

Phrateres, Theta Chapter fonds

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Fonds Description

Phrateres, Theta Chapter fonds. – 1935-1991.

31 cm textual materials.

50 scrapbooks.

Administrative History

The first Canadian chapter of the Phrateres was established at UBC in 1935 through the initiative of Clare Brown Harris while president of the Women's Undergraduate Society. An international organization, Phrateres was first formed at the University of Southern California at Los Angeles by Dean Helen Matheson Laughlin in 1924. The Theta Chapter at UBC was the eighth to be established on the west coast. Phrateres, which comes from the Greek word for sisterhood, seek to fulfil the ideals of the modern University and to promote a spirit of friendliness among women of individual universities and of all universities. Membership in the organization, whose motto is "famous for friendliness", is open to both sorority and non-sorority women at a small cost. It seeks to enrich university life through a wide range of social and service activities, including dances, reunions, and fundraising. Theta Chapter is affiliated with the UBC Greek system (sororities and fraternities). and over the years has been subdivided into as many as twelve sub-chapters, named Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon, Eta, Zeta, Iota, Kappa, Lambda, Omicron and Sigma.

As of 2000, Theta Chapter at UBC was the sole remaining active collegiate chapter of Phrateres International.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of scrapbooks constructed by members of the Theta Chapter of the Phrateres, from some of the sub-chapters, and from the UCLA Alpha chapter, to document their activities. Scrapbooks are composed of clippings, pamphlets, photographs, and drawings relating to various charitable and social events sponsored by the organization. The records also include minutes from Theta Chapter and Presidents' and Social Reports. Other materials include membership lists, a guest book for an alumni tea, and handbooks for the UBC Theta Chapter and for the University of Washington chapter.

Notes

File list available.

Related records may be found in the [Alma Mater Society](#) fonds.

Plaques received by Theta Chapter, and some photographs of Theta Chapter executives, remain in the AMS Archives.

File List

Box 1

Scrapbooks - Theta Chapter

- 1-1 Theta Chapter of Phrateres 1935-1946 [2 folders]
- 1-2 Theta Chapter of Phrateres 1959-1960
- 1-3 Phrateres - Theta Chapter 1965-1966

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- 2-1 Theta Chapter of Phrateres International 1976-1977
- 2-2 Theta Chapter of Phrateres 1977-1978
- 2-3 Phrateres Scrapbook 1978-1979
- 2-4 Phrateres Scrapbook 1979-1980

Box 3

- 3-1 Phrateres Executive 1980-1981
- 3-2 Phrateres Convention (presented to Phi Theta from Phi Lambda) 1986
- 3-3 Theta Chapter - Phrateres 1987-1988
- 3-4 Phrateres 1988-1989

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Box 4

Minutes, Reports and Publications

- 4-1 Constitution of Theta Chapter (passed 1935, last amended 1968)
- 4-2 Guest Book for Alum Tea 1966
- 4-3 Handbook of Charter Chapter 1935 (Theta)
- 4-4 Handbooks 1940-1955 (University of Washington, Theta)
- 4-5 Membership Book 1967 Initiation
- 4-6 Membership Book 1969 Initiation
- 4-7 Membership 1975-1976 Initiation
- 4-8 Membership 1978-1979
- 4-9 Minutes (year unknown)

- 4-10 Minutes 1938-1939
- 4-11 Minutes 1944-1945
- 4-12 Minutes 1945-1946
- 4-13 Minutes 1953-1954 (Theta)
- 4-14 Minutes 1954-1955 (Theta)
- 4-15 Minutes 1957-1958 (Theta) (2 volumes)
- 4-16 Minutes 1967-1968 (Theta)
- 4-17 Minutes and President's Report 1971-1972 (Theta)
- 4-18 Miscellaneous
- 4-19 Phraterean 1960, 1961, 1962, 1973, 1974, 1975
- 4-20 President's Report 1966-1967
- 4-21 President's Report 1967-1968
- 4-22 President's Report 1968-1969
- 4-23 President's Report 1969-1970
- 4-24 President's Report 1970-1971
- 4-25 President's Report Additional Information 1972-1973
- 4-26 Social Report 1973-1974
- 4-27 Social Report 1974-1975
- 4-28 Thetan 1960, 1961

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Scrapbooks - Theta Chapter (cont.)

- 5-1 Scrapbook 1939-1940
- 5-2 Scrapbook 1946-1947
- 5-3 Scrapbook - Formal Dance Program 1947-1951
- 5-4 Scrapbook 1958-1959 [cover damaged]

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- 6-1 Scrapbook 1960-1961
- 6-2 Scrapbook 1962-1963
- 6-3 Scrapbook 1963-1964, 1964-1965
- 6-4 Scrapbook 1964-1965

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- 7-1 Scrapbook 1967-1968
- 7-2 Scrapbook 1971-1972

7-3 Scrapbook 1989-1990

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8-1 Scrapbook 1990-1991

Scrapbooks - Sub-Chapters

8-2 Scrapbook 1966-1967 (Beta)

8-3 Scrapbook 1968-1969 (Beta)

8-4 Scrapbook 1965-1966 (Delta)

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9-1 Scrapbook 1966-1967 (Delta)

9-2 Scrapbook 1975-1976 (Delta)

9-3 Scrapbook 1971-1972 (Kappa)

9-4 Scrapbook 1966-1967 (Lambda)

9-5 Scrapbook 1967-1968 (Lambda)

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10-1 Scrapbook 1968-1969 (Lambda)

10-2 Scrapbook 1970-1971 (Lambda)

10-3 Scrapbook 1969-1970 (Omicron)

10-4 Scrapbook 1968-1969 (Psi)

Box 11

11-1 Scrapbook 1970-1971 (Sigma)

11-2 Scrapbook 1966-1967 (Zeta)

11-3 Scrapbook 1967-1968 (Zeta)

11-4 Scrapbook 1975-1976 (Zeta)

Oversize Scrapbooks - Theta, Beta Sub-Chapter

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Scrapbook 1948-1949

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Scrapbook 1950-1951

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Scrapbook 1954-1955

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Scrapbook 1955-1956

Scrapbook 1968-1969

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Scrapbook 1964-1965 (Beta)

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Oversize Scrapbooks – Alpha (UCLA) Chapter

17-1 Scrapbook 1967-1968 (Alpha Chapter – UCLA)

17-2 Scrapbook 1968-1969 (Alpha Chapter – UCLA)

17-3 Scrapbook 1969 (Alpha Chapter – UCLA)

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18-1 Scrapbook 1970-1971 (Alpha Chapter – UCLA)

18-2 Scrapbook 1973-1974 (Alpha Chapter – UCLA)

Miscellaneous Items from Other Chapters

18-3 Phrateres Handbook – University of Washington 1940-1941

18-4 Official Handbook – Phrateres International [1959?] Note: bookplate on inside cover indicates “Alpha Chapter Phrateres”

18-5 Phrateres International – Two year treasurer’s report – June 15, 1974 thru June 25, 1976 1976

18-6 Handwritten thank-you note from Phrateres Rho Chapter 1976

18-7 Constitution of Phrateres International as Amended June 1976 with handwritten notes [1976?]

- 18-8 2 copies of 1976 Phrateres International Convention Roster, one with handwritten changes 1976
- 18-9 Program for Installation of New Officers and Farewell to Seniors, Alpha Chapter Phrateres International 1978
- 18-10 Blank application for Phrateres [N.D.]
- 18-11 Phrateres International 23rd Biennial Convention [N.D.]
- 18-12 Phrateres decal [N.D.]

Miscellaneous Items from Theta Chapter

- 18-13 Phrateres Handbook – Theta Chapter 1954-1955