

Inventory of the

**Greater Northern Illinois Area
Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa**

Records

In the

Regional History Center

RC 347

INTRODUCTION

Brian Harris, member of the Northern Illinois Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa and President from 2004-2005, donated his PDK records to the Regional History Center on September 15, 2015. Co-Presidents Judy Maxwell and Pam Ferdinand donated the Great Northern Illinois Area Chapter of PDK records on December 16 and December 17, 2015. An additional donation was made in March 2016.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

Greater Northern Illinois Area (GNIA) Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa Records contains not only materials for GNIA, but also records from Phi Delta Kappa International, the NIU Chapter of PDK, and the Sinnissippi Illinois Chapter of PDK. Included are records regarding bylaws and constitutions, board minutes, financial records, memberships, correspondence, and programs and award ceremonies. The records date from 1994 to 2015, but predominantly range from 2002 to 2015.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Phi Delta Kappa (PDK) was founded on January 24, 1906 and is headquartered in Bloomington, Indiana. PDK is a professional organization for educators and those interested in education. It has grown into an international organization, Phi Delta Kappa International, which not only governs PDK but also two other professional societies, Pi Lambda Theta (PLT) and Educators Rising. PDK International has thousands of members, including teachers, principals, and administrators, dedicated to improving education and is one of the world's largest education associations. Its mission is "to grow and connect leaders in education" and its vision is "to be the experts in cultivating great educators for tomorrow while continuing to ensure high-quality education for today." Members are affiliated directly through the international organization or one of several hundred chapters that are mostly located on college campuses.

The NIU Chapter (#100) was established in 1957 and continued its existence until July 2008. The NIU Chapter merged with other local chapters, Will County PDK Chapter (#1374), North Central College/Haywood PDK Chapter (#1106), and Northwest Suburban Cook County PDK Chapter (#1315), to form the Great Northern Illinois Area PDK Chapter (#1600). At the time of the merger, there were 312 members in the of GNIA Chapter. In August 2010, the Sinnissippi PDK Chapter became part of the GNIA Chapter. The GNIA Chapter was disbanded on October 15, 2015.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Northern Illinois University

Phi Delta Kappa

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
		Phi Delta Kappa International
1	1	1998-2005
1	2	Walk for Education, 2004-2005
		PDK Northern Illinois University Chapter
1	3	2002-2006
1	4	Membership, 2004
1	5	Board Meetings, 2002-2007
1	6	Programs and Awards, 2001-2009
1	7	Mini-grant Program, 2001-2008
1	8	Correspondence, 2002, 2005
1	9	Brian Harris, 2001-2008
1	10	PDK Sinissippi Illinois Chapter, 2002-2004
		<u>ADDENDUM</u>
		Greater Northern Illinois Area Chapter
1	11	FY 2008-09
1	12	FY 2009-10
1	13	FY 2010-11
1	14	FY 2011-12
1	15	FY 2012-13
1	16	FY 2013-14
1	17	FY 2014-15
		<u>ADDENDUM</u>
		PDK Northern Illinois University Chapter
1	18	Certificate of Recognition for Exemplary Service, November 1993
1	19	New member photographs, February-March 2003
1	20	Photographs (3.5" floppy), March 2003