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## Finding Aid - Doctor's Club records (IC 031)

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# Doctor's Club records

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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	McGovern Historical Center, Texas Medical Center Library
<b>Title:</b>	Doctor's Club records
<b>ID:</b>	IC 031
<b>TARO [alternative]:</b>	00048
<b>Date:</b>	1954-2005 (date of creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	8 cubic feet (4 boxes including 2 oversized boxes and 14 artifacts)
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Language:</b>	Latin
<b>Dates of creation, revision and deletion:</b>	May 16, 2018

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

The Doctor's Club began in 1954 as a social club for doctors and dentists and their families at The Texas Medical Center in Houston, Texas. The Doctor's Club also hosted medical lectures and various medical groups. The Doctor's Club closed in 2005.

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## Scope and content

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The Doctor's Club records (IC 031) is 8 cubic feet and consists of 2 documents boxes and 2 oversize boxes and 14 artifacts. It contains a club profile, brochures, correspondence, programs and newsletters (Memos) from the years 1954 to 2002. In addition, the collection includes several past presidents' and club members' photographs, a photograph scrapbook and several sculptures by Robert Portus, a metal fabricator and artist from Grants Pass, OR (ObitTree. Found at <https://obitree.com/obituary/us/oregon/grants-pass/stephens-family-chapel/robert-portus/628923> [Accessed May 3, 2018]). The materials are in good condition. One sculpture has minor damage.

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Immediate source of acquisition

The Doctor's Club began donating its papers in 1984 and continued donating materials through its closure in 2005.

### Restrictions on access

Unrestricted. Material is open for research.

### Conditions governing use

Permission to publish from this material must be facilitated through the repository, McGovern Historical Center.

### Related material

MS 036 John Roberts Phillips, MD and Rebecca Jane Hall Phillips, RN papers  
MS 098 John T. Armstrong, MD papers  
MS 103 Don W. Chapman, MD papers  
MS 055 Claude Cody III, MD papers  
MS 082 Elwin L. Sheton Jr., MD papers

### Accruals

No accruals are expected for this collection.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

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## Access points

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- Cody, Claude C. III (subject)
- Portus, Portus (subject)
- Correspondence (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Newsletters (documentary form)
- Scrapbook (documentary form)
- Portraits (documentary form)
- Sculptures (documentary form)

- Medical Clubs (subject)
- Social Clubs (subject)
- Houston (Texas) (place)
- Texas Medical Center (place)

## Series descriptions

### Series IC031-S1 : Series I: Newsletters,

Date: 1975-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains the Doctor's Club newsletter titled Memos that document events and people of the Doctor's Club.

Publication status:

Published

#### File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
gi203693435	File - Memos, 1975-1979	1975 - 1979		1 1
gi203693436	File - Memos, 1980-1984	1980 - 1984		1 2
gi203693437	File - Memos, 1985	1985 - ?		1 3
gi203693438	File - Memos, 1986	1986 - ?		1 4
gi203693439	File - Memos, 1987	1987 - ?		1 5
gi203693440	File - Memos, 1988	1988 - ?		1 6
gi203693441	File - Memos, 1989	1989 - ?		1 7
gi203693442	File - Memos, 1990	1990 - ?		1 8
gi203693443	File - Memos, 1991	1991 - ?		1 9
gi203693444	File - Memos, 1992	1992 - ?		1 10
gi203693445	File - Memos, 1993	1993 - ?		1 11
gi203693446	File - Memos, 1994	1994 - ?		1 12
gi203693447	File - Memos, 1995	1995 - ?		2 1
gi203693448	File - Memos, 1996	1996 - ?		2 2
gi203693449	File - Memos, 1997	1997 - ?		2 3
gi203693450	File - Memos, 1998	1998 - ?		2 4
gi203693451	File - Memos, 2001	2001 - ?		2 5
gi203693452	File - Memos, 2002	2002 - ?		2 6

### Series IC031-S2 : Series II: Organizational Records,

Date: 1954-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains the brochures, menus, correspondence and photographs that document the history, activities and members of the Doctor's Club.

Publication status:

Published

**File / item list**

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
gi203693453	File - Programs, 1958	1958 - ?		2 7
gi203693454	File - Brochures, 1954-2002	1954 - 2002		2 8
gi203693455	File - Menus, 1954-2002	1954 - 2002		2 9
gi203693456	File - Announcements, 1969-1973	1969 - 1973		2 10
gi203693457	File - Membership Brochures, 1970-2000	1979 - 2000		2 11
gi203693458	File - Board of Governance Correspondence, 1995	1995 - ?		2 12
P-3700	File - P-3700 Alfred Charles Beck, 1950-1959	1950 - 1959		2 13
P-3701	File - P-3701 Robert Gordan Douglas, 1950-1959	1950 - 1959		2 14
P-3702	File - P-3702 Arthur Hertzig, 1950-1959	1950 - 1959		2 15
P-3703	File - P-3703 C.H.G. Macafee, 1950-1959	1944 - 1999		2 16
P-3704	File - P-3704 J.P. Greenhill, 1950-1959	1944 - 1999		2 17

**Series IC031-S3 : Series III: Oversize Materials,**

Date: 1954-2005 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains a scrapbook, photographs, and medical realia related to the Doctor's Club.

Publication status:

Published

**File / item list**

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
gi203693459	File - Scrapbook. Truman G. Blocker, Jr.			OV 092
gi203693460	File - Photographs of Club Presidents and Members			OV 064
GAF-0078	File - Illustration by H. Grant Taylor M.D.			GAF GAF-078
GAF-0221	File - Electric Device			GAF GAF-221
GAF-0267	File - Encased Human Skull (teaching tool)			GAF GAF-267

**Series IC031-S4 : Series IV: Sculptures by Robert Portus,**

Date: circa 1960s-1970s (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains the sculptures by Robert Portus. Originally from Los Angeles (Born: 1925), Robert Portus was a metal fabricator and artist producing metal sculptures in the San Francisco Bay Area in the 1960s and 1970s. He later moved to Grants Pass, Oregon where he died in 2009. (ObitTree. Found at <https://obitree.com/obituary/us/oregon/grants-pass/stephens-family-chapel/robert-portus/628923> [Accessed May 3, 2018]).

Publication status:

Published

**File / item list**

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
GAF-0256	File - Dermatology Exam Sculpture			GAF GAF-256
GAF-0257	File - Ear Exam Sculpture			GAF GAF-257
GAF-0258	File - Psychiatric Exam Sculpture			GAF GAF-258
GAF-0259	File - Pediatric Exam Sculpture			GAF GAF-259
GAF-0260	File - X Ray Exam Sculpture			GAF GAF-260
GAF-0261	File - Surgery Sculpture			GAF GAF-261
GAF-0262	File - Internal Medicine			GAF GAF-262
GAF-0263	File - Plastic Surgery			GAF GAF-263
GAF-0264	File - Mouth Exam			GAF GAF-264
GAF-0265	File - Air Pump with Exam			GAF GAF-265
GAF-0266	File - Autopsy/Forensics			GAF GAF-266