

Antiques I History: The group's organizing meeting was held February 28, 1974 taking the name: Antiques Study Group of the Faculty Women's Club. Also a Chairman, Secretary-Treasurer, Hostess Chairman and Program Chairmen were elected and rules established. March 27, 1974 was the first formal meeting with 14 attending, each bringing an antique to "show and tell". After the 1974 Fall Reception the membership rose to 39. The 1974 membership included Jocelyn Shaffer, Judy Spradlin and Karen Herche who in 2017 are still active in the group. Roll call was taken at each meeting with membership limited to 40, and if one didn't attend 5 meetings and fulfill responsibilities they were dropped, unless there were mitigating circumstances like sabbatical leave. The limit was reached by the next year in October 1975. Demand for this interest group grew so great that the study group split in 1980 and formed two groups: Antiques I and Antiques II. Over the years a wide range of subjects have been studied through programs presented by members and the occasional outside speaker, field trips taken and a pot luck held as the last meeting of the year. In the earlier years minutes were recorded for each meeting, and for many years handy booklets were made that included all the meeting and member information.