Zeta Alpha Phi Collection

Accession Number: 2017-01

Creator: Zeta Alpha Phi Fraternity, Beta Chapter, 1933-1942, 1948-1983

Acquisition: Received from the Alumni Office (donors include Tom Francisco, Gene Vossler)

Note: This is a growing collection. If you have materials you would like to donate to this collection, please contact the Library (library@cobleskill.edu) or the Alumni Office (alumni@cobleskill.edu).


Quantity: 6 cu. ft. (6 boxes), 18 framed composite photographs, 3 wooden paddles, 1 wooden sign

Scope: The Zeta Alpha Phi collection includes administrative records, photographs, and memorabilia from the chapter’s reactivation following World War II.

History: The Beta chapter of Zeta Alpha Phi was created in 1933 at the Cobleskill School of Agriculture and Home Economics (now SUNY Cobleskill). The chapter remained active until World War II, when war effort diverted young men from college into national service. The chapter was reactivated in 1948 when the student population rebounded. In the early 1950s, the chapter acquired a house on West Main Street, which became the Gables Bed & Breakfast Inn after the fraternity moved out. Chapter membership grew during the 1950s and 1960s, but began to decline in the late 1970s. Sometime after the spring semester in 1983, with membership again dwindling, the chapter again became inactive.

Access Restrictions: None.

Languages: English.

Subject Headings:
Greek Letter Societies--New York (State)--Cobleskill.
Zeta Alpha Phi--Beta Chapter.

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Blood dive plaques, Fall 1974, Spring 1975, Fall 1975, Fall 1982
Memorial Plaque, Class of 76, in memory of Bro. Dean E. Hendrickson, 1956-1980
Photograph albums (9), 1964-1970
Photograph albums (8), 1971-1982
Photograph albums (2), 1993 reunion
Framed photographs
Zeta Alpha Phi Bible
Hoard's Dairymen, Life, Look, Farm Journal; misc. issues 1968-1971
Freedom Landmarks Bicentennial Calendar (1976)
Student & Faculty Directories (SUNY Cobleskill), 1956/57, 1963/64, 1965/66
Quad, Fall 1968
Scrapbook, 1949
Newsclippings and miscellaneous
Photographs
Photographs
Photographs
Mugs, 1975 and 70th anniversary (1933-2003)
Letterhead, unsued, 2 boxes
Zeta Alpha Phi Jacket
Zeta Alpha Phi banners (2)
Zeta Alpha Phi pledge brick

Oversized materials
Zeta Alpha Phi house sign, 23.75"x28.75"
Paddles (3)

Location: Archives and Special Collections Reading Room.

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