

LGBT-113 Don Haines Collection

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COLLECTION REGISTER

Name:	Haines, Don	LGBT-113
Material:	Papers (1988-1996)	
Volume:	0.25 linear feet (1 document box, 2 artifacts)	
Donation:	Donated by Donald Haines, 2024	
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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Don Haines was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where he lived until the age of 12. He then moved to the suburbs of Lancaster, remaining in Lancaster County. Still within Lancaster County, Haines later moved to Columbia, Pennsylvania with his partner. Haines came out at the age of 23 in 1987, a time he described as a “very oppressive” time. Haines was raised Roman Catholic but struggled with the church’s lack of acceptance, operating outside of the church until Pope Francis took charge. Haines graduated from Millersville University where he was a part of a gay and lesbian group. He worked for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, encouraged by Governor Schapp’s acceptance of gay people and the protection of a union.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection contains five series: Leather Community, Activism, Publications, Miscellaneous, and Artifacts.

The first series contains documents relating to the leather community in the Northeast. This includes newsletters circulated to community members, flyers promoting leather nights at bars, and a program from a leather pageant. The second series contains documents relating to LGBTQ+ activism. These documents feature the March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay, & Bi Equal Rights & Liberation in 1993 and the Lancaster AIDS Project. The third series focuses on publications and contains a letter and envelope from Ganymede Press, the publisher of DADDY the magazine as well as a copy of the *AU Courant* from July 1990. The fourth series is miscellaneous and contains a promotional condom and Unity Festival '91 invitation. The final series, Artifacts, contains a 1995 Central PA Pride button and a Pennsmen logo pin.

COLLECTION INVENTORY

Series 1 Leather Community

- 1.01 Colts' News Round-Up newsletter, Vol. 7, No. 5 – Mar./Apr. 1993
- 1.02 Upcoming Events at the Backdoor flyer
- 1.03 The Hartford Colts M.C. and Stars M.C. joint bar night flyer
- 1.04 Hartford Colts M.C. nights at The Pub flyers
- 1.05 Mr. And Mrs. Baltimore Eagle 1996 program – Mar. 29-31, 1996

Series 2 Activism

- 2.01 March on Washington for Lesbian, Gay, & Bi Equal Rights & Liberation bus ticket order form – Apr. 25, 1993
- 2.02 The Lancaster AIDS Project invitation and envelope – Oct. 7, 1988
- 2.03 Lancaster AIDS Project newsletter, Vol. 1 No. 6 – Dec. 1988 – Jan. 1989

Series 3 Publications

- 3.01 Ganymede Press envelope addressed to Don Haines
Letter from Ganymede Press apologizing for delayed order of DADDY the magazine – Jan. 18, 1993. See issue in periodicals collection: DADDY the magazine Number 2 “Prime Beef, Aged to Perfection!”
- 3.02 “Angels in Whiteface, The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence,” *AU Courant*, (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) – Jul. 30, 1990

Series 4 Miscellaneous

- 4.01 “Man Line” packaged promotional condom – undated
- 4.02 Unity Festival ‘91 Exhibit & Vendor Invitation – Jul. 28, 1991

Series 5 Artifacts

- LGBT-113-AC01 “Pride on the rise” Pride Coalition of Central PA button – Jul. 30, 1995
- LGBT-113-AC02 Pennsmen logo pin – undated