I. Title  Ukrainian National Women's League of America, Branch 108 (Olena Lototska) Records, 1970--


III. Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 5 inches
Approximate number of items:

IV. Restrictions: none/ material primarily in Ukrainian

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the New Haven Colony Historical Society Library, have been dedicated
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VI. Press release was issued â€” The New Haven Register, April 2, 1978

VII. Biographical note: Branch 108 was founded in 1970 by young women of
Ukrainian background, many of whom are professionals and/or mothers,
to enable them to propagate their culture and traditions and to
familiarize the non-Ukrainian community with their heritage. The
members meet monthly, save for July and August, in each others homes
and the meetings include cultural activities and a social hour.
Branch 108 maintains a bilingual Saturday nursery school for young­
sters, age three to five. The major fund raising event is the
annual fall Embroidery Dance. A Mother's Day Bake Sale, a children's
party in the fall, a spring membership drive tea and a summer membership picnic are some of the other annual activities.
Branch 108 supports various cultural and educational events. It
donates annual incentive grants to the top student in each of the
two Ukrainian evening schools. Branch 108 supports both financially
and morally the Ukrainian dissident movement, the Ukrainian "Church
in Need" in Rome, the Ukrainian Research Institute at Harvard
University, the Ukrainian Museum in New York, the two Ukrainian
evening schools in New Haven, St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic
Church, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of St. Mary's Protection. It
also sends packages of clothing to Ukrainian nuns in Poland and
collects cancelled stamps for a seminary in Canada.
Branch 108 participates in various ethnic and cultural fairs and
bazaars, as the annual Yale International Center's Spring Festival;
organizes demonstrations of the art of decorating pysanky, Ukrainian
Easter Eggs, and sponsors exhibits of Ukrainian arts and crafts.
Branch 108 was very active in the Bicentennial Celebration, partici­
pated in events sponsored by the City, as well as those sponsored
by the Ukrainian Community.
ANALYSIS: The collection consists of minutes, correspondence, committee reports, publicity material, etc., spanning 1970--1977. The material is primarily in Ukrainian. The collection is divided by subject headings within which it is organized chronologically; for further information see content guide (p. 3).

Periodically material will be added to the collection.
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BRANCH 108

Content Guide:

Box I
folder A. Correspondence--transfer of records to New Haven Colony Historical Society, 1977-
B. By-Laws, 1959, 1974, 1975; plus song, forms, etc.
C. Minutes of Meetings (including annual meetings), 1970-1971
D. Minutes of Meetings, 1972-1976
E. Minutes of Annual Meetings and reports of Auditing Committee
F. Annual Reports of Various Committee Chairpersons, 1971-1976
G. List of officers and of members
J. Correspondence, 1971-1973
K. Correspondence, 1974-1975
M. Nursery--By-Laws, misc.
N. Publicity material, newspaper clippings
P. National Convention Book, 1975