# Guide to the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley Collection 2017.028

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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Local History & Genealogy Division

**Creator:** Gay Alliance of Genesee Valley

**Source:** Gay Alliance of Genesee Valley

**Title:** Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley collection

**ID:** 2017.028

**Date [inclusive]:** 1954-2014, bulk 1970-1997

**Date [bulk]:** 1970-1997

**Physical Description:** 3 Cubic Feet 2 record cartons, 1 legal size document case, 2 boxes

Language of the

Material:

English

**Abstract:** This collection consists of the papers of the Gay Alliance of the

Genesee Valley, a Rochester based organization supporting the

LGBTQ community. The materials date between 1954 and 2014, with a bulk of the materials dated between 1975 and 1993. The materials consist of personal papers that people in the LGBTQ community donated to the Gay Alliance. The materials consist of articles, newspaper clippings, correspondence, meeting minutes, published

materials, such as brochures, flyers, pamphlets, and journals.

#### **Preferred Citation**

Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley [box#:folder#]. Local History and Genealogy Division, Central Library of Rochester and Monroe County N.Y.

## **Scope and Contents**

This collection documents the events, people, and issues of the LGBTQ community in Rochester, New York and nationally. The materials date between 1954 and 2014, with a bulk of the materials dated between 1975 and 1995.

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The collection was donated by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley and consists of documents that were collected or held in their archive for the Shoulders To Stand On documentary. It also consists of advertising and page layouts for the *Empty Closet*. The collection consists of small collections of papers from people involved in the LGBTQ community, whether through activism, clubs, or support of the Gay Alliance. The series titles are predominately names of the people that donated the materials to the Gay Alliance. The topics covered in the collection cover the AIDS epidemic, Gay Alliance picnics, discrimination, and activism. The collection also contains audio-visual materials, t-shirts, and other ephemera.

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## Arrangement

This collection consists of five boxes divided into 12 series:

Series I: John Altieri, 1973-2014

Series II: Pat Cloonan, 1986-1993

Series III: Dignity-Integrity Rochester, 1977-1983

Series IV: Empty Closet layout materials, 1980-1990

Series V: Historical Information, 1970-2008

Series VI: Lambda Amateur Radio Club, 1988-1994

Series VII: Wilfred "Whitey" LeBlanc, 1974-1980

Series VIII: Norris "Bud" Minard, 1989-2011

Series IX: Kathleen Moleski, 1996-2014

Series X: Tim Sally, 1978-1985

Series XI: Rev. Walter Szymanski, 1974-1995

Series XII: Miscellaneous, 1976-2009

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## **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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## **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

This collection was donated by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley to the Local History and Genealogy Division on February 2017 [Accession number 2017.037]

### **Conditions Governing Access**

Access to portions of Series VIII: Norris (Bud) Minard papers have been restricted due to Heath Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. The restricted documents are restricted until 50 years after the death of the patient. The records will be released on August 16, 2066.

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### **Processing Information**

This project was made possible by a grant from the Documentary Heritage Program of the New York State Archives, a program of the State Education Department.

## **Processing Information**

This collection consisted of very small quanities of papers from many different individuals. The archivist kept the arrangement by person due to that being the manner in which the Gay Alliance processed them and to maintain context. All metal fasteners were removed, audio-visual materials are stored together, and all cloth materials have been wrapped in tissue paper.

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

- AIDS (Disease)--Prevention
- AIDS (Disease)--United States
- NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt
- Same-sex marriage
- Gay rights
- Safe sex in AIDS prevention
- Gay Alliance of Genesee Valley
- Gay Alliance of Genesee Valley

- Empty Closet
- Lambda Amateur Radio Club (Rochester, N.Y.)

## **Collection Inventory**

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#### Series I: John Alteri, 1973-2014

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series documents the activities and interests of John Altieri, former Board President of the Gay Alliance of the Gensee Valley, Rochester, New York and involved with AIDS Rochester.

Altieri's collection focuses on prevention and education around sexually transmitted diseases, Hepatitis C, MSM Project, AIDS testing, and his AIDS Rochester board participation and includes periodicals, articles, brochures, pamphlets, and flyers. The series also consists of audiovisual materials (DVD's, CD's and VHS tapes) on HIV/AIDS. Altieri also collected t-shirts from events for the "Night of 100 Parties," "The Quilt," and "The Rochester Lesbian and Gay Caucus."

#### **Biographical / Historical**

John Altieri was a former Board President of the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley. Altieri has been involved in AIDS prevention and community health initiatives since 1984, when he served as the co-chair of the Rochester Area Task Force on AIDS. Altieri participated on the AIDS Rochester board of directors.

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#### **Processing Information:**

## **Processing Information**

This series was arranged by the archivist in alphabetical order for ease of use. The folder titles are original titles on the folders. The "Miscellaneous" folder consists of loose papers and was devised by the archivist.

Title/Description	Instances	
Altieri, John, 1988-2014	box 1	folder 1
"The Empty Closet", 1986-1996	box 1	folder 2
"The Empty Closet", 1997-1998	box 1	folder 3
Fast-Tracking, 2001	box 1	folder 4
Hep. B, 1980-2001	box 1	folder 5
Mass for gay and lesbian Catholics, 1997	box 1	folder 6
MSM Project description and presentation, 2002	box 1	folder 7
New York State Department of Health reference, 1988-2001	box 1	folder 8
"News for Gay Men" handouts, 1990	box 1	folder 9
Oral-sex risk, 1992-1997	box 1	folder 10
Reference articles - HIV/AIDS, 1973-2005	box 1	folder 11-12
Reference materials - Publications, 1987	box 1	folder 13
Reference materials - Publications, 1987-2005	box 1	folder 14
Reference materials - Publications, 1989, 2003	box 1	folder 15
Reference materials - Publications, 1993	box 1	folder 16
Reference materials - Publications, 2001	box 1	folder 17
Reference materials - Publications, Undated	box 1	folder 18
Resource handouts "Voices from the Community", Undated	box 1	folder 19
"A Toolkit for Building Capacity", 2000	box 1	folder 20
Miscellaneous, 1984-2006	box 1	folder 21
"Improving HIV Care, Quality Improvement Resource" CD, Undated	box 6	disk 1
"Preventing HIV/AIDS Among Men Who Have Sex With Men: Challenges and Innovations" DVD, May 17, 2007	box 6	disk 2
"XXI AIDS Forum" VHS tape, Undated	box 6	item 3
"John Washburn" VHS tape, Undated	box 6	item 4
"Counselling the HIV Infected Patient: A Guide for Physicians with HIV Positive Patients" VHS tape, Undated	box 6	item 5
"Empire State Pride Agenda: The Challenge" VHS tape, Undated	box 6	item 6

"GAGV - Dedication" VHS tape, Undated	box 6	item 7	
"Shoulders to Stand on" ImageOut trailer DVD, 2012	box 6	disk 8	
White "Rochester Lesbian and Gay Political Caucus" t-shirt, Undated	box 5	object 1	
Black "The Quilt: See it and Understand, The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt / An International Memorial" t-shirt, Undated	box 5	object 2	
Orange "Voices From the Community" t-shirt, Undated	box 5	object 3	
White "25 Years of Pride" t-shirt, circa 1996	box 5	object 4	
White "Night of 100 Parties 1996" t-shirt, 1996	box 5	object 5	
White "Night of 100 Parties 1997" t-shirt, 1997	box 5	object 6	
White "ImageOUT 20 Years" t-shirt, circa 2003	box 5	object 7	

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### Series II: Pat Cloonan, 1986-1993

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of papers collected by Pat Cloonan, Rochester, New York based LGBTQ advocate. The materials date between 1986 and 1993. The materials consists of event programs and newspaper articles.

The topics covered in the newspaper articles are the NAMES Project Memorial Quilt and gay rights marches. The series contains programs for the "Gay Games" and "Let Freedom Ring"

#### **Biographical / Historical**

Involved with Dignity-Integrity Rochester, volunteered for the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley.

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#### **Processing Information:**

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This series was arranged alphabetically by folder title. The folder titles are the original folder titles.

Title/Description	Instances		
"Gay Games II" official program, August 1986	box 1	folder 22	
"Let Freedom Ring" program, October 10, 1987	box 1	folder 23	
Newspaper article on AIDS Quilt, 1992	box 1	folder 24	
Newspapers on gay rights marches, 1987, 1993	box 1	folder 25-26	

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## Series III: Dignity-Integrity Rochester, 1977-1983

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#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of records for Dignity-Integrity Rochester, an LGBTQ faith community focused on the struggle for justice in church and society. The materials date between 1977 and 1983. The materials consists of meeting minutes, brochures, newsletters, ballots, notes, and pins.

#### **Biographical / Historical**

Dignity-Integrity Rochester was chartered in 1975 as the first combined chapter of the national organizations of Dignity/ USA (Roman Catholic) and Integrity, Inc., (Episcopal). The Rochester, New York chapter is the only chapter that is both Episcopal and Catholic.

According to their website, "As lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersexed persons of faith, together with our families and friends, we form a small faith community with regional and national connections in the struggle for justice in church and society." And "Many of us call D-I home, feeling unwelcome, unsafe or un-affirmed in our home churches. All of us belong as a prophetic challenge to those in authority and as a ministry to those who have felt wounded or abandoned by organized religion. Our fellowship is a vital witness to all that our lives and loves are whole and holy." Dignity-Integrity meets at St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

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#### **Processing Information:**

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#### **Bibliography**

"Welcome to Dignity-Integrity/Rochester." *Dignity-Integrity Rochester*. Accessed December 18, 2017. http://www.dirochester.org/.

Title/Description	Instances		
"The NAMES Project" 1" rectangle pin, Undated	box 1	folder 27	
[Unknown logo] 1" square pin, 1993	box 1	folder 27	
"Dignity-Integrity Rochester NY" 3/4" round pin, Undated	box 1	folder 27	
"Gay Alliance" 1" round pin, Undated	box 1	folder 27	
"Rochester Lambda" 1" round pin Quantity 2, Undated	box 1	folder 27	
"Rochester Lambda" 1" round pin, 1983	box 1	folder 27	
"Born This Way" 1.5" round pin, Undated	box 1	folder 27	
Dignity-Integrity Rochester, 1977-1983	box 1	folder 27	
Materials, circa 1979-1981	box 1	folder 28	
Region II, 1977-1978	box 1	folder 29	

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## Series IV: Empty Closet layout materials, 1980-1990

<u>Abstract</u>: This series consists of records pertaining to the *The Empty Closet*, a Rochester, New York based monthly newspaper

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distributed by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley. The materials date between 1984 and 1990. The materials consist of advertising layouts, advertising logs, issue logs, loose headers, notes, and issue layouts.

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of records pertaining to the *The Empty Closet*, a Rochester, New York based monthly newspaper distributed by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley. The materials date between 1984 and 1990. The materials consist of advertising layouts, advertising logs, issue logs, loose headers, notes, and issue layouts.

This series also contains a small number of photographs from 1984 to 1985.

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#### **Administrative History**

The Empty Closet is a free newspaper originally published by the University of Rochester Gay Liberation Front in 1971. It was started by Bob Osborn and Larry Fine, the founders of the University of Rochester Gay Liberation Front. The Empty Closet is now published by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley, based in Rochester, New York. It is New York State's longest continually published LGBTQ newspaper. The newspaper covers local, state, national, and international news as well as issues pertaining to the LGBTQ community.

#### **Processing Information:**

#### **Processing Information**

This series was arranged alphabetically by folder title. The folder titles were devised by the archivist or gathered from information on envelopes.

#### Related Materials:

#### **Related Materials**

The following source provides information on *The Empty Closet* and includes archived issues from 1971 to 2015.

University of Rochester Rare Books and Special Collections

#### **Bibliography**

"Empty Closet Archive Chronicles Four Decades of Gay Rights." *University of Rochester News.* University of Rochester. Accessed December 18, 2017.

Title/Description	Instances	
Advertising, 1983	box 3	folder 1
Advertising layouts, Undated	box 1	folder 30-31
Advertising logs, 1975-1980	box 3	folder 2
Advertising logs, 1980-1981	box 3	folder 3
Advertising notebook, 1988	box 1	folder 32
Headline layouts, Undated	box 3	folder 4-5
Issue logs, 1981-1982	box 3	folder 6
Photos, June 1984-June 1985	box 1	folder 33-34
Miscellaneous, 1990, undated	box 3	folder 35

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## Series V: Historical information, 1970-1994, 2008

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#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of historical information for the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley of Rochester, New York. The materials date between 1970 and 1994 and 2008. The materials consist of a historic timeline and a list of the 31 LGBT icons of 2008.

Title/Description	Instances		
GAGV Highlights - timeline document, 1970-1994	box 1	folder 36	
GLBT History Month, 2008	box 1	folder 37	

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## Series VI: Lambda Amateur Radio Club, 1988-1994

## **Scope and Contents**

This series documents the activities of the Finger Lakes chapter of the Lambda Amateur Radio Club, an amateur radio club among the gay and lesbian community. The materials date between 1988 and 1994, and consist of brochures, pamphlets, membership roster, and meeting minutes.

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#### **Administrative History**

The Finger Lakes chapter of Lambda Amateur Radio Club, is a chapter of the international, non-profit organization of amateur radio operators (hams), short wave radio listeners, and persons interested in amateur radio, electronics and computers most of whom are members of sexual minorities.

LARC's primary objective includes: to promote radio knowledge and proficiency among the gay and lesbian community; provide public service in connection with parades

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and other activities; and offer a shared sense of technical expertise, social responsibility, and friendly camaraderie.

Title/Description	Instances	
David Minchella, 1988-1994	box 1	folder 38

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## Series VII: Wilfred (Whitey) LeBlanc, 1974-1980

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#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of materials collected by Wilfred (Whitey) LeBlanc, former President of the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley. The materials date between 1977 and 1980. The materials consist of correspondence, budgets, expense reports, and flyers for the annual Gay Alliance picnics. The materials document the planning and expenses for the annual picnics and the increased attendance from the first picnic to 1980.

#### **Biographical Note**

Wilfred (Whitey) LeBlanc moved to Rochester, New York from New York City in 1965. LeBlanc was active in the Gay Liberation Front on the University of Rochester campus, and was instrumental in forming the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley. LeBlanc served as the first president of the Gay Alliance from July 1973 to January 1974. In March 1974, LeBlanc was selected as the chairperson of the Finance Committee.

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#### **Bibliography**

"Whitie LeBlanc New Finance Chairperson." *The Empty Closet* 37, March 1974.

Title/Description	Instances	
GAGV picnic, 1977	box 1	folder 39
Picnic, 1978	box 1	folder 40
Picnic, 1979	box 1	folder 41
Picnic expenses, 1980	box 1	folder 42
Toga party, Undated	box 1	folder 43

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## Series VIII: Norris (Bud) Minard, 1989-2011

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#### **Scope and Contents**

This series documents the life of Norris "Bud" Minard. It includes letters to family, speeches detailing his life story and the challenges he overcame as a gay man. It includes diaries and memories written by Bud. It also includes details on his assault in 1989. Other topics include domestic partnership, events, the Rochester Gay Men's Chorus, AIDS/HIV, and LBGTQ inclusive churches.

#### **Biographical Note**

Norris "Bud" Minard was devoted to the Spiritus Christi Church and Open Arms MCC. He loved and supported the arts – he underwrote the Jason and DeMarco concerts. Minard sang in choirs all his life. He was in the choir at Spiritus Christi. He was also an activist for the LBGTQ community, participating in events and donating to the Rochester Gay Men's Chorus, Shoulders To Stand On, and many others.

#### **Conditions Governing Access:**

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Access to the folder titled "Assault, 1998" have been restricted in accordance with HIPAA regulations. Contact the City Historian for information on access to the restricted protion of this series. This folder will become un-restricted on August 14, 2066.

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#### **Processing Information:**

#### **Processing Information**

There are two folders titled "Assault, 1989." The restricted information is in an envelope labeled "RESTRICTED ACCESS." Access is restricted to this envelope because it contains medical and legal records. HIPAA regulations require medical records to be sealed for 50 years past the patient's date of death.

#### **Bibliography**

"Bud Minard Passes at 89." *The Empty Closet* 504, September 2016.

Title/Description	Instances		
Assault, 1989	box 1	folder 44	
Assault - RESTRICTED ACCESS, 1989	box 1	folder 48	
Correspondence, 1994, 2014	box 1	folder 45	
Correspondence and speeches, 1992-1994, 2011	box 1	folder 46	
Diary, 2007, 2009	box 1	folder 47	
Early education, 1956-1964	box 2	folder 1	
LifeBio 101 class, 2007-2009	box 2	folder 2-3	
Published materials, 1956-2016	box 2	folder 4	
Miscellaneous, 1991-1995, 2004	box 2	folder 5	

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## Series IX: Kathleen Moleski, 1996-2014

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of the papers collected by Kathleen Moleski, affiliated with the LBGTQ community in Rochester, New York. The materials date between 1994 and 1998. The materials consist of articles regarding LBGTQ minorities and a list of notable LBGTQ people.

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Title/Description	Instances		
Articles, 1996, 1998	box 2	folder 6	
Notable LBGTQ people compilations, 1994, 1996	box 2	folder 7	

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#### **Series X: Tim Sally, 1978-1985**

### **Scope and Contents**

This series documents the activities of Tim Sally, Rochester, New York based LBGTQ activist. The majority of the material is related to Sally's campaign efforts to elect Tim O. Mains as a Rochester City Council member and includes newspaper articles, correspondence, speeches, campaign materials, and correspondence. Other topics include pamphlets and flyers for gay rights organizations and projects such as, churches position on the LGBTQ community, HIV/AIDS, and a pamplet for teens thinking about coming out to their parents.

#### **Biographical Note**

Born and raised in Rochester, Tim Sally was active in the 1970's and 1980's with Dignity-Integrity, and was a cofounding member of PFLAG/Rochester and AIDS/ Rochester. In 1983 he moved to San Francisco to work for AIDS organizations and since 1985, under the pseudonym of Tim Hammond, he has researched circumcision customs and advocated for protecting children's genital autonomy. He conducted two groundbreaking surveys of long-term harm to men from infant circumcision, co-founded the National Organization of Restoring Men, and produced 'Whose Body, Whose Rights? (a PBS documentary on circumcision), and cofounded the Children's Health and Human Rights Partnership of Canada, as well as an activist group in Palm Springs, California, where he now lives.

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Tim Hammond is a grassroots human rights activist who has been involved in numerous social change movements. As a teenager conscientiously opposed to fighting in Vietnam, he wrote copious letters to Congress urging an immediate end to the war.

Tim has been committed to Congressional passage of the U.S. Peace Tax Fund Bill, which would re-direct the military portion of one's taxes (currently 50% of every dollar spent by the U.S. government) toward life-sustaining human services. He was active in raising public consciousness about women's rights and the need for the Equal Rights Amendment (ERA).

In 1987 Tim was among hundreds of men and women arrested on the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court to protest its decision to uphold states' rights to legislate private sexual behavior among consenting adults in their own home (a decision the Court ultimately reversed in 2003). He was a member of the Children's Rights Network of Amnesty International/USA and a member of the National Organization on Male Sexual Victimization (now MaleSurvivor.org).

1976-1983 - Member of Dignity-Integrity/Rochester, New York, a ministry to local Catholic and Episcopal gays, lesbians, their families and friends. He served in various volunteer capacities ranging from administrative assistant, newsletter editor, fundraiser, hotline volunteer, and special events coordinator.

1981 - Co-founding member of PFLAG (Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays).

1982 - Organizer of the first annual Day of Remembrance of gay/lesbian victims of the Holocaust.

1983 - Co-founder of AIDS Rochester.

1983 - Recipient of the Vinnie Cup, awarded annually by the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley for outstanding service to the Rochester (NY) lesbian and gay community.

1983 - Founding task force member of CREATE: Justice, a project of the Presbytery of the Genesee Valley to promote social justice issues affecting lesbians and gay men.

1984-1987 - Administrative Assistant of the AIDS Health Project, an agency of the University of California/San Francisco providing psychosocial support to those with AIDS and at-risk of infection.

1989 - Co-founded the National Organization of Restoring Men (NORM), an international network of groups offering moral and technical support to men seeking foreskin restoration.

1992 - Founder of the National Organization to Halt the Abuse and Routine Mutilation of Males (NOHARMM), a non-violent, educational and direct-action network of men working together to end routine infant circumcision through a model of education and empowerment of other men.

1993 - Survey Coordinator of Awakenings: A Preliminary Poll of Circumcised Men, an ongoing grassroots investigation of the long-term adverse physical, sexual and psychological outcomes to men of infant circumcision.

1995 - Produced Whose Body, Whose Rights? A PBS documentary.

1999 - Author, A Preliminary Poll of Men Circumcised in Infancy or Childhood. British Journal of Urology International (83, Suppl. 1) January 1999, pp. 85-92.

2012 - Co-founded the Children's Health and Human Rights Partnership of Canada with Kira Antinuk, BsN, Christopher Guest, M.D. and David Saving. CHHRP is Canada's first non-profit organization to deal exclusively with genital cutting of male, female and intersex children.

2015 - Presented findings from the 2011 Global Survey of Circumcision Harm (GSCH) at the Symposium on Genital Autonomy: Myths and Multiple Standards in Frankfurt, Germany.

2016 - Discussed the findings from the 2011 Global Survey of Circumcision Harm (GSCH) as a guest of Stefan Molyneux on his popular YouTube channel.

2016 - Presented findings from the 2011 Global Survey of Circumcision Harm (GSCH) at the International Conference on Men's Issues in London, England.

2017 - Lead author, Long-term adverse outcomes from neonatal circumcision reported in a survey of 1,008 men: An overview of health and human rights implications. International Journal of Human Rights March 2017, 21(02), pp. 189-218.

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Hammond, Tim. "Tim Hammond." *Global Survey of Circumcision Harm.* Accessed December 21, 2017. http://www.circumcisionharm.org/hammond%20cv.htm.

Jordan, Susan. "On Circumcision: The First of Two Interviews with Intactivist Tim Sally." *The Empty Closet* 505, October 2016.

Title/Description	Instances	
Campaign materials for Tim O. Mains for Rochester City Council, 1985	box 2	folder 8
Documents, 1983-1984	box 2	folder 9
News clippings on Tim O. Mains Council run and other gay rights issues, 1985	box 2	folder 10
Pamphlets for gay rights organizations/projects, 1978-1984	box 2	folder 11

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## Series XI: Rev. Walter Szymanski, 1974-1995

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#### **Scope and Contents**

This series consists of papers written by Reverend Walter Szymanski, an openly gay priest. The materials date between 1974 and 1993. The materials consist of articles written by Szymanski.

#### **Biographical Note**

The Rev. Walter Szymanski was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Robert Spears in the Diocese of Rochester on June 24, 1973. He was named the first Canon for Gay and Lesbian Ministries in Rochester in the 1970's. Szymanski was a Chaplain for the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley, involved in jail ministry, and a counselor at the Catholic Family Center.

He completed his bachelor's and master's degrees as well as a doctorate in Divinity with a specialization in Psychotherapy. Originally from Pittsburgh, he lived, served the church and worked as a pastoral therapist in the Rochester, NY, area for many years. When he returned to Pittsburgh, he enrolled at CCAC to complete a certificate in drug and alcohol counseling. He is now retired from Greenbriar Treatment Center, where he worked as an addiction psychotherapist. Walt currently serves as a member of the clergy at Calvary Episcopal Church in Shadyside. He is active in the religious community as well as in the secular community on a variety of social justice issues. Walt was recently elected to the board of the Pittsburgh Pastoral Institute. He is a founding member of

the gay and lesbian movement within the national Episcopal Church.

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## Series XII: Miscellaneous, 1976-2009

#### **Scope and Contents**

This series contains papers donated to the Gay Alliance of the Genesee Valley. The materials date between 1976 to 2009. The materials consist of newspaper clippings, periodicals, flyers, brochures, and articles related to events, issues, and diversity in the LGBTQ community. This series also contains two rainbow towels, an apron, and a nylon black bag. Other topics covered in this series are sexual preference studies, and diversity events in the Rochester, New York area.

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