



Fortnightly Club of  
Rockville Centre Collection,  
1898-1940  
Facsimile Copy, 2007

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Fortnightly Club of Rockville Centre Collection, 1898-1940. Facsimile copy, 2007.  
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The Fortnightly Club of Rockville Centre (originally known as the “Fortnightly Society”) is a women’s organization founded by Mary B. Haight in Rockville Centre, New York, in 1898. Its goal is “to associate its members and to promote the cultural development of such members.” Initially, meetings of the Club were held in members’ homes or in Library Hall. They usually entailed a reading of the minutes from the previous meeting, a business meeting, and a previously agreed upon program. Programs often included the reading of papers (written by members) on various cultural topics, and music in the form of song or piano solos. The Club also sponsored lectures, and organized social events.

Today, one hundred and ten years after its founding, the Club continues to thrive and to promote the cultural development of its members. The Club meets at St. Mark’s United Methodist Church, Rockville Centre, on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from October to June.

Collection includes a spiral-bound book (2 copies) titled *Constitution and By-laws of the Fortnightly Society*. The book consists of facsimile copies of the Club’s original handwritten constitution, by-laws, and meeting minutes taken from April 1898 through June 1900. Also included in the book are copies of news clippings that describe the Club’s activities. In addition, the collection includes a compact disc containing a copy of the book, and news clippings that include a series of articles written by Mary B. Haight. The articles, which were published in *The Review-Star* in 1940, describe people and events of the south shore of Long Island in the year 1900.

## SUBJECTS

### Names:

Fortnightly Club of Rockville Centre.  
Fortnightly Society.  
Haight, Mary B. (1869-?)

### Subjects:

Long Island--History.  
Rockville Centre (N.Y.)--History.  
Women--New York (State)--History.  
Women--New York (State)--Long Island--History.  
Women--New York (State)--Rockville Centre--History.  
Women--New York (State)--Rockville Centre--Societies and clubs--History.  
Women--Societies and clubs.

### Places:

Rockville Centre (N.Y.).

### Form and Genre Terms:

Books.  
Compact discs.  
News clippings.

Box and folder listings

### Box 1

<u>Folder</u>	<u>Inclusive dates</u>	<u>Title</u>
1	1898-1900. Facsimile copy, 2007	Book, <i>Constitution and By-laws of the Fortnightly Society</i>
2	1898-1900. Facsimile copy, 2007	Book, <i>Constitution and By-laws of the Fortnightly Society</i>
3	1898-1900. Digital copy, 2007	Compact disc, <i>Constitution and By-laws of the Fortnightly Society</i>
4	1939-1940. Facsimile copies, 2007	News clippings