Finding Aid to the Liberation News Service Collection, 1969-1978 Coll2014.074

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**Abstract:** News packets, correspondence, and administrative records, 1969-1978, from the Liberation News Service (LNS), a press agency for alternative and radical media based in New York City, New York. Founded in 1967 as an anti-war news service, the LNS expanded its coverage to the gay and lesbian liberation movement in 1970, with the help of gay journalist Allen Young.

**Administrative History**

The Liberation News Service was founded in 1967 by Marshall Bloom and Raymond Mungo. Two or three times a week, printed packets were sent to hundreds of underground press subscribers, providing news and information on the radical, New Left, anti-war, and counter-culture movements. LNS staff writers and editors also promoted activism in social change, including homosexual rights, third world liberation movements, and feminism.

The LNS was most active in the late-1960s and early-1970s and continued to send material to subscribers till it ended operations in 1981.


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**Processing Information**

Collection processed by Loni Shibuyama, October 2014.

**Scope and Contents**

The collection comprises news packets, correspondence, and administrative records, 1969-1978, from the Liberation News Service (LNS), a press agency for alternative and radical media based in New York City, New York. The packets include news, analysis, features, editorials, poems, photographs, and cartoons; and document New Left, radical, and anti-war movements, as well as the gay and lesbian liberation movement. The bulk of the collection is news packets from the years 1970-1971, when the LNS engaged in a concerted effort to expand its coverage of the gay and lesbian movement.

**Arrangement**

This collection is arranged chronologically.

**Related Materials**

Allen Young Papers, Coll2008-004, ONE National Gay and Lesbian Archives, Los Angeles, California.

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

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