

LGBT-061 Colin Kreitzer Collection

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COLLECTION REGISTER

Name: Kreitzer, Colin **LGBT-061**

Material: Papers (1979, 1980– 2009)

Volume: .25 linear feet (1 document box, 2 oversized folders)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Colin Kreitzer was born in 1947 in Enola, Pennsylvania, and grew up in Wormleysburg, PA with his parents and his younger sister. He attended West Chester College (now West Chester University) and moved to Harrisburg in 1977, where he began getting involved in the gay community through activism and social activities. Kreitzer was involved in the Gay Switchboard of Harrisburg (GSH), later known as the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard of Harrisburg (GLSH), Dignity/Central PA, Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of the Spirit, and volleyball.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection contains 6 series: Newspaper Clippings, Magazine Articles, Gay Switchboard of Harrisburg (GSH), MCC of the Spirit, Miscellaneous, and Photographs.

The Newspaper Clippings series include pieces on Ellen DeGeneres's coming out and other LGBTQ+ news, primarily from Harrisburg and Philadelphia newspapers. The Magazine Articles series includes articles on LGBTQ+ issues surrounding entertainment and marriage. The Gay Switchboard of Harrisburg (GSH) series holds items from an outreach event, "That Rabbit" play series, and a GSH newsletter. The MCC of the Spirit series holds a copy of the *Gayfolio* newsletter and a Sunday service program. The Miscellaneous holds a Dignity/Central PA Keystone Newsletter and pictures of famous

LGBTQ+ people. Finally, the Photographs include colored picture slides of the Pride Parade in New York City.

COLLECTION INVENTORY

Series 1 Newspaper Clippings

1.01 Ellen DeGeneres Coming Out

- 1.01.01 “Go figure: Smart TV found on “Ellen,” *Philadelphia (PA) Gay News* – [Nov. 1996]
“Ellen coming-out episode given high marks,” *Philadelphia (PA) Gay News* – Mar. 28 - Apr. 3, 1997
“Ellen” helped DeGeneres fully come out,” *Philadelphia (PA) Gay News* – May 22 - 28, 1998
“ABC rejects HRC commercial,” *Philadelphia (PA) Gay News* – Mar. 28 - Apr. 3, 1997

1.02 General Clippings

- 1.02.01 “The Advocate Experience,” *The Advocate* – Mar. 22, 1979
“Series of court rulings undermines military’s stand against homosexuals” – [1993]
“And The Band Stopped Playing,” *Philadelphia (PA) Gay News* – Mar. 4 - 10, 1994 (see oversized OBS)
“Story line prompts warning, for better or worse,” – [Aug. 1997]
“Couplehood: Making It Work,” – [1997]
- 1.02.02 “Rosie talks adoption in coming-out interview” – [2002]
“Gay Advocates, clergy collide over same-sex marriage,” *Sunday Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) – Aug. 3, 2003 (see oversized OBL)
“Same-Sex Unions: A changing tide leads American to stress understanding, not hate,” *The Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) – Aug. 3, 2003
“As I See It: Our "intellectual laziness" clouds gay rights issue” *The Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) – Aug. 10, 2003
- 1.02.03 “Like it or not, accepting gays is the American thing to do,” *The Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) – Oct. 14, 2004
“We must not deny gay couples marriage,” *Sunday Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) – May 31, 2009
“Learning to live with PRIDE: Time in central Pennsylvania helps author gain true respect for meaning of movement,” *Sunday Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) – Jul. 26, 2009
“A Vermont Mother Speaks,” *White River Junction Valley News* – undated
LGBTQ+ Newspaper Cartoons (3) – undated

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Series 2 Magazine Articles

- 2.01 “Can Ellen Do Lesbians Right?” – [Apr. 1997]
“Being Out at 65,” *Times Magazine* – Jul. 2003
“Why Gay Movies Suck,” *Out* – Oct. 2003
- 2.02 “All in the Family,” *Out* – Oct. 2003
LGBTQ+ Community and Religion spread, *Out Magazine* – Jan. 2004
“Why the M Word Matters to Me” *Time Magazine* – Feb. 16, 2004

Series 3 Gay Switchboard of Harrisburg (GSH)

- 3.01 Martha and Colin talk to students (GSH Outreach) – Oct. 1981
Martha, Colin, Frank connection
Students’ reaction letters (handwritten)
- 3.02 GSH Newsletter (talks about students’ reactions from outreach) – Nov. 1981
- 3.03 “That Rabbit’s In Love” Program – Nov. 14th
“That Rabbit” Advertisement Flyer – Apr. 11, 1981

Series 4 MCC of the Spirit

- 4.01 *Gayfolio* – Nov. 1981
- 4.02 Metropolitan Community Church of the Spirit Sunday Program – Nov. 17, 1996

Series 5 Miscellaneous

- 5.01 Dignity/Central PA Keystone Newsletter – Jul./Aug. 1982
- 5.02 Pictures of Famous LGBTQ+ People – undated

Series 6 Photographs

- 6.01 19 color slides from New York City Pride Parade – [1985]