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Title: Records of The Stones River Academy of Medicine

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Date: 1915-2001

Extent: From the collection: 3.75 Linear feet (This collection is contained in 8 full Hollinger boxes (15.25" x 5" x 10.25"), 2 half Hollinger boxes (15.25" x 2.5" x 10.25").

- Material Type: The collection includes papers and documents.

Name of Creator: Stones River Academy of Medicine

Administrative History: The Stones River Academy of Medicine is a professional society for medical doctors based in Rutherford County, Tennessee. Since its founding, the organization has been governed by a constitution and bylaws. The Academy's members meet regularly to discuss medical issues, plan community outreach initiatives, hold gatherings, and address challenges facing the local medical community.

Scope and Content: The Stones River Academy of Medicine was likely founded between the 1910s and 1930s. Although a 1919 membership dues receipt and a letter of recommendation to join the Rutherford County Medical Society indicate activity during that decade, it was a 1920s version of the constitution that formally established the organization's name as the "Stones River Academy of Medicine." The name later was updated to "The Rutherford County and Stones River Academy of Medicine" in a 1962 version of the Constitution. The materials in this collection, housed at the Albert Gore Research Center, represent the majority of the Academy's historical records, donated in 2008 by President David Beaird. The collection includes founding documents, meeting minutes, correspondence, administrative records, and membership information. It also includes the operations of the Tennessee Medical Association (TMA), particularly its interaction with its component societies such as St. Louis, Obion County Medical Society and the Middle Tennessee Medical Association. The record outlines the TMA's formal positions through statements of policy that were voted on by the House of Delegates. They also detail issues concerning ethics and professional behavior and significant amount of communication requesting information from the Stones River Academy of Medicine. Additionally, the records cover planning for awards and programs. The Academy began recording meeting minutes in 1926. Topics discussed included public health issues such as outbreaks of gonorrhea and rabies, new diagnostic tests, treatment methods for infectious diseases, medical insurance policy and membership

System of Arrangement:
The collection is organized into five series, further divided into subseries, and arranged alphabetically by year:

Founding Documents Series

- Contains constitutions and bylaws governing the Rutherford County Medical Society and the Tennessee State Medical Association.
- Subseries: Tennessee Medical Association Constitution and Bylaws
  - Includes revised constitutions and bylaws of the Tennessee State Medical Association.

Administrative

- Contains financial records, response to misconduct, lists of deceased members, awards recognition and Tennessee Medical Foundation.
- Subseries: Tennessee Medical Association
  - Includes T.M.A House of Delegates, TennCare Reform Plan, Policy of the Tennessee Medical Association, T.M.A component societies, American Medical Association, Legislation, and Membership

Meeting Minutes Series

- Includes meeting minutes, program documents, president's records, public outreach materials meeting plans, summer mentoring program records, and attendance logs.
- Subseries:
  - Tennessee Medical Association Awards
  - Tennessee Medical Association annual reports

Correspondence Series

- Primarily consists of correspondence related to meeting planning and general correspondence related to the medical association.
- Subseries:
  - Sympathy letters
  - Tennessee Medical Association IMPACT and Department of TIRS correspondence

Membership Series

- Includes application forms, recruitment materials, transfer and termination records, membership rosters, dues records, delinquency notices, payment records, member mailings, and meeting announcements.

Conditions Governing Access: None

Language and Scripts of the Material: English

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Acquisition: The records were transferred to the Albert Gore Research Center in April 2008.

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Inventory

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9	4	Correspondence	Sympathy Letters	Letters of acknowledging the medical society's sympathy on the members bereavement, 1932-1947
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