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Parmly Hearing Institute Records

Dates: 1938-2001 (bulk 1942-1967)

Creator: Parmly Hearing Institute (1942-)

Extent: 4.75 linear feet

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Administration Information

Restrictions: Personnel files and raw research data are closed.

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Citation: Loyola University Chicago Archives and Special Collections. Parmly hearing Institute records, 1942-2001. Box #, folder #.

Provenance: Transferred by Dr. William Yost, Director of Parmly Institute, 1980.

Separations: Catalogs on electronic & auditory devices were separated and disposed of.

See Also: Psychology Department records

Administrative History

Originally established as the Parmly Foundation for research in hearing in October 1942 at the Illinois Institute of Technology through a trust fund created by Samuel P. Parmly, Jr., a Chicago businessman, the Parmly Hearing Institute seeks to solve problems in hearing through research. From its inception, Parmly regarded hearing difficulties as a bio-physics problem and concentrated its work on the physics of hearing. In 1957, the foundation received a grant from the National Institutes of Health and began a study of the psychological factors in hearing loss. By 1959 Parmly research revolved around three aspects: Physics, Psychology, and Physiology. The expansion of research to areas other than physics led to the dissolution of the Parmly Trust at IIT and the affiliation of the Institute with Loyola University in 1960. Parmly has had six directors since its inception: Peter J. Mills (1943-1966); A. J. Derbyshire (1960-1963); Horacio J.A. Rimoldi (1969-1970); Terrence Dolan (1970-1977); William A. Yost (1977-2001); and Richard R. Fay (2001-present). In 1959 the scientific personnel at Parmly formed a non-profit corporation and changed the name from the Parmly Foundation to the Parmly Hearing Institute.

Scope and Content

The Parmly Hearing Institute records span the years 1942 to 2001 and include correspondence, reports, by-laws, histories, papers, account books, notes, and photographs. Arrangement is chronological.

Series

The Parmly Hearing Institute records are contained in eleven series:

Series 1: History, 1944-1956, n.d., Box 1

Consists of information relating to the Parmly Foundation at the Illinois Institute of Technology including papers; visitor's log; newsletter; and directories.

Series 2: Governance, 1949, 1990, n.d., Box 1

Consists of information about Parmly's governance structure including a draft affiliation agreement with Loyola University and Catholic Charities and by-laws.

Series 3: Parmly Institute Reports, 1943-1999, Boxes 1-2

Includes annual and monthly reports as well as a quarterly report from the Parmly Foundation.

Series 4: Correspondence, 1938, 1943-1971, Boxes 3-4

Correspondence is divided into the following two subseries:

4A: General, 1943-1977

Includes correspondence regarding requests for reprints; information on supplies and equipment; interoffice memos; and general communications with IIT offices.

4B: Directors, 1938-1976

Includes correspondence from the Peter Mills directorship and the Terrence Dolan and Hector Rimoldi directorships.

Series 5: Parmly Staff Meetings, 1960-1963, Box 4

Includes minutes and summaries of staff meetings.

Series 6: Financial Information, 1947, 1952-1964, Boxes 4-5

Includes reports, correspondence, account books, and tax returns.

Series 7: Directors and Staff, 1941-1970, Boxes 5-6

7A: Directors, 1941-1970

Contains curriculum vitae, obituaries, papers, expense reports, notes, and personal correspondence of directors including Peter Mills, Hector Rimoldi, and Terrence Dolan.

7B: Staff, 1949, 1962-1968

Contains correspondence, notes, and curriculum vitae of staff members Jane Farely and Frank Norcus.

Series 8: Research, 1947-1985, Boxes 7-8

Includes articles, papers, notes, correspondence, and diagrams.

Series 9: Publicity, 1942-2001, Box 8

Includes articles, flyers, and brochures on Parmly research and programs.

Series 10: Photographs, 1946-1960s, Box 8

Includes black and white photographs of the construction of the anechoic chamber, Parmly staff, and research subjects.

Series 11: Restricted, 1945-1967, Boxes 9-10

Includes raw data on research subjects and staff personnel files.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Series 1: History			
1	1	Mills, Peter J. "Construction and Design of Parmly Sound Laboratory and Anechoic Chamber"	1947
1	2	Visitors to the Institute	1944-1950
1	3	Questionnaire for Research Centers Directory	n.d.
1	4	<u>The Frontier</u> published by Armour Research Foundation	1944-1946, 1948
1	5	<u>The Amplifier</u>	1945-1947
1	6	Illinois Institute of Technology Campus Newsletters	1945-1947
1	7	Technology Center Directories	1947-1948
1	8	Technology Center Directories	1951-1956
Series 2: Governance			
1	9	Proposed Affiliation: Parmly-Loyola-Catholic Charities	Ca. 1959
1	10	Parmly Hearing Institute By-Laws	n.d.
1	11	Parmly Hearing Institute Advisory Committee	1990
Series 3: Parmly Institute Reports			
1	12	Annual Reports	1943-1947, 1950
1	13	Annual Reports	1957, n.d.
1	14	Annual Reports	1961-1964, 1968
1	15	Annual Reports	1970-1979
2	1	Annual Reports	1980-1982
2	2	Annual Reports	1983-1986
2	3	Annual Reports	1987-1989
2	4	Annual Reports	1990-1992
2	5	Annual Reports	1993-1995
2	6	Annual Reports	1996-1999
2	7	Parmly Foundation Quarterly Report	1959
2	8	Monthly Reports	1960-1962
Series 4: Correspondence			
3	1	Interoffice Memos Directly Involving Parmly	1943, 1958-1959, 1961
3	2	Correspondence with Vincent J. Salmon	1947-1948
3	3	Correspondence with I.I.T. Vice-President and Treasurer, R.J. Spaith	1948-1950, 1955-1957, 1959
3	4	Materials on Loan	1948
3	5	Correspondence with the Central Institute for the Deaf	1948-1950
3	6	Position Announcement	1951-1952
3	7	Interoffice Communication	1960-1966
3	8	Information on Equipment & Supplies Used by the Institute	1961

3	9	Requests for Reprints of Parmly Reports and Articles	1961
3	10	Requests for Reprints of Parmly Reports and Articles	1962-1963
3	11	Reprint Requests for Parmly Reports and Articles	1965-1966
3	12	Requests for Reprints of Parmly Reports	1965-1966, 1968
3	13	Interoffice Communication	1974-1977
3	14	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from Peter Mills Directorship	1938, 1942
3	15	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1943
3	16	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1944
3	17	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1945
3	18	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1946
3	19	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1947-1949
4	1	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1950-1953, 1955-1960
4	2	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1961-1962
4	3	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Peter Mills Directorship	1963-1966
4	4	Parmly Hearing Institute General Correspondence from the Terrence Dolan & H.J. Rimoldi Directorships	1967-1968, 1976

Series 5: Parmly Staff Meetings

4	5	Civil Defense & Nuclear Attack Precautions	1960-1962
4	6	Parmly Staff Meetings	1963

Series 6: Financial Information

4	7	Information on Rental of Institute Laboratory	1947
4	8	Parmly Hearing Institute Finances	1959-1960
4	9	Parmly Hearing Institute Finances	1961-1963
4	10	Tax Returns Information	1963
4	11	Parmly Hearing Institute Insurance Policies	1960-1962
4	12	Information on Parmly Trusts	1952-1956
5	1	Correspondence with Continental Illinois National Bank	1952-1960
5	2	Travel Expense Information	1957-1963
5	3	Binder: Parmly Hearing Institute Account Book	1962-1963
5	4	Account Book	1963-1964

Series 7: Directors and Staff

7A: Directors

5	5	Peter Mills: Biographical Information	1962, 1964, 1970
5	6	Peter Mills: Correspondence with War Manpower	1942

		Commission	
5	7	Peter Mills: Correspondence with Mt. Hope Cemetery Association	1941-1959
5	8	Peter Mills: Personal Correspondence	1943-1944
5	9	Peter Mills: Personal Correspondence	1945-1947
5	10	Peter Mills: Personal Correspondence	1949-1956
6	1	Peter Mills: Personal Correspondence	1962-1965
6	2	Peter Mills: Personal Correspondence	1965-1967
6	3	Peter Mills: Expense Account Papers	1943-1945, 1958, 1964
6	4	Peter Mills: Invoices	1943-1954
6	5	Notes on Wedges by Peter Mills	1940, 1944-1945
6	6	Notes on Hearing Aids by Peter Mills	1946, 1953
6	7	Notes and Correspondence on Transistors by Peter Mills	1952
6	8	Dr. Rimoldi: Biographical Information	1967-1969
6	9	Dr. Rimoldi: Personal Correspondence	1967-1971
6	10	Terrence Dolan: Biographical Information	1967, 1970

7B: Staff

6	11	Jane Farely's Personal Papers	1962-1965
6	12	Frank Norcus' Notebook	1949
6	13	Information on Frank Norcus' Career	1967
6	14	Information on Frank Norcus' Career as a Chicago Realtor	1968

Series 8: Research

7	1	Parmly Hearing Institute publications	1947
7	2	Parmly Research Publications	1960, 1964, 1967, 1975
7	3	Parmly Hearing Institute Publications	1985
7	4	Parmly Hearing Institute Research Reports	1948-1949
7	5	Parmly Hearing Institute Research Reports	1949
7	6	Parmly Hearing Institute Research Reports	1962
7	7	Parmly Hearing Institute Research Reports	1962
7	8	Parmly Hearing Institute Research Reports	n.d.
7	9	Information Dealing with Harvard Report on Anechoic Chambers	1948
7	10	Inventory of Supplies & Equipment	1943-1953, 1961
7	11	Information on Constructional Threshold of Anechoic Chamber at Parmly	1948
7	12	Dr. Beranke's Sound Cell Information	1943-1945
7	13	Information on Earphones	1945, 1948-1949
7	14	Information on Decibel Meters	1945, 1947
7	15	"A Report of Progress on 20 Years Research in Otosclerosis..."	Ca. 1946
7	16	Dolkhart, R.E. "Research"	1947
7	17	Auditory Research Information	1948

7	18	Threshold Articles	1948
7	19	Information on Parmly Model for Geiger Counter	1949
7	20	Information on Clickless Switching	1949
7	21	Information on Group Audiometry-Audiometer	1949
8	1	Information on threshold Project	1949
8	2	Information on Probe Tube Curves	1950
8	3	Information on 6SJ7-616 Amplifiers with feedback	1951
8	4	Instruction Books & Related Information	1944, n.d.
8	5	Miscellaneous Papers	n.d.
8	6	Miscellaneous Circuitry Diagrams	n.d.
8	7	Miscellaneous Circuit Diagrams	n.d.
8	8	Information on Institute Projects	n.d.

Series 9: Publicity

8	9	Parmly Publicity	1942, 1958-1963, 1980
8	10	Parmly Hearing Institute: General, Flyers, etc.	1978, 1980, 1991-2001
8	11	Parmly Hearing Institute: Neuroscience Minor (interdisciplinary)	1997-1998

Series 10: Photographs

8	12	Anechoic Chamber Construction	1946-1947
8	13	Parmly Team & Subjects	1962
8	14	Parmly Subjects	Ca. 1950s-1960s
8	15	Surgery	n.d.
8	16	Parmly Team	n.d.
8	17	Subjects	n.d.

Series 11: Restricted

9	1	Audiometric Test Results on Parmly Patients	1945-1946
9	2	Audiograms Done on Patients	1948-1958
9	3	Parmly Institute Threshold Diagrams	1949-1950
9	4	Inactive Personnel	n.d.
9	5	Information on Student Help	1959-1961
9	6	Personnel: Geraldine Bruchauser	1963
9	7	Personnel: Richard L. Carter	1958
9	8	Personnel: A.J. Derbyshire	1958-1963
9	9	Personnel: Periyaptna S. Dhruvarajan	1958-1963
9	10	Personnel: Peter Economou	1960-1961
9	11	Personnel: Jane Farley	1961, n.d.
9	12	Personnel: Uwe Gunnensen	1962-1963
9	13	Personnel: Robert W. Hendrickson	1958-1959
9	14	Personnel: Jack Horner	1963
9	15	Personnel: Therese Kidder	1961-1962
9	16	Personnel: Phillip Lippe	1961-1963
9	17	Personnel: Glenn R. Oppfelt	1961-1962

9	18	Personnel: Gary Powe	1962-1963
9	19	Personnel: Mary Thomas, R.C. Takeuchi, Wilson Tanner & James Thompson	1960-1963
9	20	Personnel: Richard Wray	1959-1961
10	1	Personnel Summary: Sentence Completions	1957-1963
10	2	Personnel Summary: Conrad Curtis	1958
10	3	Personnel Summary: Warren I. Hastings	1966-1967
10	4	Personnel Summary: Edna Kay	1965-1967
10	5	Personnel Summary: Sarajane Levey	1963
10	6	Personnel Summary: Roberta Lindberg	1960
10	7	Personnel Summary: Mary Shiras	1961
10	8	Personnel Summary: Joan A. Slater	1960-1961
10	9	Personnel Summary: Ferrel G. Stremmer	1958
10	10	Personnel Summary: Ruth Strickard	1963