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COLLECTION SUMMARY

IDENTIFIER

UA 5.12

TITLE

Little International Agricultural Exposition Records

DATES

1923-2017

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION

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NAME OF CREATOR(S)

South Dakota State University. Little International Agricultural Exposition

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English

REPOSITORY

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ABSTRACT

Little International is a two-day agricultural exposition planned, organized, and implemented by students at South Dakota State University for the benefit of high school and college students. This collection is composed of publications produced by the Little I, including news releases, posters and programs.

HISTORICAL NOTE

Little International is a two-day agricultural exposition planned, organized, and implemented by students at South Dakota State University for the benefit of high school and college students. Little International is considered the largest two-day agricultural exposition in the country. The exposition provides students with an opportunity to compete in judging contests, showmanship competitions, and fitting challenges.

Little International has been presented every year since 1921 with only three exceptions. In 1926, it was canceled due to the Scarlet Fever epidemic, and 1944–1945 it was canceled because of World War II. The first Little I was patterned after the Chicago International Livestock Exposition and was held on campus in what is now the Agricultural Heritage Museum. In 1952, Little International was moved to what is now called the Intramural Building. In 1977 it was moved to where it is held today, the Animal Science Arena in. During the week prior to Little International, the student staff prepares the Arena for the exposition. This includes erecting the famous red barn and white fence, adding bleachers, and dyeing the wood chips green for the show ring. Also, each member of the staff is responsible for ensuring that the specific task of the committee they sit on is accomplished, whether that task is livestock judging or the event schedule.

Little International serves both high school and college students alike. The exposition provides a fun and competitive opportunity for students to develop and refine skills essential for lifelong success in agriculture. Through Little International, students can utilize the two day event, not just as an opportunity to improve their showmanship, fitting, or judging skills, but also to develop time management skills, responsibility, hard work and personal pride—not to mention the networking possibilities and the fun had by all involved with Little International.

CONTENT AND ARRANGEMENT

CONTENTS NOTE

This collection is composed of a material published for the Little International Agricultural Exposition for advertising purposes. Folders contain news releases, posters, and programs.

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RELATED MATERIALS

PUBLICATIONS

Annual Little International livestock show - South Dakota State College Agricultural Society
Call Number: S555 .L5 Publication Date: 1921-2007

SUBJECT HEADINGS

- Agricultural exhibitions -- South Dakota
- Home economic exhibitions -- South Dakota
- Livestock exhibitions -- South Dakota
- South Dakota State University. Little International Agricultural Exposition.

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CONTAINER LIST

Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
1	1	News releases	1988, 1990
1	2	Posters	2000-2004
1	3	Program	1923 February 15
1	4	Program	1949 March 4-5
1	5	Program - 42nd Little International	1965 March 26-27
1	6	Program - 64th Little International	1987 March 27-28
1	7	Program - 67th Little International	1990 March 30-31
1	8	Program - 73rd Little International	1996 March 15-16
1	9	Program - 75th Little International	1998 April 3-4
1	10	Program - 77th Little International	2000 March 24-25
1	11	Program - 78th Little International	2001 March 23-24
1	12	Program - 79th Little International	2002 March 22-23
1	13	Program - 80th Little International	2003 March 21-22
1	14	Program - 81st Little International	2004 March 14-20
1	15	Program - 82nd Little International	2005 March 18-19
2	1	Program - 83rd Little International	2006 March 31-April 1
2	2	Program - 85th Little International	2008 April 4-5
2	3	Program - 86th Little International	2009 March 27-28
2	4	Program - 87th Little International	2010 March 19-20
2	5	Program - 89th Little International	2012 March 30-31
2	6	Program - 90th Little International	2013 March 22-23
2	7	Program - 91st Little International	2014 March 28-29
2	8	Program - 93rd Little International	2016 April 1-2
2	9	Program - 95th Little International	2017 March 23-24