

**Title:** Milwaukee Aerie No. 137 Fraternal Order of Eagles

**Call Number:** Mss-2404

**Bulk:** 11.1 cu. ft.

**Inclusive Dates:** 1906-1987

**Location:** WHS, C058-C060 and OS LG "M", OS SM "M"

**Scope and Content:** Milwaukee Aerie No. 137, Fraternal Order of Eagles was organized in April 1901. Its members moved from one meeting house to another before moving into a new clubhouse at 2401 West Wisconsin Ave. in 1927. The club's purpose was to establish an "order of good things." Its members took part in numerous charitable campaigns and also spearheaded drives for social legislation, such as old age pensions and social security. In the 1960s, however, the club came under fire for its "whites only" membership policy. The records consist of newsletters, magazines, convention programs, membership applications, death claims, financial records, clippings, correspondence, and reports.

**Administrative Note:** The collection was reprocessed on September 5, 2002 by Kevin Abing.

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<b>Oversize Items</b>	<b>Location</b>	
Certificate of Appreciation to Paul Herwig from Eagles Memorial Foundation, n.d.	OS LG "M"	
Napkin Drawing with racist and anti-Democratic Party images and language	MV F-23	
Shepherd Express article, "The Flight of The Eagles: End of an Aerie, End of an Era" by P.N. Ehrmann, March 15-22, 1990	OS SM "M"	
<b>Scrapbooks</b>	<b>Location</b>	
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