1996	12	2
National Assembly in New Orleans, Louisiana public forum report on Affirmative Action, 1996	12	3
List of past Central Area Directors, 1997	12	4
National Assembly in Boston, Massachusetts, 1998	12	5
Central Area programs (bound book), 1999-2001	12	6
Reports to the Delegates, Alternates, and Members of the Central Area, 1999-2001	12	7
Chapter report materials for the Biennium (1 of 2), circa 2001	12	8
Chapter report materials for the Biennium (2 of 2), circa 2001	12	9
Chapter reports, "The Chicago Chapter Celebrates Kwanza and Storytelling", undated	12	10

Subseries 5. Handwritten Notes, 1950-1997, undated**Scope and Contents note**

Subseries 5. Handwritten Notes,

Handwritten notes by various Links Inc., Chicago Chapter members, primarily as they relate to meetings, assemblies, and events, comprise this subseries. Outlines and drafts of speeches and writings are also included. "Handwritten Notes" is arranged chronologically.

	Box	Folder
Handwritten notes, 1950-1959	13	1
Handwritten notes, 1960-1966	13	2
Emancipation Centennial handwritten notes, 1963, undated	13	3
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Handwritten notes, 1976-1979	13	6
Handwritten notes, 1980-1985	14	1
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Handwritten notes, 1990-1997	14	3
Handwritten notes, 1 of 6, undated	14	4
Handwritten notes, 2 of 6, undated	14	5
Handwritten notes, 3 of 6, undated	14	3

Series II. Serials and Newsletters,

Handwritten notes, 4 of 6, undated	14	7
Handwritten notes, 5 of 6, undated	14	8
Handwritten notes, 6 of 6, undated	15	1

Series II. Serials and Newsletters, 1953-2009, undated**Scope and Contents note**

Newsletters and press materials related to Links Inc. and the Chicago chapter events, members, and activities make up the majority of this series. This series is comprised of three subseries: “Chicago Chapter Newsletters,” “National and Other Chapters of Links Newsletters and Periodicals,” and “Press Releases.”

Subseries 1. Chicago Chapter Newsletters, 1982-2009**Scope and Contents note**

This subseries contains the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter Chicago Links Lines, a semi-annual newsletter reporting on members and events, as well as other Chicago-based newsletters. It is arranged alphabetically, then chronologically.

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Career Links, 1996	16	1
Chicago Links Lines, 1982-1985	16	2
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Chicago Links Lines, 1992-1997	16	4
Chicago Links Lines, 1998-2005	16	5
Chicago Links Lines, 2007-2009	16	6

Subseries 2. National and Other Chapters of Links Newsletters and Periodicals, 1957-2005

Scope and Contents note

This subseries consists of national and various chapter newsletters of the Links, Inc. It is arranged alphabetically.

	Box	Folder
Central Link Connection, 1989-1991	17	1
Chicago Humanities Festival newsletter, 2005	17	2
Excellence Magazine, 1987	17	3
The Gold Torch (Central State College), 1960	17	4
The Gram-o-Links, 1965, 1969-1972	17	5
The Journal, 1968-1969	17	6
The Journal, 1983	17	7

Subseries 3. Press Releases,

The Journal, 1986	17	8
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Links Head Start Program Summer newsletter, 1966	17	15
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The Talladegan, 1962	17	18
Toward Democracy newsletter, 1996	17	19
United Negro College Fund newsletter, 1974	17	20
Subseries 3. Press Releases, 1953-2000, undated		

Series III. Correspondence,**Scope and Contents note**

This subseries consists of press releases from the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter, including press releases to Chicago newspapers about the annual cotillion. It is arranged chronologically.

	Box	Folder
Press Releases, 1953-1959	18	1
Press Releases, 1960-1963	18	2
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Press Releases, 1966	18	5
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Nordstrom to host private holiday shopping night, 2000	18	10
Press Releases, undated	18	11
Series III. Correspondence, 1951-2004, undated		

Series III. Correspondence,

Scope and Contents note

Professional and personal correspondence between Links Inc., Chicago Chapter members and greetings and thank you cards as well as professional letters are included in "Correspondence." This series is arranged chronologically.

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Correspondence, 1953-1964	19	2
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Series IV. Links Annual Debutante Cotillion,

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Black Family magazine advertising, 1977, undated	20	2
Krishna Ray Ligon for 21st Ward Alderman mailings, 1979	20	3
Twenty-Second National Assembly mailing, 1980	20	4
Correspondence, 1981-1998	20	5
Organizations' information mailings, 1989, undated	20	6
Anthony J. Thomas for Judge mailings, 1996	20	7
Membership acceptance correspondence, 2003-2004	20	8
Chicago Humanities Festival correspondence, 2004	20	9
Chicago Community Trust packet, undated	20	10
Correspondence, undated	20	11
Greeting cards containing handkerchiefs, undated	20	12
Thank you card from Gwen Lee, undated	20	13

Series IV. Links Annual Debutante Cotillion, 1961-2013, undated

Subseries 1. Cotillion Records,**Scope and Contents note**

This series contains documents regarding the chapter's annual debutante cotillion. The cotillion was a fundraiser and a signature event for the Links Chicago Chapter. The series is divided into two subseries: "Cotillion Records" and "Cotillion Books."

Subseries 1. Cotillion Records, 1961-2006, undated**Scope and Contents note**

"Cotillion Records" consists of planning materials for the event including brochures, correspondence, surveys, bulletins, manuals, booklets, forms, surveys, sheet music, a seating chart, and invitations. It is organized chronologically.

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Cotillion event materials, 1961	21	1
Cotillion programs, 1961	21	2
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Cotillion event materials 1963	21	6
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Subseries 1. Cotillion Records,

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Cotillion correspondence, 1965-1966	21	10
Post debutant achievement surveys, 1965-1966	21	11
Cotillion bulletins, 1966	21	12
Cotillion event materials, 1966	21	13
Cotillion forms, 1966	21	14
Cotillion invitations, 1966	21	15
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Subseries 1. Cotillion Records,

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Cotillion program, "Rubies and Gold," 2000	24	1
Debutante Cotillion Calendar of Social and Cultural Events, 2000	24	2
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Subseries 1. Cotillion Records,

Debutante cotillion programs, 2000-2001, 2006	24	4
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Debutante cotillion calendars of social and cultural events, 2001-2005	24	6
Reflections of Our Legacy, debutante cotillion orientation program, 2002	24	7
Cotillion grant applications/proposal forms, 2004	24	8
Cotillion orientation invitation, 2004	24	9
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Chicago Cotillion Charities Foundation, Inc. grant proposal form, undated	24	12
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Music sheets, undated	24	16
Seating table, undated	24	17

Subseries 1. Cotillion Records,

An Unforgettable Celebration, copy (2 of 2), 1991	32	1
A Symphony of Dreams, 1992	32	2
A Symphony of Dreams, 1993	32	3
A Symphony of Dreams, 1993	33	1
Cherish the Moment (1 of 2), 1994	33	2
Cherish the Moment, copy (2 of 2), 1994	33	3
Reflections: 35 Years of Memories Souvenir Program book (1 of 2), 1995	34	1
Reflections: 35 Years of Memories Souvenir Program book, copy (2 of 2), 1995	34	2
Passages (1 of 2), 1996	34	3
Passages, copy (2 of 2), 1996	35	1
Elegance (1 of 2), 1997	35	2
Elegance, copy (2 of 2), 1997	35	3
Roses in Bloom (1 of 2), 1998	35	4

Subseries 1. Cotillion Records,

Roses in Bloom, copy (2 of 2), 1998	36	1
Dreams, 1999	36	2
Rubies and Gold (1 of 2), 2000	37	1
Rubies and Gold, copy (2 of 2), 2000	37	2
A Night of Shining Stars, 2001	38	1
Reflections of Our Legacy, 2002	38	2
Stars of Tomorrow, 2003	38	3
Dreams Come True, 2004	39	1
Destined for Distinction (1 of 2), 2005	39	2
Destined for Distinction, copy (2 of 2), 2005	39	3
Destined for Distinction program, 2005	39	4
An Enchanted Evening, 2006	40	1
Pearls of Hope, 2007	40	2
Pearls of Hope program, 2007	40	3

Subseries 2. Cotillion Books,

Visions of Excellence, 2008	40	4
Visions of Excellence program, 2008	40	5
Grace, 2009	41	1
Grace program (1 of 2), 2009	41	2
Grace program, copy (2 of 2), 2009	41	3
Elegance and Grace, 2012	41	4
Precious Moments 2013	41	5

Subseries 2. Cotillion Books, 1961-2013**Scope and Contents note**

This subseries contains the programs and event books from the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter annual debutante cotillion. The books include pictures and short biographies of the debutantes and their escorts, information on the history of the Links, Inc., Chicago Chapter, advertisements, and congratulation notices from the debutantes' family and friends. "Cotillion Books" is organized chronologically.

	Box	Folder
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1961	25	1
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1962	25	2

Subseries 2. Cotillion Books,

Debutante Cotillion Program, 1963	25	3
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1964	25	4
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1965	25	5
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1966	25	6
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1967	25	7
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1968	25	8
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1969	26	1
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1970	26	2
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1971	26	3
La Danse Elegant, 1972	26	4
Moonlight and Roses, 1973	26	5
Bal de Fleures, 1974	26	6
Links Anniversary Cotillion, 1975	26	7
Debutante Cotillion Program, 1976	27	1

Subseries 2. Cotillion Books,

Debutante Cotillion Program, 1977	27	2
Reflections of Love, 1978	27	3
Debutante Galactica: A Social Encounter of the Highest Kind (1 of 2), 1979	27	4
Debutante Galactica: A Social Encounter of the Highest Kind, copy (2 of 2), 1979	27	5
Memories, 1980	27	6
Once in a Lifetime, 1981	28	1
You Are the Sunshine of My Life, 1982	28	2
Joy!, 1983	28	3
You Stepped Out of a Dream, 1984	28	4
Reflections of the Past, Dreams of the Future, 1985	28	5
Celebration (1 of 2), 1986	28	6
Celebration, copy (2 of 2), 1986	29	1
White Lace and Roses (1 of 2), 1987	29	2

Series V. Program and Event Records,

White Lace and Roses, copy (2 of 2), 1987	29	3
Keep a Dream in Your Heart (1 of 2), 1988	30	1
Keep a Dream in Your Heart, copy (2 of 2), 1988	30	2
Cherished Yesterdays for Dreams of Tomorrow (1 of 2), 1989	30	3
Cherished Yesterdays for Dreams of Tomorrow, copy (2 of 2), 1989	31	1
Precious Pearls, 1990	31	2
An Unforgettable Celebration (1 of 2), 1991	31	3

Series V. Program and Event Records, 1953-2009, undated**Scope and Contents note**

This series includes program and event records planned or attended by the Links, Inc. Chicago Chapter members. The fiftieth anniversary of the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter celebrations, jazz themed annual benefits, and African American Youth Conference are well documented in this series. This series also contains materials from an exhibit, “Celebrating 50 Years of Friendship and Service: The Chicago Chapter of The Links, Inc.: 1950-2000,” held at the Chicago Public Library, Carter G. Woodson Regional Library, Vivian G. Harsh Research collection of Afro-American History and Literature from September to December 2000. “Program and Event Records” is divided into three subseries: “Program and Event Planning Records,” “Invitations,” and “Event Programs.” There are some overlapping materials within the three subseries, programs and invitations can also be found in “Program and Event Planning Records.”

Subseries 1. Program and Event Planning Records,

Subseries 1. Program and Event Planning Records, 1960-2009, undated**Scope and Contents note**

This subseries contains planning records for programs and events. The records include directories, handouts, certificates, brochures, exhibit boards. It is organized alphabetically.

	Box	Folder
A Century of Negro Progress Exposition certificates, 1963	42	1
A Century of Negro Progress Exposition programs, invitations, handouts, 1963, undated	42	2
“A Decade Plus 2 of Service to Youth,” program report from Cincinnati Chapter, 1970	42	3
African American Crafts Conference and Jubilee program, 1979	42	4
Annual luncheon program and Chicago Chapter directory, 1990, undated	42	5
Artis Lane at the Santori Fine Art Gallery, 1997	42	6
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit drafts, 2000	42	7
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library, Vivian G. Harsh Research Collection exhibit flyers, 2000	42	8

Subseries 1. Program and Event Planning Records,

Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit handwritten notes, circa 1999	42	9
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit labels, circa 2000	42	10
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit label texts (edited/drafts), 2000	42	11
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit materials, 2000	42	12
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit materials, 2000	42	13
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit materials, administrative, 1999-2000	42	14
Carter G. Woodson Regional Library exhibit text panels drafts, 2000	42	15
Celebrating 50 Years of Friendship and Service exhibit materials, 2000-2001, undated	42	16
Certificates, 1970-1985	42	17
Certificate of Appreciation, 1988	42	18
Chicago Chapter of WAIF 10th Anniversary Benefit Ball program/calendar, 1968	42	19
Educating for Democracy- Freedom and the Fine Arts, 1964, 1966	42	20

Subseries 1. Program and Event Planning Records,

Emancipation Proclamation Centennial brochures, 1963, undated	43	1
Emancipation Proclamation Centennial forms, 1963, undated	43	2
Emancipation Proclamation Centennial correspondence and stationary, 1961-1963, undated	43	3
Emancipation Proclamation Centennial materials, 1960-1963, undated	43	4
Empowering African American Youth Conference brochures, 1997-2001	43	5
Empowering African American Youth Conference correspondence, 1997-2005	43	6
Empowering African American Youth Conference evaluation, 2000	43	7
Empowering African American Youth Conference flyers, 1995-2005	43	8
Empowering African American Youth Conference materials, 2000	43	9
Event handouts and evaluations, 1961, undated	43	10
Event timelines, 1984, undated	43	11
Fiftieth anniversary event planning correspondence, 1999	43	12
Fiftieth anniversary stickers, 2000	43	13

Subseries 1. Program and Event Planning Records,

“Guidelines: Talented Youth in the Arts Program”, 1966	43	14
Haiti, Project of Happiness materials (in French), 1994	43	15
Headstart program statement by Oneida Cockrell, 1967	43	16
International Trends forum program, 1985	43	17
Jazzin’ auction materials, 2001	43	18
Jazz brunch fundraiser planning materials (1 of 2), 1999, undated	43	19
Jazz brunch fundraiser planning materials (2 of 2), 1999, undated	43	20
Jazz event planning materials, 2002-2005, undated	43	21
Nary McLeod Bethune Exhibit program, 1979	43	22
National Assembly in Nassau, Bahaman Islands, 1964	43	23
Nassau, Bahamas visitor information, 1964, undated	44	1
Non-Links event brochures, 1937-1985, undated	44	2
Non-Link event flyers, 1962-1997, undated	44	3
Proclamation from City of Chicago, 1986	44	4

Subseries 1. Program and Event Planning Records,

Program flyers, 2004-2006	44	5
Project Happiness-Haitian Outreach Project, 1994	44	6
Proposal to start a child development center, 1966	44	7
Report of the Child Development Program, 1965-1966	44	8
Seattle, Washington visitor's materials, site of 1976 National Convention, undated	44	9
Seventeenth General Assembly program, 1970	44	10
"Take Charge of Your Health" event materials, 2002	44	11
Thirtieth National Assembly in New Orleans brochure, 1996	44	12
Thirtieth National Assembly Legacy Luncheon program, 1996	44	13
Thirtieth National Assembly Opening Ceremony program, 1996	44	14
Thirty-sixth Central Area conference event listing, undated	44	15
Twenty-Seventh Anniversary Convention Central Area program, 1979	44	16
Urban Gateways program statistics, 1965	44	17

Subseries 2. Invitations,

Voters' registration project materials, 1980-1986, undated	44	18
Voting reminder from Operation Big Vote, 1980	44	19
Walk-A-Thon for Hunger materials, 1995	44	20
Subseries 2. Invitations, 1953-2005, undated		
Scope and Contents note		
This subseries includes event and program invitations both received and sent out by Links Inc., Chicago Chapter members. "Invitations" is organized alphabetically.		
	Box	Folder
An Afternoon with the Links, 1965	44	21
Black Family Life and Human Rights forum, 1987	44	22
Breakfast and Museum of Contemporary Art exhibit tour invitation, 2003	44	23
Bridge Party and Raffle Drawing, undated	44	24
Central Area meeting, 1958	44	25
"Chapeaux by Lillian" luncheon invitations, 1961	44	26
Chicago Link chapter event invitations, 1996	44	27

Subseries 2. Invitations,

Etiquette workshop invitation, 2004	44	28
Fashion show, 1962	44	29
Fifth Anniversary Twilight Soiree, 1955	44	30
Fiftieth Anniversary black tie Gala Celebration, 2000	44	31
Fiftieth Anniversary celebration, 2000	44	32
Fiftieth anniversary event invitations, 2000	44	33
Friendship Cluster, 1994	44	34
Hear the Children benefit luncheon, 1994	44	35
Holiday party invitations, 2003-2005	44	36
International Trends and Services Committee invitations, 1983	44	37
Invitations for chapter events, 1975	44	38
Invitations to events, 1965-1985, undated	44	39
Invitation with map, undated	44	40
Jazzin' event invitations, 1998-2005	44	41

Subseries 3. Event Programs,

Link Suzanne farewell party invitation, undated	44	42
Links Christmas gathering invitations, 2003-2004	44	43
Luncheon invitation/agenda, Chicago Chapter, 1966	44	44
Member Induction Social Luncheon invitations, 2003-2005	45	1
Music and Art Afternoon, 1969	45	2
Non-Link event invitations, 1953-1996, undated	45	3
Nordstrom private Holiday Shopping Gala, 2000	45	4
Open house invitation, 1969	45	5
Riverview Acres Ranch, 1963	45	6
Safari Room inauguration, 1969	45	7
Twenty-Fifth National Assembly party, 1986	45	8
Wedding invitations, 1965-1974, undated	45	9
Subseries 3. Event Programs, 1959-2009, undated		
Scope and Contents note		

Subseries 3. Event Programs,

The subseries contains event programs from conferences, parties, performances, funerals, retreats, benefits, and other events. "Event Programs" is organized alphabetically.

	Box	Folder
Beauty and Barber College Paragon, Poro, Indiana program, 1959	45	10
Candyland program, 1966	45	11
Cane River performance, 1985	45	12
Career panel program, 2002	45	13
Celebrating Fifty Years of Friendship and Service exhibit program, 2000	45	14
Chicago land Walk for Health and Wellness, 1996	45	15
Empowering African American Youth Conference programs, 2002-2005	45	16
Englewood Family Center program, undated	45	17
Fall retreat, 1991	45	18
Funeral program of Dr. Daniel Claiborne, 1972	45	19
Funeral program of Helen Bramlette Graham-Wells, 1990	45	20
Funeral program of Madeline Coleman, 2004	45	21

Subseries 3. Event Programs,

Funeral program of Marion Edward Officer, Sr., 1989	45	22
Funeral program of Orestes Taylor Wilson, 2006	45	23
Funeral program of Wilma Lights, 2004	45	24
Funeral programs, 1971-2001	45	25
Hear the Children benefit luncheon, 1994	45	26
Herndons brochure and newsletter, 1993, 1995	45	27
Howard Inn brochure, undated	45	28
International Music/Song Festival, 1993	45	29
Jazzin' at Club Delisa event folder, 2005	45	30
Jazzin' at Club Delisa kickoff meeting folder, 2005	45	31
Jazzin' Chicago Style event folder, 2002	45	32
Jazzin' event programs, 1999-2003	46	1
Jazzin' Rhythms event folder, 2003	46	2
Kenwood Academy Choir concert, undated	46	3

Series VI. Audio/Visual Material,

Lakefront SRO programs, 2000-2002	46	4
Non-Links event programs, 1962-1966, undated	46	5
Orientation session program, 1984	46	6
Sarah Louise Reese in concert, 1978	46	7
Stay in School Conference, 1961	46	8
Service program, Portia martin Searcy, 2009	46	9
United Nations Day program, 1979	46	10

Series VI. Audio/Visual Material, 1961-circa 2004, undated**Scope and Contents note**

This series includes audio/visual materials such as audiocassettes, a floppy disc, scrapbooks, slides, and videocassettes. The majority of the videocassettes are oral histories of Chicago chapter members recorded by HistoryMakers, a national non-profit educational institution committed to preserving, developing and providing easy access to African American video oral histories. It is organized alphabetically by format and then by title.

	Box	Folder
Audiocassette: Link music, undated	48	1
Audiocassette: Links 1985 #2, 1985	48	2

Series VI. Audio/Visual Material,

Audiocassette: Links #3, undated	48	3
Audiocassette: Roses, undated	48	4
Floppy disc: Link history, undated	48	5
Slides: Additional slides for Links, 1983	48	6
Slides: cotillion, 1984	47	1
Videocassette: "Chicago chapter, Link, Inc. National Trends and Services Committee War on Cancer, #1B", 1991	48	7
Videocassette: "Chicago Chapter, Links, Inc. National Trends and Services Committee War on Cancer," 1991	48	8
Videocassette: "Chicago Chapter, Links, Inc. War on Cancer National Trends and Services, #1C," 1991	48	9
Videocassette: "Chicago Chapter of Links Thirty-Second," 1992	48	10
Videocassette: "Chicago Illinois Links Foundation Inc. The Twenty-Ninth Annual Debutante Cotillion Chicago. Hilton Towers," undated	48	11
Videocassette: "Cotillion 1990," 1990	48	12
Videocassette: "Empowering African American Youth Conference: How High Do You Want to Go," undated	48	13

Series VI. Audio/Visual Material,

Videocassette: "History Makers," 2000	48	14
Videocassette: "History Makers, Chicago Illinois Chapter of The Links, Inc. 50th Anniversary Commemorative Video," undated	49	1
Videocassette: "The History Makers, Chicago Illinois Chapter of the Links, Inc. 50th Anniversary Commemorative Video," circa 2000	49	2
Videocassette: "The History Makers, Demo Reel," undated	49	3
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Beulah Stamps," 2000	49	4
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Connie Van Brunt, Donna Williams," 2000	49	5
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Dorothy Penman Harrison," 2000	49	6
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Dorothy Penman Harrison," 2000	49	7
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Faye Hughes Price," 2000	49	8
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Faye Hughes Price, Frances Moore-Bond," 2000	49	9

Series VI. Audio/Visual Material,

Videocassette: "The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Frances Matlock," 2000	49	10
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Frances T. Matlock," 2000	49	11
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Karen Ashley-Bowman, Glenda Manley Ashley," 2000	49	12
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Marjorie J. Mims," 2000	50	1
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Marjorie J. Mims, Wilma Lights," 2000	50	2
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Mercedes Laing, Lilian W. Ward," 2000	50	3
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Mildred Kerr," 2000	50	4
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Patricia Devine-Reed, Gladys Smith," 2000	50	5
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Ruth T. Williams," 2000	50	6
Videocassette: "The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Silas Purnell, Thelma J. Smith," 2000	50	7

Series VII. Clippings,

Videocassette: “The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Wilma Lights,” 2000	50	8
Videocassette: “The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Wilma Lights,” 2000	50	9
Videocassette: “The History Makers, The Links Chicago Chapter, Wilma Lights, Clarabelle Clairborne,” 2000	50	10
Videocassette: “The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Wilma Lights, Frances Matlock,” 2000	50	11
Videocassette: “The History Makers, The LINKS Chicago Chapter, Wilmarene Collins, Mercedes Laing,” 2000	50	12
Videocassette: “The 9th Annual Empowering African American Youth Conference: Keeping It Real,” 2000	50	13
Videocassette: “The 10th Annual Empowering African American Youth Conference: Unlocking the Dreams of Teens, Finding and Fighting for your Dreams,” circa 2004	51	1
Videocassette: “The 10th Annual Empowering African American Youth Conference: Unlocking the Dreams of Teens, Finding and Fighting for your Dreams,” circa 2004	51	2

Series VII. Clippings, 1950-2006, undated**Scope and Contents note**

Series VII. Clippings,

The series contains newspaper and magazine clippings about the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter. There are numerous articles from the Chicago Defender and Chicago Tribune. The clippings are organized alphabetically.

	Box	Folder
Ballroom Dance Magazine, "Debutants Bow at New York Cotillion," 1965	52	1
Black Hair magazine, 2004	52	2
Bound photocopies of international news clippings, 1992	52	3
Chicago Community Trust News, 2001	52	4
Chicago Defender full newspapers, 2004-2006	53	1
Chicago Defender, "7 New Members," 1973	52	5
Chicago Defender, "Giving Grants," 1979	52	6
Chicago Defender, "Links Cotillion," 1978	52	7
Chicago Defender, "Links plan '75 deb cotillion," 1975	52	8
Chicago Defender, "Nordstrom Affair," 2000	52	9
Chicago Defender, "Silver Anniversary," 1975	52	10

Series VII. Clippings,

Chicago Sun-Times, 2005	53	2
Chicago Tribune, article on debutantes, 1993	52	11
Chicago Tribune Magazine, 2005	52	12
Chicago Humanities Festival newsletter and clippings, 2003	52	13
“Club Preserves Black Art” in Chicago Defender, 1978	52	14
Columbus Digest, 1953	52	15
Daily Tribune, “National Assembly in Nassau, The Bahamas,” 1964	52	16
Dance Magazine, “Awards 1968: Carla Fracci, Erik Bruhn, Katherine Dunham,” 1969	52	17
Ebony, “The Nation’s Most Beautiful Debs,” 1957	52	18
“In Memory of Bethune” in Chicago Defender, 1979	52	19
N’Digo, 2006	53	3
Newspaper clippings, 1950-1959	52	20
Newspaper clippings, 1960-1965	52	21

Series VII. Clippings,

Newspaper clippings, 1966-1970	52	22
Newspaper clippings, 1970-1972	54	1
Newspaper clippings, 1973-1975	54	2
Newspaper clippings, 1976-1980	54	3
Newspaper clippings, 1980-1990	54	3
Newspaper clippings, 1991-1998	53	5
Newspaper clippings, 1 of 3, undated	54	4
Newspaper clippings, 2 of 3, undated	54	5
Newspaper clippings, 3 of 3, undated	54	6
News clippings from Faye Price, 1978	54	7
Newspaper clipping re: 1993 cotillion, 1993	54	8
Newspaper clippings re: debutantes and cotillions, 1952-1997, undated	54	9
Newspaper clippings re: debutantes and cotillions, 2003	54	10
Newspaper clippings re: debutantes and cotillions, 2004-2005	54	11

Series VIII. Memorabilia,

Newspaper clippings re: obituaries, 1993, 1999	54	12
Newspaper clippings re: social events, 1966-1984	53	6
Oversized and exhibit newspaper clippings, see oversized box 55., 1957-1999, undated	55	1
“Pages from Negro History,” undated	54	13
Reception in Indianapolis, 1977	54	14
“Third World” in Chicago Defender, 1978	54	15
Transamerica insurance advertisement, undated	54	16
“Worthy Cause” in Chicago Defender, 1976	54	17

Series VIII. Memorabilia, 1954-2001, undated**Scope and Contents note**

This series includes memorabilia from the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter members and events. It consists of certificates and awards from Chicago Chapter members, a bookmark, banner, pin, coasters, Empowering African American Youth Conference dry erase board, dirt from the demolition of Poro College, a hand clapper, white plastic roses, plastic bags, flashlights, four photograph wood blocks, and a dry erase board. “Memorabilia” is organized alphabetically.

Box**Folder**

Series VIII. Memorabilia,

Plaques and awards (1 of 2), 1962-2001, undated	56	1
Plaques and awards (2 of 2), 1962-2001, undated	57	2
Central Area 38th Conference plaque presented to Chicago Chapter for the establishment of Joan Brown-Nash Reading Room, 2001	58	1
Certificate of Award for National Trends and Services, 1992	58	2
National Committee, Services to Youth Certificate for Achievement, 1970	58	3
Outstanding Leadership and Service certificate to Link Gladys Smith, 2001	58	4
Links Topeka potholder, 1973	58	5
Awards of Merit for Outstanding Achievement, 1975	58	6
Bookmark, undated	58	7
Chicago Links pin, undated	58	8
Continental Airlines plastic airplane ticket holder, undated	58	9
Empowering African American Youth Conference dry erase board, undated	58	10
Flashlights, undated	58	11

Series VIII. Memorabilia,

Hand-clapper, undated	58	12
Keychain from an ambulance service, undated	58	13
Linkport 30th National Assembly plastic document holder, 1996	58	14
Chicago Links banner, undated	59	1
Restaurant menu, The Sea Gull, undated	59	2
Certificate of Award for Excellence in a Dynamic Program of Fine Arts, 1970	59	3
Links Inc. plastic bags, 1968, undated	59	4
Exhibit boards: National and International Trends, "Community Linkages and Possibilities: the Boulevard Arts Center and the Chicago Illinois Chapter", undated	60	1
Exhibit board: Chicago Chapter 25th Anniversary, 1975	60	2
Exhibit board: Chicago's 15th Annual Cotillion, circa 1976	60	3
Exhibit board: American-West Indian Association, undated	60	4
Exhibit board: Lambda Kappa Mu, Psi Chapter, undated	60	5
Exhibit board: Highlights in the History of the AWIA, undated	60	5

Series IX. Photographs,

Exhibit board: Honorary Member news clipping, circa 1983	60	6
Series IX. Photographs, 1950-2002, undated		
Scope and Contents note		
<p>This series consists of photographs of the Links Inc., Chicago Chapter. There are thirteen photograph albums of Chicago Chapter events in "Photographs." The album of 1981 debutantes has been separated into individual pages due to physical deterioration of the album. There are 3,255 photographs in this series. Photographs include Chicago chapter officers and members; events; the Englewood Family Center in the 1980s; workshops; Christmas and birthday parties; and conferences. A bulk of the series is debutant cotillion related photographs. The photographs are organized numerically.</p>		
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Series IX. Photographs,

Links photographs, 351-400, 1960-1997, undated	68
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Links photographs, 701-750, 1968-1983, undated	73
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Links photographs, 1001-1050, 1970s, 1982, 1997, undated	78
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Links photographs, 1201-1250, 1965, undated	81

Series IX. Photographs,

Links photographs, 1251-1350, 1985, 1996, undated	82
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Links photographs, 1451-1550, 2000, undated	84
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Links photographs, 1601-1650, circa 1980s, undated	86
Links photographs, 1651-1700, undated	87
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Links photographs, 2051-2150, 1993, undated	94
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Series IX. Photographs,

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Links photographs, 2551-2650, circa 1995, 2000-2001	99
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Links photographs, 2851-2950, 1998, 2000, undated	102
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Links photographs, 3051-3150, 1999-2000	104
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Links photographs, 3201-3255, circa 1950s, 1959, 1975, 1976, undated	106
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