

## **LGBT-049-SC Julia “Julie” Lobur Collection**

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### **COLLECTION REGISTER**

Name:	Lobur, Julia “Julie”	<b>LGBT-049-SC</b>
Material:	Photographs (1973)	
Volume:	8 document folders	
Donation:	Donated by Julia Lobur, 2015	
Usage:	These materials have been donated without restrictions on usage.	
Processor:	Sarah Wakefield, September 2021	
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### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Julia “Julie” Lobur was born in New Kensington, Pennsylvania in 1955 and moved to Harrisburg in 1970. She received her bachelor’s degree from Pennsylvania State University (Penn State) and received a master’s degree in Computer Science in 2003. Lobur briefly served in the military in 1983, eventually being discharged for being a lesbian, but it was also where she met her wife Marla.

For Lobur, her introduction to the LGBTQ+ community was influenced by the Commerce Diner. Located across the street from the then 400 Club, a LGBTQ+ bar of the time, and adjacent to State Street in Harrisburg, PA, the Commerce Diner catered to LGBTQ+ clientele in the 1970s. The diner eventually closed, and the building was demolished in the late 1980s.

Lobur currently works as a computer architect for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is an adjunct professor of computer science for Penn State. She resides in Central PA today.

### **COLLECTION INVENTORY**

#### **Series 1 Documents**

Folder 01) Reflections of the Commerce Diner 1973 by Julie Lobur - 2016

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**Series 2 Commerce Diner - Harrisburg, PA Photographs**

- Folder 02) Diner counter – 1973 (2)
- Folder 03) Cook at the grill – 1973 (2)
- Folder 04) Waiter – 1973 (2)
- Folder 05) Diner eating spaghetti – 1973 (2)
- Folder 06) Customer dozing in booth – 1973 (2)
- Folder 07) Sandy Beck at the counter – 1973 (2)

**Series 3 Media**

- LGBT-049-D01 DVD containing scans of Commerce Diner photos – 2015