



Alpha Gamma Delta, Epsilon Alpha Alumnae Chapter, Records (C4524)

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Collection Title: Alpha Gamma Delta, Epsilon Alpha Alumnae Chapter, Records

Dates: 1980-1992

Creator: Epsilon Alpha Chapter (Columbia, Mo.)

Abstract: Records of a University of Missouri-Columbia sorority, consists of directories, newsletters, correspondence and miscellaneous records, and issues of the *Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

Collection Size: 0.4 cubic feet
(14 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

The Alpha Gamma Delta sorority was established on May 30, 1904, at Syracuse University, in the home of Dr. Wellesley Perry Coddington. Dr. Coddington was a professor at the university

and was a crucial part of the early development of the sorority. Initially, the sorority worked with children with disabilities, such as Cerebral Palsy and other diseases that caused minimal brain function. In the 1970s, the Deltas decided to focus their endeavors on juvenile diabetes.

The Epsilon Alpha Chapter in Columbia, Missouri, began on April 7, 1922, and was an active chapter of the sorority until 1975. The chapter was revived in the early 1980s, with Cathy Davis as chapter president. The chapter had difficulty increasing membership and as a result shut down permanently in 1993.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following six series:

Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly
Epsilon Alpha Chapter
Tiger Tales Newsletter
Correspondence
Invitations and Programs
Photographs

Scope and Content Note:

Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly series

This series contains the *Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly* beginning in the spring of 1981 and goes through to the winter of 1989. The journal discusses the important issues of the 1980s through the viewpoint of an all-women's sorority, along with important events specific to the Alpha Gamma Deltas. This series is arranged chronologically.

Epsilon Alpha Chapter series

This series contains records specific to the Epsilon Alpha Chapter of the Alpha Gamma Deltas. The records include booklets on the alumnae chapter, including directories from the years 1981-1989. The series consists of the chapter's rules and regulations, study guidebooks, and the Alpha Gamma Delta purpose.

Tiger Tales Newsletter series

This series contains the *Tiger Tales* newsletter which was created by the Columbia, Missouri, chapter of the Alpha Gamma Deltas. The newsletters were published between the spring of 1982 and 1992. The newsletters announced upcoming meetings, along with recognizing new undergraduate members and a section dedicated to alumni news. This series is arranged chronologically.

Correspondence series

The Correspondence series includes letters between chapter advisors, group members, and the leadership of the Epsilon Alpha Chapter. Some of the letters in this series are form letters that

were sent to alumnae, current members, and potential members, urging them to get involved and help solve the issue of low membership throughout the decade of the 1980s.

Invitations and Programs series

This series contains invitations to banquets, luncheons, and birthday celebrations, 1980-1989.

Photographs series

The series contains photographs of the Alpha Gamma Delta Christmas party from 1985 and 1986. Also included is an initiation photo from 1986.

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