

## **New Archival Collections Opened for Research, August 2015-July 2016**

### **Phil Bruns Collection**

Records, 2003-2004

0.5 Lin. Ft., 30593

The Phil Bruns Collection contains video cassettes, movie scripts and other, miscellaneous items once belonging to the renowned character actor. The cassettes include a copy of a 30-second commercial in which Bruns starred as well as a video of vocal artist Laurie Franks, his second wife, singing Broadway tunes. The scripts encompass several titles nominated for Best Adapted or Best Original Screenplay during the 2004 Academy Awards, including "The Aviator," "Finding Neverland," "Hotel Rwanda," "The Incredibles," and "Million Dollar Baby." Other items include a list of films eligible to be nominated for the 2003 Academy Awards and a map of Pipestone, MN. Bruns was born in Pipestone and graduated from Augustana College.

### **Judy Morstad Collection**

Records, n.d.

6 Boxes, 30591

The Judy Morstad Collection consists of several photographs, documents and news clippings related to the history of Spencer, SD, and some of the town's prominent families, in particular the Shoops and the Lindekugels. The Shoops owned and operated the main grocery store in Spencer until 1941, and many of the photos in the collection were taken by Walter Shoop, the store's last proprietor. The Lindekugels ran the city's only construction firm. George Lindekugel Jr. (1918-1996) also served as mayor of Spencer during the late 1970s and early 1980s. Spencer garnered national attention in the late 1990s when an F4 tornado struck and nearly destroyed the town. This collection contains several articles pertaining to that tornado and its aftermath.

### **Ron Robinson Collection**

Booklet, Photograph, ca. 1921 and n.d.

1 Folder, 30588

This collection contains a small booklet titled "Useful Information Pertaining to Our Government" (ca. 1921) and an unidentified black and white photograph of two small boys. This material was found in several books donated by Ron Robinson to the CWS Krause Library.

### **Diana Lee Schaefer Collection**

Booklet, n.d.

1 Folder, 30592

This collection contains a booklet printed for the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Orphan Train Riders of New York – Minnesota Organization in 2015. The booklet details some of the history of the orphan train movement and then provides a compilation of information about orphan train riders who came to Minnesota. The compilation lists the children's names, the year of their train ride, the location where they settled, and the name of their adopted family, if available. This is the only known resource about the orphan train movement in the CWS archives and is a most welcome addition about this fascinating part of history.

### **Sioux Valley Singers Association**

Records, 1988

1 Lin. Ft., 20096

The Sioux Valley Singers Association is a regional organization of four Norwegian male choruses in the Sioux Valley area: Grieg Male Chorus of Canton, SD, Minnehaha Mandskor and Norse Glee Club, both of Sioux Falls, SD, and Nordic Male Chorus of Sioux City, IA. The group's principal function is the organization of biennial Sangerfest music festivals for the member choruses. This collection of the group's records contains delegate credentials (1941-2011), Sangerfest music festival items, correspondence, meeting minutes, and registration lists. There's also an article about the origins of the association, a Breinstein Mannskor United States tour program from 1978, a CD of photographs from 2014, and two Norwegian language books.

### **Glenn E. Soladay Collection**

Records, ca. 1856-1884, 1913-2013

13 Boxes, 30568

The collection includes correspondence, diaries, documents, ephemera, photographs, printed materials, and artifacts documenting Glenn E. Soladay's lifelong military career in the South Dakota National Guard. The bulk of the materials concern his service with the 147<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Regiment in Australia and New Guinea during World War II. The correspondence files include letters from his mother Minnie, who moved from South Dakota to Illinois to work in an ordnance plant during the war, his brothers who also served in the military, and two girlfriends he had in Australia while stationed overseas. Another large component of this series is the letters Glenn's brother, Harold, wrote regularly to their mother while he was serving with the Navy during the war. Of particular note within the photograph portion of the collection are three photo albums depicting the mobilization of B Battery of the 147<sup>th</sup> Field Artillery Regiment from Mitchell, SD, to Fort Ord, CA, in late 1940.

### **South Dakota State Medical Association Auxiliary Collection**

Records, 1951-2010

2 Lin. Ft., 20080

Records of the South Dakota State Medical Association Auxiliary (later re-named the South Dakota State Medical Association Alliance) which began in 1910 and officially disbanded in 2015. The collection includes newsletters from 1951-2004 in print form and 2002-2004 on CD-ROMs, two histories of the organization (*Profile of the Past: Seventy-Five Years with the South Dakota State Medical Association Auxiliary, 1910-1985* and *Centennial Captions, 1910-2010*), and two scrapbooks compiled by Jacquelyn Gunnarson containing photographs, news clippings, certificates, event flyers, and other documents from the 1971-1977 and 1988-1989 time periods.

### **South Dakota Symphony Orchestra**

Records, ca. 1953-2015

9 Boxes plus Oversized Artifacts, 20098

Records of the South Dakota Symphony Orchestra (previously known as the Augustana Town and Gown, the Sioux Falls Symphony Orchestra, and the Gypsy Orchestra). The collection includes board minutes, financial and other official documents, event planning and rebranding information, newsletters, event programs, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, photographs, audiovisual recordings of performances in multiple formats (VHS, DVD, reel-to-reel, cassette, CD), and

artifacts. Some of the material relates specifically to the Dakota Wind Quintet and Dakota String Quartet ensembles of the larger organization.

### **Ronelle Thompson Collection**

Photographs, 1906-1931

1 Folder, 30587

This collection contains four black and white photographs/photo postcards which come from the estate of Maxine Hildebrandt (the donor's mother). The photos depict a sudangrass crop; Main Street in Mt. Vernon, South Dakota; Redwood Falls, Minnesota; and an unidentified group of people.

### **Veterans Chorus Collection**

Records, 1950-2006

1 Box, 20072

The Veterans Chorus is a group within the Norwegian Singers Association of America (NSAA). NSAA members who have participated in five biennial NSAA Sangerfest events are eligible to join the Veterans Chorus. This is a separate organization, and although within the NSAA, it has its own constitution and officers. The collection consists mainly of minutes, dues, and membership-related information for the Veterans Chorus.

### **Mick Zerr Collection**

Records, n.d.

1 Box, 30590

This collection includes miscellaneous documents and artifacts related to South Dakota and the Northern Plains region. Included are newspaper clippings of important events such as the beginning and end of World War II, the assassinations of John F. and Robert Kennedy, and the 1998 Spencer Tornado. Artifacts include political campaign memorabilia for Tom Daschle, George McGovern and Ted Kennedy, an inkwell, art, bullets from the Civil War Era, sporting event programs, and maps.