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Summary Information

Repository:	Michigan State University Archives and Historical Collections
Creator - spk:	Baker, Harry D.
Creator - spk:	Friedman, Alfred L., Rabbi
Creator - spk:	Hannah, John A., 1902-1991
Creator - spk:	MacEachin, Jerome, Reverend Father (1904-1987)
Creator - spk:	Tefft, C. Brandt, the Reverend
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Historical Note

The Alumni Memorial Chapel was dedicated by President Hannah on June 7th, 1952 in honor of the approximately 6,800 alumni wartime veterans and 427 victims since the Civil War until World War II. Various stones from European bombed cathedrals, a synagogue, and the White House were set into the walls of the narthex, nave, and chancel. The chapel serves as an interdenominational spiritual gathering place available exclusively for MSU alumni, students, faculty, staff, and their immediate families and seats 190 people. The stained windows depict historical events important to MSU as well as the names of some who perished in war.

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Scope and Contents

The Alumni Memorial Chapel records contain newspaper clippings and manuscripts on the history of the chapel, bids and information seeking a new organ in the early 1990s, brochures, a proposal to fix the chapel's stained glass windows, and projects that the United States Armed Forces Alumni Association of Michigan State University undertook to update and repair the chapel. There are lists of the MSU veterans who died during service which appear on the walls of the Alumni Memorial Chapel. Also included is a booklet of the dedication of the chapel, including photographs, and transcripts of the speakers, Rabbi Alfred Friedman, Harry D. Baker, Harold Grasser, MSU President John Hannah, Reverend C. Brandt Tefft, and Reverend Father Jerome MacEachin.

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- Letters (correspondence)
- Programs (Publications)
- Soldiers -- United States
- Michigan State University. Alumni Memorial Chapel
- Michigan State University. Alumni and alumnae

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
Alumni Chapel History, undated	Box 6164	folder 1
Alumni Chapel History and Newspaper Clippings, undated	Box 6164	folder 2
Bids for a New Organ, circa 1990	Box 6164	folder 3
Bids for a New Organ. Casavant Freres, 1990-1992	Box 6164	folder 4
Bids for a New Organ. Fowler Organ, 1990	Box 6164	folder 5
Bids for a New Organ. Möller, 1990-1991	Box 6164	folder 6
Bids for a New Organ. Schantz Organs, 1990	Box 6164	folder 7
Brochure, circa 2000	Box 6164	folder 8
Dedication, 1952	Box 6164	folder 9
Discussion for a New Organ, 1991 and undated	Box 6164	folder 10
Fallen MSU Soldiers' Names on the Wall of the Alumni Chapel, 1989-1997, undated	Box 6164	folder 11

Proposal to Repair and Restore the Chapel's Stained Glass Windows, 2008-02-29	Box 6164	folder 12
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United States Armed Forces Alumni Association of MSU / Chapel Projects, 1998-1999	Box 6164	folder 13
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Annual Reports

Title/Description	Instances
Published in State Board Reports	volume Bd. of Ag.
1953	
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1956	
Unpublished	box Annual Reports
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