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**Institution:** Shorefront Legacy Center

**Collection Title:** Pride of the North Chapter No. 61, Order of the Eastern Star collection

**Date Span:** 1928-2005

**Extent:** .5 Linear feet

**Processors:** Processed by CLIR funded Black Metropolis Research Consortium "Color Curtain Processing Project." By Dustin Witsman. July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

**Restrictions:** Some materials in this Pride of the North Chapter No. 61, Order of the Eastern Star collection [Box 1, Series I, Folder 2] are restricted. Please contact Shorefront Legacy Center for more information.

**Related Collections:** Social and Civic Clubs and Organizations collection, Shorefront Legacy Center; Anna Belle Frazier papers, Shorefront Legacy Center

## **Abstract:**

On August 15, 1907, the Pride of the North Chapter No. 61, Order of the Eastern Star was granted its charter from the Eureka Grand Chapter of Illinois. The Order of the Eastern Star is the largest fraternal organization in the world with both male and female membership, with over 500,000 members. Formed in 1876, the Order of the Eastern Star is founded on biblical principles and morals and has four stated principles: Charitable, Educational, Fraternal, and Scientific. The collection consists of material dating from 1928 to 2005 and includes By-Laws, event invitations, Annual Coronation Tea booklets, newspaper clippings, photographs, and ephemera.

## **Historical Note:**

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## **Cited Sources:**

General Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star, "About the Order of the Eastern Star." Accessed July 30, 2012. [http://www.easternstar.org/about\\_oes.html](http://www.easternstar.org/about_oes.html).

## **Scope and Content Note:**

The Pride of the North Chapter No. 61, Order of the Eastern Star collection is organized into two series: "Chapter History" and "Artifacts." It contains By-Laws, event invitations, Annual Coronation Tea booklets, newspaper clippings, photographs, and ephemera dating from 1928 through 2005.

## **Access Headings:**

Evanston (Ill.)--History.

Fraternal organizations

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## Container List:

### Series I. Chapter History, 1928-2005

This series is comprised of material documenting the history of the Evanston, Illinois chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Pride of the North Chapter No. 61.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
1	1	Chapter History	n.d.
	2	Adoptive Rite Rituals Books of Instruction	1928, 1988
	3	By-Laws	1972-1981
	4	Dues and Membership Information	1948-2001
	5	Event Invitations	1995-2005, n.d.
	6-7	Annual Coronation Tea Booklets	1953-1987
	8	Newspaper Clippings	1952, 1978
	9	Photographs	n.d.

### Series II. Artifacts, circa 1928-2005

This series contains physical artifacts from Evanston's Pride of the North Chapter No. 61, Order of the Eastern Star.

Box	Folder	Title	Date
1	10	Chapter Ephemera: Notepad and Matchbook	n.d.
	11	Chapter Ephemera: Earrings, Pin, Gloves, Ribbon	n.d.
OS	N/A	Pride of the North Chapter No. 61, Order of the Eastern Star Ceremonial Sashes (Three)	n.d.