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NORTHWESTERN SETTLEMENT ASSOCIATES

The succinct reason for the existence of the Associates Board was stated in the 1950-51 Junior Board yearbook: "The Northwestern Settlement Associates was founded with the approval of the North Shore Junior Board on August 23, 1950, at the home of Mrs. Charles R. Sprowl, by former active members of said Junior Board, who are still interested in (1) retaining contact with friends of the Settlement; (2) cooperating with the North Shore Junior Board; and (3) supporting the House-In-The-Wood in a limited way." The first president in 1950-51 was Mrs. Charles R. Sprowl. There were 11 founding members, but seven more joined in time to be included in the Junior Board yearbook's listing Associates.

Traditionally and purposefully, the Associates' calendar has been light. The 30 active members accept a financial responsibility for the benefit fund as well as dues and for hostessing or co-hostessing once a year. There is a Settlement chairman to inform members as to house and camp needs. Occasionally there are educational programs. Husbands and friends are encouraged to attend social events. The Annual Luncheon features remarks by the Executive Director.

The Board's fundraising monies are given to the Settlement for the purchase of a mutually agreed upon item or items for the camp program such as a canoe or camping equipment. In 1991, the board gave two camper vans to House-In-The-Wood as well as money at Christmas for the Settlement's food pantry.

The board is unique in that some members are also active on the Winnetka and Evanston boards; one is a Junior Board sustainer. Mrs. C. Channer Sturgis became president of the Associates Board at the May 1991 annual meeting. Mrs. Saul L. Thomashow (Judith), president 1987-1991, said the Board's involvement in the Centennial activities included participation by members on the history, social and fundraising committees. Many members were on the Board of Directors and the Central Committee, and several made generous contributions to the Centennial fund. Mrs. Thomashaw added that the Associates Board's position remained as it was in years past – to help maintain a link with Settlement for former members of the Junior Board.

PRESIDENTS 1950-1991

Mrs. Charles R. Sprowl	1950-51	Mrs. Richard H. Samuels	1963-65
Mrs. Earl D. Larsen	1951-52	Mrs. Friedel P. Bohle	1965-67
Mrs. Charles H. Buresh, Jr.	1952-53	Mrs. Robert C. Suhr	1967-69
Mrs. Douglas T. GaNun	1953-54	Mrs. James B. Garnett	1969-71
Mrs. Joseph D. Landes, Jr.	1954-55	Mrs. Glenn R. Miller	1971-73
Mrs. Frank E. Atkins, Jr.	1955-56	Mrs. Maurice L. Wells	1973-75
Mrs. Howard T. Grimes	1956-57	Mrs. James A. Currie	1975-77
Mrs. James L. Peirce	1957-58	Mrs. H. Donnelly Hamilton	1977-79
Mrs. Edwin R. Eckersall	1958-59	Mrs. Donald Pollak	1979-83
Mrs. Henry de V. Lawrie	1959-60	Mrs. George Ash	1983-87
Mrs. John B. Sadler	1960-61	Mrs. Saul L. Thomashow	1987-91
Mrs. Leroy A. Kling	1961-62	Mrs. C. Channer Sturgis	1991
Mrs. Allen D. Symonds	1962-63		



*Publicity photo for
Antique Show*

*Left to right:
Mrs. Henry Hixson, Jr.,
Mrs. Leroy A. Kling, Jr.,
Mrs. Charles R. Sprowl,
Junior Board members who
later found Associate Board
(photo 1949)*