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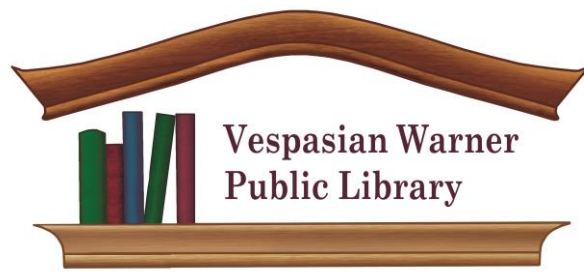
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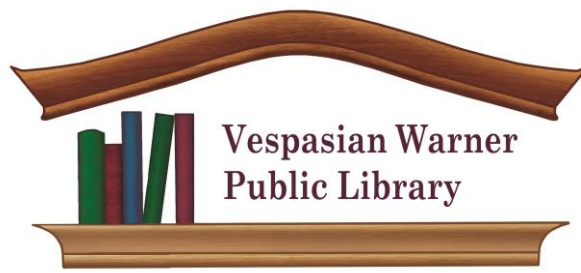
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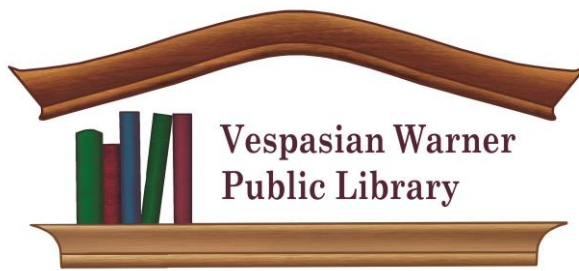
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INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS

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Related collections

None

Separated material

Chapter Charter in M AS

Published descriptions

Not applicable

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Location of copies

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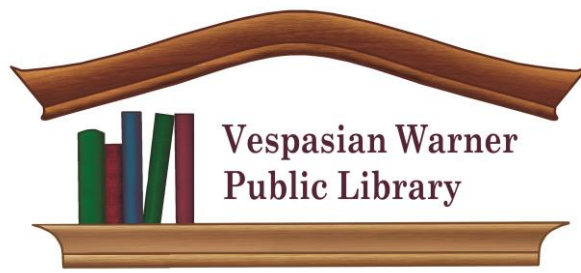
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Subject headings

Clinton (Ill.) – History.

DeWitt County (Ill.) – History.

Fraternal organizations – History.



BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION/ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

Beta Sigma Phi is a charitable and social sorority founded in 1931. The Clinton, Illinois chapter #PL 1526 was founded in 1938. This chapter is now defunct.

From the Beta Sigma Phi website:

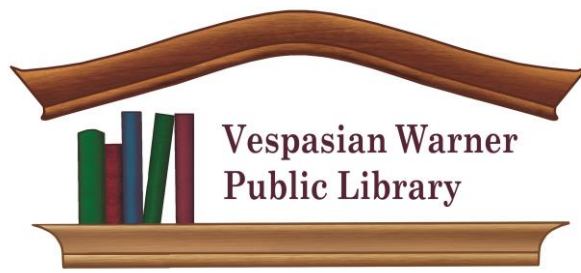
In 1931, during the Great Depression, there was a need for an organization that could bring women together and expose them to a social, cultural and educational climate that was not available in those difficult times.

Most important, there was a need for friendship and support from other women. Beta Sigma Phi was created out of this need. It did not take long before Beta Sigma Phis were helping others.

Typical chapters enjoy socials that range from informal gatherings to gala affairs that often include friends and family. Fascinating cultural programs offer insight into subjects that range from the arts to gardening to in-home businesses. Membership in our organization provides opportunities to contribute to your community, develop lifelong friendships, and polish leadership skills.

https://bspinternational.org/Prospective_members/History_prospect.php

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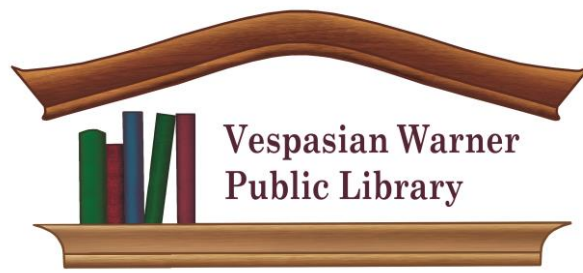


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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Yearbooks, publications, newspaper clippings, etc.

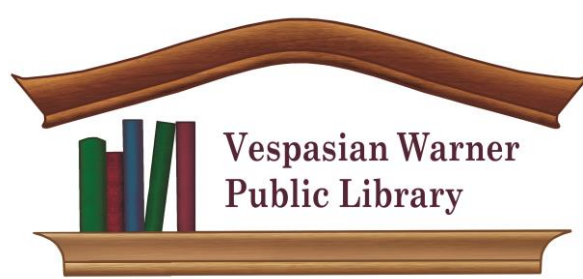


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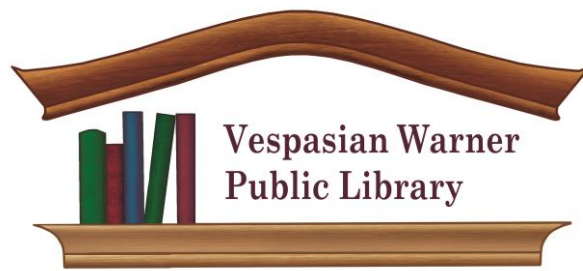
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COLLECTION INVENTORY

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2 “Book of Beta Sigma Phi” Booklets, 1961 and 1982	1	3
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“The Grand Tour” Booklet, 1965	1	7
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Beta Sigma Phi 2 Booklets: Chapter #871, 1963-64 and “Happiness” 1961	1	13
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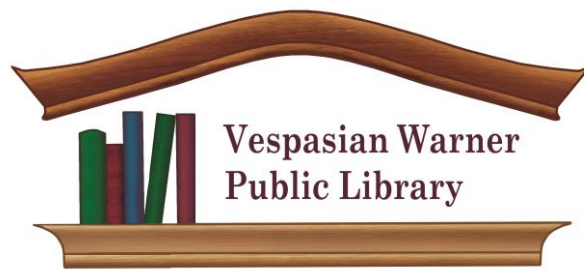


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