Overview of the Collection

Creator: Delta College Athletics Department
Title: Athletics Department Subgroup Records
Inclusive Dates: 1961-present
Bulk Dates: 1970-2010
Abstract: The Athletics Department Subgroup Records contain materials documenting the administration and activities of the Delta College Athletics Department. Records include annual reports, programs, clippings, and scorebooks.
Identification: RG7
Quantity: 5 linear feet
Repository: Delta College Archives, L118, 1961 Delta Road, University Center, MI 48017
Preferred Citation: [Description of item], Athletics Department Subgroup, Student and Educational Services Record Group, Delta College Archives, University Center, Michigan.

Administrative History

The first intercollegiate sports program at Delta College was initiated in the Fall of 1961, shortly after the College opened in its new facility at University Center, Michigan. Prior to that the College had operated as Bay City Junior College on the third floor of Bay City Central High School in Bay City, Michigan.

The College was part of the Michigan Junior College Athletic Conference and initially fielded three men’s varsity teams; cross-country, basketball and golf. A program for women’s athletics began in 1962 and consisted of volleyball, field hockey and basketball. Women’s intercollegiate activity began with basketball in 1965. Volleyball and field hockey joined the intercollegiate program in 1967.

Athletics at Delta College continued to grow into the late 1960s with the addition of men’s track and cross-country, swimming (lasted only one year), soccer and tennis. Club sports have also been popular on campus and have included men’s and women’s basketball, women’s softball, and field hockey and men’s soccer, wrestling and cross country.

The athletic department has also had some stellar coaches and staff associated with it through the years. Dr. Dan Kinsey, a 1924 Olympic medalist in swimming, was the first athletic director. Dr. Kinsey retired in 1966 and his position was filled by Lynn Conway, then men’s basketball. Conway continued to lead the department until June 2000. He is credited with bringing the Men’s National Junior College Athletic Association Division II basketball tournament to Delta
College from 1986-1993. Delta College won the tournament in 1989. Elanore Thompson, Char Denman and Pat O'Toole all held the position of women’s coordinator or assistant athletic director. Denman, Jane Ballor and Jan Jaskiewicz coached the women’s basketball team in the early years.

Funding for Athletics has fluctuated over the years. Today, Delta College athletics is headed by director Shelley Raube and includes varsity men’s basketball, baseball, golf and club hockey and women's basketball, soccer and softball.


Delta College Athletics Website:  [http://www.deltapioneers.com/landing/index](http://www.deltapioneers.com/landing/index)

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**Scope and Contents**

The Athletics Department Subgroup Records (1961-present) document the administration and activities of the Delta College Athletics Department.

The bulk of the collection is comprised of Annual Reports for individual programs and the department as whole, news clippings, programs and guides, and scorebooks.

Photographs from the collection have been removed and are now part of the Albums Series in the Photographs Record Group.

Film from the collection has been removed and is now part of the Audiovisual Record Group.

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**Arrangement**

The collection is arranged alphabetically by subject.

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**Restrictions**

**Restrictions on Access**
Open to all users

**Restrictions on Use**
None

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**Index Terms**

This record series is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

**Persons**
Conway, Lynn

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Organizations
Delta College (University Center, MI)
National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA)
Michigan Junior College Athletic Conference (MJCAC)
Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA)

Places
University Center (MI).

Subjects
Basketball
Baseball
Softball
Field Hockey
Intramural Sports
Soccer
Golf

Document Types
Photographs.
Reports.

Separated Material
Photographs from this collection (with the exception of a few duplicates) were separated and added to the Albums Series of the Photographs Record Group.

Four film reels were separated from the collection and added to the Audiovisual Record Group.

Administrative Information
Acquisition Information
Athletics Department Subgroup records were donated over time, with a large chunk donated by the department in spring 2014.

Accruals
Future accruals are expected; frequency and volume are unknown.

Processing Information
Final Processing and finding aid by/date: Carol Whittaker/[Fall 2014]
## Detailed Description of the Collection

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**Basketball**

- Men’s
  - Basketball Manual (Lynn Conway), undated
  - Box Scores, 1992-1993 (3 folders)
  - Clippings, 1961-present (2 folders)
  - General, 1982-1983
  - Lynn Conway Holiday Classic, 2010-present
  - National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Tournament
    - Delta Roster, 1992
    - Programs, 1972-1993 (incomplete) (2 folders)
    - Player Guides, 1973-1974

- Men’s and Women’s
  - Annual Program’s
    - 1962-1998 (incomplete)
    - 1998-2010 (incomplete)
  - Coaches Corner, 1994-1995
  - Clippings, 1983-present
Women’s

30 Annual Reports, 1969-1987 (14 folders)
30 Association for Intercollegiate Athletics (AIA) Tournament, undated
30 Clippings, 1975-present
30 Memos, 1989-1990
30 Tournament Programs, 1993 & 2000

30 Budget, 1974-1975
30 Camps & Clinics, 1977-2005
30 Cheerleading, 1966-1977
30 Coaching, 1969-2014
30 Cross-Country (Men’s), 1966-1977
30 Dodgeball, 2004-2008
30 Field Hockey (Women’s), 1965-1979

Fight Song (see Origins Record Group)

30 Funding of, 1983-1988
30 Golf, 1983
30 Handball, 1975
30 Hockey Club, 2008-2009
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30 Logos, 2009
30 Mascots, 1982-1997
30 Michigan Community College Athletic Association (MCCAA), 1980-1981
30 Michigan Junior College Athletic Conference (MJCAC), 1960-1981
30 National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA), 1981-2014
Opens & Invitationals (High School & Community), 1966-2013
Schedules/Calendars, 1992-2006

Scholarships

General, undated
Athletic Scholarship Auction, 2002-2004
Delta College Foundation Golf Classic, 1990-2006

Score Books *(See box in Archives Storage Closet, A128)*

Basketball

Men’s, 1969-1997 (31 books)
Women’s, 1965-1986 (11 books)
Soccer, 1981-1982

Soccer

Men’s

Clippings, 1973-2012
Women’s, 2011-2013

Softball

Clippings, 1983-2013

General

1975-1976
1981-1982
1985 (photographs)
1986
1987 (photographs)
Sports Banquet Programs and Information, 1965-1995

Swimming

Tennis, 1974-1980

Volleyball

Clippings, 1983-2011

General

1968

1987 (photograph)

1988 (photograph)

1996

2002

Wrestling, 1967