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Near O'Kin Bridge Group  
Records, 1936-1992

Collection 91

## Champaign County Historical Archives

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**Creator/Corporate Name:** Near O'Kin Bridge Group

**Inclusive Dates:** 1936-1992

**Physical Description:** 1 box (0.5 linear ft.)

**Language:** English

**Provenance:**

The Near O'Kin Bridge Group materials were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives in August 2016.

**Access:**

These records are accessible to the public within applicable copyright restrictions and limited to use at the Champaign County Historical Archives of The Urbana Free Library.

**Historical Note:**

The Near O'Kin Bridge Club was a monthly bridge club active in the Champaign-Urbana area from 1930s through 1992. The club appears to be made up of extended family and friends. Frequent family names in the collection are: Edwards, Huss, Maxwell, and Yearsley. Members took turns hosting the meetings either in their homes or in later years at local hotels and social clubs. The format of the meetings included a brief business meeting, a luncheon, and bridge. On May 28, 1992, it was decided that the club would continue as a lunch-only gathering, which met twice a year in October and April.

**Scope and Content Note:**

This collection contains records pertaining to the operations of the Near O'Kin Bridge Club, including meeting minutes, correspondence, and newspaper clippings. The records range in date from 1936-1992.

**Subjects Terms:**

Bridge clubs  
Card Games  
Clubs  
Women--Societies and clubs

**Name Terms:**

Barth, Susan  
Edwards, Adelaide C.  
Huss, Maude  
Maxwell, Martha  
Williamson, Dorthea



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Yearsley, Jessie

**Separated Material:**

Photographs (Polaroids and negatives) were move to the Near O'Kin' Photographs Envelope in the Local History Photographs series.

**Container List:**

**Box 1**

Folder 1: Clippings, 1962, 197?

Folder 2: Correspondence, 1974-1988

Folders 3-4: Meeting Minutes, 1936-1992