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FONDS DESCRIPTION

Dates

1919-2013

Extent and Material

39 cm textual records

24 photographs

Administrative History

The Harvey Club is named after Sir William Harvey, English physician and discoverer of the circulation of the blood. Thought to be the oldest surviving medical club in Canada, the Harvey Club of London, Ontario was founded in 1918 by Drs. J.W. Crane and Edward Spence. The original purpose of the Club was to promote the preparation, presentation, criticism and publication of medical papers by physicians. Meetings were held every 2 weeks and each member was responsible for the creation of a paper and all participated in the discussion of the paper. Early meetings were held at Tecumseh House.

Membership was limited in number and only men were allowed to join the Club. However the wives met on a regular basis as well and the suitability of a prospective member's wife was also considered. The wives did attend social events such as the Christmas party and the annual banquet which was intended to be held as close to William Harvey's birthday as possible.

In 1962 the constitution was revised and the focus of the Club was broadened to "stimulate interest in the Sciences, Professions, Humanities and the World at large." Objectives of the Club include fostering a spirit of comradeship and co-operation to more fully develop talent in presenting papers on medical or other subjects; to encourage extemporaneous discussion and friendly comment on papers of others; to stimulate an investigation into medical problems; and, to encourage members of the profession to do post-graduate work.

The Club has consisted of various member "categories" over time: Honorary members who were required to be outstanding men in the medical profession and whose achievements the Club wished to acknowledge. Senior or emeritus members were excused from compulsory service of active membership because of ill-health or any other reason acceptable to the Club. Senior members were also excused from the obligations of attendance and the presentation of papers.

The nature of the meetings and the membership has changed over the years but the Harvey Club continues to be an active group of medical professionals.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of records related to the activities of the Harvey Club. Records include meeting agendas, minutes, banquet programmes, membership lists, financial records, correspondence, historical records, photographs and newspaper clippings.

Arrangement

The fonds has been arranged into the following series

Series 1	Historical Records
Series 2	Meetings and Events Papers
Series 3	Correspondence
Series 4	Financial Records
Series 5	Membership Records
Series 6	Bulletins
Series 7	Newspaper Clippings
Series 8	Photographs

Finding Aids

File lists available

Custodial History

These records were in the custody of Dr. Vivian McAllister (past-president of the Harvey Club) until 2007.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The University of Western Ontario acquired the fonds in April 2007. The fonds was donated by the Harvey Club via past-president Dr. Vivian McAllister.

SERIES DESCRIPTIONS AND FILE LISTS

Series 1 Historical Records

Dates

1923-2003

Extent and Material

4 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of records documenting the history of the Harvey Club. Included are a history written by Harvey H.O. Foucar as well as information about various Harvey Club artefacts such as the gavel. Also included is information related to the history of William Harvey and other Harvey Societies. Also included in this series are records related to the Medical Historical Club of London which is believed to be the precursor to the Harvey Club.

Notes

1. The location of the gavel and other Harvey Club artefacts is not known.

File List

Club History	1944-2003	AFC 39-1/1
Medical Historical Club of London	1923-1924	AFC 39-1/2

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Series 2 Meetings and Events Papers

Dates

1919-2013

Extent and Material

14 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of documents relating to events held by the Harvey Club.

Included are meeting minutes, notices of meetings, papers presented at meetings, the Harvey Oration, banquet/meeting protocol, name change ballots, and banquet programmes.

Notes

1. Lists of Harvey Club Executive members are attached to some of the meeting minutes
2. The banquet/meeting protocol file contains toasts that were typically given at Harvey Club banquets
3. The Name Change Ballots relate to an attempt, made in 2000, to change the name of the Club

File List

Notice of Meetings	1927-2006	AFC 39-1/3
Meeting Minutes	1922-1929	AFC 39-1/4
Meeting Minutes	1930-1947	AFC 39-1/5
Meeting Minutes	1948-2005	AFC 39-1/6
Papers Presented at Meetings	1919-1941	AFC 39-1/7
Papers Presented at Meetings	1942-2013	AFC 39-1/8
Oration	1973-2002	AFC 39-2/1
Banquet Toasts	1934-1954	AFC 39-2/2
Banquet Programmes	1921-1926	AFC 39-2/3
Banquet/Meeting Protocol	1934-1954	AFC 39-2/4
Name Change Ballots	2000	AFC 39-2/5

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Series 3 Correspondence

Dates

1919-2006

Extent and Material

6 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of correspondence with members and correspondence related to meetings and club events.

Notes

1. Some of the correspondence in the series titled "Correspondence – Meetings/Events" is from the Medical Superintendent of the Queen Alexandra Sanatorium and provides information about Western Ontario Academy of Medicine programs held at the Sanatorium

File List

Correspondence – Meetings/Events	1919-2005	AFC 39-2/6
Correspondence – General	1919-2006	AFC 39-2/7

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Series 4 Financial Records

Dates

1925-2002

Extent and Material

3 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of financial records including transaction reports, invoices, receipts, and financial statements/treasurer's reports.

Notes

1. The Treasurer's Reports are attached to the financial statements

File List

Transaction Reports	1997-1998	AFC 39-2/8
Invoices	1925-2002	AFC 39-2/9
Receipts	1926-2000	AFC 39-2/10
Financial Statements	1958-2001	AFC 39-2/11

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Series 5 Membership Records

Dates

1923-2006

Extent and Material

6 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of membership correspondence, membership lists, membership dues information, and membership profiles.

Notes

1. Some membership lists are also in Series 2.

File List

Membership Records	1923-1979	AFC 39-3/1
Membership Records	1981-1995	AFC 39-3/2
Membership Records	1996-2006	AFC 39-3/3

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Series 6 Bulletins

Dates

1919-1978

Extent and Material

4 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of bulletins published by the Harvey Club to inform members of club activities.

File List

Bulletins	1919-1924	AFC 39-3/4
Bulletins	1925-1978	AFC 39-3/5

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Series 7 Newspaper Clippings

Dates

1993-1998

Extent and Material

1 cm textual records

Scope and Content

Series consists of newspaper clippings from both local and national newspapers.
The clippings relate to Harvey Club events, members and activities.

File List

Newspaper Clippings	1993-1998	AFC 39-3/6
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Series 8 Photographs

Dates

1919-1993

Extent and Material

5 photographs – b&w print
20 photographs – col print

Scope and Content

Series consists of photographs of members of the Harvey Club and Harvey Club events.

Item List

Harvey Club, Canada - b&w [Includes names]	1919	AFC 39-4/1
Harvey Club, Canada – b&w [Includes names]	1919	AFC 39-4/2
Harvey Club, Canada – b&w [Includes names]	1919	AFC 39-4/3
The Harvey Club of London – colour [Includes names]	1974	AFC 39-4/4
Harvey Club of London – b&w	1982	AFC 39-4/5
Harvey Club - colour	[19--]	AFC 39-4/6
Harvey Club of London – colour [Includes names]	1992	AFC 39-4/7
Harvey Club of London at Hunt Country Club - colour [Includes names]	1981	AFC 39-4/8
Harvey Club of London Annual Banquet At Old Hunt Club – b&w	1941	AFC 39-4/9
Harvey Club artifacts - colour	[19--]	AFC 39-4/10
Harvey Club members – colour	[19--]	AFC 39-4/11