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Summary Information

Repository	Ball State University Archives and Special Collections
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Administrative History

The Ball Memorial Hospital Auxiliary was founded as the Woman's Auxiliary of Ball Memorial Hospital on February 7, 1934 through the efforts of Nellie Brown, then general superintendent of the hospital who served as the group's counselor and advisor. The original eight founding members of the group were Mrs. Will C. Moore, Mrs. Harry Wolf, Mrs. J.W. Malloy, Mrs. Myron Gray, Mrs. Frank Kimbrough, Mrs. James Kimbrough, Mrs. Carl O'Harra, and Miss Sara Carson. The Auxiliary's membership included those women who were members of organizations already participating in hospital volunteer work and other individuals and organizations interested in devoting their time and effort to help in the hospital.

The purpose of the organization was to promote the interests of the hospital by assisting with the many activities and projects approved by the directors of the hospital to support the management of the hospital and the comfort of its patients. Over the years, these activities included distributing books to patients; sewing bandages, cast covers, aprons, and bed sheets; filling Christmas stockings and arranging Easter church services for patients; providing emergency aid service during World War II; collecting materials for and constructing polio packs during the polio epidemic of 1949; and fundraising events like the benefit card party, Delicacy Week, Charity Ball, Charity Auction, and Festival of Trees and Light.

In 1983, the name of the organization was changed from Woman's Auxiliary of Ball Memorial Hospital to Ball Memorial Hospital Auxiliary to accomodate the male members of the board. Circa 2012, the volunteer activities of the auxiliary were transfered to the hospital's Volunteer Resources office and the organization's fundraising responsibilities were assumed by the IU Health Ball Memorial Hospital Foundation.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of records documenting the volunteer activities of the Ball Memorial Hospital Auxiliary between 1934 and 2012. Records include by-laws, narrative histories, Board of Directors meeting minutes, newspaper clippings, newsletters, member directories, event invitations and promotional material, and photographs.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Custodial History

The records in this collection were initially compiled into scrapbooks by Janet Mills-Marvin, Ball Memorial Hospital Auxiliary board member and Historian, and numerous other volunteers from the Ball Memorial Hospital Volunteer Resources office between 2011 and 2013. This collection was received by Archives and Special Collections as a donation from Sandra Hoover, Director of Volunteer Resources at Ball Memorial Hospital, on 2014/01/05.

Accruals

No further additions are expected.

Processing Information

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Related Materials

Related Archival Materials

Materials relating to this collection may be found in the following collections in Archives and Special Collections, Ball State University Libraries, Muncie IN:

MSS.136: Ball Memorial Hospital records

MSS.071: Ball Memorial Hospital School of Nursing yearbooks

OVB.034: *Ball Memorial Hospital: In Retrospect 1929-2004* newspaper insert

POVB.007: Ball Memorial Hospital Training School for Nurses oversize photograph

PSC.084: Ball Memorial Hospital photographs

PSC.084: Ball Memorial Hospital photographs

SC.400: Ball Memorial Hospital Homecare Services newsletter

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Ball Memorial Hospital (Muncie, Ind.).

Genre(s)

- Clippings
- Directories
- Minutes (Administrative Records)
- Newsletters

Geographic Name(s)

- Muncie (Ind.)--Photographs--20th century--Sources

Subject(s)

- By-laws
- Hospitals
- Volunteers
- Women--Societies and clubs

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