

L'Ordre du Radis Manifique fonds

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Fonds Description

L'Ordre du Radis Manifique fonds. – 1960-1977.

5 cm. of textual records.

10 photographic prints.

Administrative History

The L'Ordre du Radis Manifique or Magnificent Order of the Radishes began at the University of British Columbia in 1960 apparently arising out of an initial interest in establishing a wine tasting club. The Order operated as very much a gentleman's club and its membership included men from faculty and the University administration. The primary instigators for the formation of the Order were Stephen Jennings, Malcolm McGregor and Ron Jeffels. Over time participation in the Order grew based on invitations approved by its membership. The group generally met twice each academic term at the Faculty Club to enjoy collegiality, good food and drink, and socialize. Throughout its existence the Order included only men and according to John Chapman the issue of female membership never arose. The Order continued to meet into the mid-1970s by which time many of the original members had left the University.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of signed menus and meeting notices (1960-1972), membership lists (1961-1970), correspondence (1961-1977), undated poems written by Roy Daniells about Radish members and miscellaneous documents.

Notes

File list available.

Title based on the contents of the fonds.

Records donated to the UBC Archives January 12, 2011 by John Chapman who received them from the estate of James Banham.

File List

Box 1

- 1-1 Menus/Meeting Notices (1960-1972)
- 1-2 Membership Lists (1961-1970)
- 1-3 Correspondence (1961-1977) – Includes invitations to new Radish members
- 1-4 Undated poems written by Roy Daniells for and about Radish members
- 1-5 Copies of Radish letterhead created using a caricature of Stephen Jennings and first used in 1961
- 1-5 Miscellaneous documents

[Photographs](#) (UBC Historical Photographs)

10 prints from dinner ca. 1962