

LGBT-015 John Barns Collection Inventory

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COLLECTION REGISTER

Name: John R. Barns **LGBT-015**

Material: Papers (1974-2015)

Volume: 1.0 linear foot (2 document boxes, 1 artifact box, 14 oversized folders)

Donation: Donated by John R. Barns, 2014, 2015, 2016

Usage: These materials have been donated without restrictions on usage.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection is comprised primarily of newspaper clippings from a wide variety of publications, not limited to Central PA, addressing issues related to marriage, clergy, politics, discrimination, and the military. This collection also contains bookmarks, postcards, and greeting cards with gay themes. In addition, the collection includes a small amount of material related to Dignity of Central PA, wooden nickels from the Neptune's Lounge bar in Harrisburg, PA, and books on a variety of themes.

SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

1.1 *Associated Press*

1.1.1 “United Methodists on trial” – c. 1999

1.2 *Belgrade Insight*

1.2.1 “Clinic Claims to ‘Cure’ Homosexuals” – Sep. 24, and Oct. 7, 2010

1.3 *BookPage*

1.3.1 “Searching for Addie’s Voice” – c. Aug. 2011

1.4 *Capital Times*

1.4.1 “Study pin pinpoints gays, not drug users” – May 16, 1996

1.4.2 “Episcopal court drops heresy charges, says doctrine doesn’t bar gay priests,”
– May 16, 1996

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SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

1.5 *Hour Community*

1.5.1 “A Night At The Tubs” – Aug. 14, 2008

1.6 *International Herald Tribune*

1.6.1 “The code of the callboy” – Nov. 9, 2006

1.7 *Isthmus*

1.7.1 “Gay photo exhibit within school district guidelines” – c. 1998

1.8 *New York Times*

1.8.1 “The Homosexual Pedigree” – Oct. 16, 1994

“Out and About” – Nov. 6, 1994

“A Stand on Homosexuality for Both Left and Right” – Sep. 6, 1995

1.8.2 “In Eye of a Storm Over Gay Clergy” – Mar. 16, 1996

“Of Homoerotic Elements in Mann’s Work and Life” – Mar. 21, 1996

“Why Marry?” – Apr. 17, 1996

1.8.3 “Gay Marriage as a Basic Human Right” – May 3, 1996

Untitled Illustration – c. Aug. 1996

“Gay America Depicted Through a Gay Lens” – Aug. 25, 1996

1.8.4 “Anti-Discrimination Proposal Delays Senate Vote on Bill Opposing
Same-Sex Marriage” – Sep. 6, 1996

“Foes of Gay Marriage Are Foiled in California Senate” – Sep. 6, 1996

1.8.5 “Gay and Conservative: It Can Be Done” – Jan. 2, 1997

“Reform Rabbis to Avoid Vote On Allowing Same-Sex Unions” – May 8,
1998

1.8.6 “The Face of Hate Made Plain” – Jan. 5, 1999

“New Jersey Top Court Hears Arguments Over Gay Scouts,” – Jan. 6, 1999

1.8.7 “Republicans and the Gay Vote” – Aug. 13, 1999

“Bigotry in the Military” – Aug. 30, 1999

“Bradley Favors Expanding Homosexual Rights” – Sep. 10, 1999

1.8.8 “Rejecting ‘Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell’” – Dec. 1999

“G.I. Who Killed Gay Is Sentenced to Life” – Dec. 1999

“Giving Benefits To Partners of Gay Workers” – c. Dec. 1999

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SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

- 1.8.9 “Policy on Gays Put to the Test At Army Base” – Feb. 14, 2000
“Reflections From the Town of the Crime” – Mar. 8, 2002
- 1.8.10 “Exposure for a Nude” – Sep. 30, 2005
“Film in Review: Blackmail Boy” – Nov. 18, 2005
- 1.8.11 “A Twisty Tale of Bed-Hopping With a Power-Shifting Pair” – Feb. 3,
2006
“Massachusetts: Gay Bias Complaint” – Feb. 15, 2006
“Tightly Knit and Western-Loving” – Feb. 24, 2006
- 1.8.12 “Secret Lives in the Age of Gay Rights” – May 8, 2009
- 1.9 *New York*
 - 1.9.1 “Is Everybody Gay,” Stonewall riots 25th anniversary issue – Jun. 20, 1994
- 1.10 *Newsweek*
 - 1.10.1 “The Love That Will Finally Speak Its Name” – Sep. 3, 2007
- 1.11 *Patriot News*
 - 1.11.1 “Church hires gay pastors: Couple a first for major denomination” – Jun. 16,
1994
“Equality sought for all, regardless of sexuality” – Mar. 24, 1999
- 1.12 *Philadelphia Gay News*
 - 1.12.1 “Mpozi Tolbert, photographer, dead at 34” – Jul. 7-13, 2006
“Kameny donates papers to Library of Congress” – c. Oct. 2006
- 1.13 *Philadelphia Inquirer*
 - 1.13.1 “Gays, lesbians deserve protection of state anti-discrimination
laws,” – Mar. 6, 1998
“Trial opens for 1 of 2 in beating death of gay man in Wyo.” – Mar. 25,
1999
- 1.14 *US News & World Report*
 - 1.14.1 “Is there a ‘gay gene’?” – Nov. 13, 1995 (multipage)
- 1.15 *Washington Post*
 - 1.15.1 “Perry Watkins, 48, Gay Sergeant Who Won Enlistment in Court” –
Mar. 21, 1996

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SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

1.16 *World*

1.16.1 ““You want to study us to death”” – Jun. 19, 1993

1.17 *York Daily Record*

1.17.1 “United Methodists on trial” – Mar. 20, 1999

1.18 Unidentified

1.18.1 “Early American Gay,” – c. 1986

1.18.2 “Bishop Who Ordained Gay Deacon Is Accused of Heresy,” – c. Feb. 1996

1.18.3 “N.Y. gay marriage bill snags on religion,” – Jun. 18, 2011

SERIES 2 – OVERSIZED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

2.1 *Advocate*

2.1.1 “Gay Rights + Women Priests = Episcopal Schisms” – Dec. 28, 1977

2.2 *Chicago Tribune*

2.2.1 “Gay film marketing comes out of the closet” – Aug. 27, 1995

2.3 *Intelligencer Journal*

2.3.1 “Catholic nun who ministers to gays, lesbians to give talk here” – Jun. 23, 2001

2.4 *Isthmus*

2.4.1 “A Rural Awakening” – Sep. 27-Oct 3, 1996

2.5 *Metro*

2.5.1 “‘Huge Progress’ in Gay Rights” – May 17, 2011

2.6 *The Nation*

2.6.1 “Strict security for Wyoming murder trial” – c. Mar. 1999

2.7 *New York Times*

2.7.1 “Gay Troops: Clinton’s Juggling Act” – Oct. 18, 1994

“Gay Survey Raises a New Questions” – Oct. 18, 1994

2.7.2 “When a Roaring Lion Learns to Purr” – Jan. 12, 1995

2.7.3 “Despite New Policy, Military Asks About Homosexuality” – Feb. 27, 1996

“To Be Young, Gay and Going to High School in Utah” – Feb. 28, 1996

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SERIES 2 – OVERSIZED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

- 2.7.4 “Role in Openly Gay Episcopalians Causes a Rift in the Church” – Mar. 21, 1996
“Gay Parents Ease Into Suburbia” – May 16, 1996
- 2.7.5 “Gray Skies and a Smaller Crowd, but High Sprits at Gay Pride March” – Jul. 1, 1996
“Looking Back At a Non-Crisis On Gay Rights” – c. 1996
- 2.7.6 “New York’s First Openly Gay Senator Tests Unfamiliar Turf” – Jan. 10, 1999
“Despite Victim, Case of Swiss Guard’s Murder Remains Alive” – Feb. 18, 1999
“U.S. Writer On Gay Topics Is Badly Beaten In an Irish City” – Feb. 18, 1999
- 2.7.7 “Bright Young Things” – Mar. 21, 1999
“Suspended Pastor’s Flock Voices Its Support” – Mar. 29, 1999
- 2.7.8 “The Many Flavors of Love, For Just About Any Taste” – Aug. 13, 1999
“A Major League Player’s Life of Isolation and Subterfuge” – Sep. 6, 1999
“Gay Republican Cleaves to the Party Despite a Bush Snub” – Nov. 29, 1999
“Paul Cadmus Dies At 94; Virtuoso American Painter” – Dec. 15, 1999
- 2.7.9 “Vermont’s House Backs Wide Rights For Gay Couples” – Mar. 17, 2000
“The Way We Live Now: Closet-Case Studies” – Dec. 16, 2001
- 2.7.10 “Loneliness, Generosity and Selfishness at the End of Life” – Jul. 14, 2006
“Growing Up Is Hard to Do, Especially When You’re 35” – Jul. 14, 2006
“Aspen Gay Ski Week: Was That Liza on the Black Diamond Run?” – Feb. 3, 2006
- 2.7.11 “How a Governor Set His Stance on Gay Rights” – May 30, 2008
“Fighting Same-Sex Policy Seems to Be Uphill Battle” – May 30, 2008

2.8 *Patriot News*

- 2.8.1 “Vatican disbands ministry for gays” – Aug. 7, 1999
“Cross-dresser dared to live life in public” – Oct. 25, 2006

2.9 *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*

- 2.9.1 “Homosexuality issue threatens United Methodists” – Apr. 26, 1998

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SERIES 2 – OVERSIZED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

2.10 *Wall Street Journal*

2.10.1 “How Hawaii Became Ground Zero in Battle Over Gay Marriages” – Jun. 17, 1996

2.11 *Xtra!*

2.11.1 “Nate Phelps: breaking the mould” – Aug. 11, 2011

2.12 Unidentified

2.12.1 “Service to be a blend of past, future, with joyous music” – c. Aug. 22, 2011

SERIES 3 – DIGNITY OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA

3.1. “Dignity/Central PA Pilgrimage” – Jun. 22, 1986

3.2 “Mass of Thanksgiving,” *Dignity of Central Pennsylvania* program – c. Jul. 15, 1989

3.3 Notes from John McNeill lecture to Dignity Central PA

SERIES 4 – BOOKMARKS

4.1 “Answer the call... Contact Harrisburg: Needs your help in staffing out 24 Hour ‘Helpline’” – undated

“Giovanni’s Room: Gay and Feminist Books” – undated (2)

“Penn Book Shop” – undated

SERIES 5 – POSTCARDS

5.1 “Briefs,” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1974

5.2 “Rustler” by George Stavrinis, greeting card – c. 1979

“The Musician,” advertisement postcard – c. Apr. 1979

“Buck,” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1979

“Series SP,” greeting card (Boston, MA) – c. 1979

“The Messenger” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1979

“Para-Shooter,” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1979

5.3 “Super Jock,” greeting card (Vancouver, B.C.) – c. 1980

Untitled greeting card (Chicago, IL) – c. 1980

“Harry 1978” greeting card (Los Angeles, CA) – c. 1980

“Self Portrait in Pool 1978,” greeting card (Los Angeles, CA) – c. 1980

“John Paul,” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1980

“White Table” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1980

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SERIES 5 – POSTCARDS (cont.)

- 5.4 “Romanticizing Gerry” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1981
“Daddy,” greeting card (San Francisco, CA) – c. 1981
- 5.5 “#015” greeting card (San Francisco, CA) – c. 1982
“Loving You,” greeting card (New York, NY) – c. 1982
- 5.6 Untitled greeting card (Los Angeles, CA) – c. 1983
“#38 – Leather” greeting card (San Francisco, CA) – c. 1983
“#39 – Construction” (San Francisco, CA) – c. 1983
“#40 – Cowboy” (San Francisco, CA) – c. 1983
- 5.7 Untitled greeting card (Oakland, CA) (2) – c. 1985
- 5.8 “Homomonument, Amsterdam 1987,” postcard – c. 1987 (2)
- 5.9 “Furball,” advertisement postcard - c. Sep. 30, 2006
“xxx leather show,” advertisement postcard - c. Sep. 2006
- 5.10 German postcard (2)
- 5.11 “playgrounds 06,” advertisement postcard – c. Sep. 15
“Working Stiffs,” greeting card (New York, NY)
“Gay classics,” advertisement postcard
- 5.12 “This man was brutally murdered for being gay,” petition postcard
“Paul Cadmus: Fantasia on a Theme of Dr. S., egg tempera, 1946,” postcard
- 5.13 “Pleasure Greetings,” advertisement (New York, NY) (2)
- 5.14 Untitled greeting card (New York, NY)
- 5.15 Untitled greeting card (San Francisco, CA) (6)

SERIES 6 – MISCELLANEOUS

- 6.1 Photo of two gay men that appeared in *The Advocate* in 1979, autographed on the back – c. 1976
- 6.2 “#34 Howdy,” postcard with message to John Barns from “B” – c. 1980
- 6.3 Handwritten thank-you card to John Barns - c. Oct. 24, 1980
- 6.4 “Homomonument: In the Centre of Amsterdam,” Brochure – c. 1987 (2)
- 6.5 Ipolyni quote
- 6.6 “Neptune’s Lounge” notepad

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SERIES 6 – MISCELLANEOUS (cont.)

- 6.7 *The Whole Gay Catalog: Books for Gay Men & Lesbians, Their Families & Friends* – Nov. 1984.
- 6.8 Visitors Guide to Montreal's Gay Village (see Artifact 7.5) – 2015-2016
- 6.9 Brokeback Mountain scrapbook – 2006-2006

SERIES 7 – ARTIFACTS

- 7.1 "Neptune's Lounge," buffalo wooden nickels
- 7.2 "Dignity" pin
- 7.3 Framed and autographed photograph to John Barns from Leonard Matlovich
- 7.4 Needlepoint pillowcase of a nude male. (Done by David Roberts)
- 7.5 Pink balls hung from guide wires across rue Sainte-Catherine in Montreal's gay village – 2015 (see item 6.8)

SERIES 8 – OVERSIZED

- 8.1 Bruce Thomas gay pride poster, New York City - c. 1984
- 8.2 Carol movie poster – 2016

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