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## Finding Aid - Guelph Harmony Club fonds (F52)

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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Guelph Public Library Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Guelph Harmony Club fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	F52
<b>Date:</b>	1943-2005 (creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	40 cm of textual records 73 photographs: col 7 photographs: b&w

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

The Harmony club was established in 1943 and functioned as a dance club with styles ranging from waltzes, fox trots and square dances. Early organizers included James Richmond and Mac Ferguson with Ed Young serving as first chairperson in 1947. The first dances occurred at the Sons of England Hall near St. George's Square. Eventually the club moved to Old Fellows Hall and Orange Hall on Albert Street and Waterloo Avenue respectively. The club's final activities were held at Eden Mills Community Hall. In addition to dances, the club participated in organizing showers, gatherings to celebrate weddings, birthdays, picnics, euchres and even baseball games. Membership fees were charged to attend the dances often to help pay for the live bands and to raise money for various charities the club donated to. Membership consisted largely of Guelphites, but over time it grew to include interested individuals from Fergus, Cambridge and Hamilton. In the beginning the club held a membership of about 75 persons. At one point membership reached about 200.

Unfortunately the club was unable to maintain its membership and disbanded in 2005.

### Custodial history

Prior to their transfer to Guelph Public Library, the Guelph Harmony Club had unbroken custody of these records.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of minutes, financial records, photographs, and ephemera created or accumulated by the Guelph Harmony Club.

## Notes

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### Arrangement

Loose photographs in this fonds have been physically removed from the files for conservation reasons. Other photographs attached to the records in this fonds remain there.

### Conditions governing use

Donor-held copyright in these records has been transferred to the Guelph Public Library. Permission of the Guelph Public Library is required for publication.

### Finding aids

To access these records, consult file list F52 to identify specific files for viewing. Order box 1 and 2, Guelph Harmony Club fonds, from the Guelph Public Library Archivist. A listing is available for the majority of photographs in this fonds. To view this listing please speak with the Guelph Public Library Archivist. Please note, not all photographs have been digitized.

### Accruals

No further accruals of records are expected.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** published

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## Collection holdings

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### Item: F52-F52-0-0-0-0-77 - Club Officers

Title: Club Officers

Reference code: F52-F52-0-0-0-0-77

Date: 1965 (date of creation)

Scope and content: This picture shows officers of the Guelph Harmony Club. From left, Ed and Emma Cox, Austin and Betty McCann, Harvey and Marj Saunder, Harry and Gladys Nuttley and Dave and Grace Rossell.

Physical description: 1 photograph : b&w

Arrangement: D-8-46

Publication status:

published

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**Item: F52-F52-0-0-0-0-79 - Annual Banquet held Co-op Hall Guelph**

Title: Annual Banquet held Co-op Hall Guelph

Reference code: F52-F52-0-0-0-0-79

Date: [1965?] (date of creation)

Scope and content: This picture shows members of the Guelph Harmony Club at their annual banquet.

Physical description: 1 photograph : b&w

Arrangement: E-2-349

Publication status:

published

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