Carolyn Gabel-Brett Feminist and LGBT Collections

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Title:

CAROLYN GABEL-BRETT papers

Collection Number:

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Creator:

Carolyn Gabel-Brett

Quantity:

5 linear feet

Forms of Material:

Subject files, correspondence, notes, flyers, printed material

Repository:
Restrictions:

None

History: Carolyn Gabel-Brett has been a feminist activist in Connecticut since she moved here in 1972. She worked in women’s reproductive rights for over ten years including establishing the Connecticut chapter of NARAL, the National Abortion Rights Action League. She was on the faculty of the University of Connecticut School of Social Work where she coordinated a project on violence against women. She was one of the founders and long-time co-manager of the Reader's Feast, Hartford's feminist, progressive bookstore café for 12 years. She joined with Miles Rapoport in founding DemocracyWorks in 1999. She retired as Executive Director of DemocracyWorks in 2003.

Carolyn has been an out lesbian activist serving in leadership positions in the CT Stonewall Foundation and the Connecticut Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Civil Rights. She was an active Board member of Latinos/as Contra SIDA for six years. She continues to work with Love Makes a Family fighting for full marriage equality in Connecticut.

Carolyn and her partner, Leslie, have three adult children. They have been in a loving relationship for over 25 years and got married in June 2004 in Massachusetts and hyphenated their names. They are proud grandmothers to Sophie and Dawn!

BOX 1

Folder

1. ASTRAEA National Lesbian Action Foundation.
4. Queer Alliance, Wesleyan University.
11. CWEALF Hate / Anti-Violence Project, 2000.
17. Family Diversity Projects / Love Makes a Family Exhibit.
34. March on Washington, 1993 [official program, map, article ].
38. Examples From the Field, National…Center for State Mental Health Planning, 2000.
41. Queer and Active, August, 1999.
44. Snowball 5, Night Train, March 8, 1997. [program].
48. True Colors XII Conference, Central Connecticut State University.
49. West Hartford Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Teens.

BOX 2

Folder

1. Connecticut Civil Liberties Union.
12. Latinos / As Contra Sida, 1993 Annual report.
18. Race for the Cure [folder]

**LESBIAN/GAY/BISEXUAL/TRANSGENDER/AND FEMINIST/PROGRESSIVE RECORDS**

**BOX 2**

**Folder**

**CONNECTICUT COALITION FOR LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER CIVIL RIGHTS**

27. CCLGBTCR / STONEWALL mail and e-mail addresses. [two folders].

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**Box 3**

**Folder**
42. CCLGBTCR, Requests of, 1999.
43. CCLGBTCR Key Issues, 1999.
46. Stop the Hate: An Inter Faith Forum, November 22, 1999.
47. CCLGBTCR Legislative Breakfast, June 20, 1998.
48. CCLGBTCR Legislative Breakfast, June 19, 1999.
49. CCLGBTCR Legislative Breakfast, October 7, 2000.
52. CCLGBTCR Steering Committee, 2000.
64. Federation of Statewide LGB and T. Political Organizations, 1997.

CONNECTICUT STONEWALL FOUNDATION / CONNECTICUT STONEWALL CONGRESS

74. Ct. Stonewall Congress Event, Trinity College, October 22, 19__?
75. Ct. Stonewall Congress (Foundation) 1996.
78. Ct. Stonewall Congress Flyers.
80. LGBT Herstory / History Project Questionaire, 1999.
81. Ct. Stonewall Foundation 1999 annual report (disk)

Box 4

Folder

8. Ct. Stonewall Foundation, e-mail, address lists.

22.  CCLGCR 1990, Legislative Reports / Gallo & Williams.
23.  Gallo, Elizabeth, Correspondence.
27.  CCLGCR (PAC).
29.  CCLGCR Mercy Center Retreat, 1990?.

**POSTERS**

Queer Rights Are Reproductive Rights. Choice USA, n.d., 35 x 56 cm.

Joe Stefan for Town Council, Democrat, West Hartford, n.d., 5.5 x 55.5cm. (2 copies)

State Representative Mantilla, n.d. 48 x 63 cm.

1997 CT Pride Grand Marshals Lesley Brett Carolyn Gable. (magnetized to attach to a vehicle) 33 x 47.5 cm.

Garlic. Chez Panisse Garlic Festival. Berkeley, David Lance Goines, 1979. Autographed on the reverse side by Tirzah, Jenifer, Lesley, Pura and Stonewall Congress. 50.5 x 70.5 cm.


Connecticut Coalition for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Civil Rights. 1997 Legislative Summery. 45.5 x 60.5 cm.

Improving Our Services Creating Safe Support Space...Hartford, 1997? 45.5 x 60.5 cm.

Screening For Woman to Woman Battering...Hartford, 1997? 45.5 x 60.5cm
Effects Of Homophobia, Bi-Phobia, “Coming Out / Closeted Issues”...Hartford, 1997? 45.5 x 60.5 cm.

Differences Between S/M And Battering...Hartford, 1997? 45.5 x 60.5 cm.

Myths About Woman To Woman Battering...Hartford, 1997? 45.5 x 60.5 cm.

Domestic Violence in Same-Gender Relationships...Hartford, 1997? 45.5 x 60.5 cm.