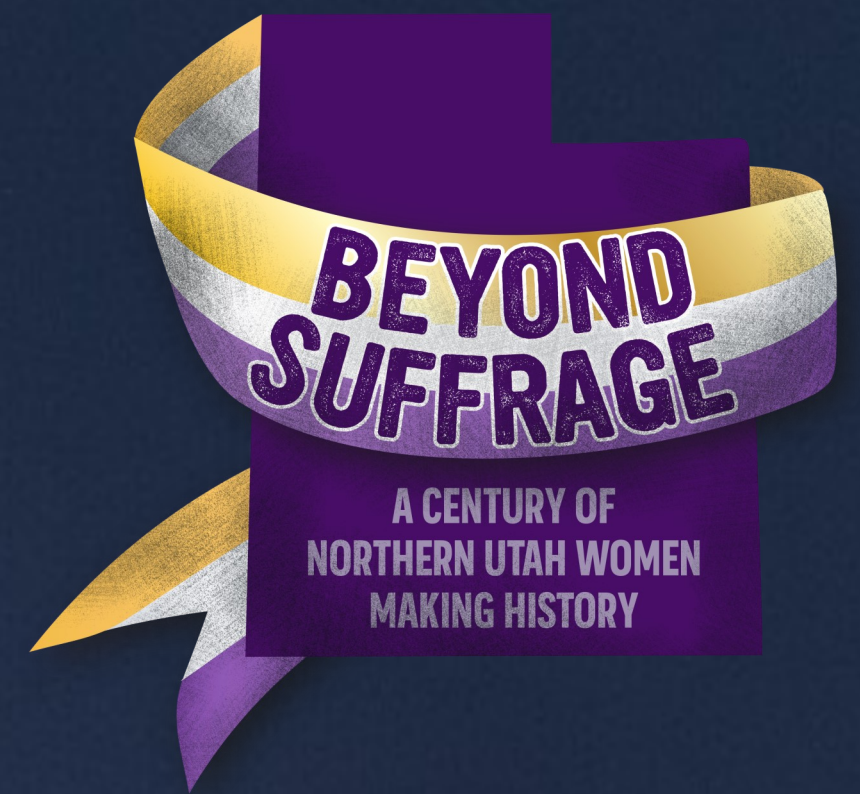


# Ladie's Literary Club

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Club members gathered in 1916 to celebrate the founding of the Ladies Literary Club of Ogden.

The Ladies' Literary Club was founded in 1898 by a small group of prominent Ogden society women as part of a nation-wide adult education movements. These included Mattie Wattis Harris, Althea Zinn, Julia Wright Eccles, Nettie Watson, and Mary B. Scowcroft. They met two to three times per month to discuss history, literature, art, and do charity work.

Early in their history, they began donating their own club dues to various cultural and charitable organizations. As time went on, their social prominence allowed them to host fundraising social events for the benefit of these groups. Such affairs took the form of tea parties, fashion shows, and well-appointed evenings filled with dinner and dancing.

Organizations receiving their support included: The Salvation Army, Girl Scouts, Children's Aid Society of Ogden, Union Station Historical Fund, Carnegie Library, Martha Society, Emmeline B. Wells Fund, Utah School for the Blind, Weber County Library, Weber County Hospital, Ballet West, Ogden Symphony Guild, and many others.