

LGBT-001 Joseph W. Burns Collection Inventory

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COLLECTION REGISTER

Name:	Burns, Joseph W.	LGBT-001
Material:	Papers (1969-1996)	
Volume:	3.0 linear feet (3 record cartons, 1 oversized folder)	
Donation:	Donated by Joseph W. Burns, 2013	
Usage:	These materials have been donated without restrictions on usage.	

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

Joseph W. Burns donated these materials in 2013 as the first contribution of historical documents to the LGBT Center of Central PA History Project. These materials reflect his involvement in gay rights activism in rural Pennsylvania, beginning with a 1969 letter from the New York Mattachine Society seeking to form a branch in the Lehigh Valley area. That effort resulted in the creation of the Le-Hi-Ho organization in May 1969.

Boxes One and Two of this collection contain individual files regarding people, organizations, or issues related to LGBT activism. These files are arranged alphabetically. Box Three contains lengthier series of files regarding organizations in which Burns was involved.

At the time of this donation, Burns created a timeline of gay activism based on these documents. That timeline has been filed in the last folder in Box Three.

Box 1

- 1-01 Allentown NOW – 1981
- 1-02 American Library Association Task Force
- 1-03 Anita Bryant Ministries – 1978
- 1-04 Artemis House
- 1-05 Bari Weaver
- 1-06 Barry Kohn
- 1-07 Bay Area Reporter - June 14, 1972
- 1-08 Beginning of Christopher Street Liberation Day Echo Conference – Nov. 12, 1969
- 1-09 Bethlehem Globe Times, First Gay Pride March – 1970
- 1-10 Bill Horn Harassment
- 1-11 Billy Aull

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- 1-12 Bisexuality Friends Committee – 1974
- 1-13 Coalition for Advocacy Groups
- 1-14 Coalition for Human Rights – 1977
- 1-15 CCBC Founding – Nov. 2, 1977
- 1-16 Changing Views on Homosexuality Pamphlet – 1978
- 1-17 Community News (Persad Center Newsletter) – Oct. 1979
- 1-18 Cornell Student Homophile League Newsletter – Feb. 1970
- 1-19 David Leas – Sep. 15, 1977
- 1-20 Dignity, Central PA Keystone
- 1-21 Dick Leitsch on Cory
- 1-22 Dignity, Philadelphia
- 1-23 Don Borbe, Union Philadelphia MCC – 1978
- 1-24 Erickson Foundation – 1973
- 1-25 Eromin Center
- 1-26 FACT, Lehigh Valley Bar Association – 1987
- 1-27 FRIENDS Committee on Lesbian/Gay Concerns
- 1-28 FRIENDS Conference on Lesbian and Gay Concerns – Feb. 18-19, 1978
- 1-29 Gay Action League of South Jersey
- 1-30 Gay Alcoholism and Recovery – Jan. 1979
- 1-31 Gary Norton
- 1-32 Gay Circle – Jul. 1975
- 1-33 Gayfolks, Harrisburg Gay Magazine – Nov. 1981
- 1-34 GCS Reading, Founding of
- 1-35 Gay and Bisexual Men's Group Philadelphia
- 1-36 Gayline Allentown – 1979
- 1-37 Gay Oppression and Liberation – 1977
- 1-38 Gay Fathers – Apr. 1978
- 1-39 Gay Protest in NYC, NY Daily News – Aug. 31, 1970
- 1-40 Gay Pride Slogans and Chants
- 1-41 Gay Prisoners
- 1-42 Gay Rights National Lobby
- 1-43 Gay Rights Packet, NGTF
- 1-44 Gay Saskatchewan
- 1-45 Gay Switchboard of Harrisburg – 1979
- 1-46 Gay Switchboard of New York
- 1-47 Gay Switchboard of Philadelphia
- 1-48 Gay Yellow Pages
- 1-49 Giovanni's Room (Philadelphia Bookstore)
- 1-50 GROWS (Gay Rights of Wilkes-Barre/Scranton) – 1971
- 1-51 Harassment Mail, Allentown - 1977-78
- 1-52 Growing Up Gay Youth Publications – 1978
- 1-53 Handwritten Notes on Our Worst Enemies & Friends
- 1-54 Homophile Alliance of Kutztown – 1980

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- 1-55 Herman Eckardt
- 1-56 Homosexuality Series, *Morning Call*, Bob Wittman
- 1-57 Homosexuality: An Issue for the Church
- 1-58 Homosexuality: 25 Questions & Answers
- 1-59 Integrity National
- 1-60 Kater Street, Philadelphia
- 1-61 Kevin Smith comes out – Feb. 5, 1976
- 1-62 Kirk Ridge Bay Retreat in the Poconos
- 1-63 Kinsey Rating Scale
- 1-64 Lambda Encounters Counseling Services Harrisburg
- 1-65 Lancaster Gay Alliance Association
- 1-66 Lehigh Valley Monthly – Apr. 1978
- 1-67 Lesbian Feminist Papers
- 1-68 Lehigh Valley NOW
- 1-69 Lesbian-Gay Support Newsletters – Aug. 1978-1979
- 1-70 Martin Rock
- 1-71 Mattachine, NY
- 1-72 The Midnight Cowboy Opens in Allentown – Aug. 22, 1969
- 1-73 Millersville State College (Joe LeBlange)
- 1-74 Miscellaneous Gay Events – 1979
- 1-75 Moravian Church Statement – 1974
- 1-76 *Morning Call* on Gay Pride March – Jun. 25, 1979
- 1-77 Metropolitan Community Church
- 1-78 Morty Manford
- 1-79 National Drug Congress Gay Task Force
- 1-80 National Gay Task Force
- 1-81 NGTF Dialogue with Families – 1977-1978
- 1-82 National ERA March on Washington – Jul. 9, 1978
- 1-83 NAMBLA
- 1-84 National Gay Switchboard
- 1-85 National Lesbian/Gay March on Washington – 1979
- 1-86 NEPG Newsletters
- 1-87 New Homosexuality, Tom Burke, *Esquire*
- 1-88 New Right
- 1-89 NOW PA Convention – 1977
- 1-90 NOW PA – 1978
- 1-91 NOW Conference on Racism and Sexism in Philadelphia – 1980
- 1-92 NOW State Conference – 1982
- 1-93 PA State Conference – Oct. 17-18, 1975
- 1-94 Gay Pride Proclamations PA Governors – 1979
- 1-95 Pride 1978 State Conference
- 1-96 Pride 1979 Holiday Inn
- 1-97 Pride 1979 Detailed Final Plans

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- 1-98 Pride 1980
- 1-99 Pride 1982 Conference

Box 2

- 2-01 Parliamentary Procedures
- 2-02 Philadelphia Lesbian/Gay Task Force
- 2-03 Presbyterian Church on Gays ECD Committee
- 2-04 Protest, Washington D.C. – May 21, 1977
- 2-05 Pennsylvania NOW State Conference – Nov. 7-9, 1980
- 2-06 Reading Picnic – May 20, 1979
- 2-07 Pennsylvania Now State Conference, Philadelphia – 1981
- 2-08 Randy Forrester Candidate in Pittsburgh – 1979
- 2-09 Rich Marquart Statistics and Calculations on PA Gay Population
- 2-10 Rural AIDS Fact Sheet - Nov. 8, 1996
- 2-11 Sam Edmiston Harassment at Bloomsburg
- 2-12 Shapp Proclamation
- 2-13 Sexual Law Reporter, National Review – 1978
- 2-14 Solidarity Day, Labor – 1981
- 2-15 Stonewall Bar Newsletter, Allentown – Sep. 22, 1971
- 2-16 Theology and Gay – 1977
- 2-17 Time Essay, Tolerance vs. Approval – Jan. 8, 1979
- 2-18 Tony Silvestre
- 2-19 Transvestites
- 2-20 Unitarians on Homosexuality Anti-Discrimination Stance
- 2-21 Walkathon for the ERA – Aug. 26, 1978
- 2-22 Walt Whitman Democratic Club – 1979
- 2-23 Washington Gay March – 1979
- 2-24 West Side Discussion Group – Nov. 1969
- 2-25 Woman Kind Convention – June 1977
- 2-26 Meeting the Human Relations Commission
- 2-27 Women’s Council, Lehigh Valley – 1978
- 2-28 Why is Gay Law Needed
- 2-29 ZAP – Apr. 1977
- 2-30 SAP April edition of HOPS Newsletter – 1978
- 2-31 NOW State Board
- 2-32 Miscellanea from the Gay Files
- 2-33 State of Pennsylvania
- 2-34 Legislative Bill PA. General Assembly – 1975
- 2-35 Senate Bill 196, Legislative Bills – 1975
- 2-36 Biography of a Bill: How a Bill Moves through the General Assembly
- 2-37 Legal Penalties in Law
- 2-38 Lesbians and the Law
- 2-39 “Gay Legislation - 76”

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- 2-40 A Legislative Guide to Gay Rights
 - 2-41 Organizations that Endorsed Gay Rights Legislation
 - 2-42 Legislators – 1976
 - 2-43 Senate Bill 83 – 1977
 - 2-44 Stop 83 Protest in Harrisburg – Mar. 14, 1977
 - 2-45 Human Rights Day – May 24, 1977
 - 2-46 S.B 531 – Jan-Jun. 1977
 - 2-47 Gay Lobby Day Harrisburg – 1976
- Timeline CDs
Coffee can w/ rally name tags
Audio cassette tape labelled “Side One Joe Burns – John Paploski”

Box 3

- 3-01 G.C.S. Newsletters
- 3-02 G.C.S Newsletters and Correspondence
- 3-03 Mutual Interest Groups
- 3-04 Big Brother/Big Sister
- 3-05 Gay Liberation Stamp Design by Jerry Yoder
- 3-06 CCGC Bylaws
- 3-07 CCGC History
- 3-08 CCGC Newsletter
- 3-09 Material for City Council Prepared by Le Hi Ho
- 3-10 Word is Out – Sep. 23, 1978
- 3-11 The Public Debate in Allentown
- 3-12 First Gay March Allenton – Sep. 23, 1978
- 3-13 Loitering Ordinance Allentown
- 3-14 CCGC and City Council
- 3-15 McVeigh’s Paper
- 3-16 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters – 1971-75
- 3-17 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters – 1977
- 3-18 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters – 1978-79
- 3-19 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters – 1980-81
- 3-20 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters – 1984-85
- 3-21 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters
- 3-22 Lambda Center Updates Brochure - Sept 1984
- 3-24 The Lehigh Valley Monthly – Apr. 1978
- 3-25 Allentown Human Relations Ordinance
- 3-26 City Hall Allentown Response
- 3-27 First Zap at City Hall – Dec. 1977
- 3-28 Documenting Housing Discrimination in Allentown
- 3-29 Keith Brown – Bethlehem Presbyterian Church
- 3-30 Blue Jeans Day – April 14, 1978
- 3-31 St. John’s Evangelical Church

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- 3-32 CCGC Picket Line Demonstration
- 3-33 GCS Members
- 3-34 Le-Hi-Ho Bylaws, Revised – 1975
- 3-35 Bibliography of books in Le-Hi-Ho library – undated
- 3-36 Le-Hi-Ho Newsletters – 1969-70
- 3-37 Lambda Valley Monthly – 1986-87
- 3-38 Bylaws Rural Caucus
- 3-39 RC Attendance Lists
- 3-40 Rural Caucus Mailing Lists
- 3-41 Last Meeting Rural Gay Caucus – Jul. 1978
- 3-42 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Aug. 1977
- 3-43 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Sep. 1977
- 3-44 [unnamed]
- 3-45 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Oct. 1977
- 3-46 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Nov. 1977
- 3-47 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Dec. 1977
- 3-48 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Jan. 1978
- 3-49 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Feb. 1978
- 3-50 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Apr. 1978
- 3-51 Rural Caucus Meeting Notice – May 1978
- 3-52 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Jun. 1978
- 3-53 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Jul. 1978
- 3-54 NGTF Support Packets
- 3-55 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Nov. 1975
- 3-56 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Dec. 1975
- 3-57 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Jan. 1976
- 3-58 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Feb. 1976
- 3-59 Rural Caucus Meeting Notice – Apr. 1976
- 3-60 Rural Caucus Meeting Notice – Jun. 1976
- 3-61 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Mar. 1976
- 3-62 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Aug. 1976
- 3-63 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Sep. 1976
- 3-64 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Oct. 1976
- 3-65 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Nov. 1976
- 3-66 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Dec. 1976
- 3-67 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Jan. 1977
- 3-68 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Feb. 1977
- 3-69 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Mar. 1977
- 3-70 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Apr. 1977
- 3-71 Rural Caucus Newsletter – May 1977
- 3-72 Rural Caucus Newsletter – Jun. 1977
- 3-73 Legislative Committee Conference
- 3-74 Caucus Legislative Committee – 1976

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- 3-75 Education Committee Rural Caucus
- 3-76 Caucus Liaison Committee
- 3-77 PA Lesbian/Gay Support Network Operating Rules
- 3-78 PA Lesbian/Gay Network Support Newsletters – Nov. 1979-Mar. 1983
- 3-79 Minutes – PA Lesbian/Gay Support Network – Beginning to Nov. 1979
- 3-80 Network Media and Resources
- 3-81 NOW Times – Jan. 1978
- 3-82 NOW Times – Apr./May 1978
- 3-83 PA Governor’s Council on Sexual Minorities
- 3-84 PA Council for Sexual Minorities Report – 1977
- 3-85 Corrections Subcommittee Council on Sexual Minorities Report – 1975-May 1976
- 3-86 Council on Sexual Minorities
- 3-87 Governor’s Council (See also oversized folder)
- 3-88 Council Community Relations Committee
- 3-89 Le-Hi-Ho Board – 1981
- 3-90 Le-Hi-Ho Board Meeting Minutes
- 3-91 Le-Hi-Ho Early Papers Newsletters
- 3-92 Le-Hi-Ho Founding by Ron Seeds, Executive Director
- 3-93 Photograph: Bari Weaver, Sam Deetz, Joe Burns
- 3-94 Gay Manifesto by Carl Wittman – 1970
- 3-95 Black Activist on Gay Liberation, Huey Newton – 1970
- 3-96 Before Stonewall, The Homophiles – 1951-1969
- 3-97 Stonewall – 1969
- 3-98 Gay View on Liberals
- 3-99 PA Council for Sexual Minorities commission letter – Oct. 25, 1978
- 3-100 PA Rural Gay Caucus at Philadelphia Gay Pride – 1976
- 3-101 Timeline of PA Gay Rights Activism by Joe Burns – 2013
- 3-102 PA Rural Gay Caucus

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