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Philomathian Society. Records and Philomathian Review, 1878-1912.

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ABSTRACT:

The Philomathian Society of Gustavus Adolphus College collection consists of bound handwritten volumes of "The Philomathian Review," meeting minutes, programs, the group's constitution, a biographical account of the class of 1890, and a song book. The group sought to advance literary culture and was open to all students. Members published a weekly paper named "The Philomathian Review" with articles by editors and members and some content from outside sources. In addition, the group celebrated Gustavus Adolphus Day annually on 6 November with literary and musical entertainment. The Society was founded about 1878 and lasted until around 1916. There was brief interest in reviving the organization in subsequent years. Some early materials are entirely in Swedish while later writings are in English and Swedish.

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RELATED COLLECTIONS IN THE ARCHIVES:

There were a number of literary societies at Gustavus during the late 1800s and early 1900s. Please see these collections for additional information.

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Gustavus Adolphus College. Philomathian Society. Gustavus Adolphus College--Student Organizations.

College students' writings, American--Minnesota--St. Peter--Periodicals.

Philomathian Review.

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| Constitution and By Laws, 8 February 1908 (includes signers from 1885 and 1889-1908) | 1 | 1 |
| Programs, 1878-1912 | 1 | 2 |
| The Male Chorus: Composed and Arranged by Ira D. Sankey and Geo. C. Stebbins, Song Book, 1888 | 1 | 3 |
| Short Biography of the Class of 1890 includes a speech by L. Lundgren, 1890 (Swedish) | 1 | 3 |
| Minutes, September 1881-January 1886 | 1 | 4 |
| Minutes, January 1886-December 1890 | 1 | 5 |
| Minutes, January 1891-March 1894 | 1 | 6 |
| Minutes, March 1894-February 1897 | 1 | 7 |
| Minutes, February 1897-April 1900 | 1 | 8 |
| Minutes, November 1900-April 1903 | 1 | 9 |
| Minutes, September 1905-April 1906 | 1 | 10 |
| "Philomathian Review," September-October 1880 and November 1880-March 1881 | 1 | 11 |
| "Philomathian Review," March 1881-March 1882 | 1 | 12 |
| "Philomathian Review," February 1886-September 1887 | 1 | 13 |
| "Philomathian Review," March 1895-January 1896 | 1 | 14 |
| "Philomathian Review," October 1887-November 1888 | 2 | 1 |
| "Philomathian Review," November 1888-January 1889 | 2 | 2 |
| "Philomathian Review," March 1890-September 1891 | 2 | 3 |
| "Philomathian Review," October 1891-December 1892 | 2 | 4 |
| "Philomathian Review," January 1893-March 1894 | 2 | 5 |
| "Philomathian Review," March 1894-May 1895 | 2 | 6 |
| "Philomathian Review," January 1896-February 1897 | 2 | 7 |
| "Philomathian Review," April 1899-October 1900 | 2 | 8 |
| "Philomathian Review," January 1903-November 1904 | 2 | 9 |