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Perceptives of Female College Students

Evoke

About the Ethnographer

Currently a Sophomore in Liberal Arts and Sciences College at the University of Illinois, I plan to become a nursing major and become a registered nurse.

Explore

Question

The question I am exploring for our group paper is what alumni of the University of Illinois did after leaving the university. More specifically, I want to look at what types of jobs women had, how they used their degrees, how quickly they married and had children, and where they ended up living. These alumni will be graduates from the school during the years of 1924-1930 simply because no specific books on alums we found from 1926, the year Lucia graduated.

Plan

My plan for the final paper of the class is to write an Orange Statement. This piece will express the opinions and lives of the student on the University of Illinois campus. I will question their priorities, their lifestyles and their goals and see if I can come to a census on what the "U of I" student is actually like.

My plan to go about this question is to look through the Alumni Reviews in the Archives or to find any submitted information alumni may have submitted to the university. In addition, I will be researching on the web to see if I can find information regarding alumni, their lives today and what they have accomplished during their lifetime to get a sense of the direction people go in after college.

Observe

In the archival papers of Sally (Sarah) F. Reston, Box 1, the University of Illinois graduate of 1934, I found the obituary from the New York Times, released in September of 2001 along with her resume dating back to 1959. I found Sally F. Reston to be a journalist major who belonged to the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. Looking through her personal information I found she married very quickly after graduation, approximately seven months, and quickly had three sons. Nonetheless, she had a very prestigious career working as a New York Times correspondent alongside her husband as well as being co-publisher of The Vineyard Gazette in her home time right after college. Mrs. Reston's history showed that women even during those days used their college education to further their careers even though they married and had children quickly. This reflected in my

portion of the paper where Lucia becomes pregnant quickly after marriage but still continues her work at the newspaper.

In the archival papers of Frances M. Bauer, I found an article dating back to December 18, 1942, which described her wedding to a member of the Triangle Fraternity. I used this information in the original version of the paper where I momentarily described Lucia's wedding. In addition, Fran Bauer's obituary, dated May 29, 1964 from the News-Gazette explained that she had married a University of Illinois professor some twelve years after graduating from college and remained in the Urbana area to live with her husband and work at the News-Gazette where she became an administrator. Although her history was not used as much in my portion of the paper, her wedding details were used to describe Lucia's wedding and her husband's history was used to reflect Phil's character. In addition, this inspired that Lucia still remain remotely close to the University after marriage.

In the archival papers of Mary T. However (Swartz), a journalism major that graduated the university in 1932, I found an obituary dated March 2, 1993 from the LaSalle News-Tribune. She also married very quickly after graduation, only a year, and had two children. She worked in a library service in both Illinois and Indiana for over 50 years and received recognition for three regional libraries. Mary's awareness of landscape described in her obituary was used to give Lucia an awareness of the weather and how her desk is arranged for writing. In addition, collaboratively with the history of Mrs. Sally Reston, we decided to make Lucia pregnant but to continue enjoying her work and continue furthering her career.

Discuss

Reflect

Link

The final paper concerning today's female students at the University of Illinois.

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Implications

Other

My exploration of the Music Building for the "Other" Campus Map assignment. The experience was very interesting to say the least.

(I believe the second one is the correct version. The third file is the actual picture of my map.)

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Hopefully, this is the correct way to the bibliogrpahy. All the sources were used as inspiration for the final product of the paper.

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After discussing the piece we had written, as a group we decided to make some changes to fit our finding better. Therefore, I am also posting the revised version of my portion of the paper. The same events occur but they are taken more from Lucia's point of view instead of Phil's. We felt this would flow more with the book's style.

Also included is the rough draft of my portion of the paper. This included the very last part of our chapter where Lucia becomes ill and finds that she is with child.

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Included in this page is my original paragraph proposal that I brought to the group. Our final idea became a collaboration of all our ideas.

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