

Springfield YMCA Collection

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INTRODUCTION

The Springfield Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) Collection chronicles the history of the YMCA in Springfield, Clark County, Ohio, from 1854 to 1979. The significance of this collection lies in the variety of subjects covered in this record of the Y's history in Springfield. These subjects include: religion, war work related to World War I and II, race relations, funding strategies, camping programs, and clubs. The collection was donated to Special Collections and Archives by Joseph C. Moorman, Director of the Springfield YMCA, and was accessioned November 13, 1989. The records in the Springfield YMCA Collection are contained in 34 Hollinger Boxes and consist of 16.5 linear feet. There are no restrictions on the use of this collection. It is divided into the following record series and subseries:

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SPRINGFIELD YMCA HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Springfield, Ohio, Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) was organized on August 3, 1854, as a result of the concern of ministers and churches for the welfare of the young men of Springfield. The object of the organization was to be the religious, moral and intellectual improvement of young men. Edward Marcus Doty served as the Y's first president. Meetings were conducted in various churches. By 1856, there were eighty members. A library had been established, lecture courses begun, gospel teams formed and goods were being distributed to the needy.

The Civil War depleted the YMCA of much of its membership, so much so that the Y closed in early 1865 when Lincoln issued the last call for men. The library was placed in the custody of the Women's Library Association.

The YMCA began meeting again in the Spring of 1867. A fund raising campaign was begun and Dr. Isaac Kay was elected president. Library work resumed, prayer meetings and lectures were held and an evangelistic program called the "Flying Artillery Squad" was established. Meetings were held in various businesses downtown until 1871 when attendance at lectures decreased and financial problems forced the Y to move into the rear of a store. A free public library was established in Springfield in 1872. This became the Warder Public Library. The YMCA sold its books to the library soon after it was established. The YMCA also decided not to attempt any projects requiring financial support.

The minutes of the Y during the 1870's record little activity until March 16, 1878, when a new constitution was written. New programs were being introduced at the national level, such as education, athletics, camping, boys' work, social participation, volunteer work and the training of Christian leaders. While some local YMCA leaders supported these innovations, most of the members did not.

New leadership in the late 1880's led to another new constitution in December of 1887. William J. Fraser became General Secretary and a Board of Directors was established. Fraser supported the new national programs and established committees to further the work of the Y. A fund raising campaign was begun to purchase property and construct a gymnasium. When this drive failed, the Y operated out of rooms at the courthouse. A physical director was hired and a gym was outfitted in the courthouse basement. A Boys' Class was begun as well as classes in vocal music and mechanical drawing. Fraser was responsible for beginning a modern Y program in Springfield.

The Board of Directors introduced the idea of a permanent building for the Y. In 1888, they leased the B.H. Warder property with the hope of raising funds for a new building in the future. Membership and programs were growing again.

Harry Hodge, Physical Director, pioneered the first outdoor athletics and recreation program in Springfield. The first organized Athletic Field Meet was sponsored by the YMCA in 1890. The Dayton, Springfield and Xenia Y's participated in activities which included running, jumping and cycling.

The Y moved to the King-Gotwald Building in the Spring of 1891. New quarters included a reading room, gymnasium, club rooms and dining room. In September of 1892, basketball equipment was purchased just six months after James Naismith invented the game. Basketball was a big success and exhibition games were arranged with the Dayton Y. Volleyball was introduced to the Springfield Y in 1895 and by 1903, tournaments were annual events. A YMCA football team was organized and played the Dayton "Juniors" in November of 1903.

The YMCA still considered its chief work to be the religious education of the young men of Springfield. Religious meetings were held three evenings a week and on Sunday afternoons. Educational work continued in the form of technical training classes.

The Y experienced dramatic growth during the 1890's and attracted strong leadership from many influential people in Springfield. Committees included: Executive, Rooms and Library, Finance, Gymnasium, Star Course, Educational, Membership, Reception, Young Men's Meeting, Saturday Bible Class, Bible Training Class, Visitation of the Sick, Extension Fund, Commercial Travelers, Junior Week and Jail Meeting. Education classes included: mechanical drawing, advanced architectural drawing, manual training, pattern making, blacksmithing and machine work, electricity, bookkeeping, commercial arithmetic, mandolin and guitar and orchestra music. Land was secured for an athletic park complete with ball diamonds and tennis courts. The Springfield Y was one of the first YMCA's in Ohio to serve women by holding a Women's Class in physical education. The Y also published a small bulletin entitled "YMCA Month" and over eighteen thousand persons participated in a variety of Y programs in 1894.

During the 1890's a group of colored men headed by George W. Elliott began a Young Men's Reading Club. The purpose of the club was the moral, cultural and spiritual advancement of young colored men. The club was successful in attracting new members and soon Elliott encouraged the formation of a Colored Young Men's Christian Association. The Board of the Y assisted in its formation.

The late 1890's brought the beginning of Army YMCA work as well as noon Bible classes in local industries. A building fund secretary was hired. A successful fund raising campaign resulted in the construction of the first new Springfield YMCA building. Dedicated on September 17, 1901, the building was partially destroyed by fire one month later. The early years of the new century were difficult ones as the Y tried to raise funds to continue programs and reconstruct and renovate their building. The building was open again by 1904 with a pool and gymnasium. A few new programs were introduced, such as the Y Camera Club, Boys Work, Campers and Outers Club and Inquiry Club. A newspaper was published entitled "Men of Springfield." Basketball leagues and gymnasium classes were begun and a new physical director initiated the first organized athletic leagues in the high schools. The first Boys Camp was held in 1907. Church leagues and a first aid class followed. In 1912, a Farm Extension Program was inaugurated. The following year an automobile trade school was started. These years saw many staff changes through resignations. The Y also worked to reduce its indebtedness.

The year 1911 saw an expanded educational program. By 1914, member programs grew, staff training and experience improved, athletics and recreation in the school system and community increased and Boy Scout Troops were organized through the Y. The Y established an industrial department and service committees were organized within factories. There was a City-Wide Industrial Council which organized night school classes, athletic leagues and noontime meetings on religious topics, education, health and hygiene.

John L. Dorst, who had become General Secretary in 1911, saw the need to build a new financial base and worked to cultivate relationships with potential donors. A campaign to raise money for a new Y building began in 1917, but was called off with the advent of World War I. During the war, the YMCA gym was used as an examining center for draftees and often contingents of men were housed there.

In 1919, Mr. McGilvray, a Springfield businessman, donated four and a half acres to the Y for an athletic field. The field was developed for baseball, softball, tennis, horse shoes, and track. In December of 1922, a Foremen's Club was established for foremen and supervisors. The Springfield Foremen's Club was the beginning of what would be a National Foremen's Club.

In 1921, a Community Fund was established in Springfield. The Y hoped this would broaden support and stabilize its financial situation. The Y furnished top leadership to the Community Chest. Unfortunately, the chest had a negative effect. People who used to contribute directly to the Y now gave to the Chest, which in turn decided how much each agency got. The Chest determined budgets and the Y lost programs such as Industrial Work and Athletics. The Industrial Department closed in 1928 when local industries began supporting the Community Fund. The Y soon lost its identity as a religious organization. The YMCA began to suffer from lack of funds and the building deteriorated. The athletic field deteriorated with the lack of funds and staff to maintain it. A small staff and leadership were trying to keep in the Y program going. John L. Dorst retired in 1932 and the Community Chest cut the Y's budget by \$7,000.00 in 1933.

YMCA officials decided to conduct a survey to determine its place in the community. The study revealed that the YMCA was a much needed and effective force in Springfield. Y officials recommended that the present building be rehabilitated and equipment upgraded. They also urged that plans for a new building be started. The report was made public and interest in the Y grew.

Laymen operated the Y between 1932 and 1934 until Walter V. Edwards became General Secretary. At the end of his first six months he had upgraded the morale of staff and members, initiated a rehabilitation program for the equipment, identified and implemented ways to improve and modernize the building and train staff and committees, had established new sources of income and adjusted salaries upwards.

Edwards assigned the rehabilitation of the building to the YMCA Building Bureau, a National Council department. The building was closed for renovation in 1934. Under Edwards, the Y met its national obligation, conducted a successful World Service Campaign, trained staff and rehabilitated the Center Street Y. College extension courses were begun in cooperation with Wittenberg College and an Adult

Education Council was formed. Wallace Edwards became Secretary of the Men's Division in 1936.

The Board authorized the program and building committees to determine actual community needs. A campaign to raise money was approved in 1937. A new YMCA building was begun in 1938 and dedicated on October 8, 1939. Also in 1939, the Center Street Y became an official branch of the Springfield YMCA. Springfield then had a metropolitan Y consisting of two branches and a camp.

With the advent of World War II, the Y became a center for Civilian Defense Projects. It also lost many staff and members to the draft. In spite of this, the Y managed to burn the mortgage during the war years. At the end of the war, every professional who had previously served the Y and had gone to war, returned.

The Springfield YMCA had become well know around the United States. It had contributed many of its staff members to leadership positions. Early YMCA programs had grown into independent and vital agencies in Springfield. The Y Charity program had become the Social Service Bureau. The free library had become the Warder Public Library. The Y's prisoner visitation program was carried on by churches and church agencies. A new Center Street Branch building was dedicated in 1951.

In 1954, the Y celebrated its centennial year. It reported 4,359 members. Ted McMillen became General Secretary at Walter V. Edwards retirement. The Community Chest became the United Fund. In 1955, tennis and handball courts were erected at Camp Evergreen. YMCA programs continued to expand with the planning of a Northridge Branch in 1966. Eighty five acres were added to Camp Evergreen in 1971. By 1972, the Y consisted of the following branches: Camp Evergreen, Center Street, Central YMCA, Moorefield and Tecumseh. In 1980, the Y was reorganized. The Center Street Y became the Center Street Community Center. In 1981, the Y became the Springfield Family YMCA.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

SERIES I SUBJECT FILES

This series is the largest series in the Springfield YMCA Collection. It consists of the subject files or working files of the Y's administrative office and covers the years 1894 - 1971. These files are arranged by subject and then chronologically within each subject. They contain correspondence, annual reports, budgets, newsletters, programs and activity reports, fund raising plans, Board of Directors minutes and reports, minutes from Y clubs, historical files containing the Y's constitution, correspondence with men in the military during WWII, financial statements, membership campaign materials and information on Camp Evergreen. There is also information on the National Council of YMCA's and the Ohio Area Council. Of special interest are records related to the establishment of the Center Street YMCA for blacks.

SERIES II PHOTOGRAPHS

This series contains photographs dating from ca. 1900 through 1978. The majority of these photos are of YMCA athletic events. There are also photos of camping programs, board members and staff, special events and Y classes.

SERIES III OVERSIZE ITEMS

This series consists of a photo album, dated 1892 - 1920, a Board of Directors minute book from 1908 - 1934, a Visitors' Register, reports, and large photographs. The materials in this series cover the years 1892 - 1934.

SERIES IV TIME CAPSULE

This series contains all of those items found in the YMCA Time Capsule unearthed in 1989 when the Limestone Street YMCA building was to be torn down and the Y moved into new quarters. Items include the constitution, photographs, memorabilia, board minutes, newsclippings, brochures about various Y programs, and the programs for the laying of the cornerstone of the 1900 and 1939 buildings. The earliest item dates to 1857.

SERIES V NEWSCLIPPINGS/SCRAPBOOKS

This series consists of scrapbooks of newsclippings on a variety of YMCA people and events through the years. These scrapbooks date from 1934 to 1953. They are arranged chronologically. The scrapbooks were photocopied onto acid free paper due to the deteriorating condition of the originals.

SERIES VI**LEDGERS****Subseries A Membership Records**

This subseries contains membership registers from 1890-1896 and 1942 - 1943.

Subseries B Clubs

This series consists of minutes and member lists from a variety of YMCA clubs dating from 1927 to 1950. Clubs include Hi-Y, MacGilvray Club, Y-Keels, Y-Eagles, V.O.S. (Visitation of the Sick) and the Junior Meliorists.

Subseries C Camp Evergreen

The three volumes in this subseries consist of records from the YMCA Camp Evergreen. They date from 1932 to 1952 and include names of campers, counselors, activities, contests and winners.

Subseries D Miscellaneous

These ledgers cover a wide variety of topics such as gifts and donations, athletics and sports records, visitors' register and a publication entitled "Men of Springfield." These ledgers cover the dates 1888 - 1957.

SERIES VII**BLUEPRINTS**

This series consists of plans for the YMCA building constructed in 1899. The building was designed by Vernon Redding, an architect from Mansfield, Ohio. These blueprints are located in the oversize files, Location 26, File 11.

BOX AND FILE LISTING

SERIES I: SUBJECT FILES

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	1	Activities Calendar General Physical Education Camp	1941
	2	Activities Reports	1947
	3	Activities Reports	1948
	4	Activities Reports	1949
	5	Activities Reports: Men and Boys	1949-1950
	6	Admissions Tax	1945-1947
	7	Adult Division	1961-1965
	8	Adult Division	1966-1970
	9	Adult Education Council	1941
	10	Advisory Committee	1955-1956
	11	Amateur Athletic Union	1956-1957
	12	Anniversary: Second Anniversary of New Building, Springfield YMCA	Oct. 1941
	13	Annual Report	1927
	14	Annual Reports	1941-1945
	15	Annual Reports	1946-1954
	16	Annual Report	1971
	17	Association of Secretaries: Industrial Section	1945-1946
	18	Aquatic Committee: Minutes and Programs	1939-1953
	19	Aquatics	1940-1952
	20	Aquatics: Life Saving	1953
2	1	Association of Secretaries	1941-1948
	2	Association of Secretaries	1949-1955
	3	Association of Secretaries	1956-1961
	4	Associated Services for the Armed Services	1950
	5	Association Committee	1946-1953
	6	Athletic Club: YMCA Athletic Club Outstanding Athlete Award	1955-1956
	7	Athletic Club	1941-1946
	8	Athletic Club	1954-1955
	9	Athletic Club Quarterly: Springfield Business Men's Club	1953-1958
	10	Athletic Field	1941-1942
	11	Basketball: Hi-Y	1950-1952
	12	Basketball: Gold Medal Basketball Tourney	1952
	13	Basketball: Area Championships	1953-1956
	14	Basketball: Development Program	1958
	15	Basketball: Industrial League	1951-1958
	16	Beaver Associates, Inc: Fund-raising Development Campaign	1960-1961
	17	Board of Directors	1941-1945
	18	Board of Directors	1946-1949
	19	Board of Directors	1950-1964

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
3	1	Board of Directors Minutes	1955
	2	Board of Directors Minutes	1956
	3	Board of Directors Minutes	1957
	4	Board of Directors Minutes	1958
4	1	Board of Directors Minutes	1959
	2	Board of Directors Minutes	1960
	3	Board of Directors Minutes	1961
	4	Board of Directors Minutes	1962
5	1	Board of Directors Minutes	1963
	2	Board of Directors: Reports of Officers	1967-1968
	3	Board of Trustees	1979-1980
	4	Boxing: Death in the Ring	June 1949
	5	Boys Committee	1947
	6	Boys Committee	1954
	7	Boys Division	1944-1945
	8	Boys Division	1946-1947
	9	Boys Division	1955
	10	Boys Dual Meet Results	1966-1967
	11	Branch Representation	1968
	12	Budget	1941
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	15	Budget	1946
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	20	Budget Statement	1953
	21	Budget Statement	1954
	22	Budget	1955
6	1	Budget	1956
	2	Budget	1966
	3	Budget: Operating Statements	1967
	4	Budget: Operating Statements	1968
	5	Budget	1969
	6	Budget	1970
	7	Budget	1971
	8	Budget	1973
	9	Budget and Finance Committee	1945-1964
	10	Budget Study	1947-196
	11	Building Committee Minutes	1937-193
	12	Building Fund and Analysis of Special Subscriptions	1945-1961
	13	Building Fund Statement	1948
	14	Building Improvement Fund: YMCA/YWCA United Appeals Fund	1960-1962
	15	Building Usage	1945-1946
	16	Bulletins	1946
	17	Bulletins and Schedules	1947-1948

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6	18	Camera Club Minutes	1938-1939
	19	Camera Club Minutes	1945-1948
	20	Camera Club	1949-1964
7	1	Camera Club Newsletter "Blow Up"	1949-1954
	2	Camera Club: May Salon	1955-1958
	3	Campaign Development Fund	1952-1961
	4	Campaign Development Fund	1962-1963
	5	Camp Evergreen	1937-194
	6	Camp Evergreen	1950-1958
	7	Camp Evergreen Annual Report	1941
	8	Camp Evergreen Annual Reports	1967-1969
	9	Camp Evergreen Booklets	194
	10	Camp Evergreen Caretaker	1953
	11	Camp Evergreen Committee Minutes (Scattered: 1941, 1944, 1947-50, 1953-57, 1971)	1941-1971
	12	Camp Evergreen: Job Descriptions Counselor Guide	1959
	13	Camp Evergreen: News Clippings	1959-1965
	14	Camp Evergreen: Promotional Letters	1957
	15	Capital Fund	1950-1963
	16	Capital Fund Campaign	1955-1973
8	1	Centennial Celebration	1944-194
	2	Center Street Branch: Board of Management Minutes	1941
	3	Center Street: Minutes	1961-196
	4	Center Street: Minutes	1966-1968
	5	Center Street: Minutes	1965
	6	Center Street: Minutes	1970
	7	Center Street: Minutes	1973
	8	Center Street Branch	1944-1948, 1955
	9	Center Street Branch: Constitution	1964
	10	Center Street Building Statements	1947-1951
	11	Center Street Branch History	1948-1968
	12	Center Street Community Funds Reports (not complete)	1947-1958, 1976
	13	Chamber of Commerce	1946-1947
	14	Church Work	1944-1945
	15	Citizen's Advisory Committee	1961
9	1	City General Secretaries Association	1941
	2	City Handball Tourney	1955
	3	City Recreation Reports	n.d.
	4	Civilian Defense Council	1942-1944
	5	Club-Coed: History and Development	1949
	6	Commission on World Service and Finance	1944
	7	Committees	1941, 1944
	8	Community Chest	1948
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	10	Community Chest	1950
	11	Community Chest	1966-1971

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9	12	Community Fund	1941, 1944
	13	Community Fund	1946-1947
	14	Community Welfare Council	1955-1963
	15	Community Welfare Council: Agency Appraisal Report, YMCA-YWCA	1952-1954
	16	Community Welfare Council: Board of Trustees	1958-1959
	17	Community Welfare Council Manual	1956-1959
	18	Community Welfare Council: Ways and Means Committee Recreation Study	1957-1958
	10	1	Competitive Swim Teams
2		Conferences: Interracial Activity Survey	1951-1952
3		Conference Report: Ohio's YMCA	1901
4		Constitution and By-laws Revision (also contains copies of 1888 Articles of Incorporation and 1902 Constitution)	1947
5		Constitution: Duties of Secretary	1968
6		Correspondence: A-Z	1944
7		Correspondence with Military Men	1944
8		Correspondence with Military Men	1945
9		Correspondence: A-Z	1946
10		Correspondence: A-L	1947
11		Correspondence: M-Z	1947
12		Correspondence: A-Z	1948
13		Correspondence: A-H	1949
14		Correspondence: I-Z	1949
11	1	Correspondence: A-Z	1950
	2	Correspondence: A-Z	1953-1954
	3	Correspondence: A-Z	1955-1959
	4	Correspondence and Memorandums	1963-1965
	5	Correspondence: A-Z	1974
	6	Correspondence: New Building	1947-1948
	7	Cost Accounting Committee	1955
	8	Council of Churches	1949
	9	Council of Clubs	1966
	10	Council of Social Agencies	1944-1946
	11	Dayton YMCA	1946-1947
	12	Debt Reduction Effort	1943-1945
	13	Dedication Service	Oct. 8, 1969
	14	Detling, Glenn E.	1957-1960
	15	Development Fund: YMCA-YWCA	1961-1963
	16	Discussion Outline: Religious Emphasis in the YMCA	1955
	17	"Do We Know Our Y?" (History)	1949
	18	Dorman, C.A., Speaker Announcement Poster - Medical Evangelist	n.d.
	19	Dormitory Committee	1944-1966
	20	Dorst, John L.	1911
	21	Dredge, Howard S. Correspondence to T.C. McMillen	1960-1961
	22	Dudley, Willard P.	1963
	23	Educational Work	1941

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
11	24	Employed Officers' Alliance	1941, 1946-1947
	25	Employees	1940-1955
	26	Employee's Association of the YMCA's of Ohio	1940-1941
	27	Endowment Committee	1940-1947
	28	Endowment Fund	1914-1920
12	1	Enrollment	1956-1962
	2	Enrollment Bulletins	1956-1957
	3	Enrollment Drives (scattered)	1945-1953
	4	Executive Committee	1947-1956
	5	Executive Committee	1957-1958
	6	Executive Committee	1959-1963
	7	Fencing	1939-1940, 1946
	8	Finance Committee (scattered)	1946-1968
	9	Finance Committee	1969-1972
	10	Financial Reports of Fifteen YMCA's of 1952	1952
	11	Financial Statements	1950
	12	Financial Statements	1975-1976
	13	Fiscal Facts	1946-1947
13	1	Five Year Study Plan II	1955-1967
	2	Flying Squadron	1940-1941
	3	Food Service	1948
	4	Food Service	1956-1966
	5	Foremen's Club	1941-1945
	6	Foremen's Club	1946-1947
	7	Fountain Avenue Property	1950
	8	Fry, Charles E.	1961-1962
	9	Fund Raising Potential Report	1971
	10	Furlough Program	1972-1973
	11	General Program Committee	1946-1947
	12	General Secretaries Section	1943-1955
	13	George Williams College	1941-1955
	14	Ginn Electric Company	1938
	15	Goal Setting Project	1964
	16	Great Lakes Region Assembly	1970-1974
	17	Hanson, Wayne	1946
	18	Health and Physical Education Department	1941-1947
	19	Health and Physical Education Department	1941-1947
	20	Health Service	1941, 1946
	21	Health and Welfare Club	1947-1950
	22	High Scholl Study Project	1952
14	1	Hill, William	1947
	2	History: Publications	
		<u>Men of Springfield</u> (Scattered)	1903-1904
		<u>The YMCA Month</u>	May 1894, Jan 1895
	3	History of the Springfield YMCA	Oct 1939
	4	History: Manuscript and Correspondence	1948

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14	5	History: Manuscript and Correspondence	1948	
	6	History: Centennial	1954	
	7	History: Centennial	1954	
	8	Hi-Y Club Guide	c.a. 1950	
	9	Hi-Y Conference	1941	
	10	Hobby School	1959-1965	
	11	House Committee: Housekeeping Institute (Scattered)	1944-1963	
	12	Huffman-Wolfe Company	1938	
	13	Human Relations	1971-1973	
	14	Income Reports	1963-1973	
	15	1	Industrial Basketball	1954-1956
		2	Industrial Clubs	1961
		3	Industrial Educational Classes	1941
		4	Industrial Secretaries Section	1950
5		Industrial Work	1941	
6		Informal School	1946-1966	
7		In-Service Training	1949	
8		International Committee	1946-1950	
9		Inter-Racial Committee	1944	
10		Inter-Service Club Council	1949	
11		Invitational - Diving	1966	
12		Invitational - Swimming AAU	1967	
13		Junior Leaders	1942-1952	
14		Junior Leaders	1953-1954	
15		Junior Leaders News	1952	
16		Kelly, E.S. Tribute	1935	
17		Key to File	1947	
18		Keymen's Conference	1927-1936	
19		Kizer, Emma Estate	1948	
20		Leaders' Institute	1949-1954	
21		Lenox Theatre Realty Company	1946-1948	
22		Lincoln Theatre Realty Company	1946-1947	
23		Lists: Committeemen	1941-1943	
24		Long Range Planning Committee	1967-1974	
25		Luncheonette	1941	
26		Maintenance Department: Manual of Operation	1969	
27		McGilvary, C.F.	ca 1910-1915	
28		McGilvary Branch YMCA: Executive Committee Minutes	May 1973	
29		McMillen, Ted C.	1963-1967	
30		Membership Campaign	1941	
31		Membership Campaign	1945	
32		Membership Campaign	1946	
33		Membership Campaign	1947	
16	1	Membership Campaign	1949-1950	
	2	Membership Committee	1944-1947	
	3	Membership Committee	1963-1966	
	4	Membership Committee	1974	
	5	Membership List	1952-1954	

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16	6	Membership Literature	1945	
	7	Membership: Professional Division	1952	
	8	Membership Reports: Statistics	1953-1955	
	9	Membership Reports	1956-1960	
	10	Membership Reports	1961-1962, 1964	
	11	Men's Division	1941-1946	
	12	Merger: Center Street YMCA and Central YMCA	1944	
	13	Metropolitan Board of Directors Minutes (scattered)	1970-1977	
	14	Metropolitan Board of Trustees Minutes	1974	
	15	Metropolitan Finance Committee	1978-1979	
	17	1	Ministers (early)	c.a. 1900
		2	Miscellaneous	1959-1971
		3	Miscellaneous Correspondence	1939-1941
		4	Miscellaneous Correspondence	1945
		5	Mixed Swim Committee	1947
6		Monthly Board Reports	1955-1956	
7		Moorefield Branch YMCA	1970-1971	
8		Mortgage Reduction	1946	
9		Mott, John R. Fund	1955	
10		National Board Annual Report	1963-1964	
11		National Council of YMCA's	1940-1941	
12		National Council of YMCA's	1946	
13		National Council of YMCA's	1947	
14		National Council of YMCA's	1949	
15		National Council of YMCA's	1950	
16		National Council of YMCA's	1955	
17		National Y Student Caucus	1968-1969	
18		New Horizons Campaign	1972-1975	
19		News - Springfield YMCA Springfield YMCA News "Like It Is" at the YMCA	1936-1973	
20		Nominating Committee	1956-1972	
21		Office manual of Operation	n.d.	
22		Ohio Area Council: Personnel Committee	1941	
23		Ohio Area Industrial Conference	1941	
18	1	Ohio-West Virginia Area Association of Secretaries conference	1956-1957	
	2	Ohio-West Virginia Board Meeting Bulletins	1946-1948	
	3	Ohio-West Virginia Area Bulletins	1949-1951	
	4	Ohio-West Virginia Area Bulletins and Council Meeting	1955	
	5-7	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council	1946-1947	
	8	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1945	
	9	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1946	
	10	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1947	
	19	1	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1948
		2	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1949

	3	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1950
	4	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Correspondence	1960-1964
	5	Ohio-West Virginia Area Council Reports	1946
	6	Ohio-West Virginia Area Skills Training Committee	1964-1965
	7	Operation	1939
	8	Participation - Boys' Division Physical Department	1944-1949
	9	Participation - Men's Division Physical Department	1951
	10	Payroll	1941-1947
	11	Personal Correspondence: Walter V. Edwards	1941
	12	Personnel Committee	1955-1958
	13	Personnel Committee Correspondence	1959-1964
	14	Personnel Policies	1948
	15	Phalanx Club	1965
	16	Phalanx Fraternity	1941
	17	Phetteplace, C.B. Correspondence with W.V. Edwards re war w/ Japan	1940-1941
	18	Physical Activities	1949-1950
	19	Physical Department	1945-1948
	20	Physical Department	1949-1950
	21	Physical Department	1955-1970
20	1	Physical Department Committees	1946-1953
	2	Physical Department Reports	1965-1966
	3	Physical Department Reports	1967-1968
	4	Physical Education Committee	1954
	5	Physical Education Committee Minutes	1964-1969
	6	Physical Program Schedules	1954, 1958- 1960
	7	Pierce and Hedrick, Inc.	1938
	8	Pogue, Francis	1967-1972
	9	Policy	1936-1937
	10	Policy	1941
	11	Policy	1945-1947
	12	Policy Committee Minutes	1953
	13	Policy Committee: Policy and Appraisal	1953
	14	Pool	1930-1959
	15	Principles, Purposes, Objectives	1931, 1937
	16	Program	1939-1947
	17	Program and Building Planning Committee	1937
21	1	Program Material	1961-1963
	2	Program Suggestions	1941
	3	Promotional Material	1942-1943
	4	Public Affairs	1941
	5	Public Relations	1941
	6	Public Relations	1961-1973
	7	Publicity	1911-1926
	8	Publicity	1934-1964
	9	Questionnaires	1947
	10	Raup, George B.	1963-1964
	11	Records and Schedules	1941
	12	Records and Schedules	1943-1952

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
21	13	Relays - Springfield Girls	1966-1969
	14	Reports (from various departments)	1931-1940
	15	Reports	1940-1942
	16	Reports	1954
	17	Reports	1955
	18	Reports	1972
	19	Reports	1973
22	1	Representativeness - Policy	1969
	2	Retirement	1941-1948
	3	Roll Call - Student Division	1953
	4	Rotary	1941-1957
	5	Ruckman, O.S. Estate	1957-1974
	6	Sanhedrin	1945-1947
	7	"Saturday Scoop"	1952-1953
	8	Schedules, Program	1942, 1946-1948
	9	Second Century Citizens' Survey Finance Committee	1954
	10	Second Century Citizens' Study Committees	1953-1954
	11	Self-Appraisal Report	1953
	12	Senior Leaders	1948-1970
	13	Services to Returning Servicemen	1945
	14	Silver Bay	1945-1950
	15	Smaller Cities Secretaries Conference	1941-1947
	16	Social Action and Agencies	1955-1959
	17	Softball	1942
	18	Southwest District Physical Directors Society	1960-1961
	19	Southwestern District Staff Conference	1940-1941
	20	Special Programs	1939-1940
	21	Sports Council Conference	1941
23	1	Sports Festival	1940-1942
	2	Sports Festival	1947-1950
	3	Sports Festival	1951
	4	Springfield Executive Club	1946-1947
	5	Squash	1939-1947
	6	Staff Conference	1935-1938
	7	Staff Conference	1940
	8	Staff Conference Minutes	1941-1943
	9	Staff Conference Minutes	1945-1946
	10	Staff Conference Minutes	1947-1949
	11	Staff Conference Minutes	1950
	12	Staff Meetings	1951-1952
	13	Staff Meetings	1953-1954
24	1	Staff Meeting Minutes	1955-1957
	2	Staff Meeting Minutes	1958-1960
	3	Staff Meeting Minutes	1964
	4	Staff Meeting Minutes	1966-1967
	5	Staff Meeting Minutes	1968
	6	Staff Meeting Minutes	1969-1970
	7	Staff Retreat Minutes	1956-1969

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>	
24	8	Staff Studies	1946	
	9	Staff Work Sheets	1956-1959	
	10	Standing Committees	1955	
	11	Studies	1935-1943	
	12	Studies	1950-1964	
	13	Study Documents - Reports	1953	
	14	Summer Program and Schedule	1948-1950	
	15	Swim Campaign	1947	
	16	Swimming Championships	1958-1963	
	17	Swim Contest - Down the Mississippi	1942	
	18	Swim Meets	1939-1946	
	25	1	Swim Meet - AAU Springfield	1968
		2	Swim Meet - Southwestern Ohio District Junior Swim Meet	1941
		3	Swim Meet - Southwest Ohio - West Virginia District	1961-1963
		4	Swim Awards Banquet	1963-1970
		5	Swim Team	1940-1960
		6	Swim Team	1964-1969
		7	Swim Team - Parents Club	1958-1960
8		Swim Team - Roster	1965-1969	
9		Swimming	1938-1946	
10		Swimming - Beginners	1939-1941	
11		Swimming	1947	
12			1946-1948	
13		Taxes	1947	
14		Tecumseh Branch Board Minutes	1964-1969	
15		Tecumseh Branch Board Minutes	1970-1971	
16		Tecumseh Branch Board Minutes (scattered)	1972-1979	
17		Tecumseh Branch Program	1967-1972	
18		Tecumseh Branch Publicity	1966-1972	
26	1	Tennis	1951-1957	
	2	Tennis	1969-1972	
	3	Tennis Leaders' Club	1952-1953	
	4	Testimonials	n.d.	
	5	Tournaments	1931-1941	
	6	Union Meeting	1969	
	7	United Appeals Fund	1955-1964	
	8	United Appeals Fund	1965-1970	
	9	United Service Organization	1953-1956	
	10	United Way Reports	1977-1978	
	11	Urban League	1961	
	12	Veterans	1946	
	13	Volleyball	1947-1952	
	14	Volunteer Leadership	n.d.	
	15	Volunteer Service Bureau	1963, 1972	
	16	Volunteer Service Study Committee	1953	
	17	Voting Members	1946-1947	
	18	Wainright, George	1914-1947	
	19	War Chest	1945-1946	

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
26	20	War Prisoners Aid Fund	1940-1941
	21	War Prisoners Aid Fund	1945
27	1	Welfare Council - Springfield Report	1952-1954
	2	Winger, George Tribute	1934
	3	World Service	1941
	4	World Service	1945
	5	World Service	1946-1947
	6	World Service	1948-1950
	7	World Service Campaign	1962-1963
	8	World Service	1968-1972
	9	World Service Fund - India	1971
	10	World Youth Fund	1947-1950
	11	Y Eagle Club	1946-1948
	12	Y Men's Club	1946, 1949
	13	Y Men's Club	1964-1969
	14	Y Men's Club Applications and Indoctrination Procedure, Charter	1947-1949
	15	Y Men's Club Bulletins	1947
	16	Y Men's Club Correspondence	1944-1947
	17	YMCA - Definition	1945
	18	YMCA Improvement Fund	1967
	19	YMCA Literature	1946-1948
28	1	YMCA-YWCA (joint) Accumulated Pledge Records	1968
	2	YMCA-YWCA Agenda Committee Minutes	1956
	3	YMCA-YWCA Bulletins "News"	1961-1962
	4	YMCA-YWCA Community Welfare Council Survey	1956
	5	YMCA-YWCA Dennerlein Report: Report of Advisory Committee to YMCA	1955
	6	YMCA-YWCA Development Fund Campaign	1962-1963
	7	YMCA-YWCA Expansion Booklet	1961
	8	Young Adult Club	1963
	9	Young Men's Conferences	1940-1941
	10	Young Men's Industrial Clubs	1960-1961
	11	Youth Committee	1955
	12	YWCA - Young Women's Christian Association	1940-1941
	13	YWCA	1943-1945
	14	YWCA	1946
	15	YWCA	1947
	16	YWCA	1948
	17	YWCA	1950

SERIES II: PHOTOGRAPHS

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
29	1	Adult Programs (n.d.)	ca 1940-1950
	2	Airplanes	n.d.
	3	Archery (n.d.)	ca 1940-1950
	4	Automobile School	1914-1915
	5	Awards, Ceremonies	ca 1950-1960

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>	
29	6	Badminton	ca 1968	
	7	Baseball	ca 1900-1960	
	8	Basketball	ca 1900-1950	
	9	Billiards	ca 1950	
	10	Board Members	1954, 1977	
	11	Boating	1950-1960	
	12	Building, Exterior	n.d.	
	13	Building, Interior	ca 1960	
	14	Calisthenics	ca 1940-1950	
	15	Camp Evergreen	ca 1950-1960	
	16	Career Day	1948	
	17	Center Street	ca 1960	
	18	Community Events	ca 1950-1970	
	19	Club Coed Dances	ca 1940-1950	
	20	Crafts	ca 1950	
	21	Dinners, Meetings	ca 1950	
	22	Drill Times	ca 1960	
	30	1	Fencing	n.d.
		2	Gymnastics	ca 1950-1960
		3	Handball	ca 1950-1970
		4	Indian Guides, Princesses	ca 1950-1960
		5	Judo	1969
6		Junior Leaders Corps	1951-52, 1962	
7		Locker Rooms	ca 1950-1960	
8		Marksmanship	ca 1950	
9		Miscellaneous	ca 1940-1950	
10		Negatives	n.d.	
11		Parties	ca 1960	
12		Portraits	ca 1900-1910	
13		Portraits, Centennial Round-up	1954	
31	1	Portraits and Group Shots	ca 1950	
	2	Portraits and Group Shots	ca 1950-1960	
	3	Proof Sheets	ca 1960-1970	
	4	Rooms	ca 1910	
	5	Scuba Diving	ca 1960-1970	
	6	Singing	ca 1940-1960	
	7	Slides	ca 1960	
	8	Swimming	ca 1960	
	9	Staff	1917, 1960	
	10	Tennis	ca 1960	
	11	Trains	ca 1950-1960	
	12	Turkey Run	Nov. 20, 1978	
	13	Volleyball	ca 1960	
	14	Weight Lifting	ca 1970	
	15	Wrestling	ca 1950	

SERIES III: OVERSIZE

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
32	-	Photograph Album	1892-1920
	-	Minute Book, Annual Meeting of Board of Directors	1908-1934
	1	Visitors' Register	1899-1900
	2	YMCA Reports	Nov. 1922
	3	Photograph - Sports Team	ca 1900
	4	Photograph - Remus Robinson	n.d.
	5	Photograph - Dinner Mtg. Banquet	ca 1900

SERIES IV: TIME CAPSULE

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
33	1	Volume: Preamble and Constitution Minutes beginning April 22, 1887 to April 14, 1908 loose news clippings	1887-1908
	2	Bible: Signed by Frank Spottiswoode, no date. Presented to Frank Reed by Mrs. Kizer, Springfield, Ohio	Sept. 3, 1900
	3	Photographs: Junior Gym Class Orchestra: R.D. Brian, instructor Camp Jacoby, Goes Station, Ohio Freehand Drawing Class Mechanical Drawing Class (men identified on the back) Gymnasium in King Building (23 ½ S. Fountain Ave.) Occupied May 1, 1891 to May 1901	1892 1892 July 1900 1892 n.d.
	4	Miscellaneous: Three Pennies belonging to W.F. Perrin - Pennies dates Carved Wooden Arrow Patch and Pin from Camp Evergreen New Testament - YMCA Symbol on the front. American Bible Society. New York: National War Work Council of Young Men's Christian Associations.	1857, 1858 n.d. n.d. 1918
	5	Miscellaneous: Mailing Card - A request for words of encouragement in celebration of the twelfth anniversary of the Springfield YMCA Application for membership Y Outdoor Club - Fall/Winter Schedule Camp Evergreen on Evergreen Lake Savings Club Brochure, Boys' Division FLASH Brochure Nickels and Bus Check John L. Dorst Clipping about retirement	May 1900 ca 1890 1938-1939 1938 1938 1938 1938

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
33	6	Tenth Annual Easter Vesper Service Program	April 6, 1939
	7	Lists of city Officials, County Commissioners, Clergy	1939
	8	List of YMCA Staff, Committees	1939
	9	Building Fund Committee Pledges Boys' Division	1938-1939
	10	American Flag	n.d.
	11	List of Donations to YMCA Building	Sept. 3, 1900
	12	Testimonial Dinner for Captain George W. Winger	Feb. 22, 1934
	13	Building Fund Pledges, City Wide List	May 1938
	14	Program - Laying of Cornerstone of YMCA Building	Sept. 3, 1900
	15	Cornerstone Service, New Central YMCA Building	April 16, 1939
	16	Articles of Incorporation (copy)	1888
	17	List of Workmen	n.d.
	18	Financial and Statistical Report	May 1, 1900
	19	Obsolete records transferred from Safety Deposit box to YMCA File by order of officers of the Board, G.S. Raup, President	Dec. 18, 1953
	20	Articles of Incorporation Typewritten copy	Sept. 10, 1888
	21	Central YMCA 23 ½ S. Fountain Elevations and Floor Plans	1901-1939
	22	Photographs, miscellaneous	n.d.
	23	Membership Lists	1896-1898
	24	Huffman-Wolfe Company Installation of Plumbing and Heating	1939
	25	Constitution of the Young Men's Christian Association	Sept. 12, 1888
	26	Correspondence from Effi Shuey to John L. Dorst	April 16, 1914
	27	Schedule of Physical Activities	1938-1939
	28	Buildings Fund Disbursement	April 30, 1926
	29	Agreement for Submission to Appraisers Fire Damage	Feb. 19, 1903
	30	Constitution and By-laws of the YMCA of Springfield, Ohio, revised	July 1921
	31	YMCA-Masonic Temple Agreement Property	Aug. 21, 1923
	32	Lease with Detroit, Toledo and Ironton Railroad	Feb. 1, 1926
	33	Springfield Teacher's List	n.d.
	34	Board of Directors - YMCA	1939
	35	Boy Members	Apr. 16, 1939
	36	Adult Members	Apr. 16, 1939

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
33	37	Certificate of Membership in National YMCA	Apr. 30, 1924
	38	Chronological Events of Springfield and the YMCA	1751-1981
	39	Print - Springfield YMCA 65/400 Artist: Thomas H. Harwood	1939

The following Time Capsule items are located in the oversize map cases, location 26 as follows:

<u>Loc</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
26	10	Springfield News-Sun Photos and article about Senior Hi-Y Dance	Mar. 31, 1940
		Springfield Daily News Article: "Mrs. McGilvray Leaves YMCA \$285,000"	Dec. 6, 1935
		Springfield News-Sun Photos and articles on new Y building	Oct. 8, 1939
		The Daily Morning Sun The Daily Press	Sept. 3, 1900 Sept. 3, 1900
		Springfield News-Sun Happy Birthday to the YMCA of America, 100 Years Young	Nov. 11, 1951
		Springfield News-Sun Exterior work on new Y nearing completion	Apr. 16, 1939
		Springfield Daily Democrat Springfield Daily Gazette Springfield Republic Times The National New Era	Sept. 1, 1900 Sept. 1, 1900 Sept. 1, 1900 Aug. 24, 1900
		"Working for Youth" article John L. Dorst featured	Ca 1931-1932
		Springfield Daily News "McGilvray Apartments Given to YMCA"	Sept. 30, 1925
		Springfield News-Sun "New YMCA Building is of Conventional Italian Design"	Oct. 8, 1939
		Springfield News-Sun "New Y Building is Planned on Center Street"	Aug. 25, 1946
		Springfield News-Sun "Dedication Sunday Will Open Activities at New Center Street Y"	June 25, 1950

SERIES V: SCRAPBOOKS - NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

<u>Box</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
34	1	Loose Clippings	1934-1951
	2	Loose Clippings	1938-1971
	3	Scrapbook	1939, 1944- 1955
	4	Scrapbook	1945
	5	Scrapbook	1946-1947
	6	Scrapbook	1946-1947
	7	Scrapbook	1948-1949
	8	Scrapbook	1950
	9	Scrapbook	1951
	10	Scrapbook	1953

SERIES VI: LEDGERS**Sub-series A: Membership Records**

<u>Ledger #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
1	Membership Register	1890-1892
2	Membership Register	1894-1895
3	Membership Record	1892-1896
4	Index to Membership Record	1896-1900
5	Members and Transfers	1942-1943
6	Members	1943

Sub-series B: Clubs (Members and Minutes)

<u>Ledger #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
7	Sophomore Hi-Y	1939-1941
8	Sophomore Hi-Y	1943-1944
9	Sophomore Hi-Y	1946-1947
10	Junior Hi-Y	1939-1943
11	Junior Hi-Y	
12	Senior Hi-Y	1927-1933
13	Senior Hi-Y	1939-1943
14	Senior Hi-Y	1942-1943
15	Senior Hi-Y	1943-1946
16	Senior Hi-Y	1946-1947
17	Hi-Y Club	1934-1936
18	Limcresters	1944
19	McGilvray Club	1939-1942
20	Sir George Williams Club	1932-1935
21	Y Anchor Wildcats	1941
22	Y-Keels	1941
23	Y-Eagles	1950
24	V.O.S (Visitation of Sick)	1941-1944
25	Junior Meliorists	1939-1942
26	Junior Meliorists	1942-1943

Sub-series C: Camp Evergreen

<u>Ledger #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
27	Camp Records	1932-1934
28	Camp Evergreen	1937-1941
29	Camp Evergreen	1942-1952

Sub-series D: Miscellaneous

<u>Ledger #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
30	Gifts and Donations	1938-1941
31	Athletics and Sports Records	1939-1957
32	Committee Memorandum	1893-1895
33	Visitors Register	1888-1890
34	"Men of Springfield"	1903-1904
35	Scrapbook/Album	ca. 1880

SERIES VII: BLUEPRINTS

Note: Blueprints are located in oversize map cases, Location 26.

<u>Loc</u>	<u>File</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
26	11	Blueprints of YMCA Building Vernon Vernon Redding, Architect	1899