Petaluma Cine Club records, 1942-1971

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Overview of the Collection
Creator: Petaluma Cinema Club
Title: Petaluma Cinema Club records
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Identification: SPC.00013
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Abstract: This collection contains official records of the Petaluma Cinema Club (also known as the Petaluma Cine Club) of Petaluma, California from establishment in 1942 to dissolution in 1971.

Biography/Organization History
The inaugural meeting of the Petaluma Cinema Club took place on Jan. 27, 1942, when a group of amateur movie fans became "charter members of the ... organization formed to assist eight- and sixteen-millimeter enthusiasts in bettering their films through exchange of ideas, experiments, and constructive criticism of each other's pictures." (Petaluma Argus-Courier (Petaluma, California) · 31 Jan 1942, page 6) The club offered members demonstrations, opportunities to collaborate on making amateur films, outings and more for the next 30 years. Eventually, interest in filmmaking waned and in 1972, the club shifted its focus to still photography and renamed itself as the Petaluma Camera Club. (Petaluma Argus-Courier (Petaluma, California) · 26 Apr 1994, page 29 )

Scope and Contents
Meeting notes, newsletters and other official records of the Petaluma Cinema Club of Petaluma, California.

Access Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.
Corporate Names
Petaluma Cinema Club
Topical Terms
Motion pictures--Societies, etc.
Motion pictures--California--Petaluma--History
Amateur films--Production and direction--California--Petaluma--History

Genre and Format Terms
Minutes
Administrative records
Archival materials

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