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Biographical Note

A 1978 graduate of the University of Maine, Orono, Diane Elze began her volunteer career working for the YWCA Fair Harbor Shelter in Portland, Maine. In 1981 Elze left the YWCA to work more closely with developmentally disabled populations of Southern Maine, including editing the newsletter *Moving*, *The Newspaper of the Maine Association of Handicapped Persons*. She joined The AIDS Project in Portland as a case manager in the spring of 1988, beginning a long career dedicated to serving the LGBT community at large.

Thereafter, Elze gained renown through her co-founding of Outright, the Portland Alliance of Gay and Lesbian Youth, a support group for gay, lesbian, and bisexual youths under the age of 22. In time, Outright chapters opened across the New England area, representing all Northern New England states. During this time Elze served as president of the Maine Lesbian/ Gay Political Alliance (MLGPA) and founded the statewide gay and lesbian newspaper, *Our Paper*. Over the course of the early 1990s she received numerous awards from a variety of organizations across Maine recognizing her efforts. The Sampson Center has a nearly complete run of *Our Paper*.

For her next accomplishment, Elze earned a Master's Degree from the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at Case Western University in Cleveland, Ohio, followed by a PhD from the George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in St. Louis. During her graduate career, Elze's primary focus of study remained LGBT youth, specifically their mental health and behavioral functioning. Working directly with the Youth Services Project, Center for Mental Health Services Research, HIV Prevention and Life Options for Youths in Foster Care and Missouri Child and Adolescent Project in her research, Elze continued to win awards for both academic excellence and community involvement.

Since completing her PhD in 1999, Dr. Elze has held positions as a professor with both Washington University and the University at Buffalo, continuing her research into assisting LGBT youth communities across the Northeast. She remains a prolific writer of articles, editorials and research on LGBT issues including educational resources for teachers and students on how to approach comfortable assimilation of LGBT-friendly initiatives in the

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school district. She has also continued volunteering, most notably with the Gay and Lesbian Youth Services of Western New York, where she occupies a seat on the Board of Directors. She has continued to win community service awards while archiving a personal collection of LGBT research materials spanning the entirety of her public service career.

Description of the Papers

The Papers consist of the personal accumulation of materials related directly to the interests of Dr. Diane Elze, her research focusing on (and her involvement with) the LGBT community. The bulk of the material dates from the late 1980s to late 1990s. Most materials are original documents, or photocopied reprints of original documents such as newspapers, informational pamphlets, and full-length research texts. Legislation covered in the collection includes the Maine Civil Rights Bill, the Portland ordinance, and the Massachusetts Education Reform Act of 1993. Organizations covered in the Papers include the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, Act Now, Act Up, Hysterical Angry Girls Sorority and MLGPA. The Papers have been divided into nine topical series, with the contents of each series arranged geographically, chronologically, or topically.

In addition to documents of legislative or organizational importance, the Papers feature personal documents of Dr. Elze, such as correspondence, research and notes. The Papers were kept as close to the original arrangement of Dr. Elze as possible, especially in Series 6 (Gays in Maine).

Series 1. Civil Rights Issues (1975-2000, undated)

Civil Rights Issues has been divided into subseries based on geographic location with deference to how close each occurred to Diane Elze's home state of Maine. The first subseries then being issues occurring in Maine, the second subseries featuring issues in New England, and the third, issues of national recognition. Types of material include newspaper clippings, photocopies, audio cassettes, and organizational records.

Series 2. Events (1977-1999, undated)

The second series, Events (including speeches) has also been subdivided into three geographic areas: Maine, National, and International. The series contains papers, flyers, correspondence, speeches, and memorabilia from LGBT conferences, dinners & festivals.

Series 3. Organizations (1987-1992, undated)

This series contains information on the organizations National Gay & Lesbian Task Force, Act Now, Act Up, Hysterical Angry Girls Sorority, MLGPA, and Outright, among others. Types of material include organizational records, theater props, t-shirts, audio/VHS cassettes, awards, brochures, posters, and event documents.

Series 4. Resources (1971-2004, undated)

The fourth series has been sub-divided topically rather than geographically, into HIV/AIDS, Youth, and Healthcare/Funding.

Series 5. Workshops and Training Materials (1980-2002, undated)

This series contains LGBT topic workshops that Elze helped organize and/or deliver.

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Series 6. Clippings and Notes about Gays in Maine (1970s -1999, undated)

The sixth series contains newspaper clippings, notes and handouts which Elze collected about LGBT issues in the state of Maine.

Series 7. Media (1975-2008, undated)

This series contains magazines, newspapers, booklets, and journals concerned with LGBT issues. Issues of some Maine-based publications were removed to be consolidated into catalogued runs in the LGBT Collections' book collection.

Series 8. Correspondence (1976-1986, 2000, undated)

The eighth series contains correspondence, travel logs from friends through email, a book proposal from well-known author John Preston, and a book manuscript (LGBT topic) from a friend.

Series 9. Performance/Production Materials (1978-1990, undated)

This series contains scripts and playbills from productions of Oklahomo, Star Gays, and Gay Side Story; also, cassette tape recordings of musicians, and a VHS recording of a public service announcement about gay youth.

Series 10. Oversize

The final series contains materials too large or irregular to fit into document boxes. They are listed within their regular series, then included here to give their physical location.

Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
Series 1.1. Civil Rights Issues. Maine (1984-2000, undated)			
1	1	Charlie Howard Murder: program and handwritten lyrics from the 1st memorial service, newspaper clippings, legal documents, and memorial announcements	1984-1988
1	2	Maine Civil Rights Bill: articles, state legislation	1987, undated
1	3	Portland Police Task Force, news articles on bias crime	1988-1991
1	4	Portland Police Bias Crimes Task Force: correspondence, notes, members, background, meetings, flyers	1988-1992
1	5	Maine Civil Rights Bill: articles. LD 550, LD556	1989
1	6	Photographs: Maine Civil Rights Hearing LD 1249 5/23/85; another Hearing 5/11/87. contact sheets	1985 May 23; 1987 May 11

		and negatives	
1	7	Bias / Violence Laws [Maine / Massachusetts]: LD 1253, LD 612: hate crimes data collection FBI guidelines; test of bills and background info, similar Massachusetts laws	1989, 1991
1	8	[Maine] Civil Rights Bill: articles	1991
1	9	Gays & Military – USM: correspondence, news articles, and resources	1991-2000
2	10	Portland Ordinance [Equal Protection Portland]: organizational notes, by-laws, structure, PR, correspondence, news articles	1992
Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
Series 1.1. Civil Rights Issues. Maine (cont.)			
2	11	[Maine Civil Rights email] Maine Gay Rights, Portland ordinance	1997-1999
Series 1.2. Civil Rights Issues. New England (1992-1999)			
2	12	Massachusetts Gay and Lesbian Youth	1992-1993
2	13	New Hampshire Gay / Lesbian Rights: email and press release	1997-1999
Series 1.3. Civil Rights Issues. National (1975-1993)			
2	14	Equal Rights Amendment	1975-1982
2	15	Audio cassette: "ERA July 1st 1982"	1982 Jul 1
2	16	NGLTF (National Gay & Lesbian Task Force) Anti-Violence Project: correspondence, background, news articles, flyers	1986-1990
2	17	ACLU (AIDS policy issues) [1 of 3]	1987-1988
2	18	ACLU (AIDS policy issues) [2 of 3]	1987-1991
3	19	ACLU (AIDS policy issues) [3 of 3]	1987-1991
3	20	Boycott Colorado	1992-1993
3	21	Booklet, NGLTF Fight the Right Action Kits	1993
23		Buttons: pages 3 & 4, Women's power (49); women's political rights (8)	undated
Series 2.1. Events. Maine (1977-1999)			
3	22	Photographs: AIDS Forum Fall 1985; Autumnfest 1985; AIDS Benefit 1985; AIDS Bill Hearing 3/86. HRCF Dinner 11/85 #1 (contact sheet). negatives & contact sheets	1985, 1986
3	23	Photographs: Autumnfest. negatives & contact	1985

Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
		sheets	
3	24	Lesbian sex / S/M, Pat Califia Appearance in Maine: notes for introduction and interview	1984-1985
3	25	1st Maine Conference on Gay & Lesbian Youth: correspondence, meeting notes, agendas	1988
3	26	Living With AIDS Conference: programs, correspondence, handwritten notes of proceedings	1988
3	27	Maine Psychological Association Wellness Conference 10/88: correspondence, notes for presentation	1988
3	28	Living With AIDS Conference 11/89	1989
3	29	MLGPA Human Rights Campaign Fund Dinner	1987
3	30	Living with AIDS: program, flyers, abstracts, Elze's notes for presentation, correspondence, evaluation	1990
Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
Series 2.1. Events. Maine (cont.)			
3	31	ProVisions Conference: correspondence and flyers	1990
3	32	MLGPA 5th & 6th Annual Dinner/Dance & Awards Banquet: Elze's speech notes, programs	1990-1991
4	33	Maine Lesbian / Gay Film Festival: programs, PR, news articles	1990-1992
4	34	Photographs, Political: Governor McKernan; Arthur Bressan 4/86 & Candidates Forum 5/86; Cyclists for life & Democratic Convention, 5/86; Dukakis Protest 3/87; Tax Day Action 4/87; Varda Burstyn, 1987 Interview in Our Paper; Jesse Jackson, speaking at USM, 1988	1986-1988, undated
4	35	"Day of Desperation, Portland, Maine": 19 b&w prints, negatives, flyer	1991 Jan
4	36	MLGPA Annual Dinner: Elze's speech notes, program	1992
4	37	B-GLAD (Bisexual, Gay, and Lesbian Days) at UM Farmington: program from 1989, campus newspaper from 1992, flyer for Elze's speech, copy of Elze's speech	1989 Mar, 1992 Apr
4	38	Safe Schools and Agencies for All Conference, Lewiston	1994
4	39	Gay Times Festival: correspondence, advertisements and Elze's keynote address	1997
		Poster, 11 x 17, Gay Times Festival See Oversize	1997 Aug 16-18

4	40	Photographs: Gay Pride Masquerade Ball 4/86; "Glitz to Go" – The Underground 6/85. negatives and contact sheets	1985 Jun, 1986 Apr
4	41	Maine Gay-Lesbian-Bi-Trans Symposia: news article, newsletter, flyers, invitation, programs from 10, 11, 13, 14, 16-20, Elze's speeches with notes/edits: Symposium 11 and Symposium 25 (3c.)	1977, 1983-1999
4	42	Photographs: Symposia 1985, 1986, and 1987, Boston Gay Men's Chorus at Symposium 1985; MLGPA meeting & Central America Rally. negatives & some contact sheets	1985-1987
22		Mug, Maine Gay-Lesbian-Bi-Trans Symposium XVI	1989
22		Mugs, Maine Gay-Lesbian-Bi-Trans Symposium XXV (2)	1999
5	43	Photographs: Portland Pride. negatives & contact sheets	1988
5	44	T-Shirt, baglsc symposium XIV "Coming out for Freedom! '87" Orono, Maine	1987
Box	Folder	Description	Date(s)
Series 2.1. Events. Maine (cont.)			
24		Two Framed Photos, Portland Women's Community: "Lesbian White Water Rafting Trip down the Penobscot River (Ellie Goldberg, Diane Elze, Ann Houser, Cheryl Greaney, Cheryl Ring, Dale McCormick)"	1980s
25		Plaque, Maine Progressive Human Rights Award to Diane Elze	1991 Oct 5
		Plaque, To Elze for her work in the Community From the State of Maine See Oversize	1992 Jul 24
25		Plaque, to Elze from the Mayor of Portland for 20 years of service. (Diane Elze Day: August 8th 1992)	1992
25		Plaque, Community Service Award to Elze for "Her contributions to the cause of civil rights for all of greater Portland's citizens" Presented by Portland Police Department	1992 Aug
5	45	USM "Overcoming Oppression" Conference	2003 Oct
Series 2.2. Events. National (1980-1993, undated)			
5	46	Photographs: Boston Pride; Gay and Lesbian Pride, Boston. negatives and contact sheets	1985-1988
5	47	Take Back the Night: flyers and mailing lists	1980-1986

5	48	Women & Power Conference: program, brochures, schedule, news clips	1986
5	49	"March on Washington": Info about the CD (Civil Disobedience) Action Elze participated in, and other articles by Maine people about the March	1987
24		Framed photo compilations (6), ACT UP New York City General Post Office Demonstration (2); AIDS Memorial Quilt (3); Elze's [30th?] Birthday Party	1987
5	50	VHS, The historic March on Washington; G/L Youth making history in Massachusetts; Who's afraid of Project 10?	1987, undated
6	51	VHS, Growing up gay; Part of the USA!; For love, for life, we're not going back	1987, undated
6	52	Photographs: HRCF Dinner. negatives and contact sheets	1985, 1986
6	53	National Lesbian and Gay Health Conference	1988-1989
6	54	National Lesbian and Gay Health Foundation Youth Institute	1988
6	55	APA Conference: AIDS Community Training Family Resources, correspondence, newspapers, handouts, and registration	1989
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Series 2.2. Events. National (cont.)

6	56	The Gay and Lesbian Defense Committee Project	1986
6	57	New England Conference on AIDS and Youth	1989
6	58	Photographs: NH Conference. negatives, contact sheet	1986 Feb
6	59	NOW Conference, "Lesbians Working for Political Change": correspondence, notes, flyers	1989
6	60	The Names Project (AIDS Quilt) in Maine: speeches for the "Opening Ceremonies of the Quilt" Elze and Bruce Fritz (3 c. each), letters from Fritz and Karen Kalustian to the Names Project about the censorship of the speeches (2 c.); 1989 article- living with AIDS (3 c.)	1989 May
		Poster, in glass frame, "The Names Project Quilt" event poster for the traveling exhibit. Hosted in the Portland Exposition Building See Oversize	1989 May 25-29
6	61	Domestic Partnership Info, NGLTF Conference: correspondence, memos, news articles	1989-1991
6	62	National Coming Out Day	1990

6	63	Conference on Hate Crime: packet handout with news articles and conference materials	1991 May
7	64	National Lesbian Conference	1991
7	65	T-Shirt, VDAY "Vagina Warrior"	undated
7	66	Women & AIDS Conference & Mabel Wadsworth Health Center: correspondence and PR material	1991 Nov
7	67	"March on Washington": program magazine and newspaper	1993

Series 2.3. Events. International (1985,1992)

7	68	International Gay Association 7th Annual Conference, Toronto: Elze covered the event for Our Paper, interviewed people about the Canadian Censorship issue	1985
7	69	Professional Research Trip to Cuba: communications with travel agency/Center for Cuban Studies, notes about Cuba and health conditions, application for VISA, itinerary (2c.)	1992

Series 3. Organizations (1981-1992, undated)

7	70	Act Now '88 - D.C. Actions	1988
7	71	Act Now [1 of 2]	1988-1989
8	72	Act Now [2 of 2]	1988-1989
8	73	ACTUP: flyers, letters, correspondence, meeting minutes [1 of 2]	1988-1991
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Series 3. Organizations (cont.)

8	74	ACTUP [2 of 2]	1988-1991
8	75	ACTUP / Maine: news reports, media press	1988-1991
9	76	ACTUP / Target Bush: 8 contact sheets, info folder	1991 Sep 1
9	77	Bumper sticker, 11 x 3, pink, "Kennebushport, Home of President Bunk"	1992
9	78	Bridges of Respect	1989-1990
9	79	Campaign to End Homophobia	1988-1991
9	80	Audio cassettes, (GLAAD) Darell Yates Rist, Interview 7/87; Speech 7/87	1987 Jul
9	81	HAGS (Hysterical Angry Girls Sorority): members lists, flyers, news articles, script for street action	1991
9	82	HAGS: douchebag from street theater	1991

9	83	HAGS: 2 rubber stamps Poster, "Astraea or Starry One" National Lesbian Action Foundation See Oversize	1991 undated
22		Mug, Mabel Wadsworth Women's Health Center	undated
9	84	Photographs: Maine Association of Handicapped Persons. contact sheets and negatives	1987, undated
9	85	Maine Psychological Association: Elze's notes, correspondence, conference schedule, memos re: Paul Cameron of Family Research Institute	1989-1990
9	86	Matlovich Society: correspondence and brochures	1991
9	87	MLGPA: correspondence, flyers, news articles, newsletters, 20 year chronology of the MLGPA Framed Award, MLGPA: Larry Connolly Award to Elze for "dedication to justice and equality for Maine's Lesbian and Gay citizens" See Oversize Framed Award, MLGPA: Presidential Award to Elze for "dedication to justice and equality for Maine's Lesbian and Gay citizens" See Oversize	1989-1998 1991 Feb 2 1988 Feb 6
10	88	Plaque, MLGPA: "Courage Service Integrity"	1985
10	89	T-shirt, MLGPA: "Off my Back Jack"	undated
10	90	MLGPA Christian Civic League Petition Campaign	1992
10	91	Northern Lambda Nord (NLN)	1981-1990
22		Mug, Northern Lambda Nord	undated
10	92	Outright news clippings	1988-1992
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Series 3. Organizations (cont.)

10	93	"Outright/Queer Youth": flyers and information handouts	1988-1998
10	94	[Outright] Other Speaking Engagements	1990-1992
10	95	Plaque, from Outright: "To Diane with Deepest Appreciation"	1987
11	96	T-Shirt, Outright Portland (black w/ pink triangle)	undated
11	97	Brochures, double tri-fold, "I think I might be gay... now what do I do?" [2 c. master, 5 c. as produced] (Outright/Queer Youth); "I think I might be a lesbian... now what do I do?" [2 c. master, 5 c. as produced]	undated

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11	98	Outright Vermont	1997-1998
11	99	VHS, "Gay Rights/Special Rights" "Then And Now" 28:00 tape #6. Action: The Lesbian & Gay Human Rights Cause	undated
11	100	T-Shirt, "Gay and Lesbians against Apartheid"	undated
23		Buttons: p. 2: World Peace/Nuclear Freeze (34); pp. 5 & 6, political campaigns (61); pp. 7, 8, & 9, gay and lesbian political movements/organizations (102)	undated

Series 4.1. Resources. HIV/AIDS (1983-1995)

11	101	Living with AIDS Information	1983, 1988
11	102	Book, AIDS: A Self Care Manual	1987
12	103	AIDS and Insurance Issues	1987-1990
12	104	Classic Articles on AIDS/HIV	1987-1989
12	105	Book, Living with AIDS	1987
12	106	Book, Living with AIDS: A Self-Care Manual	1984
12	107	Book, Surviving and Thriving with AIDS	1987
12	108	Book, Working with AIDS Resource Guide	1987 Jun
12	109	Book, Prostitutes Prevent AIDS: A Manual for Health Educators	1988
12	110	State publications: AIDS in Maine: Background & Policy; AIDS resource listing of materials [BINDER REMOVED]	1988 Feb
12	111	Book, Strip AIDS U.S.A. : A Collection of cartoon art to benefit people with AIDS	1988
13	112	Book, AIDS: An Introduction to the Medical, Psychological, and Social Issues	1988 Nov
13	113	Facilitator's Guide: Eroticizing Safer Sex	1989
13	114	HIV Education in Maine	1990-1991

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Series 4.1. Resources. HIV/AIDS (cont.)

13	115	AIDS Prevention Education Program	1991
13	116	Booklet, The National Lesbian/Bisexual HIV Prevention Network HIV Prevention Manual	1995
13	117	Prevention Case Management for HIV Negative Youth	1995
23		Buttons: p. 1, AIDS/safe sex (22)	undated

Series 4.2. Resources. Youth (1971-2004, undated)

13	118	Historical Women's Health Information	1971, 1974
13	119	Homophobia Resources [1 of 2]	1983-1991
13	120	Homophobia Resources [2 of 2]	1984, undated
13	121	Parents, Families & Friends of Lesbians and Gays "PFLAG" Information	1984, undated
13	122	"Tales of the Closet" (Queer Youth), graphic book v.1 nos.1-7, 9 [3 c. of no.1 ; 2 c. ea. of nos. 2, 3, & 5]	1987-1993
14	123	Model Policies for Schools – Queer Youth	1988
14	124	GLBT Brochures [1 of 2]	1988, 1992, 1997
14	125	GLBT Brochures [2 of 2]	undated
14	126	Booklet, Someone at school has AIDS	1989
14	127	Clippings and photocopies on gay and lesbian rights and experiences	1989, undated
14	128	Maranacook Community School: correspondence and news coverage about Jasper Wyman's Christian Civic League campaign against program	1990-1991
14	129	Condom Controversy, Gorham: correspondence, press release, news articles, flyers	1990
14	130	Lawrence High School: [Ryan Scott – student] notes of phone conversation and news articles	1992
14	131	Making Schools Safe for Gay and Lesbian Youth (2 c.)	1993
14	132	Gay/Straight Alliance Student Guide (3 c.)	1995
14	133	Maine Safe Schools Resource Guide (2 c.)	1999
14	134	Queer Youth Resources	1999, 2004
15	135	Foreign Language Safe Sex Guides for traveling: brochures, pamphlets, postcards	undated
15	136	Book, Safe Schools and Agencies for All	undated

Series 4.3. Resources. Healthcare/Funding (1988-1999)

15	137	The Sourcebook on Lesbian/Gay Health Care	1988
15	138	CAHC, Consumers for Affordable Health Care, HP 1641, LD2274	1989-1990

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Series 4.3. Resources. Healthcare/Funding (cont.)

15	139	New England LGBTQ Resources Folder	1995, 1997-1999
15	140	Booklet, Ethical Funding for LGBT & HIV/AIDS	1999

Community Based Organizations

Series 5. Workshops and Training Materials (1980-2002, undated)

15	141	Consensus decision-making materials and political songs	1980s
15	142	Civil Disobedience (CD) Training	1980s, 1990s
15	143	Training completed (National Association of Social Workers)	1984-1985
15	144	CGLY Workshop Materials [committee on gay and lesbian youth]: correspondence, Committee notes, members lists, brochures	1986-1988
15	145	Booklet, "Speaking of Sex..." A Negotiation Skills Workshop	1990
16	146	First Brooks/Elze Workshop for the Maine Dept. of Human Services Staff Education Training	1991-1992
16	147	Workshops on GLBT Youth	1992, 2002
16	148	Book, Safe Schools Program for Gay and Lesbian Students Training Materials	2002
16	149	Demonstration syringes (3)	undated
16	150	Facilitator's Guide – Wet, Wild & Well: A Workshop for the Lesbian Community	undated

Series 6. Clippings and Notes about Gays in Maine (1970s, 1980-1999, undated)

16	151	Maine Gays [Pre-1980]	1970s
16	152	Maine Gays [1980]	1980
16	153	Maine Gays [1981]	1981
16	154	Maine Gays [1982]	1982
16	155	Maine Gays [1983]	1983
16	156	Maine Gays [1984]	1984
16	157	Maine Gays [1985]	1985
16	158	Maine Gays [1986]	1986
16	159	Maine Gays [1987]	1987
16	160	Maine Gays [1988]	1988
16	161	Maine Gays [1989]	1989
16	162	Maine Gays [1990]	1990
16	163	Maine Gays [1991]	1991
16	164	Maine Gays [1992]	1992
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Series 6. Clippings and Notes about Gays in Maine (cont.)

16	165	Maine Gays [1993]	1993
16	166	Maine Gays [1994]	1994
16	167	Maine Gays [1995]	1995
16	168	Maine Gays [1996]	1996
16	169	Maine Gays [1997]	1997
16	170	Maine Gays [1998]	1998
16	171	Maine Gays [1999]	1999
16	172	Maine Gays: Clippings, newsletters, PR material for events	undated

Series 7. Media (1975-2008, undated)

16	173	American Journal of Public Health, Special Issue: AIDS and Public Health	1988 Apr
17	174	American Psychologist, Special Issue: Psychology and AIDS	1988 Nov
17	175	Apex: A Point of Departure (2 c.)	1992 Mar
17	176	BAGLSC Newsletter (Bangor Area Gay-Lesbian-Straight Coalition) [REMOVED]; copy of letter from Bangor Unitarian-Universalist minister to Sen. Wm. Cohen urging he co-sponsor S.1432, dated July 2, 1986 (possibly enclosed in an issue of newsletter)	1984-1986
17	177	Bay Windows, vol. 3.37, 4.24 (2 c.), 4.29 (2 c.), 5.2	1985-1987
		The Body Politic, no. 51-54, 101, 114 See Oversize	1979, 1984-1985
		The Body Politic, no. 116-121 See Oversize	1985 Jul-Dec
		The Body Politic, no. 122-128 See Oversize	1986 Jan-Jul
		The Body Politic, no. 129-135 See Oversize	1986 Aug- 1987 Feb
23		Buttons: p. 10, various, many lesbian-related (27)	undated
17	182	Casco Bay Weekly, Apr 12 (3 c.), and May 10, 1990	1990
17	183	Casco Bay Weekly, Jun 11 and Sep 10, 1998	1998
		The Common Scold [REMOVED]	1983
		Communique (NLN), various issues v.1-15 [REMOVED]	1980-1993
		Community Pride Reporter vol.4 no. 11,12	1997

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17	184	Connexions, no. 10	1983 Fall
Series 7. Media (cont.)			
17	185	Creating Change: NGLTF, Fall07/Winter08, Winter06/07, Spring/Summer07, Spring04	2004, 2006-2008
17	186	Crossroads, vol. 2 no.1 and 2	1993
17	187	The Feminist Newsjournal, vol. 33 no. 7/8	2003 Jul/Aug
17	188	Focal Point, Spring/Summer 1991	1991
17	189	Free Press (USM), vol. 22 no. 8	1991
		Gay and Lesbian Times of Maine, vol. 10 no. 4 and 6 [REMOVED]	1993
17	190	GCN – The National Queer Progressive Quarterly, vol. 22 no. 4; vol. 23 no. 1-4; vol. 24 no. 2-3/4	1997-1999
17	191	Maine Press Clippings: Portland Press Herald, Bangor Daily News, Maine Times	1975-1979, 1982, 1987-1993
17	192	Book, Maine Alternative Yellow Pages #2	1989-1990
17	193	Maine Freewoman's Herald, vol. 3 no.2 and 7	1975-1976
		Maine Gay Task Force Newsletter [REMOVED]	1976
		Mainely Gay [REMOVED]	1977-1980
17	194	Maine in Pink Guide, Guide to Goods, Services and Organizations in Maine	1991
18	195	The Maine Progressive, vol. 6 no. 1 (3c.)	1991 Oct
		Maine Speak Out Project Newsletter [REMOVED]	1998
18	196	The Maine Times, vol. 20 no. 31 (2c.), clipping from April 15	1988
		MLGPA newsletter [REMOVED]	1996-1999
18	197	Moving (formerly Coping)	1986-1988
18	198	New England Journal of Public Policy: Special Issue on AIDS, vol. 4 no.1	1988
18	199	The New Republic, vol. 208 no. 19 issue 4,086	1993 May 10
18	200	Newsweek, vol. 71 no. 25 and vol. 76 no. 3	1993 Jun 21, 1995 Jul 17
		Network News (ME Rural Network) [REMOVED]	1998
		The Networker : unofficial publication of the Gay/Lesbian Network [REMOVED]	1989-1992

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18	201	The No-Name-Yet Newsletter Issue 25-27 (3c. of 26) 1982 Dec – 1983 Feb [REMOVED]; envelope with notes about issue 26	1982-83
		Our Paper [REMOVED]	1983-1992
		Our Paper Pull-out section: Autumn Fest, Maine's Celebration of Gay & Lesbian Life [REMOVED]	1984 Sep 13-19
Series 7. Media (cont.)			
		Portland Women's Community Newsletter, issues 1-24, 1980 Oct-1982 Nov [REMOVED]	1980-1982
18	202	Publications on gay rights, feminism, and AIDS, two articles written by Elze	1970-1993, undated
18	203	Radical America, vol. 21 nos. 2-3	1987
18	204	Scientific American, vol. 259 no. 4	1988 Oct
19	205	Social Casework (Journal of Contemp. Soc. Wk.), vol. 69 no. 6, June 1988	1988
19	206	Sojourner, vol. 26 no. 2 Nov 2000; vol. 13 no. 8 Apr 1988 (2c.); vol. 13 no. 9 May 1988	1988, 2000
		stein-vine [REMOVED]	1984, 1985
19	207	Time Magazine, vol. 152 no. 17	1998
19	208	AIDS Treatment News, issues 40-46, 47-48, 58-61, 63, 65-75, 76-77, 79-83. (2c. of 60, 69, 75, 76)	1987-1989
19	209	Treatment Issues, Compilation from Nov. 1987- March 1989; vol. 1, no. 2; vol. 2 no.1-8 (2c. of 1, 3, 4, 6), (3c. of 2); vol. 3 no. 1-7 (2c. of 4, 6, 7), (3c. of 3)	1987-1989
19	210	Treatment Issues, vol. 4 no. 1-8 (2c. of 3 and 7); vol. 5 no. 1, 3-8; vol. 6 no. 2-3, 6-9, 11	1990-1992
19	211	Treatment Issues, vol. 7 no. 2-7, 9; vol. 8 no. 3; vol. 9 no. 10-12; vol. 10 no. 1-4, 10-12; vol. 11 no. 1-4/5	1993-1997
20	212	Treatment Issues, vol. 10 no. 1-12; vol. 11 no. 1-11; vol. 12 no. 1-12	1996-1998
20	213	Treatment Issues, vol. 13 no. 1-7/8, 11/12 & vol. 14 no.1; vol. 14 no. 9/10 (3c.), 11/12; vol. 15 no. 1-9, 11/12; vol. 16 no. 1-12	1999-2002
20	214	Treatment Issues, vol. 17, no. 1/2, 4-12; Vol. 18, no. 5/6-11/12; vol. 19, no. 1/2-3/4	2003-2005
20	215	The Village Voice, vol. 38 no. 17	1993 Apr 27

Series 8. Correspondence (1976-1986, 2000, undated)

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20	216	Correspondence: thank you notes, letters to wish her well in school and congratulating her, picture of Elze in the 1978 March on Washington, invitations to her going away party and birthday party	1976-1986
20	217	Travel logs of Nan Stone and Richard Steinman	2000
20	218	Dear Charlie: book proposal from John Preston	undated
20	219	Messenger: draft of a book by Nicole d'Entremont	undated

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Series 9. Performance/Production Materials (1978-1990, undated)

21	220	Play, Oklahomo: program (2c.), partial script	1978 Apr
21	221	Program, "Gay Side Story," presented by The Audacity Theater (3 c.): Elze's script and notes in binder [BINDER REMOVED]; additional script; copy of West Side Story	[1982]
21	222	Audio cassettes: Gert Brantenburg, Norway; Gloria & Christos; Songs of Susan Savell; North Star Sisters	1986
21	223	Play, Star Gays script (2c.)	1989
21	224	VHS, 6WCSH-TV, "Public Service Announcement, 1. Lesbian teenager, :30; 2. Gay male teenager, :30; Client: Ingraham Volunteers, 774-TALK Helpline, Portland, Maine, 8-23-90"	1990 Aug 23
21	225	VHS, Scouts Honor. 57:00	undated

Series 10. Oversize

Mpcs5	Dr2	Poster, 11 x 17, Gay Times Festival (Ser. 2.1)	1997 Aug 16-18
Mpcs5	Dr2	Plaque, ...from the State of Maine (Ser. 2.1)	1992 Jul 24
Mpcs5	Dr2	Poster, in glass frame, "The Names Project Quilt" (Ser. 2.2)	1989 May 25-29
Mpcs5	Dr2	Poster, "Astraea or Starry One" (Ser. 3)	undated
Mpcs5	Dr2	Framed Award, MLGPA: Larry Connolly Award (Ser. 3)	1991 Feb 2
Mpcs5	Dr2	Framed Award, MLGPA: Presidential Award (Ser. 3)	1988 Feb 6
26	178	The Body Politic, no. 51-54, 101, 114 (Ser. 7)	1979, 1984-1985
26	179	The Body Politic, no. 116-121 (Ser. 7)	1985 Jul-Dec
26	180	The Body Politic, no. 122-128 (Ser. 7)	1986 Jan-Jul

Appendix – Historical Notes

In 1992, Portland's City Council passed a human rights ordinance aimed at adding "sexuality" as protected criteria from discrimination. The ordinance was soon removed for a public referendum on whether or not it could stand. A volunteer organization, Equal Protection/Portland emerged as the leading voice for upholding the ordinance. Ultimately the ordinance was upheld by vote on November 3, 1992.

In 1992, Colorado's legislature voided an existing statute that guaranteed civil rights protections for gay men and lesbian women in jobs and housing in Denver, Aspen and Boulder. They also elected to extend the ruling to apply to any similar future statutes proposed by any other Colorado municipality. The response, Boycott Colorado, aimed to hurt the tourism market of the state, a particularly exciting ski destination. Even though the Boycott proved to be a financial success, draining some \$39 million of the state's projected \$6.4 billion yearly tourism revenue despite record snow falls in late 1992, the movement lost steam as leadership fell apart over disagreements as to the organization's approach. The action did, however, send a warning to other states relying on the revenues of tourism contemplating similar legislation to preclude discrimination based on sexuality.

In 1993, after lobbying and active protest from several prominent LGBT rights groups, Maine's state legislature opted to revise the statute in Title 17, section 2931, guaranteeing Maine residents "the right to engage in lawful activities without being subject to physical force or violence, damage or destruction of property, trespass on property or the threat of physical force or violence, damage or destruction of property or trespass on property motivated by reason of race, color, religion, sex, ancestry, national origin, physical or mental disability." The amendment added "sexual orientation" to the end of the list, banning **discrimination** based on sexual orientation across the state.

In 1993, Republican Governor William Weld of Massachusetts signed into law the Gay and Lesbian Student Rights Bill. The first of its kind, the bill became the earliest legislation introduced and approved by a United States government body to affirm the rights of gay and lesbian students, allowing them to initiate lawsuits against school systems that discriminate or subject them to harassment because of their sexuality. The bill received strong endorsements from numerous sitting state politicians after a headstrong campaign of over 500 high school students from across the state rallied with candlelight vigils and through visits to the offices of each of the 40 state senators. During the lobbying process, students also testified before the Senate that they had been insulted, ridiculed and even attacked for being gay, not just by fellow students but in some cases by teachers and administrators as well. The demonstrated need for this legislative action was made more apparent when it was revealed that 28% of gay and lesbian students were dropping out of school altogether. Additionally, the Governor's Commission on Gay and Lesbian Youth, formed by Weld as the first of its kind in the nation, continued to operate throughout his

tenure, originating over 100 gay/straight alliances in Massachusetts high schools by early 1997.