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Collection Summary

Identifier

UA 51.1

Title

Centennial Steering Committee Records

Creator

Centennial Steering Committee, South Dakota State University

Dates

1979-1982

Extent

1.74 linear feet -- 4 boxes, sound recordings

Language

English

Repository

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Abstract

The Centennial Steering Committee was formed on July 16, 1979, to guide the university through the celebration of its Centennial year (1981). This collection is composed of committee files produced for or in conjunction with the Centennial Celebration of South Dakota State University held in 1981.

Historical Note

The Centennial Steering Committee was formed on July 16, 1979, to guide the university through the celebration of its Centennial year (1981). H.M. Briggs, President Emeritus, was appointed Chairman of the Committee, while David Pearson, former Vice President of South Dakota State University was appointed Vice-Chairman. The committee, made up of representatives from various units on campus and from outside the university, first met on July 21, 1980. At this meeting, Briggs outlined the charges of the committee and explained that each member of the Steering Committee would also take the role of sub-committee chairperson for the respective area of the university. Once some tentative activities were brainstormed, the Steering Committee members were further broken into sub-committees to deal with specific projects. With this basic structure, the Steering Committee began its work. They received an initial stipend from the University to perform their functions, which was added to throughout the committee's existence. While the subcommittees performed much of the work of the Steering Committee, the Centennial Office, consisting of Briggs and an office assistant, Yvonne Ehlebracht, managed much of the day-to-day work. The office was responsible for the overall running of the committee, maintaining the budget, keeping the files, and arranging and paying for meetings and trips. In addition, much of the correspondence associated with the event was filtered through this office.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged into three series:

Series 1. Office files

Series 2. General material

Series 3. Memorabilia

Contents Note

This collection is composed of committee files produced for or in conjunction with the Centennial Celebration of South Dakota State University held in 1981. Material is arranged into three series: office files, general material and memorabilia.

The material had been arranged at least one time prior to formal processing, so no effort was made to retain original order. Series were determined and materials were placed accordingly at the time of processing. Duplicates were discarded at this time. The correspondence folders were separated into two groups at some time; thank you notes and general correspondence. This order was maintained. Removed from the file were audiocassettes, which were placed in the A/V Collection. Photocopies were made of all newspaper clippings.

Series 1. Office files.

The office files series includes budgets, correspondence, committee minutes and the files from each sub-committee. The budgets material consists mainly of the accounting used to put on the centennial celebration and to run an office devoted to such an event. The sub-committees files consist mainly of simple reports on the actions of various departments and various committees over the year. The notable exception to this is the calendar committee, which demonstrated some of the scheduling programs of such a huge event. The most useful files include the minutes of the Steering Committee and the correspondence files, as they reflect the inner workings of the group and the magnitude of such an event. Much attention is given throughout this material to the appearance of and seminar honoring Theodore Schultz, SDSU graduate and Nobel Prize winner.

Series 2. General material.

The general material series includes material that was produced for or in conjunction with the Centennial Celebration. Included in this file are the finished calendars, lists of speakers, publications association with the centennial, and congratulatory letters from land grant colleges, alumni, dignitaries and South Dakota organizations. Also included are

programs and flyers from various centennial events. The transcripts and audiocassettes of the commencement addresses are also included.

Series 3. Memorabilia.

The memorabilia series includes examples of some the souvenirs that were produced during the centennial. Included are two paperweights, one is bronze and housed in a redwood box with blue velvet lining, and one is marble with a cork bottom, a brass insignia with clear acrylic covering an insignia which has a dark blue background and gold lettering. Also included is a light blue coaster with gold lettering, a tan button with dark brown lettering, and an acrylic box of gummed gold SDSU notarial seals and blue and yellow ribbons approximately one inch long.

Key Words

South Dakota State University -- Centennial Steering Committee

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Administrative Information

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Arranged and Described by

Crystal J. Gamradt, 1999 February 23, additions made 2008 November 13.

Container List

Series	Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
1. Office files	1	1	Budgets	1980-1981
1. Office files	1	2	Correspondence	1979-1980
1. Office files	1	3	Correspondence	1981
1. Office files	1	4	Correspondence	1981-1982
1. Office files	1	5	Correspondence—Incoming Thank You letters	1981
1. Office files	1	6	Correspondence—Outgoing Thank You letters	1981
1. Office files	1	7	Departmental summaries	1981
1. Office files	1	8	Event planning	undated
1. Office files	1	9	Exhibit	1980-1981
1. Office files	1	10	List of members	undated
1. Office files	1	11	Minutes	1980
1. Office files	1	12	Minutes	1971
1. Office files	1	13	Souvenirs	1981
1. Office files	2	1	Sub-committees—Agriculture	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	2	Sub-committees—Alumni	1980
1. Office files	2	3	Sub-committees—Arts and Science	1980
1. Office files	2	4	Sub-committees—Brookings Fine Arts Festival	1981
1. Office files	2	5	Sub-committees—Campus Wide Events	1980
1. Office files	2	6	Sub-committees—Commencement	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	7	Sub-committees—Commitment to the Future	1980-1981

Series	Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
1. Office files	2	8	Sub-committees—Dinner/dance	undated
1. Office files	2	9	Sub-committees—Finance/budget	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	10	Sub-committees—Fund raising	1980
1. Office files	2	11	Sub-committees—Hobo Day	1981
1. Office files	2	12	Sub-committees—Home Economics	undated
1. Office files	2	13	Sub-committees—Harding Lecture	1981
1. Office files	2	14	Sub-committees—Logo/slogan	1980
1. Office files	2	15	Sub-committees—Nursing	1981
1. Office files	2	16	Sub-committees—Proclamations	1980
1. Office files	2	17	Sub-committees— Program/calendar	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	18	Sub-committees—Publications	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	19	Sub-committees—Publicity	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	20	Sub-committees—Souvenirs	1981
1. Office files	2	21	Sub-committees—Special events	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	22	Sub-committees—Ted Schultz Seminar	1980-1981
1. Office files	2	23	Sub-committees—Time capsule	1981
2. General material	3	1	Audiocassettes	1981
2. General material	3	2	Calendar of events	1981
2. General material	3	3	Centennial poem	1981
2. General material	3	4	Clippings	1981
2. General material	3	5	Commencement address	1981
2. General material	3	6	Congratulatory letters--List	1981
2. General material	3	7	Congratulatory letters—Alumni and friends	1981
2. General material	3	8	Congratulatory letters—Dignitaries	1981
2. General material	3	9	Congratulatory letters—Land grant colleges	1981
2. General material	3	10	Congratulatory letters—South Dakota organizations	1980-1981

Series	Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
2. General material	3	11	Departmental histories	1980-1981
2. General material	3	12	List of speakers	undated
2. General material	3	13	Proclamations	1981
2. General material	3	14	Programs	1981
2. General material	3	15	Publications—The Messenger	1981
2. General material	3	16	Publications—The Messenger	1981
2. General material	3	17	Publications Oakwood	1981
2. General material	3	18	Publications—SDSU Centennial 1881-1981	1981
3. Memorabilia	4	1	Two paperweights (1 bronze, 1 marble)	1981
3. Memorabilia	4	2	One coaster	1981
3. Memorabilia	4	3	One button	1981
3. Memorabilia	4	4	Two notepads	1981
3. Memorabilia	4	5	SDSU notarial seals	1981