

Candun Club Collection (SMC 143)

Organizational Note

According to the program of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the club, "In 1947 a group of fifteen gentlemen of Columbus organized a literary and discussion society under the name of The Candun Club, with an objective . . . to provide a sociable environment for intellectual discussion, to create the opportunity to explore contemporary subjects, issues, and problems of common interest to us all; to contribute to our mutual moral and philosophical edification, we do hereby associate ourselves in The Candun Club." Membership was originally limited to 12 members. This number was later increased to 15 and by 1997 membership had increased to 18. The organizational meeting was held on April 21, 1947 at the Ralston Hotel, where it was decided to meet once a month and that "each member would serve as host in alphabetical order and would present a paper on such subject as he might choose, limited in length to twenty minutes, following which discussion would take place. Theo J. McGee was elected to serve as the first president." Occasionally men of prominence were invited to speak, such as Secretary of State Dean Rusk, and Congressman Walter Judd.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of a few items related to the club and milestone celebrations (25th and 50th anniversaries). 1947-1997 1 box (.2. l.f.)

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Provenance

This material was separated from Columbus State University Records (MC 5) and made into its own collection in 2017. Candun Club records were probably among the papers of Dr. Frank Brown, President of CSU, who was a member of the club in 1997.

Box and Folder List

Box 1

Folder 1, 1972, 1997 This folder contains: A program from 1972 and the 50th anniversary program from 1997, a letter to members concerning the expenses of the 50th anniversary, a newspaper clipping, and a typed list of hosts and subjects from April 21, 1947 through April 28, 1997. It also contains group photos of members who attended the anniversary celebrations in 1972 and members and spouses who attended the the 1997 anniversary meeting.