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INDIANAPOLIS LITERARY CLUB FOUNDATION RECORDS, 1994-2006

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Indianapolis Literary Club was organized on 10 January 1877, at the home of John D. Howland, who became the club's first president. The stated purpose of the club is the pursuit of 'social, literary, and aesthetic culture.' Informally, the club has acted as a meeting place for a number of the city's leaders from various professions. Membership lists indicate that the club has continued this function throughout its history and into the present.

In 1993, after selling a number of historical chairs owned by the group, the Literary Club decided to begin the process of creating a foundation for the purpose of supporting and funding special charitable or historical projects. The foundation, not intended for ordinary operating expenses, was said to be a place for donations to "insure the future health and welfare of the club."

DeWitt W. Brown, H. Roll McLaughlin, and Andrew C. Emerson were the first trustees of the foundation. In 2003-4 year, money from the foundation was used along with a donation from the Clowes Foundation and a numerous gifts from members to write the book, *The Indianapolis Literary Club: Summarized Record 1976-2003*.

Sources:

<http://www.literaryclub.org/index.html>

Materials from the collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of three folders of correspondence and documents focused on the foundation, function, and use of funds of the Indianapolis Literary Club Foundation. It also includes a folder on the application, correspondence, and acceptance of the Foundation as a tax exempt organization.

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