

**S0542 Wagaman, Lisa (1943-2009)**  
**Papers, 1974-1992**  
**112 Folders**

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Lisa Wagaman was born on May 2, 1943 in New Jersey. She grew up in that state and later as an adult lived in several large cities such as Toledo and Indianapolis. She moved to St. Louis in 1972. Her activism in the St. Louis Gay and Lesbian Community began in 1974 with her activities in the Metropolitan Community Church of Greater St. Louis. She has been involved in the furtherance of Gay and Lesbian Pride for many years. In addition to her work with MCC, she was involved with the former Metropolitan Life Service Center, a Gay/Lesbian Community Organization that started the Gay/Lesbian Hotline. She served on the hotline for several years, assisted with training of new hotline volunteers, and served on the MLSC Board of Directors. Also, on behalf of MLSC, she spoke to several college classes, was interviewed on TV, and participated in several radio talk shows on the subject of Gay/Lesbian rights.

In 1979 she became involved with the Magnolia Committee, which planned the first public celebration of Gay/Lesbian Pride in St. Louis. This organization became today's St. Louis Lesbian and Gay Pride Celebration Committee. She has served four terms on the Celebration Committee's Board of Directors as well as a delegate to the Regional Planning Committee for the 1987 March on Washington.

She has served as an area representative to several conferences of the International Association of Lesbian/Gay Pride Coordinators and is currently serving her second term on the Board of Directors.

Lisa has represented the Metro St. Louis Chapter of the National Organization of Women on the Celebration Committee since the Committee's beginnings. She has held several offices in Metro NOW, has served four terms as President, and has served as State Coordinator of Missouri NOW. Lisa has always been very involved with the Celebration Committee and willing to work on most any project. She has initiated the successful fundraisers such as the Turkey drawing, the River Cruise, and the popular jail at the PrideFest. Her "claim to fame" is that she is the only "officially recognized" Dyke in the state of Missouri by virtue of her unique license plates "DYKE" which were given to her after a brief fight with the state.

In addition to the above mentioned activities, Lisa has also been very active in the Sexual Assault Response Team and the Red Cross. Her activism on the Celebration Committee and NOW continues, and she is also presently very active with the Gay and Lesbian Community Center Task Force and the St. Louis Chapter of PAWS.

Lisa agreed to donate some of her extensive collection in 1992, and continues to donate other material as she collects or finds it.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT**

Much of the material contained in this collection is visual media. Lisa collected posters, flyers, t-shirts, and other visual material from Gay and Lesbian events from all over North America. Her involvement in the Pride Coordinators Association (IAL/GPC) has enabled her to collect material from Pride Celebration all over the country and she has generously shared this wealth in this collection. In addition to the visual material, also included in the collection are copies of newspapers, pride guides, and other publications which target the gay and lesbian community. All of this information is informative and entertaining, but unfortunately most of the publications are sporadic. There are a few complete runs of publications in the collection, but it is best used with the other gay and lesbian collections housed in the repository. This collection, however, contains valuable information and fills in gaps which the other gay and lesbian collections contain.

## **SERIES DESCRIPTIONS**

Series 1, General Files: This series contains by-laws and constitutions of different organizations, articles and papers concerning gay and lesbian concerns, and miscellaneous conference information. Folders 1 through 11; dates run from 1976 to 1992.

Series 2, Mid-Continent Life Services Center: This series contains information concerning this organization such as minutes, by-laws, and correspondence. Folders 12 through 22; dates run from 1977 to 1978.

Series 3, Newspapers: This series includes gay and lesbian newspapers from across North America, and excerpts and articles from regular media concerning gay and lesbian issues. Folders 23 through 39; dates run from 1979 to 1989.

Series 4, Publications: This series includes gay and lesbian publications from across North America, and excerpts and articles from regular media concerning gay and lesbian issues. Folders 40 through 63; dates range from 1974 to 1992.

Series 5, Public Relations Materials: This series contains primarily visual material such as flyers, tickets, programs, and small posters. Also included are brochures intended to distribute educational information. Folders 64 through 78; dates, 1977-92.

Series 6, Pride Guides: This series contains Gay and Lesbian Pride Celebration Guides from all across the North American continent. Folders 79 through 97; dates, 1983-91. Folders are arranged alphabetically by host city.

Series 7, Buttons: This series contains gay and lesbian buttons from the United States. Also included in this series is a Spanish button for the International March on the UN in 1979. Folders 98 through 100; dates, 1983-90. Buttons are on button pads.

Series 8, Addenda Material: This series contains material which was donated at a later date. Includes conference material, posters, and newspapers. Folders 101 through 112; dates, 1981-92.

Series 9, Artifacts: This series contains three dimensional objects such as cups and t-shirts. These are kept loose in a record center box for storage. Dates range from 1979 to 1991.

Series 10, Oversize Posters: This series contains primarily Pride Celebration posters from across the United States. Put in Map Case. Dates range from 1980 to 1990.

## **FOLDER LIST**

### **SERIES 1**

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1. Constitution and By-Laws of International Association of Lesbian and Gay Pride Organizations, n.d.
2. Gay and Lesbian Hotline By-Laws, n.d.
3. Gay Academic Union-Constitution, 2/2/79
4. "Gay Service Organizations: A Survey" by Theodore J. Stein in Homosexual Counseling Journal, 4/76
5. IAL/GPC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes held in Vancouver, Canada on 10/6/89
6. Metropolitan Community Church Information Sheet, n.d.
7. New York City Pride Celebration Registration Packet, 1986
8. N.O.W. Lesbian Rights Resource Kits, ca. 1981
9. Opening Doors to Understanding and Acceptance: A Facilitator Guide for Presenting Workshops on Lesbian and Gay Issues, 6/13-15/86
10. St. Louis Pride Guide Packet (includes 1991 Pride Guide), 1992
11. Straight Pride in Gay Pride: Coming Out for Human Liberation (thesis, Trinity University) by Sara McKie, 5/13/80

#### **SERIES 2: Mid-Continent Life Services Center**

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20. Memos and Correspondence, 1978
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#### **SERIES 3: Newspapers**

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24. B.A.R. (Bay Area Reporter)--San Francisco, CA; v.14, n.40 (10/4/84)
25. Body Politic (Toronto, Ontario), #103 (5/84)
26. Chicago Outlines, v.1, n.5 (7/2/87)
27. Equal Time for Gay Men and Lesbians (Minneapolis, MN), #23 (2/23/83)
28. Florissant Valley Forum (St. Louis Community College), v.4, n.3 (9/23/76)
29. The Gay Clone (New York, NY), 5/79

30. Kansas City Star, excerpts: 6/23/91

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31. Lesbians Rising (Hunter College, NY), Spring 1979

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35. Post-Dispatch (St. Louis, excerpts), 9/12/79; 5/17/81; 6/6/89; 9/13/89; n.d.

36. Rites for Lesbian and Gay Liberation (Toronto, Ontario v.1, n3 (7/84)

37. Riverfront Times, excerpts (St. Louis), 5/31/89

38. Student Life (Washington University, St. Louis), excerpts, v.98, n.4 (9/10/76)

39. Twin Cities Gaze Newspaper; Community Resources Guide, Fall 1990

**SERIES 4: Publications**

40. Current News (Kansas City, MO), v.2, n.10 (6/18/92)

41. Dignity (National, Catholic), v.7, n.2 (2/76)

42. Gay Academic Union Newsletters: Fall 1981 & Summer 1982

43. Gay Chicago Magazine, v.13, n.28 (7/12/90)' v.13, n.45 (11/8/90)

44. Gaylife Magazine (St. Louis, MO), #5 (6/22/79)

45. GPU News (published by Gay Peoples Union of Milwaukee), 9/74

46. International March on the UN for Lesbian and Gay Freedom Resource Book, 9/30/84

47. In Unity (National, UFMCC); v.4, n.2 (4/74); v.5, n.3 (10/75)

48. In Unity (National, UFMCC); v.6, n.1 (1/76); v.6, n.2 (3/76); v.6, n.3 (5/76); and v.6, n.4 (8/76)

49. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.2, n.1 (3/76) and 1077 Winter Supplement

50. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.3, n.7 (2/78) and 1978 Winter Supplement

51. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.4, n.3 (6/78) and v.4, n.5 (12/78)

52. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.5, n.1 (9/80); v.5, n.3 (9/81); v.5, n.5 (7/82)

53. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.6, n.2 (Mar/Apr 83); v.6, n.3 (Jun/Jul 83); v.6, n.5 (Winter 83); v.6, n.6 (Feb/Mar 84)

54. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.7, n.2 (Jun/Jul 1984)

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55. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.8, n.2 (Aug/Sep 85)

56. Lesbian Connection (E. Lansing, MI), v.9, n.6 (May/Jun 1987)

57. The Lesbian Tide (Los Angeles, CA), v.4, n.1 (8/74)

58. The Lesbian Tide (Los Angeles, CA), v.6, n.1 (Jul/Aug 76); v.6, n.2 (Sep/Oct 76); v.6, n.6 (May/Jun 77)

59. Nevada Gay Times, v.8, n.7 (7/85)

60. Newsweek, excerpt, 1/1/3/86

61. St. Louis Lesbian and Gay Pride Celebration Committee Newsletter, v.1, n.5 (6/92)

62. Southern Californians for Whitman Radclyffe Newsletter, v.2, n.1 (3/78)

63. The War Cry, excerpts (National, Salvation Army), 5/26/84

**SERIES 5: Public Relations Materials**

64. Celebration Committee Turkey Raffle Tickets, 1986-87; 1989-90

65. ERA-AIDS-GAY Brochure, n.d.

66. Gay Hotline Brochure, n.d.

67. International March for Lesbian and Gay Freedom (New York) Brochure, 9/84

68. Missouri Gay Caucus and Missouri Resources Council Brochure, n.d.

69. Mother Source (St. Louis) Brochure, 1990

70. National March on Washington--Brochure, 1979

71. National Organization for Women Annual Gay River Cruise, 1985; 1988-92 (Flyers and Tickets)

72. News Tribune Flyer, 11/20/77

73. Night of a Thousand Thank You's Program (Houston), 7/25/90

74. N.O.W. Lesbian Rights Brochures, 1980

75. The Pro-Family, Pro-Hate Movement: A Radical Response Brochure, 11/21/77

76. St. Louis Pride Fundraiser Flyers and Program, 1981

77. St. Louis Pride Month Fundraisers Flyer, 1992

78. "Take Pride" Bumper Stickers (Long Beach, CA), n.d.

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**SERIES 7: Buttons** 98. "Anitaphobia: A Fear of Fruit," (two) n.d.; "Pride," n.d.; "Gaylife Magazine," n.d.; "lesbian," n.d.; "Lesbian/Gay Vote 84"

99. Pride Buttons: Los Angeles--1984, 1988; San Francisco--1986; South Florida--1985; Wichita--1983; March on Washington--1979; International March--1984

100. St. Louis Pride Buttons: 1985; 1987-1990; Pride Coordinators Conference in St. Louis, 1988 (2)

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102. Gay Chicago Magazine, v.15, n.26 (6/25/92)

103. Heartland, v.2, n.6 (6/91)

104. Kansas City Gazette, #16 (6/18-24/92)

105. Lesbians and AIDS Brochure, 1986

106. "Mother Jones" Program, 1992

107. Nightlines (Chicago, IL), #118 (6/24/92)

108. Pride Celebration Fundraising Calendar for St. Louis, 1992

109. Pride Celebration River Cruise Tickets (St. Louis, copies), 1981-82; 1984-92

110. Steppin' Out (St. Louis), 4/89

111. Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches General Conference XV in Phoenix, AZ (7/14-21/91)

112. Windy City Times (Chicago, IL), v.7, n.41 (6/28/92)

**SERIES 9: Artifacts**

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1986 Pride T-shirt--Baltimore (orange)

1987 Pride T-shirt--Boston (lavender)

1987 Pride T-shirt--Boston (purple)

Dignity St. Louis T-shirt, n.d. (yellow)

Gay Pride Celebration of Rights T-shirt, n.d. (beige)

1987 Pride T-shirt--Houston (Gray)

Interpride 1990 (handkerchief), n.d.

Iris Committee T-shirt--St. Louis, ca. 1979 (white)

1988 Pride T-shirt--Minnesota (black, sleeveless)

National March for Lesbian and Gay Rights (St. Louis Contingent) T-shirt, 1979 (white)

1987 Pride Celebration T-shirt--Unidentified city (neon pink on white)

Rightfully Proud in 1988 (handkerchief)

1981 Pride T-shirt--St. Louis (light blue)

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1983 Pride T-shirt--St. Louis (bright yellow)  
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"Two Benefits Coming!," (St. Louis), n.d. (11" x 17")  
"St. Louis Celebration of Lesbian and Gay Pride, " April 12-20, 1980 (13.5" x 10")

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