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**Albertus Verein (St. Francis Seminary)
Records, 1873-1953
AS 16**

Volume
2.4 cubic feet

Access
Open/unrestricted.

Arrangement
Alphabetical by folder title.

Historical Note

This academic society of St. Francis Seminary students in Philosophy and Theology was organized in 1873. Its purpose was to familiarize students with the German language and literature. Members of this society wrote essays and held debates.

Scope and Content

Materials in this collection are in German. The collection contains minutes and membership lists; annual reports; anniversary books for this student organization's tenth, twenty-fifth, and fiftieth anniversaries; programs and invitations; treasurer's records; and a scrapbook containing programs and photographs.

Accession processed in 2008 is almost entirely paperwork regarding finances. A sampling of receipts were retained, mostly regarding purchases involving the theatrical performances staged by the Albertus Verein society. A sampling of correspondence was also retained; these are almost entirely written by priests to accompany donations to the society (and seem to be kept as a record of these donations). Some of the correspondence is in German. Other papers include insurance policies, copies of Christmas songs in German, record keeping of theater expenses, and handwritten contracts.

Box and Folder List *This is a list of folders names within the collection. The folders have been arranged alphabetically. "B" is an abbreviation for box and "F" is an abbreviation for folder. This list will help the researcher narrow down exactly what folder they want to look at.*

Box	Folder	Folder Title
B 1	F 1	Annual Reports, 1885-1916; yearbooks, 1923-1926; Anniversary Books; Statues, 1886-1916
B 1	F 2-5	Annual Reports, 1884-1912
B 2	F 1	Annual Reports, 1912-1917
B 2	F 2	Book Catalogue
B 2	F 3	Exceptional Presentations, c1896-1901
B 2	F 4	Festive Oration, by Rev. W. Wolf, 1898

Box	Folder	Folder Title
B 2	F 5	Fiftieth anniversary book, 1873-1923
B 2	F 6	Minutes and Members, 1873-1880
B 2	F 7	Minutes and Members, 1880-1886
B 2	F 8	Minutes and Members, 1886-1890
B 3	F 1	Minutes and Members, 1890-1892
B 3	F 2	Minutes and Members, 1873-1898
B 3	F 3	Minutes and Members, 1898-1924
B 3A	F 1	Minutes and Members, 1924-1953
B 4	F 1	Minutes, Research notes from Peter Leo Johnson collection
B 4	F 2	Program Record, Membership List, and Donors to Jubilee Fund, 1922
B 4	F 3	Programs, 1903-1906
B 4	F 4	Programs and Invitations, 1891-1949
B 4	F 5	Record of Books Drawn, 1903-1925
B 4	F 6	Scrapbook
B 4	F 7	Statuses, revised and newly revised, 1889, 1901, 1916
B 4	F 8	Student Speeches, "Archives," 1873-1883
B 5	F 1	Student speeches, 1873-1933
B 5	F 2	Table of Contents for Magazines in the Society, 1871-1882
B 5	F 3	Tenth anniversary book, 1873-1883
B 5	F 4	Treasurer's Record and Membership List, 1873-1887; Inventory of Goods, 1887
B 5	F 5	Treasurer's Record and Inventory, 1902-1914
B 5	F 6	Twenty-fifth anniversary book, 1873-1898
B 5	F 7	Yearbooks, 1923-1926
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B 6	F 1	Financial, Correspondence 1888-1925
B 6	F 2	Financial, Correspondence 1925-1933
B 6	F 3	Financial, Receipts 1886-1925
B 6	F 4	Financial, Receipts 1926-1933
B 6	F 5	Insurance 1920-1932
B 6	F 6	Miscellaneous 1881-1923