

McLean County Museum of History

Tau Epsilon Delta Collection

Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 box
COLLECTION DATES:	1955-1991
RESTRICTIONS:	
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ALTERNATIVE FORMATS:	None
OTHER FINDING AIDS:	None
LOCATION:	Archives
NOTES:	Some of these materials were donated by member Jean McCrossin.

Brief History

In January 1931, Louise Muxfeld organized a group of Bloomington High School girls into the Gamma chapter of Tau Epsilon Delta. (The original chapter of the nonacademic sorority was reportedly founded in Chicago.) Many members continued to meet even after graduating high school. For some years, they met monthly at the high school and later met at various locations in the community.

The sorority became a social organization that also supported local charities through donations and volunteering. They were still actively meeting each month in 2001.

Scope

This collection contains constitution and bylaws, member lists, anniversary celebration communications, etc.

Box and Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Constitution and By Laws

- 1.1 1967, 3 pp. Includes suggested handwritten changes. Plus photocopy of original with other change.

Folder 2: Pledges

- 2.1 Pledges signed, 7 pp of unknown vintages.

Folder 3: Officer Installation

- 3.1 Words to be spoken at installations, 1 pp, undated. Plus envelope of similar installation ritual, also undated.

Folder 4: Membership Lists

- 4.1 Names, 1955, 3pp.
- 4.2 Names and addresses, 1955, 7 pp.
- 4.3 Names and addresses, 1961. 5pp.
- 4.4 Names, 1961, 4pp.
- 4.5 Names and addresses, 1971. 6 pp. 3 copies. Includes handwritten notes about deaths and address changes.
- 4.6 Names and addresses, 1985. 2pp. Includes officer list.
- 4.7 Names and addresses, 1986. 2pp. Includes officer list.
- 4.8 Names and addresses, undated. 5 pp. Includes info on each members such as employment, names and ages of children. Appears to be for 25th anniversary.

Folder 5: Anniversary Celebrations

- 5.1 Color photo negatives in envelope, undated.
- 5.2 Covers from 25th anniversary booklet. 2.
- 5.3 40th anniversary program, November 1971, 2 copies.
- 5.4 45th anniversary program, September 1976,
- 5.5 Newspaper clipping from *Pantagraph*, 1971 Nov 18, covering reunion.
- 5.6 Anniversary Committee letter to members for 25th Anniversary, 6 pp with member list.
- 5.7 Dinner banquet menu and appetizer list at Central Station Restaurant, undated. 2 pp. Handwritten notes.
- 5.8 Personal greetings and info from each member, 1971. 7 pp.
- 5.9 Memo about 45th anniversary event, September 1976.
- 5.10 Poem for 50th anniversary, 1981.
- 5.11 Memo about 60th anniversary event, 1991. 2 pp.
- 5.12 Packet for 60th anniversary event, October 1991. Includes historical tidbits about pop culture as well as other news of various years. 14 pp.
- 5.13 "Time was . . ." undated. Trip down memory lane. 3 pp. 2 copies.
- 5.14 Presumably member sign in sheet, 2pp. Covers members enrolled from 1931-37.

Folder 6: Guest Book for 45th AnniversaryP

- 5.1 Guest book, September 1976.