

Greater Akron Touchdown Club Special Collections – Akron-Summit County Public Library

ACCESSION #: 2008-8

ACQUISITION: Donated by Ed Kalail on June 17, 2008

ACCESS: Restricted access; materials fragile; access by request at Akron-Summit County Public Library's Main Library Special Collections division only.

VOLUME: 7 boxes, 6.5 LF.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: The Greater Akron Touchdown Club was started in 1942 and continues today. It grew out of the University of Akron Athletics, a booster organization for the University of Akron sports. The organization has awarded thousands of medals, ribbons and trophies to young athletes. They have sponsored many programs such as *Fun vs. Vandalism*, *Youth Vacation Vigil*; Junior Olympics; a college scholarship fund and an annual sports banquet. (<http://www.akrontouchdownclub.com>)

HISTORY OF THE COLLECTION: The collection was created to capture the history of the organization by officers of the club.

RELATED COLLECTIONS: Old Time Athletes Collection (<http://sc.akronlibrary.org/files/2012/07/Old-Time-Athlete.pdf>)

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection contains photographs and newspaper clippings relating the activities of the Greater Akron Touchdown Club (1942 -). There are articles of incorporation and bylaws in addition to 2 histories. There are also some membership rosters, correspondence and programs from the annual sports banquets sponsored by the club. More material will be added to this collection as it is donated by the club.

ARRANGEMENT: The collection is organized into 6 series. Series 1 contains histories and miscellaneous. Series 2 contains meeting minutes 1955-2013. Series 3 contains scrapbooks of newspaper articles from 1942-1995. Series 4 contains miscellaneous event and organization scrapbooks. Series 5 contains Banquet Programs. Series 6 contains photographs.

INVENTORY:

SERIES 1: History, Membership, By-Laws, Incorporation, and miscellaneous

Box 1: One book, one cassette tape, and folders 1-11:

Book: *A History of the Touchdown Club*, 1974

1 cassette tape, interview with Frank Jessie

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Folders 1 – 11:

Folder 1: “The Touchdown Club – It’s birth and growth.” Notes about history, 1936-1975

Folder 2: Chronological lists of officers, events, and early meeting minutes

Folder 3: Historical information

Folder 4: By-Laws and Rules

Folder 5: Articles of Incorporation

Folder 6: Scholarship

Folder 7: Membership rosters

Folder 8: Membership campaigns

Folder 9: “Inspirational Thoughts”

Folder 10: Tax-Exempt status

Folder 11: Correspondence received

Folder 12: Awards

SERIES 2: Meeting Minutes and Reports, 1955-

Box 1: Folders 1- 19

Folder 1: 1955-1959

Folder 2: 1960-1967

Folder 3: 1968-1975

Folder 4: 1976-1979

Folder 5: 1980-1983

Folder 6: 1984-1985

Folder 7: 1986

Folder 8: 1987

Folder 9: 1988

Folder 10: 1989

Folder 11: 1990

Folder 12: 1991

(none available for 1992)

Folder 13: 1993-1995

Folder 14: 1996-1997

Folder 15: 1998-2000

Folder 16: 2001-2003

Folder 17: 2004-2006

Folder 18: 2007-2010

Folder 19: 2011-2013

Folder 20: 2014-2015

SERIES 3: Scrapbooks of newspaper articles and miscellaneous items

Box 1: Scrapbook 1: 1942-1962

Scrapbook 2: 1962-1968

Box 2: Scrapbook 3: 1970-1984

Scrapbook 4: 1985-1995

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SERIES 4: Miscellaneous event and organization scrapbooks:

Box 1: Scrapbook 1: Fun vs. Vandalism, Youth Vacation Vigil: This book contains correspondence, news clippings and other publications relating to this program.

Scrapbook 2: Bantams: contains correspondence and programs from the Bantam weight football of the 1940s.

SERIES 5: Banquet Programs, 1949-2014

Box 1: Folders 1 - 12:

Folder 1: 1949-1962

Folder 2: 1963-1969

Folder 3: 1970-1975

Folder 4: 1976-1980

Folder 5: 1981-1986

Folder 6: 1987-1993

Folder 7: 1994-1999

Folder 8: 2000-2005

Folder 9: 2006-2009

Folder 10: 2010-2011

Folder 11: 2012-2013

Folder 12: 2014-(current programs will be added as donations arrive)

Folder 13: Banquet speakers list, 1973-1989

SERIES 6: Photographs, 1947 to late 1960s

Box 1: Folders 1-4:

Folder 1: Awards, Banquets, Meetings, a few identified, 1947-1960

Folder 2: Awards, Banquets, Meetings, a few identified, 1961-1968

Folder 3: Boxing, Junior Olympics, Indoor Track, a few identified, 1964-1967

Folder 4: Football, unidentified, 1960s