

Pi Beta Phi Akron Alumnae Club
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ACQUISITION: Donated by the Pi Bet Phi Akron Alumnae Club, November 14, 2011

ACCESS: Restricted access; materials fragile; access by request at Akron-Summit County Public Library's Main Library Special Collections Division only.

VOLUME: One record box; 7 scrapbooks ; 9 ledger books, 7 linear ft.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: The Pi Beta Phi Akron Alumnae Club was founded in 1917 as a philanthropic fraternal organization affiliated with Pi Beta Phi Fraternity. Pi Beta Phi Fraternity was founded at Monmouth College in Monmouth, Illinois in 1967, one of the first of seven founding members of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), an umbrella organization for 26 inter/national women's fraternities and sororities. Pi Beta Phi was the first organization to form an alumnae department in 1893, the first to organize a national philanthropic project in 1910 and the first to establish an alumnae advisory committee for each chapter in 1913. The stated purpose of the Akron Alumnae Club is to *further the friendship of members of Pi Beta Phi; to strengthen the international organization; and to aid in the maintenance of Arrowmont and other Pi Beta Phi philanthropies*. The chapter has ceased operation.

HISTORY OF THE COLLECTION: Materials maintained by club members and officers.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: Historical records of the club. Includes minute books, treasurer's reports, scrapbooks, membership directories, material about events, national convention attendance reports, constitution and by-laws.

ARRANGEMENT: Twelve series arranged by record type.

INVENTORY:

SERIES 1: Scrapbooks

DESCRIPTIVE NOTE: Scrapbooks include news clippings about club events and members.

1942-1949
1950-1960
1960-1970
1968-1995
1970-1977
1977-1981
2006

SERIES 2: Minute Books

1918-1929
1930-1949
1949-1955
1962-1972

SERIES 3: Treasurer's Books

1925-1936
1935-1945
1945-1948
1948-1952

BOX 1

SERIES 4: Membership Directories

Folder 1: 1940-1974
Folder 2: 1975-1984
Folder 3: 1985-2007

SERIES 6: History

Folder 5

SERIES 7: Constitution and By-laws

Folder 6

SERIES 8: Convention Documents

DESCRIPTIVE NOTE: Includes planning documents, correspondence, and reports pertaining to the club's participation in the national Pi Bet Phi conventions.

Folder 7: 1951, 1952, 1954, 1961, 1962, 1966, 1967, 1969, 1971
Folder 8: 1973, 1977, 1979

SERIES 9: University of Akron chapter proposal documents

DESCRIPTIVE NOTE: Includes correspondence pertaining to the potential establishment of A Pi Beta Phi chapter at the University of Akron.

Folder 9

SERIES 10: Events, Programs, and Meetings

DESCRIPTIVE NOTE: Includes miscellaneous documents pertaining to events, programs, and meetings held by the chapter including Founders Day, teas and Champions Are Readers program

Folder 10

SERIES 11: Budgets

Folder 11: 1958-1996

SERIES 12: *The Arrow* national publication (quarterly)

Folder 12: 1960-1976