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Marvin Kabakoff donated the records of the Mid-Continent Life Services Corporation (MLSC) on June 9, 1980, with a contract stipulation that all names be sanitized from the collection. MLSC was a community services organization for gays in St. Louis from 1975 to its dissolution in 1978. The group provided a community center, office space, a monthly newsletter, referrals to health facilities and to other gay groups, and a telephone hotline for the gay community in metropolitan St. Louis. It also provided a speakers bureau, life enrichment classes, and TV and radio interviews to help the public understand and accept gays. It was also a founding member of the Missouri Gay Caucus, an annual state-wide convention of gays.

The Mid-Continent Life Services Corporation records document the founding and development of the group, its incorporation, application and approval of IRS tax exemption status, corporate organization and by-laws, correspondence, surveys, publications, and mailings from 1975 to 1978. Included with the collection is the log of MLSC's telephone hotline, including the time, nature and types of referrals for calls received from October, 1975, to October, 1978. Mailings and publications from other local, state and national groups, from 1975-1978, are contained in the records. The collection is divided into five series: Organizational Papers, Correspondence and Publications; Telephone Hotline Papers; Hotline Phone Log; Other Groups;and Newsletters.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

SERIES 1 - ORGANIZATIONAL PAPERS, CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLICATIONS
These records include incorporation certificate, IRS tax exemption files, board of directors meeting minutes, membership meeting minutes, general correspondence, procedure directives, general directory, speakers bureau confirmations, donation acknowledgment, and publications.

SERIES 2 - TELEPHONE HOTLINE PAPERS
The Telephone Hotline Papers include the Metropolitan Association of Service Hotlines meeting minutes, the Hotline Board of Advisors meeting minutes, Hotline Forwarding Manual, and Hotline Training Manual.

SERIES 3 - HOTLINE PHONE LOG
The Hotline Phone Log includes a listing of all calls received, the nature and time of each call and the solution or referral offered by the hotline staff worker.

SERIES 4 - OTHER GROUPS
The Other Groups material includes mailings and publications of other local, state and national gay groups in contact with MLSC.

SERIES 5 - NEWSLETTERS
The Newsletters include issues of the MLSC Newsletter, "Prime Time," and "Gay St. Louis."

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6. Board of Directors' Nominating Committee Candidate files, 1976-1977
29. Hotline Phone Log, April, 1976.

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34. Hotline Phone Log, September, 1976.
35. Hotline Phone Log, October, 1976.
41. Hotline Phone Log, April, 1977.
42. Hotline Phone Log, May, 1977.
43. Hotline Phone Log, October, 1977.
44. Hotline Phone Log, November, 1977.
49. Hotline Phone Log, April, 1978.
60. Gay Community Services - Kansas City, Missouri; Gay Community Services - Minneapolis; Gay Illini; Gay Jews, 1975-1977.
68. One of Chicago; Pride Community Center - Joplin, Missouri; St. Louis Gay Coalition; St. Louis Task Force for Human Rights; United Church of Christ - Gay Caucus, 1976-1977.
69. Prime Time, vI n1 October, 1975
70. Prime Time, vII n1 January, 1976
71. Prime Time, vII n2and 3, Feb. and March, 1976
72. Prime Time, vII n4 and 5, April and May, 1976
73. Prime Time, vII n6 and 8, June and August, 1976

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74. Prime Time, vII n10, October, 1976
75. *Prime Time*, vII n11, November, 1976
76. *Prime Time*, vII n12, December, 1976
77. *Prime Time*, vIII n1 and 2, Jan. and Feb., 1977
78. *Prime Time*, vIII n5 and 7, June and July, 1977
79. *Prime Time*, vIII n9, September, 1977
82. Gay People's Alliance Newsletter, June, July and Oct., 1975