

Finding aid

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EAD Header

***Title Proper:** A Guide to the Red Book lists, 1863 -- 2010

Sponsor:

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Collection Summary

***Creator:** Congregation of the Sacred Heart (Houston, Tex.); Barry, Gerard, Sister

***Title:** Community reference lists

***Dates:** 1863-2010

***Quantity:** 1.42 Linear Feet

***Abstract:** This collection contains lists of basic information about the community and its sisters compiled and created by sisters.

***Identification:** 00017

Location: ST-C3/1.1; ST-C3/2.1

***Language:** The materials are in English.

***Repository:** Dominican Sisters of Houston Archives

Biographical Sketch or Administrative History

These reference lists, known as the “Red Books”, were assembled and created by the sister-archivist, Sister Gerard Barry, and other sister volunteers. Their exact origin is unknown, but they were likely compiled in preparation for the sisters’ centennial celebration in 1982. After this celebration, the lists were continually edited and updated. The exact times and content of these updates were not well documented, though some pages have notes at the bottom indicating when they were typed and added. As pages were added, the original organization laid out in the table of contents was not always adhered to. These lists were referred to as the “Red Book” because they were stored in red binders on the shelves of the reading room.

Scope and Contents Note [\[Highly preferred\]](#)

This collection contains lists of basic information about the community and its sisters compiled and created by sisters. Lists include information about when sisters entered

and made initial and final vows, where sisters served, sisters' religious and baptismal names, dates of sisters' jubilees, dates of death and burial information, sisters' basic educational information, a timeline of events in the history of the congregation and the world created for the centennial celebration, and a list of former sisters.

Arrangement

These lists were originally organized according to the table of content. However, with subsequent revisions, additions, and years of use, the organization structure was largely abandoned. Lists have been placed back in their original order to the extent possible in following the table of content.

The collection is separated into 8 series. The first 7 series correspond to the volume of the original Red Books. The final series "Other reference lists" is comprised of subsequent additions to the Red Books or other parts of the Red Book whose original location could not be determined. See "Table of Content: Volume I – Volume VI" in series 7 for a detailed look at the original structure of these lists.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions [\[Highly preferred\]](#)

A portion of this collection is restricted. Contact the archivist for details.

Use Restrictions [\[Highly preferred\]](#)

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Index Terms [\[Highly preferred\]](#)

Subjects: [650]

Reference resources [FAST]

Administrative Information

*Preferred Citation

Red book lists, 1863 – 2010, Dominican Sisters of Houston Archives, Houston, Texas

Processing Information: [\[Highly preferred\]](#)

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Detailed Description of the Collection [Highly preferred]
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Box #	Folder #	Title/Description	Date
		Volume I	1874-1950
		<u>1874-1900</u>	
1	1	Ohio to Texas: Original group of Dominicans	1874-1900
	2	Reception of Dominican Habit	1875-1900
	3	First vows as a Dominican religious	1877-1900
	4	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [1/2]	1874-1900
	5	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [2/2]	1874-1900
		<u>1901-1925</u>	
	6	Entered Dominican Order and Reception of Dominican Habit	1901-1925
	7	First vows as a Dominican religious, renewal, and final vows	1901-1925
	8	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [1/2]	1901-1925
	9	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [2/2]	1901-1925
		<u>1926-1950</u>	
	10	Entered Dominican Order	1926-1950
	11	Reception of Dominican Habit and first vows as a Dominican sister, renewal, and final vows	1926-1950
	12	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [1/2]	1926-1950
	13	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [2/2]	1926-1950
		Volume II	1951-1975
	14	Entered Dominican Order, reception of Dominican Habit, first vows, final vows [1/2]	1951-1975
	15	Entered Dominican Order, reception of Dominican Habit, first vows, final vows [2/2]	1951-1975
	16	Academies, missions, schools, assignments	1951-1975
	17	Volume II	1951-1975
		Volume III	1976-
	18	Entered Dominican Order, reception of the Habit, first vows as a Dominican Religious, renewals, final vows	1976-1996

	19	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [1/2]	1976-1996
	20	Academies, missions, schools, assignments [2/2]	1976-1996
		Volume IV	1874-2010
	21	Community lists	1874-2000
	22	Major superiors and novice mistresses	1874-2010
	23	Jubilee lists	1882-1999
	24	Deaths and cemeteries	1878-2006
		Volume V	1863-1998
	25	Family and religious names	1874-1991
	26	Summary	1863-1999
	27	College degrees and secondary school abbreviations	1921-1991
	28	Schools and convent, apostolates, foreign missions, parish work, other colleges, and schools	1874-1996
		Volume VI	1882-2003
	29	Centennial Timeline	1882-2003
	30	Community timeline: Apostolic works	1882-1980
		Volume VII	
	31	Table of Contents: Volume I - Volume VI	Undated
		Other reference lists	
2	1	Community list	1874-1896
	2	List of former sisters	1874-1994
	3	Entered Dominican Order	1874-1995
	4	Reception of Dominican Habit and first vows	1875-1950
	5	Deaths	1878-1996
	6	List of community deaths and cemetery records	1878-2002
	7	Dominican Novitiate	1927-1950
	8	Dominican Novitiate	1927-1950
	9	Community data extension magazine	1989
	10	Educational information	Undated