THE WAYNE UNIVERSITY CLUB COLLECTION

Papers, 1937-1971

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Accession Number 132

Papers of the Wayne University Club were donated by three members who served as officers of the Club at various times and include Homer Strong, who donated his papers in January, 1959, Donald C. MacLachlan, who donated his papers in June, 1963, and Wilhelm Reitz, who donated his papers in June, 1973. Other papers and miscellaneous items pertaining to the earliest years of the Wayne University Club may be found in the E. Ray Skinner Collection.

The Wayne University Club, a semi-private organization not subsidized by the University, was formed in 1937 to provide faculty men with a club for dining, recreation and relaxation. Articles of incorporation were drawn and by-laws adopted in February, 1937, and club facilities were leased at 470 Putnam, to which dining facilities were added in 1938. Donald MacLachlan served as Treasurer of the Club's governing body, the Board of Governors, from 1939 to 1941.

In 1948, the Club moved from 470 Putnam to the Faculty Lounge and Dining Room at the Student Center, but membership declined. A vote to continue the Club was made in 1950. Homer Strong became Chairman of the Board of Governors at that time, and led a drive for new membership and club facilities. Wilhelm Reitz became Chairman in 1953 and continued the drive for re-activation of the Club. In 1965, studies of other faculty clubs were made, and in 1966 proposals were drawn for a new center.

Although the Club gave a gift of money to the Wayne State Fund in 1970 for a future building of club facilities, interest in re-activation of the new Club with new facilities dwindled and since 1971, the Wayne University Club has been inactive.

Efforts to provide a center for the male faculty members of Wayne University and later Wayne State University are reflected in the papers relating to the organization and activities of the Wayne University Club.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Facilities Organization
Finances Re-activation

Among the correspondents are:

Basilius, Harold A. 1:38 Hilberry, Clarence B. 1:8

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Series I, folders 1 - 6

Donald C. MacLachlan

The papers of Donald C. MacLachlan, consisting of by-laws, house rules, financial data, membership lists, minutes of Board of Governors meetings and lists of officers and committee members, covering the period 1938 to 1942. The papers are arranged alphabetically by subject, and filed chronologically within each folder.

- 1. By-Laws, House Rules, 1939, 1940
- 2. Finance Statements of Receipts and Disbursements, Correspondence, Schedule of Refunds, 1939-1942
- 3. Membership Roster of Members, Correspondence, Recruiting Lists, Applications, 1938-1941
- 4. Minutes Annual Business Meeting, Board of Governors Meetings, October 21, 1939 - October 18, 1940
- 5. Minutes Board of Governors Meetings, October 25, 1940 May 28, 1942
- 6. Officers and Committees Nominations, Roster, 1939, 1940

Series II, folders 7-18

Homer Strong

By-law amendment proposals, financial data, membership data, minutes, officer and committee lists covering the period 1937 to 1950 are found in the papers of Homer Strong. Especially important are papers relating to the club facilities and club membership. The papers are arranged alphabetically by subject, and filed chronologically within each folder.

- 7. By-Law Amendments Notices, Proposals, 1944-1945, 1948
- 8. Facilities Correspondence, Notice to Members, 1937, 1946-1950
- 9. Finance Balance Sheets, Statements of Receipts and Disbursements, Memoranda, 1944-1948

- 10. Insurance Correspondence, 1946-1948
- 11. Membership, Delinquent Lists, Correspondence, Account Sheets, 1947-1948
- 12. Membership Lists, 1944, 1946, 1950
- 13. Membership Resignations, 1947
- 14. Meetings, Annual and Special Agenda, Minutes, October, 1945 October, 1948
- 15. Meetings, Board of Governors Agenda, Minutes, September, 1946 April, 1950
- 16. Officers and Committees Annual Reports, Memoranda, 1946-1948
- 17. Officers and Committees Lists, Nominations, 1945-1948
- 18. Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1948, 1950

Series III, folders 19 - 43

Wilhelm Reitz

Financial data, membership data, and miscellaneous papers relating to various attempts to re-activate the Club are contained in this series. The papers of Wilhelm Reitz cover the entire period of the Club's existence, from 1937 to 1971, and are arranged chronologically by year. Papers within each folder are filed in chronological order.

- 19. 1937 By-Laws, Financial Data, Notices to Members, Questionnaire, Reports
- 20. 1938 Notices to Members
- 21. 1939 Ballots, Financial Data, House Rules, Lists of Officers and Committees, Memoranda, Notices to Members
- 22. 1940 By-Law Amendments, Membership Lists, Nominations, Notices to Members, Reports
- 23. 1941 Notices to Members
- 24. 1944, 1945 Fee Revisions, Notices to Members
- 25. 1948 Lists of Items Stored at Club, Minutes
- 26. 1949 Financial Data, Minutes
- 27. 1950 Lists of Items Stored at Club, Memoranda, Minutes
- 28. 1953 Fees List, Memoranda, Minutes, Re-activation Plans
- 29. 1954 By-Laws, Financial Data, Library Data, Meeting Notices, Memoranda, Minutes, Reconstitution Plans
- 30. 1954 Reconstitution Meeting Reservations
- 31. 1955 Correspondence, Financial Data, Memoranda, Minutes, University of Pittsburgh Faculty Club Constitution
- 32. 1956 Membership Ballots
- 33. 1956 Financial Data, Memoranda, Minutes, Notices to Members, Reports, Revised Constitution
- 34. 1957 Clipping, Correspondence, Financial Data, Notices
- 35. 1958 Notices to Members, Re-activation Questionnaires
- 36. 1959 Correspondence, Faculty Schedules, Financial Data

- 37. 1962 Membership Data, Notices to Members
- 38. 1965 Clipping, Correspondence
- 39. 1966 Clipping, Memoranda, Notices to Members
- 40. 1967 Correspondence, Memorandum, Notice to Members
- 41. 1968, 1969 Financial Data, Memoranda, Report
- 42. 1970 Correspondence, Financial Data, Memoranda
- 43. 1971 Certificate of Dissolution, Correspondence, Memoranda