



Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

ACCESSION No.: HRHS - 104

COLLECTION TITLE: Knights of Pythias Stonewall Lodge No. 31

DATES: 1884-1895

SIZE: 9.25 x 14.5 leather book

DONOR: Peter Viemeister, 7/13/2006

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

The Knights of Pythias is a fraternal organization and secret society founded in Washington, DC, on February 19, 1864.

The Knights of Pythias was the first fraternal organization to receive a charter under an act of the United States Congress. It was founded by Justus H. Rathbone, who had been inspired by a play by the Irish poet John Banim about the legend of Damon and Pythias. This legend illustrates the ideals of loyalty, honor and friendship that are the center of the order.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This collection consists of the records/minutes of the Stonewall Lodge, No. 31, Knights of Pythias, dating 1884-1895. 1 book, 9.25 x 14.5

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

1 leather covered ledger