

Overview

Title: Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Glee Club collection
Call Number: Coll147
Creator: Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Glee Club
Dates: 1922-1966
Size: 4 boxes (4.75 linear feet)
Language: English
Abstract: Contains 134 black-and-white photographs from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Glee Club. Photos depict group portraits and other photos of the Glee Club at various events. Also included are song books and newspaper clippings.
Citation: Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Glee Club collection, Collection 147, Special Collections, University of Maryland, Baltimore County (Baltimore, MD).

Administrative/Biographical Note

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Glee club was founded in October 1914 by Baltimore-area employees of the railroad with their stated purpose being "to stimulate interest in good music, to provide healthful and cultural recreation for the members and their friends, and to promote sociability and good fellowship." Working under conductor Hobart Smock, the club grew quickly, and by April 1915 had around 50 members representing over 20 departments within the railroad. The Glee Club performed at professional and social events and put on winter and spring concerts each year. The club eventually added some non-employee members, recorded at least one record for Victor in 1927, and in 1929 began competitive singing, winning first prize in class B at the Associated Glee Clubs of America's triennial competition. The club had a long history and was active until at least the early 1970s.

Provenance Information

Provenance and Acquisition Information

Received in 1981. Accessions: P81-08.

Processing Note

Collection is unprocessed. In 2015, the collection was rehoused and the folder list was created by student assistant Flora Kirk under the supervision of Special Collections Librarian Susan Graham.

Descriptive Rules Used

Describing Archives: a Content Standard (DACS)

[Archives Processing Manual: Description \(2015\)](#): The processing manual used in Special Collections for all descriptive platforms, including PastPerfect.

Access & Use

Finding Aids

Folder list available.

Finding Aid: <http://library.umbc.edu/speccoll/findingaids/coll147.php>

Access Conditions

No restrictions.

Conditions Governing Reproductions and Use

Reproductions allowed for research purposes.

Subject Headings

Creators

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Glee Club

Subjects

Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company -- Photographs

Glee clubs -- Photographs

black-and-white photographs

gelatin silver prints

Series Description & Container List

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Folder Title/Description	Date	Box #	Folder #	Additional Info.
8x10 b/w prints from Album 1 (1941), (1) award, (1) certificate, (1) Stamp		1	1	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 2 (1950-51)		1	2	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 2 (1950-51), (1) certificate		1	3	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 3 (1958), 2 group portraits (1935), magazine clipping (April 1955), group portrait (1966),		1	4	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 3, group portrait (1959), flyer		1	5	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 4, 5x7 Type C print, newspaper clipping		1	6	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 4		1	7	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 5		1	8	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 5, newspaper clipping		1	9	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 5, sales report (1922), newspaper article		1	10	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 6		1	11	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 6		1	12	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 7		1	13	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 7		1	14	Description
8x10 b/w prints from Album 7		1	15	Description
Various photos		2	0	Description

