

INDIANAPOLIS PATRONESS CLUB OF ZETA CHAPTER, SIGMA ALPHA IOTA, RECORDS, 1944-1994

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USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 2 manuscript boxes, 1 oversized manuscript box

COLLECTION DATES: 1944-1994

PROVENANCE: Indianapolis Patroness Club, Sigma Alpha Iota Fraternity, c/o Lois Cislak, 5331 Kenwood Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46208, 21 May 1997

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

OTHER FINDING AIDS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS: None

ACCESSION NUMBERS: 1997.0517

NOTES:

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Patroness Club of Zeta Chapter, Sigma Alpha Iota, was formed in 1911 to "assist and cooperate with Zeta Chapter and to uphold the National objectives of Sigma Alpha Iota." Sigma Alpha Iota, an international professional music fraternity for women, was formed in Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1903.

The Patroness Club was active in raising funds for scholarships given to music students at Jordan College of Music at Butler University in Indianapolis. Scholarship winners performed at the club's annual scholarship brunch. The club also placed opera scores in the Fine Arts Library of Jordan College in memory of deceased members. Membership was by invitation only. The club disbanded in 1994.

Sources: Material in collection.

Conversation with donor, 18 September 1997

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of the records (1944-1994) of the Patroness Club of Zeta Chapter, Sigma Alpha Iota (SAI). It includes copies of the club's By-laws and standing rules, which were adopted in 1963, and revised in 1971; minutes and reports; SAI songbooks; a guest book (1962-1974); and a scrapbook (1972-1991). Material is arranged by format, then chronologically.

The majority of the records are meeting agendas, minutes, treasurer's reports, and correspondence read at meetings; these materials cover the periods October 1944-May 1952 and January 1960-May 1994. Records from June 1986-May 1994 were kept in a binder labeled "Recording Secretary's Book." They were removed from the binder due to conservation concerns and placed in folders. The order of the material within the binder was maintained, but copies of meeting agendas were interfiled chronologically.

Two copies of *Songs of Sigma Alpha Iota*, revised edition (1958); a guest book kept by the club; and a scrapbook complete the collection. The scrapbook includes newspaper clippings and programs, which mention the Patroness Club and musical events in the Indianapolis area. Items that were not permanently attached in the scrapbook were placed in a folder (box 2, folder 3).

BOX AND FOLDER LISTING

BOX 1: By-Laws and Standing Rules; Club Records, 1944-1994 **FOLDER CONTENTS**

- 1 Sigma Alpha Iota--Articles of Association and By-Laws
- 2 Patroness Club--By-Laws and Standing Rules
- 3 Club Records, Oct. 1944-Aug. 1947
- 4 Club Records, Sept. 1947-May 1949
- 5 Club Records, Oct. 1949-May 1950

- 6 Club Records, Oct. 1950-May 1952
- 7 Club Records, Jan. 1960-July 1960
- 8 Club Records, Sept. 1960-May 1962
- 9 Club Records, Aug. 1962-May 1963
- 10 Club Records, Oct. 1963-July 1964
- 11 Club Records, Oct. 1964-July 1965
- 12 Club Records, Oct. 1965-May 1967
- 13 Club Records, Sept. 1967-May 1970
- 14 Club Records, Oct. 1970-May 1972
- 15 Club Records, Oct. 1972-May 1973
- 16 Club Records, Oct. 1973-July 1974
- 17 Club Records, Oct. 1974-July 1976
- 18 Club Records, Sept. 1976-May 1978
- 19 Club Records, Oct. 1978-May 1979
- 20 Club Records, Sept. 1979-July 1980
- 21 Club Records, Aug. 1980-July 1981
- 22 Club Records, Sept. 1981-July 1983
- 23 Club Records, Sept. 1983-May 1985
- 24 Club Records, Sept. 1985-June 1986 (See also: Visual Collections)
- 25 Club Records, Sept. 1986-May 1989
- 26 Club Records, Sept. 1989-June 1990
- 27 Club Records, Sept. 1990-June 1991
- 28 Club Records, Sept. 1991-June 1992
- 29 Club Records, Sept. 1992-May 1994

BOX 2: Song Books, Guest Book, Scrapbook
FOLDER CONTENT

- 1 *Songs of Sigma Alpha Iota*
 - 2 Guest Book, 1962-1974
 - 3 Scrapbook, 1972-1991 (See also: Visual Collections and OMB 67)
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CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Sigma Alpha Iota. Zeta Chapter (Jordan College of Fine Arts). Patroness Club

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Sigma Alpha Iota. Zeta Chapter (Jordan College of Fine Arts).

Patroness Club.

Butler University. Jordan College of Fine Arts

Music--Indiana--Indianapolis--Societies, etc.

Women--Indiana--Indianapolis--Societies and clubs

Music patronage--Indiana--Indianapolis

Scholarships--Indiana--Indianapolis

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