Beta Phi Mu, Psi Chapter, Records
(C4370)

Collection Number: C4370

Collection Title: Beta Phi Mu, Psi Chapter, Records

Dates: 1970-2001

Creator: Mu, Beta Phi, Psi Chapter

Abstract: Meeting minutes, correspondence, chapter newsletters, membership and mailing lists, treasurer’s reports, and accounting information.

Collection Size: 1.0 cubic feet
(41 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia. If you would like more information, please contact us at research@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

Phi Beta Mu is an international honor society for library and information science and information technology. It was founded by a group of librarians and educators at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1948.

*Allis inserviendo consumor* serves as the Society’s motto. Translated from Latin it means “Consumed in the Service of Others.” Members of the Society, librarians and other information professionals, dedicate themselves to serving the information needs of individuals, organizations, and communities. A dolphin and anchor, the mark of the Venetian printer Aldus Manutius, serves as the Society’s insignia. The Society’s colors are purple and white.

The Society’s express purpose is to recognize and encourage “superior academic achievement” among library and information studies students.

In 1969 Beta Phi Mu was formally admitted to membership in the Association of College Honor Societies (ACHS). In 1998, Beta Phi Mu became an official affiliate of the American Library Association, the leading professional organization for librarians.

The Missouri Chapter (Psi Chapter) sponsors numerous events and has sponsored an oral history project of prominent Missouri librarians. The chapter also presents an annual Award for Excellence in Librarianship. The chapter is located at the School of Information Science and Learning Technologies, Townsend Hall, the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following six series:

- Chapter Newsletters
- Correspondence
- Dues/Accounting
- Mailing List Information
- Membership
- Minutes, Treasurer’s Reports

Scope and Content Note:

Chapter Newsletters

This series contains information on upcoming meetings and events, committee reports, budgets, projects and by-laws. Also information on membership and other chapters, 1978-1990.

Correspondence

This series contains letters from the chapter president to Beta Phi Mu members, letters of nomination to the society, committee correspondence, election of officers, membership discussions, organizational functions, disposition of society files, and concerns with issues affecting the society, 1970-1993.
Dues/Accounting

This series consists of the Beta Phi Mu, Psi Chapter checking account balances, lists of paid memberships, an account book, and Treasurer’s Reports, 1975-1993.

Mailing List Information

This series contains lists of member’s names and contact information. Some membership correspondence is also included, 1979-1993.

Membership

Included with this series is membership eligibility and acceptance lists, member award nominations, dues discussions, annual and business meetings, election of officers, banquet and award presentations, 1971-2001.

Minutes, Treasurer’s Reports

This series includes reports to the Executive Committee, business meeting minutes and reports, dues status announcements, memos on the financial status of the Society, asset distributions, and account balances. 1973-1997.

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