

# Gerber/Hart Library and Archives

6500 N Clark St, Chicago, IL 60626

[info@gerberhart.org](mailto:info@gerberhart.org)

(773) 381-8030

---

## **Patricia Tomaso Papers, 1969 – 2009; (bulk) 1994 – 2009**

Accession Number:

Fonds/Provenance: Patricia Tomaso

Series Number: -

Title: **Patricia Tomaso Papers**

Date Range: 1969 - 2009, bulk 1994 – 2009

Extent: 1 linear foot (1 box)

Location: C2C (Row C, Bay 2, Shelf C)

Collection History:

Patricia Tomaso was an educator and an activist who was a founding member and public relations and media co-chair of the Chicago chapter of the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Teachers Network (GLSTN)/Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN), and chaired the Gay and Lesbian Issues committee for the Chicago Teachers Union (CTU) for a decade. Her papers detail the progress that was made, and the changes that ensued, as a result of her years of service. The collection includes meeting minutes, agendas, press releases, correspondence, phone records, and press clippings.

Custodial History:

The collection was donated by Patricia Tomaso and is in good condition.

Scope and Content:

The collection contains correspondence, meeting minutes, press releases, publications, etc. predominately regarding the Gay and Lesbian Issues committee of the CTU or the Chicago chapter of GLSEN. Activities included anti-discrimination and domestic partnership benefits laws and contract negotiations, calls for CTU to boycott United Way donations for their support of the Boy Scouts of America, LGBT-friendly teacher training, and the Allen Wardell Inspiration Award honoring local teachers.

The collections also contain a series of Chicago-area newspaper clippings regarding gay and lesbian teachers and students.

Arrangement:

The papers remain in Tomaso's original arrangement. They are arranged by organization and then topically. CTU Committee records are further subdivided by year, filed chronologically.

Series:

- 1 CTU Letters, Articles, and Documents on Fair Practices (Non-Discrimination) Clause in Chicago School Board Teacher's Contract | 1995 – 1997
- 2 Logs / Notes | 1995 – 1996
- 3 CTU Committee Miscellaneous | 1999 – 2007
- 4 CTU Committee Records | 1997 – 2000
- 5 CTU 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Photographs, Articles, Correspondence, and Records | 1996 – 2008
- 6 CTU Quest Center | 1998 – 2002
- 7 Allan Wardell Inspiration Award Honorees | 2001 – 2008
- 8 Peg Grey, 2007 Posthumous Wardell Honoree, Articles and Pamphlet | 1996 – 2007
- 9 Political Action | 1996 – 2008
- 10 GLSEN | 1996 – 2004
- 11 Chicago Newspapers Articles on Gay and Lesbian Teachers | 1969 – 2002
- 12 CTU, GLSEN, and National Handouts, Packets, and Leaflets | 1982 – 2007 and undated
- 13 Booklet *Roles, Responsibility and Race* by Ruby George | undated
- 14 CTU Women's Rights and Human Relation Committees Packet on Sexual Harassment and Sex Discrimination | 1992

Container List:

BOX 1

Series/File List:

**0. Finding Aid**

- 1. CTU Letters, Articles, and Documents on Fair Practices (Non-Discrimination) Clause in Chicago School Board Teacher's Contract, 1995 – 1997**
- 2. Logs / Notes, 1995 – 1996**
- 3. CTU Committee Miscellaneous, 1999 – 2007**

1. Committee History, 1999 – 2007
2. Press Release and Documents on CTU Boycott of the United Way and Boy Scouts of America, 2002 – 2003
3. Domestic Partner Benefits, 2002 – 2007
- 4. CTU Committee Records, 1997 – 2009**
  1. Committee Records and Meeting Minutes, 1997 – 1998
  2. Committee Records and Meeting Minutes and Illinois Federation of Teachers (IFT) Convention and Resolutions, 1999
  3. Committee Records, Yearly Report, Correspondence, Articles, and Meeting Minutes, 2000
  4. Committee Records, Yearly Report, Correspondence, Articles, and Meeting Minutes, 2001
  5. Committee Records, Correspondence, and Meeting Minutes, 2002
  6. Committee Records, Correspondence, Articles, and Meeting Minutes, 2003
  7. Committee Records, Correspondence, Articles, and Meeting Minutes, 2004
  8. Committee Records, Yearly Report, Articles, and Meeting Minutes, 2005 – 2006
  9. Committee Records and Meeting Minutes, 2007
  10. Committee Records, Articles, and Meeting Minutes, 2008 – 2009
- 5. CTU 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Photographs, Articles, Correspondence, and Records, 1996 – 2008**
- 6. CTU Quest Center, 1998 – 2002**
- 7. Allan Wardell Inspiration Award Honorees, 2001 – 2008**
- 8. Peg Grey, 2007 Posthumous Wardell Honoree, Articles and Pamphlet, 1996 – 2007**
- 9. Political Action, 1996 – 2008**
  1. Pension Bill – Correspondence, and Legislative History, 2003 – 2008
  2. Legislation – Correspondence, Articles, and Legislative History, 1996 – 1999
  3. AFT/NEA Caucuses – Correspondence, Articles, IFT Constitution, and Booklets, 1996 – 2007
- 10. GLSEN, 1996 – 2004**
  1. Miscellaneous, History, Correspondence, Meeting Minutes, Financial Reports, Member Lists, and Booklets, 1997 – 2002

2. GLSEN Back-to-School Brunch Planning, Correspondence, and Brochures, 2003 – 2004
3. GLSTN and CTU Conferences, 1996
4. GLSEN Goodies, Ordering Forms for Promotional Items, 2000
5. Newsletter, 1995 – 2001
6. Press Releases, 1996
7. *It's Elementary* Teacher Training Film, Teaching Materials, Correspondence, and Contact Lists, 1997 – 2000
8. Legal Actions, Jamie Babozny Bullying Lawsuit, 1995
9. Lambda/Rights at School Memorandum and Pamphlets, 1996
- 11. Chicago Newspapers Articles on Gay and Lesbian Teachers, 1969 – 2002**
- 12. CTU, GLSEN, and National Handouts, Packets, and Leaflets, 1982 – 2007 and undated**
- 13. Booklet *Roles, Responsibility and Race* by Ruby George, undated**
- 14. CTU Women's Rights and Human Relation Committees Packet on Sexual Harassment and Sex Discrimination, 1992**

Separations:

CTU Committee – Pride Month Sign and Free Poster Sign, 3 ½ Floppy Disk [Currently Housed with Collection]

CTU Files, 3 ½ Floppy Disk [Currently Housed with Collection]

GLSEN Logo Files, 3 ½ Floppy Disk [Currently Housed with Collection]

GLSEN Press Release Form with New Logo, 3 ½ Floppy Disk [Currently Housed with Collection]

GLSEN Business Cards 2000 (New Logo), Betty Card 2000, Richard 2000, 3 ½ Floppy Disk [Currently Housed with Collection]

GLSEN Name Tags Plus – GLSEN Badge, GLSEN Label Courtesy of..., 3 ½ Floppy Disk [Currently Housed with Collection]

Restrictions:

None.

Related Fonds/Series:

Gay, Lesbian and Straight Teachers Network (GLSTN) Chicago records, 1995 – 2004

Peg Grey papers, 1982 – 2007, bulk 1985 – 2005

Subject Headings:

Gay Teachers

Homosexuality and Education

Labor Unions

Lesbian Teachers

Preferred Citation:

[Identification of item], Patricia Tomaso Papers, Gerber/Hart Library and Archives, Chicago, Illinois.

Language:

English

Repository:

Gerber/Hart Library and Archive

Processed by:

Amanda Kesek, volunteer. Date: 12/15/2018