Akron Crime Clinic Collection Special Collections – Akron Summit County Public Library

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VOLUME: 4 boxes, 1.75 LF

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: The Akron Crime Clinic, patterned after the Cleveland Crime Clinic, was founded in October 1937 by Capt. Tom Johnson of the B&O Railroad. Its membership consists of those employed by or connected with law enforcement, and its purpose is to exchange information about local crime and law enforcement issues and collaborate on current cases. It has since become more of a social organization in nature, but continues to be active with more than 200 members. Its most current newsletters may be found online at http://www.metropolitancrimeclinic.org/InfoShare.html (as of November 16, 2009).

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection consists primarily of bulletins (later called newsletters) and minutes of the meetings of the Akron Crime Clinic, 1937-1977. There are also a few newspaper clippings about the organization 1947-1953; scattered membership roster booklets 1959-1968; scattered documents 1988-1996, and correspondence, membership applications, and miscellaneous documents from various years. The collection also includes narrative histories of the Akron Crime Clinic written for the 1000th meeting in 1993.

ARRANGEMENT: The collection is organized into four boxes with documents in roughly chronological order.

INVENTORY:

Box 1: 1937-1953

Folder 1: Temporary officers elected 15 October 1937, list of charter members and their membership applications (some missing); articles of incorporation (date adopted unknown; amendments made 1953-1955)

Folders 2-4: Bulletins and meeting minutes 1937-1942 (1939 missing)

Folder 5: Photograph of "Crime Busters" youth baseball team, 12 July 1943

Folders 6-9: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1943-1946

Folder 10: Newspaper clippings, 1947-1953

Folder 11: Bulletins, meeting minutes, tenth anniversary program, 1947

Folders 12-14: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1948-1950

Folder 15: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1951; membership roster booklet, 1951

Folders 16-17: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1952-1953

Box 2: 1954-1963

Folders 1-4: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1954-1957

Folder 5: List of past presidents, correspondence, misc. documents 1957

Folders 6-7: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1958-1959

Folder 8: Membership applications, 1959

Folder 9: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1960

Folder 10: Membership applications and correspondence, 1960; membership roster booklet 1960-1961

Folders 11-16: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications, rosters, correspondence, misc. documents, 1961-1963

Box 3: 1964-1972

Folder 1: Bulletins, meeting minutes, list of officers and account statement, 1964

Folder 2: Bulletins, meeting minutes, misc. documents 1965; membership roster booklet 1965-1966

Folder 3: Bulletins and meeting minutes, 1966

Folder 4: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications and correspondence, 1967; membership roster booklet, 1967-1968

Folder 5: Bulletins, meeting minutes, and membership applications, 1968; membership roster booklet, 1968-1969

Folder 6: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications, correspondence, 1969 Folders 7-8: Bulletins, meeting minutes, dues records, membership applications, and correspondence, 1970

Folders 9-10: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications, correspondence, 1971; membership roster booklet, 1971-1972

Folder 11: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications, correspondence, 1972

Box 4: 1973-1996

Folder 1: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications, correspondence, 1973 Folder 2: Bulletins, meeting minutes, membership applications, correspondence, 1974 Folders 3-4: Newsletters, meeting minutes, membership applications, dues records, correspondence, 1975

Folder 5: Newsletters, meeting minutes, membership applications, correspondence, 1976

Folder 6: Minutes and dues records, 1977

Folder 7: Newsletters, meeting agendas, correspondence and ballots (scattered), 1987-1991

Folder 8: Newsletter for 1000th meeting 11 February 1993, typed and handwritten histories, list of past presidents to 1992

Folder 9: Newsletters (scattered), 1994-1996; handwritten summary of events 1937-1966