

## **LGBT-012 Collection Inventory**

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### COLLECTION REGISTER

Name: LGBT-012

Material: Newsclippings (1991 – 2009)

Volume: 0.25 linear feet (1 document box, 5 oversized folders)

Donation: Anonymous, 2013

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### COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection was donated anonymously by an individual associated with the Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) of the Spirit in Harrisburg, PA. The collection is composed primarily of newspaper clippings that document issues such as same-sex marriage, the relationship between local churches and LGBTQ individuals, LGBTQ activism, and discrimination against LGBTQ individuals. One portion of the clippings deals with a debate that took place in 1991 regarding a Lancaster City ordinance banning discrimination against LGBTQ individuals. The majority of the clippings are from Central PA newspapers published between 1991 and 2009. This collection also contains some documentation regarding the 1996 Central PA Pride Festival and a program from a Celebration of Community event held at the MCC Church on March 21, 2004.

#### SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

- 1.1 *The Daily Item* (Sunbury, PA)
  - 1.1.1 “Valley activist an entry in book: Gay civil rights leader’s name in ‘Who’s Who in America’” – Dec. 14, 2003
- 1.2 *Daily Record* (York, PA)
  - 1.2.1 “Here, they ‘know they’re welcome’: A York church opened its doors Sunday to homosexuals looking for places to pray” – Mar. 18, 1996
  - “Spin your partners: Gay men, lesbians start York group” – Nov. 1, 1996
- 1.3 *The Etownian* (Elizabethtown, PA)
  - 1.3.1 “Speakers discuss issue of same-sex marriage” – Apr. 16, 2004

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### SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

- 1.4 *Intelligencer Journal* (Lancaster, PA)
  - 1.4.1 “Gay church finds a home in Mountville” – Apr. 21, 1993
  - “Past is prologue in Mountville Church issue” – Apr. 29, 1993
  - “E – town director defends policy: Bowen hopes policy ends district’s pro-family resolution controversy” – Feb. 15, 1997
  
- 1.5 *Newsweek*
  - 1.5.1 “Ignorance is Not Bliss” – Jul. 5, 1993
  
- 1.6 *New York Times*
  - 1.6.1 “Parade Permit Will Benefit Gay Marchers/St. Patricks Permit Will Help Gay Marchers” – Jan. 9, 1993
  
- 1.7 *Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA)
  - 1.7.1 “Church snubs chorus with gays: York pastor defends refusal to rent for concert by city group” – Sep. 21, 1994
  - “Homosexuality clearly is condemned in Scripture” – Dec. 23, 1995
  - 1.7.2 “Gay bashing denigrates GOP race” – Feb. 20, 1996
  - “School clubs banned after gays ask for one” – Feb. 22, 1996
  - “Ruling on gay ordinations to fuel more debates” — May 20, 1996
  - “Pair of policies put forth in Elizabethtown: Bowen, Parsons propose leaving questions about homosexuality to parents” – Nov. 13, 1996
  - 1.7.3 “Love is no cover for behavior that violates God’s law/Hate sin, love sinner/Don’t turn your back/Selective use of Scripture” – July 13, 1998
  - “Inclusive commandment” – July 24, 1998
  - “Telling the truth about homosexual behavior” – July 24, 1998
  - “Transsexual can finally live life as female” – Jul. 28, 1998
  - 1.7.4 “In Lynchburg, Va. . . . Falwell Meets with Gays” – Oct. 24, 1999
  - “Falwell urges love gays, all others” – Oct. 25, 1999
  - 1.7.5 “State will log names of those with HIV” – Jun 14, 2002
  - “The Rev. Mychal Judge: Ally & first official fatality of World Trade Center attack” – Sep. 10, 2002
  - 1.7.6 “Gay rights advocates rally” – Apr. 30, 2003
  - “Lebanon teen’s suicide inspires film on gay life” – Mar. 30, 2003
  - “Hurtful comments” – May 5, 2003
  - “A bigot is a bigot” – May 6, 2003
  - “Same-sex Unions” – Aug. 3, 2003
  - “No concept of love” – Dec. 10, 2003

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### SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

- 1.7 *Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA) (cont.)
  - 1.7.7 “500 gay couples await N.Y nuptials” – Feb. 29, 2004
  - “Gay marriage amendment has backers, foes in area” – Feb. 29, 2004
  - “How big an issue is gay marriage” – Feb. 29, 2004
  - “Letters to the Editor: Ban imposed on gays won’t aid marriage/Other Bible teachings/No one else’s business/It’s all overrated/Extend marriage rights” – Mar. 1, 2004
  - “Trash reporting/Be more respectful/Phelps no example of real Christianity/Playing into his hand” – Mar. 21, 2004
  - 1.7.8 “Gays plan to protest same-sex measure” – Jun. 28, 2004
  - “Gays gear up to fight for rights” – Nov. 9, 2004
  - “A gay citizen tells what he really wants” – Nov. 11, 2004
  - 1.7.9 “‘She’s been there for anyone’: Pastor of church that welcomes gays resigns” – Feb. 16, 2009
  - 1.7.10 “Contempt for gays cuts across racial divide” – undated
  - “Satisfying relationships require working with and trusting other” – undated
- 1.8 *Philadelphia Gay News* (Philadelphia, PA)
  - 1.8.1 “Names reporting to being Oct.18” – undated
  - “Whose God do you serve” – undated
- 1.9 *Plain Dealer* (Cleveland, OH)
  - 1.9.1 “Gay churches rejected by national council” – Nov. 13, 1992
- 1.10 *Presbyterian Layman*
  - 1.10.1 “Stated clerk will not enter gay rights case” – Sep./Oct. 1996
- 1.11 *Publishers Weekly*
  - 1.11.1 “Viking Welcomes to List Lesbian Army Nurse” – Jun. 6, 1994
- 1.12 *Sun National*
  - 1.12.1 “Anti-gay amendment struck down” – undated
- 1.13 *USA Today*
  - 1.13.1 “Coloradans resent gay-rights boycott, poll says” – Jan. 4, 1993
- 1.14 *York Dispatch / Sunday News* (York, PA)
  - 1.14.1 “Gay-rights ordinance would be in minority” – Jan. 10, 1993
  - “Same-sex kisses bump cable show: YCAT board moves gay talker out of prime time” – June. 24, 1998

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### SERIES 1 – NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS (cont.)

#### 1.15 Publication Unknown

- 1.15.1 “Court allows transsexual’s name change” – undated
  - “Mark Bingham” – undated
  - “Sense & Censorship” ‘Gay York’ kissing show wasn’t obscene” – undated
  - “State’s top court OKs same -sex adoption” – undated
  - “Supreme Court strikes down Colorado anti-gay amendment” – undated

### SERIES 2 – OVERSIZED NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

#### 2.1 *Baltimore Gay Paper* (Baltimore, MD)

- 2.1.1 “Harrisburg Pennsylvania: Despite its small town character, gay community thrives in state capital ” – Mar. 3, 1995
  - “Harrisburg, Pennsylvania: Community leaders working hard to advance sense of pride” – Mar. 17, 1995

#### 2.2 *Lancaster Daily News* (Lancaster, PA)

- 2.2.1 “Singleness raises difficult issues for gays” – Oct. 4, 1998

#### 2.3 *Orange County Register*

- 2.3.1 “Christian and gay/Religious views on homosexual issues” – Apr. 29, 1997

#### 2.4 *Patriot-News* (Harrisburg, PA)

- 2.4.1 “Gay teen, family feel forced to move” – Sept. 1, 1996
  - “To say homosexuality is God-given strains science, belief”/ “Gospel of hate being preached against homosexuals” – Jul. 6, 1998
  - “Room for everyone: Some midstate churches welcome same-sex couples & CHURCH/Not all at ease with accepting atmosphere” – Nov. 28, 1999

#### 2.5 *Presbyterian Layman*

- 2.5.1 “‘Study resource’ promotes homosexual ‘ordination rights’” – May/Jun. 1994
  - “Ministers ‘not permitted’ to bless same-sex unions” – Jul./Aug. 1994

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### SERIES 3 – LANCASTER ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAW, 1991

- 3.1 “City eyes new anti-discrimination rule,” *New Era* – May 13, 1991
- “Sexual orientation bias banned in city,” *Intelligencer Journal* – May 15, 1991
- “Anti-bias law OKd by city after debate on homosexuality,” *New Era* – May 15, 1991
- “City’s ban on sex bias angers county,” *Intelligencer Journal* – May 30, 1991
- “Fogging the issue,” *Sunday News* – Jun. 9 1991
- “Fisher will propose compromise tonight on sex-bias dispute,” *New Era* – Jun. 10, 1991
- “City might create a gay rights law,” *New Era* – Jul. 9, 1991
- “City will review plan for enforcing new law,” *New Era* – undated
- “City, county lawyers reject compromise,” *New Era* – Jul. 22, 1991
- “City, county, will face off over sex bias ban,” *Intelligencer Journal* – Jun. 1, 1991
- “County may quit Human Relations,” *New Era* – May 30, 1991
- “Countians vote strong ‘No!’ to City Council’s pro-gay law as 500-plus answer Era poll,” *New Era* – Jun. 26, 1991
- “New Era Poll Results: County residents support for commissioners overwhelming, city residents far less enthusiastic,” *New Era* – Jun. 26, 1991
- “City replies to county: sex-bias law won’t be axed,” *New Era* – Jun. 26, 1991
- “Mediator eyed in sex bias law fight,” *Intelligencer Journal* – Jun. 11, 1991
- “County finalizes split on city sex bias stand,” *Intelligencer Journal* – Aug. 15, 1991
- “Text of statement” [Various statements about the sex – bias law], Publication Unknown – undated
- “Opinions from supporters of county commissioners/ Most county residents oppose city council law / Why many county backers favor a referendum / But most county backers oppose referendum ... [Public comment via ballots]” – Publication Unknown – undated

### SERIES 4 – CENTRAL PA PRIDE FESTIVAL 1996

- 4.1 Central PA Pride Festival brochure – Jul. 27, 1996
- Central PA Pride Festival vendor registration – Summer 1996
- Central PA Pride Festival planning meeting materials – Mar. 20, 1996
- Central PA Pride Festival participation check list – Jul. 19, 1996
- Ticket stubs
- Taylor Rental receipt – Jul. 30, 1996

### SERIES 5 – METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH OF THE SPIRIT

- 5.1 Celebration of community program – Mar. 21, 2004