

DOWNLOAD PDF ATLANTA LESBIAN FEMINIST ALLIANCE ARCHIVES, CA. 1972-1994

Chapter 1 : Gay Rights Movement: Series 6: Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Archives, ca.

The SFLA acquired the archives of other lesbian and feminist groups in the Southeast, six of which are partially represented here. Atlanta Center for Feminist Studies Subseries [2 ALFA members, Sally Gordon and Elizabeth Knowlton, belonged to the Center.

Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Archives, ca. ALFA initially worked to fill a social void for and to offer a political voice to Atlanta lesbians, publicizing its efforts through a self-produced monthly newsletter, the Atalanta. Over the years, as the political and cultural climate changed and lesbians created new avenues through which to pursue their interests, ALFA struggled to find a clear and unique sense of purpose; this historically telling struggle is well-documented by ALFA itself, in minutes and mailings to its membership. The library and archives, which provided a material link between ALFA and other progressive movements and organizations throughout the world, included the archival records of ALFA and several other southern feminist groups; a massive collection of feminist, lesbian, and activist periodicals; and a circulating library of feminist and gay and lesbian books. ALFA disbanded in after over 20 years of Southern feminist activism. The book collection and the remaining periodicals stayed in Atlanta, with books relating to feminist theory going to Emory University and the rest to a community library. The ALFA Archives and Periodicals Collections that were transferred to Duke are an incredibly rich source of information about feminist and lesbian activism and communities, especially in the Southeast, from the early s to the mid s. The ALFA Periodicals collection contains literally hundreds of grassroots newsletters and journals, many of which are now ephemeral and not in any library. This extensive library of feminist, lesbian and gay, and activist periodicals is more fully described in the Introduction to the Periodicals Collection below. Minor rearrangement and consolidation of some of the ALFA records and subject files helped to reduce confusion and highlight areas of strength. First performance of Red Dyke Theatre Jan. Dykes Together, a lesbian AA group, forms Oct. Lesbian Family Support Group forms April Ramp built - ALFA is wheelchair accessible!! ALFA t-shirts printed Aug. Rita Mae Brown book signing at Charis June Jewish Lesbian Support Group forms Aug. Take Back The Night march Oct. Fat Dykes organization meeting Feb. Jewish Lesbian Writers Group forms May Sonia Johnson speaks at Gay Pride rally July ALFA representatives and other Atlanta lesbian and gay activists meet with Atlanta police commissioner and chief to discuss community-police relations Summer Alix Dobkin performs in Atlanta Apr. Atlanta African American women make presentation at U. Audre Lorde reads at Seven Stages June Supreme Court votes to uphold Georgia sodomy law in Bowers v. ALFA members take part in subsequent discussions and protests Oct. Fat Dykes erotica show and tell April Supreme Court against Bowers v. In March, Atlanta outbids five other cities to win the right to host the conference. Georgia Abortion Rights Action League leads march and rally at state capitol in defense of reproductive rights Nov. Some gay men object to joining the abortion rights coalition, prompting protest from feminist members both women and men of MACGLO. In response to decreasing participation in the organization, ALFA hosts community potluck dinner to discuss whether to keep the group active June To revitalize lesbian-feminist community interest in ALFA, Feminist Exchange committee forms and initiates Second Saturday Series on topics such as butch-femme politics, alternative health, and breast cancer Oct. To address limited increase in participation since June community meeting, 12 members attend ALFA general membership to vote upon whether or not ALFA should shut its doors. ALFA takes part in pro-choice rally to mark 20th anniversary of Roe v. ALFA begins negotiations with various southern libraries to find a new home for its archives Apr. ALFA members vote to close down the organization. Movement Publishing and the Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Periodicals Collection, Scholarship on modern American feminism, the history of sexuality, and social justice organizing in the United States since the s cannot be considered complete without taking into account the politics and culture generated by lesbian feminists. Feminism offered a theoretical foundation for an alternative social structure to one in which men determined political, social, economic, and cultural relations.

However, any notions that a universal sisterhood linked all women were quickly shattered as women of color, working-class women, and lesbians questioned the biases and assumptions of the pioneers of what has come to be called Second Wave Feminism. For many lesbians, the emergent feminist movement quickly proved an inhospitable home. Still other feminist activists resented the accusations made by some sexist men and antifeminist women that all members of the feminist movement were lesbians. At the dawn of the s, lesbian activists rose up to challenge the prejudices of their heterosexual sisters. Instead, they argued that relationships between women lay at the heart of creating feminist consciousness and cultural revolution. A number of women experimented with lesbian relationships - some briefly, others more permanently. Naiad Press and Diana Press were just two of the many publishers spearheading an explosion in feminist publishing, while women-focused newsletters appeared and vanished across the country on what seemed like an almost daily basis. Women also dedicated themselves to reimagining the divine, often by exploring ancient matriarchal and earth-centered religions. What lesbian-feminism did and did not comprise remained an open question; in fact, that tension became a defining quality of the movement, especially as notions of lesbian culture and politics grew increasingly diverse through the s and into the early s. While some lesbians questioned whether to work on issues such as childcare and domestic violence which some interpreted to be the domain of heterosexual women or AIDS often seen as the province of gay men , others committed themselves to an all-inclusive, coalition-driven approach to social justice. In some instances, this multi-prolonged approach appeared to generate contradictory results. So while some lesbian-feminists strongly denounced pornography for denigrating and exploiting women, others argued just as vigorously for the freedom of sexual expression. ALFA grew out of the community of antiwar, civil rights, and other social justice activists and members of the counterculture clustered together in the Little Five Points neighborhood near the Emory University campus. By , Little Five Points was home to a visible lesbian-feminist community, and women in the neighborhood held the first meeting of the Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance in June In , after years of fundraising, ALFA purchased its own house on Clay Street, which members renovated and made wheelchair-accessible. That agenda included liberating women, ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, and eliminating oppression derived from racism, anti-Semitism, economic inequality, and physical disability or appearance. For the women of ALFA, this principle lay at the heart of their activism. They also collected extensive materials from Georgia liberal, progressive, and radical groups with whom lesbian-feminists were likely to create coalitions. The volunteer archivists placed particularly high emphasis on documenting the works of lesbians in general and of the lesbians and gay men in the southeastern United States. The Periodicals Collection, along with the companion ALFA Archives, clearly demonstrates how ALFA members understood themselves to be situated within regional and national networks connecting diverse progressive social movements as well as urban and rural communities. The microfilm edition of the Periodicals Collection will provide essential primary source materials to scholars interested in lesbian and gay studies, feminism, social movements and community activism, and cultural politics and production. Historians, sociologists, and political scientists will be able to make extensive use of the Periodicals, as will scholars from programs in women, gender, and sexuality studies, cultural studies, and library and information science. Topics represented include civil rights legislation and court cases, questions of race and class, AIDS and other health concerns and crises, sexual assault and domestic violence, urban and rural community building, ecology and nuclear power, international solidarity movements and the rights of women and sexual minorities across the globe, disabilities, religion and spirituality, self-defense and the martial arts, sports, aging, pornography and sexual expression, music, poetry and prose, satire and other forms of humor, and student and youth issues. Additionally, the Periodicals Collection contains most of the run of *The Ladder*, the preeminent lesbian serial of the late s and the s, which was published by the Daughters of Bilitis. As the AIDS crisis brought lesbian-feminist and gay male activists together in substantial numbers for the first time since the early days of gay liberation, many women also wrestled with a new feminist ethos that seemed to privilege the personal and the cultural over the political. The run of *Lesbian News*, published in Los Angeles, illustrates this contested

DOWNLOAD PDF ATLANTA LESBIAN FEMINIST ALLIANCE ARCHIVES, CA. 1972-1994

evolution. Think Globally, Archive Locally Not surprisingly, the Periodicals Collection holdings pertaining to the Atlanta metropolitan area are especially rich. They demonstrate the intricacies of community formation, mobilization, and sustenance over more than two decades, and will be especially interesting to scholars exploring how communities are dynamic entities which evolve over time. Moreover, they offer a deep vein to researchers interested in the complex interplay of social, political, and cultural organizations that constitute communities in civil society. The newsletters of local and regional campus gay and lesbian student groups from schools such as Emory University and Georgia State University are included in the collection. ALFA members made concerted efforts to collect lesbian and gay community publications from across Georgia and the greater Southeast. Beyond the Peach State, the SFLA collected newspapers from southern cities such as Jacksonville, Tallahassee, and Tuscaloosa; the nearly complete run of *The Gaze*, a Memphis gay newspaper, is one especially rich example of this type. Atlanta-area feminist publications also comprise a significant element in the Periodicals Collection. Canadian publications from Montreal, Saskatoon, and Vancouver are included, and the most noteworthy Canadian newspaper in the collection is *The Body Politic*. The Collection also includes select materials from beyond North America. *Changers* and *the Changing In* accordance with its broad mission for social justice, ALFA members collected periodicals from anti-racist, international solidarity, environmental, and other activist organizations with whom they were likely to form coalitions. One other noteworthy newspaper is a issue of *Supporters of Silkwood*, a publication dedicated to continuing the work of Karen Silkwood, the chemical technician at a Kerr-McGhee plutonium processing plant in Oklahoma who died in a suspicious one-car crash in . The *Supporters of Silkwood* issue includes updates from the legal cases brought by her estate against Kerr-McGhee, a chronology of events of her life and the fallout from her fatal car crash, lyrics of a song by feminist folksinger Fred Small about her, and news of a Bonnie Raitt concert held to publicize the case. Some women sought to combine their environmental politics with their desire to build their own lesbian-feminist communities in rural areas. A nearly complete run of *Maize: A Lesbian Country Magazine* offers a snapshot of this phenomenon. Researchers looking to explore how lesbians and gay men have struggled to find welcoming and affirming spiritual homes will find the ALFA Periodicals Collection a boon. Particularly well-documented are the labors of lesbians and gay men in Atlanta and throughout the Southeast to create their own religious institutions and communities. Scholars will also find useful materials uncovering how lesbians and gay men worked to incorporate their feminist and sexual politics into traditional religious institutions. Also represented are a run of the *Evangelical Outreach Ministries Newsletter* later re-titled *Bridges* , an Atlanta-based network for lesbians and gay men from Evangelical traditions. Both published in New York, GAA lobbied for mainstream acceptance and looked unfavorably upon feminist and gay liberation politics, while gay anarchists published *Gay Clone*. *Golden Threads* served a readership of lesbians who passed the half-century mark. Extensive holdings of *Fighting Woman News* cover the feminist martial arts movement, as women claimed their physical and psychological rights to self-defense in a traditionally male arena. While some periodicals in this collection are notable for their extensive holdings, other titles are remarkable for their rarity. Other such rare holdings include one issue of *Asian Lesbians of the East Coast*; one of *Gay Comix*, edited by Howard Cruse, a pioneer in gay and lesbian cartoon art; two very early issues of *Girljock*, about lesbians and sports, before the publication evolved into a widely circulated glossy magazine; a single mailing from *Sissies in Struggle*, offering poetry and a resource list for men who rejected traditional definitions of masculinity. Five issues of the *Susan Saxe Defense Committee Newsletter*, published in support of the lesbian whose arrest on charges related to her involvement in anti-imperialist revolutionary movements, prompted heated controversy among feminist activists in the mids. Over the last third of the twentieth century, the United States and the international community witnessed epochal transformations in the politics and culture of gender and sexuality. Those shifts are as fundamental as silicon to the networks that tie us together in a global knowledge economy, but their histories can be ephemeral as the elections that run through the fiber-optics cables crisscrossing the planet. The microfilm edition of the Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Periodicals Collection documents the extraordinary intellectual and material labor

DOWNLOAD PDF ATLANTA LESBIAN FEMINIST ALLIANCE ARCHIVES, CA. 1972-1994

that generated these revolutions, and preserves an essential record for scholars writing these histories for generations to come. This collection guide contains a detailed description of Part IV, The Periodicals Collection, as well as a full introduction to it. Format This guide lists serials gathered by the membership of the Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance during the period of its existence. Selection Process Two criteria were applied to the selection of materials. The first was rarity. Serials that, according to a review on OCLC, indicated a significant number of holders - regardless of format i.

DOWNLOAD PDF ATLANTA LESBIAN FEMINIST ALLIANCE ARCHIVES, CA. 1972-1994

Chapter 2 : Women's history microforms | University of Arizona Libraries

The Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance (ALFA) was founded in by a group of radical lesbians, many socialist and all feminist, who broke away from Atlanta's Women's Liberation Center and the Gay Liberation movement because they felt that neither had adequately addressed.

This list also does not include the significant holdings of the Center for Research Libraries, which are available through Interlibrary loan. Unless otherwise indicated, all collections are located in the Periodicals and Microfilm Reading Room in Butler. Please contact me if you have any questions about locating or using microform collections. This collection has been digitized in the Archives of Human Sexuality and Identity database. Hannah Davis Gale Louisa Adams Park Martha Patty Rogers 1 reel Susan E. Forbes 11 reels Caroline Barrett White 6 reels. Gayle 1 reel Martha E. Crawford 1 reel Sarah I. McLellan 1 reel Grace L. Greene 5 reels Dolly S. Gray 1 reel Ada W. Bacot 1 reel Mary D. Mary Hort 1 reel Priscilla B. Robertson 1 reel Elizabeth W. Pringle 4 reels. Ready Transcript MS 1 reel C. Crawford , , 1 reel H. McCreary 1 reel E. Lines 1 reel. Americans for Democratic Action. Americans for Democratic Action Papers, Archives of the British Labour Party. National Executive Committee minutes, pts. Pamphlets and leaflets of the Labour Representation Committee, and the Labour Party since Pamphlets and leaflets, Published Guide in MRR. Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Archives, ca. Periodicals Collection Fd More than periodicals and newsletters. Individual periodical records are in CLIO. Associated Negro Press news releases, Associated Negro Press organizational files, Subject files on Black Americans, Bennett, Gwendolyn Gwendolyn Bennett papers, Microfilmed from the Schomburg Collection. Correspondence files, 17 reels. Black abolitionist papers, Black workers in the era of the great migration, Although many factors were involved, the acute labor shortage that plagued basic industries encouraged thousands of black families to make this transition "from plantation to ghetto. The First World War was also an era of dramatically extended government control over the national economy. Several basic industries vital to the war effort fell under federal control. Since this coincided with the northward migration of black workers and their families, the records compiled by these wartime agencies focus both on the operations and labor conditions of several vital industries and on black workers. Furthermore, there are extensive records from the s in the files of departments and agencies that continued to study black workers; these records originated at the Department of Labor, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, and the U. Census Bureau, to name just a few sources. Committee of Fifteen Records, The Committee of Fifteen, a New York City citizen group established in November , advocated for the elimination of prostitution and gambling. The Committee hired investigators who visited city locations such as bars, pool halls, dance halls, "disorderly houses", and tenements during They posed as clients to determine where prostitution took place and filed reports on each site. The collection also includes letters of the New York City Department of Health on the location of "disorderly houses", letters relating to police protection and corruption of city officials, 26 scrapbooks of press clippings about New York City politics, police and vice, typed abstracts of the events of the day, and a typescript of the defense testimony of the trial of Police Captain John D. Typescript photocopy of interviews. A life history of those being interviewed. Rare Works from France. A microfiche collection of material from the Bibliotheque Nationale. A New Yorker and lifelong member of the Communist Party USA, who was convicted in of conspiracy to advocate the overthrow of the government. After serving a two year sentence, she continued to serve as a full-time functionary of the Communist party in several capacities including that of an organizational secretary, and as national education director of the party. Gay Activists Alliance, The move met with strong opposition from their respective families, but their new Gothic residence soon became a magnet for writers and intellectuals. The collection includes accounts of their escape from their homes in Ireland; commonplace books; reading notes; records of visitors; manuscript poetry; and correspondence with friends and contemporaries such as Henrietta Bowdler, Lady Bury, Mrs. Papers of the League of Women Voters, Meetings of the Board of Directors and the

DOWNLOAD PDF ATLANTA LESBIAN FEMINIST ALLIANCE ARCHIVES, CA. 1972-1994

Executive Committees: Transcripts and records of National Conventions, , and of General Councils, 20 reels -- pt. Transcripts and records of National Conventions, , and of General Councils, 30 reels pt. National office subject files, 34 reels. Manuscripts from the British Library, reels Household books, correspondence and manuscripts owned by women, from the British Library, reels A portion of this collection has been digitized in the Defining Gender database. Women, emancipation and literature: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The campaign for educational equality: Legal department and central office records, reels MRR Fd Records. Accompanied by a guide by Thomas C. More than pamphlets dealing with women; including pro and anti-suffrage tracts, sermons, and speeches. Completely cataloged in CLIO. For discussions of women and labor, see the collection of more than labor pamphlets, Pamphlets in American History; Labor. Pioneers and Sources, s Meetings of the Republican National Committee, The diary of Ellen Sharples, The letter book of Ellen Sharples, Socialist Party of America Papers, National office papers, State and local files, Related organizational files, Atlanta Office, ; Subgroup B. New York Office, ; Subgroup C. Temperance and Prohibition Papers. Union Signal, 8 reels. Anit-Saloon League of America, 2 reels. Standard Encyclopedia of the Alcohol Problem, 1 reel. Witchcraft in Europe and America. MRR Fd Pt 1. Advice books, manuals, almanacs, and journals, c Women and Victorian values, , Butler Fd Advice books, manuals, and journals for women: Sources from Essex Record Office 20 reels Pt 6:

Chapter 3 : Introduction: Gay Rights Movement: Series 6: Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance

The Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance (ALFA) was an American lesbian feminist organization, among the oldest and longest running in the country. It formed in Atlanta, Georgia, in as a breakaway from Atlanta's Gay Liberation Front (GLF) and Atlanta Women's Liberation.

Chapter 4 : Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance archives, ca. (Microform,) [theinnatdunvilla.com]

Note: Citations are based on reference standards. However, formatting rules can vary widely between applications and fields of interest or study. The specific requirements or preferences of your reviewing publisher, classroom teacher, institution or organization should be applied.

Chapter 5 : Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance - Wikipedia

Documents from the Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Archives, ca. , from the holdings of the Rare Book, Manuscript, and Special Collections Library at Duke University, is published in four parts. This collection guide contains a detailed description of Part IV, The Periodicals Collection, as well as a full introduction to it.

Chapter 6 : Formats and Editions of Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance archives, ca. [theinnatdunvilla.com]

The Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance (ALFA) was founded in by a group of radical lesbians, who broke away from Atlanta's Women's Liberation Center to more fully address the issues facing lesbians.

Chapter 7 : Microforms - Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies - Research Guides at Columbia University

The extensive subject files, which are a part of ALFA's archives, document scores of other feminist, lesbian, and activist organizations and events as well as provide information on a broad range of feminist and lesbian issues.

Chapter 8 : Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Records | Collections | LGBTQ Religious Archives Network

DOWNLOAD PDF ATLANTA LESBIAN FEMINIST ALLIANCE ARCHIVES, CA. 1972-1994

The Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance (ALFA) was a grassroots lesbian feminist activist organization founded in and disbanded in The ALFA Periodicals Collection, dated , contains over grassroots newsletter and journal titles from feminist, LGBT, and other activist groups.

Chapter 9 : List of lesbian periodicals in the United States - Wikipedia

Series 6: Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance Archives, ca. (reels) From the Rare Book, Manuscript, and Special Collections Library at Duke University The Atlanta Lesbian Feminist Alliance (ALFA) was founded in by a group of radical lesbians and disbanded in