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### Abstract

Sigma Sigma Sorority was founded as the Sorosis Society at Hope College in 1905, possibly as an outgrowth of the Minerva Literary Society, which was founded in 1894. The collection contains songs, alumni newsletters, governing documents, homecoming programs, member list (1906-1972), newspaper clippings, and paraphernalia from Sigma Sigma birthday celebrations.

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Provenance: Sigma Sigma Sorority  
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### History

The Sigma Sigma Sorority, or Sorosis Society, was established at Hope College in 1905, possibly as an outgrowth of the Minerva Literary Society, which was founded in 1894. Their motto is "Strength and Honor." Their activities include regular meetings, social events, and community service. They also staged occasional dramatic presentations.

### Scope and Content

This collection includes materials about the Sigma Sigma Sorority, or the Sorosis Society, spanning the years of 1906 and 1998. Newspaper articles about sorority events, a member list, governing documents, newsletters, and songs are included. Folders are arranged in alphabetical order.

### Container List

#### Box 1

Alumnae Newsletters, 1931, 1996-1997  
*Anchor*, Sorosis Number, January 1911  
Background information, *Milestone*, 1905-2006, 2009  
Birthdays  
    Birthday program, 1975  
    Program, 1976 Senior Tea  
    Birthday speech, 1980  
Clippings, n.d., 1941-1980  
Events, n.d., 1914, 1922  
Financials, 1950-1957  
Governing documents (one folder includes):  
    "The Constitution of Sigma Sigma of Hope College," 1996

“Pledging Program of the Sorosis Society,” 1996  
Greek Life Alumni Workshop on New Member Education Policies, 1997-1998

Guest Book

1966-1972, 1979  
1972-1973  
1973-1983

History, 1963

Homecoming Programs, 1983-1994

Invitations, 1936-1937

Letters from Members, 1956

Letters from Pledges, n.d., 1978, 1985, 1989

Member List, 1906-1972

Membership/Financial, 1941-1949, 1957-1980 (2 folders)

Membership, 1968-1973, 1979-1984, 1984-1985 (3 folders)

Membership Booklet, n.d.

Minutes, 1910-1912, 1916-1917, 1922-1925, 1925-1930, 1932-1935, 1940-1942,  
1971-1972 (7 folders)

Newspaper Clippings, 1941-1991

Photographs, 1933, 1963, 1971-1972 (5 images)

Pledge Poems, n.d., 1990

Programs, 1914, 1916

Rush Program, 2001

Songs (one folder includes):

“The Hope College Song Book,” 1916

“The Sigma Sigma Creed,” n.d.

Various Sigma Sigma Songs, 1981

Box 2

Scrapbook, 1940-1948

Scrapbook, 1979-1980

Box 3

Sigma Sigma Tankard, 1962 (given to Sara [Vande Poel] Van Hekken)