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## Finding Aid to the Phi Kappa Phi Records, 1949-1996

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### OVERVIEW

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### HISTORY

North Dakota State University's local chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society was organized on May 12, 1913. Two former members of the University of Tennessee chapter, Professors E.S. Reynolds and Minna A. Stoner, assisted in the organization and establishment of the chapter, and Dr. Reynolds acted as the installing officer at the first meeting. There were twenty-three original members.

The purpose of establishing the Phi Kappa Phi chapter was to "provide an honor society dedicated to the Unity and Democracy of Education." The main objectives were to stress the importance of scholarship

and character and to promote academic achievement. As its motto the local chapter adopted the phrase “The love of learning rules the world.”

Regular chapter meetings were held each quarter with officers elected at the regular spring quarter meeting. Membership was divided into resident, non-resident and honorary members. Those elected to be members had to be in the upper fifth of their graduating class. Banquets and convocations were held yearly to honor the newest members of the society. The Phi Kappa Phi chapter is still active at NDSU.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT**

The Phi Kappa Phi records consist of constitutions and by-laws, meeting minutes, correspondence, financial records, membership files, and various subject files.

The [Constitution and Bylaws Series](#) consists of constitution and by laws folder is a national constitution, and several revised copies of the local chapter constitution from 1929, 1958, 1960, 1963, 1971, 1978, and 1981.

The [Meeting Minutes Series](#) covers the period from 1936 to 1992 and appears to be very complete. The meeting minutes between 1987-1992 also include a majority or the Phi Kappa Phi correspondence. The [Correspondence Series](#) is arranged chronologically from 1949 – 1986, 1996. The letters are both incoming and outgoing. The subject matter is largely based on the election of new members into the honor society. Also included, is information concerning upcoming chapter events as well as events on the national level. Some of the correspondence folders contain lists of members for that school year.

The [Subject Files Series](#), which are in alphabetical order, cover many different aspects associated with Phi Kappa Phi. This series includes a letter on the installation of additional chapters,

The [Financial Records Series](#) involves cashbooks as well as receipts of the membership dues and a treasures report. The Cashbooks cover the years from 1940 – 1977, except for the years 1962 to 1970. The Treasurer’s report covers the years from 1960 to 1972. The Initiation fee duplicates are from 1965 to 1972, as well as computer print-offs from receipts due that include the years between 1975 and 1979. There is also a folder that includes receipts from travel expenses as well as receipts for campus activities.

The [Membership Information Series](#) includes joint membership lists (found in Box 2), as well as strictly faculty membership card (1913-1950s) in Box 4, student member cards (1953-1970) in Box 5

### **See Also:**

Phi Kappa Phi. North Dakota Agricultural College Chapter. Records, 1913-1951.

## **BOX AND FOLDER LIST**

### **BOX 1**

1/1 Finding Aid, history, NDSU Chapter installation ceremony - c.1913

#### **Constitution and Bylaws Series**

1/2 National Constitution, 1930,1933, 1937,1952,1955,1960

1/3 National By Laws, 1980,1986,1992

1/4 Constitution and By Laws, NDSU Chapter, 1929 (with 1958 revisions) Amended:  
1960,1963,1971,1978,1981

#### **Meeting Minutes Series**

1/5 1936 – 1943

1/6 1943 – 1949

1/7 1950 – 1963

1/8 1963 – 1970

1/9 1970 – 1973

1/10 1974 – 1976

1/11 1977 – 1983

1/12 1983 – 1986

1/13 1986 – 1990

1/14 1990 – 1992

#### **Correspondence Series (academic year)**

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1/16 1950 /51

1/17 1951 /52

1/18 1952 /53

1/19 1953 /54

1/20 1954 /55

1/21 1955 /56

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1/24 1958 /59

1/25 1959 /60

1/26 1960 /61

1/27 1961 /62

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1/30 1964 /66

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 1/32 1967 /68  
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**BOX 2**

2/1 1982 /83  
 2/2 1983 /84  
 2/3 1984 /85  
 2/4 1985 /86  
 2/5 1986 /87  
 2/6 1996

**Subject Files Series**

2/7 Faculty Nominations, 1950s-1970s  
 2/8 Fargo and NDSU pamphlet, 1980, 1977  
 2/9 Graduate Fellowship Programs, 1970s-1980s  
 2/10 Initiation - proposed revisions - 1946, 1954, 1978, n.d.  
 2/11 Initiation - guide for chapter secretaries - 1987-1988  
 2/12 Initiation Booklets - n.d  
 2/13 Initiation Booklets - n.d.  
 2/14 Installation of new chapters - 10/2/16  
 2/15 Letterhead and blank certificates  
 2/16 National Convention Reports 1949,1962, 1974,1977,1983  
 2/17 National Conference - request to hold 1980 convention at NDSU - 1978  
 2/18 National Handbooks, 1955, 1973  
 2/19 NDSU - nomination of Dr. Archie Solberg for honorary doctorate - 1977  
 2/20 Newspaper clippings  
 2/21 Phi Kappa Phi certificate to Catherine Cosey 4/16/1953  
 2/22 Pursuit of Knowledge contest - 1970-1975  
 2/23 Spring Banquet - photos 1986  
 2/24 Spring Banquet invitations - 1944, 1946-1949

- 2/25 Spring Banquet invitations - 1950-1959
- 2/26 Spring Banquet invitations - 1960-1969
- 2/27 Spring Banquet invitations - 1970-1979
- 2/28 Spring Banquet invitations - 1980-1988
- 2/29 Surveys 1974
- 2/30 Voucher Roster
- 2/31 Charter Member Lists, 1897-1947/48
- 2/32 Membership Book - 1913-1981

### **BOX 3**

#### **Financial Series**

- 3/1 Cashbook, February 1940 – May 1952
- 3/2 Cashbook, October 1952 – May 1961
- 3/3 Cashbook, October 1971 – June 1977
- 3/4 Treasurer's Record - September 1960 – October 1972
- 3/5 Dakota National Bank Account - February 1940 – October 1946
- 3/6 Dakota National Bank account - October 24, 1946-July 7, 1961
- 3/7 NDAC Pass books - October 29, 1952-August 1, 1961
- 3/8 Balance book - January 1, 1980
- 3/9 Balance book - January 14, 1988
- 3/10 State Bank of Fargo - Duplicated deposit tickets - April 1978 – April 1987
- 3/11 Duplicated Money Receipts (initiation fees) - October 1965 – April 1972
- 3/12 Receipt Dues (Computer Prints) - April 10, 1975 – September 2, 1975
- 3/13 Receipts

### **BOX 4**

#### **Faculty Membership Lists**

A list of Phi Kappa Phi Faculty, listed on recipe type cards - Dated from 1913 to the 1970's

### **BOX 5**

#### **Membership Lists**

A box of student membership cards - Dated from 1953 to 1972