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**Navy Mothers' Club of America  
Champaign County, Records, 1940-1990**

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**National Association**

- Charters and By-Laws, 1958 (4 copies); supplement, 1960, 1968
- National Conventions
  - 15th National Convention, programs, 1952
  - 29th National Convention, McAllen, Texas, minutes, 1980
- Navy Mothers News* (monthly newsletter)
  - 1958: September, October, November, December
  - 1959: January, September, October
  - 1970-1971: fragments
  - 1988: March-April

**State Level**

- Conventions
  - 1st Convention, Rockford, September 1956
  - 3rd Convention, Taylorville, 1958
  - 4th Convention, Champaign, August 1959
  - 13th Convention, Champaign, 1975
  - 16th Convention, Peoria, July 1981
- State Commander's Report, 1979-1981

**Champaign Chapter, 117**

- "History of The Champaign County Navy Mothers Club 117 for the year of 1940-1941"
- "History for 1956-1957"
- Local Club By-Laws: 1946, 1950, 1973
- Agendas, 1965
- Minutes books: 1940-1946, 1947-1951, 1952-1954, 1954-1956, 1957-1960, 1960-1963, 1964-1968, 1972-1976, 1976-1982
- Receipts and disbursements books: 1951-1965, 1966-1972
- Welfare Reports, 1948-1972

General information file/scrapbook, 1984-1986

Box 2

Rosters, 1953-1955, 1965-1966, 1973  
 Scrapbook, 1967-1977  
 State convention report by E. Strohl and H. (Harriet) Dunlap, 1973  
 Convention Name Badges, circa 1950s-1960s  
 Cake sales notebook, 1973  
 National citations awarded to club 117 for outstanding welfare work, 1978, 1980  
 Membership Cards  
 Club 117 annual reports: 1975-1986, 1989-1990  
 Notebook of expenses for a convention, undated  
 Bills and Receipts, 1985-1986  
 Postcard, 1957

**Correspondence**

Thank You Letters from Troops for Christmas Cards and Gifts  
 Larry Brady to Mrs. [George] Johnson, December 17, 1953  
 Ralph A. Hauersperger to Mrs. Johnson and Navy Mothers' Club, December 25, 1953  
 Earl R. Edblad to Champaign Navy Mothers, December 28, 1953  
 James D. Swisher to Mrs. Johnson, December 31, 1953  
 Cecil V. Meeks to Mrs. Johnson & All Club Mothers, January 4, 1954  
 Chas. ("Chuck") T. Bowman to Mrs. Johnson, January 5, 1954  
 Betty Lee Chandler to Mothers, January 5, 1954  
 Other Correspondence  
 Veterans' Administration Hospital (Danville) to Mrs. Flossie Murphy, January 4, 1980

**Photographs and Newspaper Clippings**

Photographs, Champaign Chapter, 117, 1940s-1980s (4 folders)  
 Includes images from U.S.O. snack bar service during WWII, national conventions, picnics, "crazy hat contest," parades, meetings, holiday parties, luncheons  
 Photograph of Emma Jones, undated  
 Newspaper Clippings, 1949-1976

**Veterans Administration Hospitals**

Danville, Illinois  
 Newsletter *The Bulletin*, 20:44, November 1, 1957  
 Master special service activities schedule, 1957-1958  
 Notebooks regarding visits by chapter 117 to Danville VA, 1960-1965  
 VA Volunteer Recognition Ceremony program, 1978  
 Decatur, Illinois  
 Meeting Program, 1949  
 Dwight, Illinois  
 Newsletter *Flash*, 13:10, October 27, 1958

**Artifacts**

Portrait of Emma Jones

Flat Files

Framed certificate of induction for club 117, 1941

Box 2 (cont.)

Sheet music for Eunice F. Smith's "We Are the Navy Mothers of America," 1942

Holy Bible, 1955

Headband

Box of American flag centerpieces

Navy bumper sticker, circa 1980s