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Finding Aid for

Patricia S. Konstam Papers

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Summary Information

Creator: Patricia S. Konstam
Title: Patricia S. Konstam Papers
Inclusive dates: 1959-1980
Bulk dates: 1970 - 1980
Abstract: The Konstam collection (1959-1980) consists of books, newsletters, magazines, and other publications from the donor's private collection concerning such topics as women in the church, feminism, and social justice issues.
Titles include *Genesis II*, *Lilith*, *The Jewish Women's Quarterly*, *Network Quarterly*, and the *Yellow Ribbon*.
Size: 1 box, 0.5 cubic feet
Storage: Onsite storage
Repository: The Burke Library
Union Theological Seminary
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Administrative Information

- Provenance: Patricia Konstam donated her papers to the Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship in 1999 with a further addition of 1980 National Organization of Women Conference material in Sept. 2014
- Access: Archival papers are available to registered readers for consultation by appointment only. Please contact archives staff by email to burkearchives@libraries.cul.columbia.edu , or by postal mail to The Burke Library address on page 1, as far in advance as possible [Burke Library staff](#) is available for inquiries or to request a consultation on archival or special collections research.
- Access restrictions: The collection is unrestricted.
- Preferred Citation: item, folder title, box number, Patricia S. Konstam Papers, Archives of Women in Theological Scholarship, The Burke Library, Columbia University Libraries, at Union Theological Seminary , New York.

Biography

Patricia S. Konstam, a 1959 M.Div. graduate of Union Theological Seminary, worked for 20 years as a business reporter for the San Antonio Express-News and as a freelance writer.

Collection Scope and Content Note

The Konstam Collection consists of books, from the donor's private collection. It also contains numerous original copies of newsletters, magazines and other denominational publications, which are no longer in print. Much of the material is described by Konstam as illustrating the efforts of religious professional and lay women to reconcile the women's liberation movement with their faith and concerns such topics as women in the church; women's liberation; and social justice issues.

The collection consists of one sequence of material not divided into series:

Books, Newsletters, Magazines, 1 box, 0.5 linear ft.

The collection contains Books, arranged alphabetically by author, and Newsletters/Magazines arranged by title and chronologically within titles.

Processing

When the Burke Library acquired Konstam's papers, an attempt was made to maintain the donor's original order.

Folded materials were flattened. Newspaper clippings were photocopied on acid free paper. Staples, rubber bands, and metal clips were removed and replaced with plastic clips. All materials were placed in acid-free folders and boxes.

Contents

Box Folder Contents

1 Books

- Beaver, R. Pierce. All loves excelling: American protestant church women in world mission. Grand Rapids: Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing, 1968
- Calkins, Gladys Gilkey. Follow those women: Church women in the ecumenical movements, a history of the development of united work among women of the protestant churches in the United States. New York, National Council of Churches, 1961
- Kirby, Ellen. Women: over half the earth's people: a guide to resources and process. Women's Division, Board of Global Ministries, United Methodist Church, 1973
- Magalis, Elaine. Conduct becoming to a woman: bolting doors and burgeoning missions. Women's Division, Board of Global Ministries, United Methodist Church, 1973

Newsletters, Magazines

- Coalition Task Force on Women and Religion, single sheet advertisement, 1977
- Genesis III, Philadelphia Task Force on Women in Religion, Vol.2 (1-6), vol.3 (1-4), May/June 1972 – November/December 1973.
The newsletter covers news on the status of women in religious institutions, abstracts of feminist books and articles.
- Newsletter, Office of Women's Affairs of Graduate Theological Union (later renamed Center for Women and Religion), vol.1 (3) July/Aug 1974 [1975?], vol.2 (2) Jan 1976, vol.3 (3) Spring 1977, vol.4 (2) Winter 1978.
- Lilith, the Jewish Women's Quarterly, 4 issues: Winter 1976/77-No 5 1978.
- Motive, University Christian Movement of United Methodist Church, March/April 1969: Double-issue on Liberation of Women.
- Network Quarterly, 3 issues: Spring 1975, Spring 1976, Winter 1976
3 leaflets
- New World Outlook, United Methodist Church Board of Missions, April 1971: Special issue on Women in the Third World.
- Nexus 7: Alumni Magazine of Boston University School of Theology, vol 3 (1), Nov 1959, includes Jean M Stevenson, Role of women in Christian campus work, pp.25-26.
- Risk, 'Words to the churches. Voices of the sisters', vol. 10, No. 2 (1974)
- Universalist Women's Federation Catalog and Bibliography, 1977
- Women in the church-Statement by Worship and Mission Section of Roman Catholic/Presbyterian Reformed Consultation, Oct. 31, 1971--Appendix and Study Guide

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| 1 | Newsletters, Magazines | |
| | | Women's Campus Ministry Caucus Newsletter, 12 issues, bimonthly,
1972 - 1980 incomplete:
vol. 1 (3) Sept 9 1972; vol. 1 (4) Nov 15 1972; vol1 (5) Feb 1973;
vol.2 (1) April 1 1973; vol.2 (2) June 1 1973; vol 2 (3) Sept 1973;
vol.2 (4) Oct 1973; Feb 1975; Spring 1977; Sept 1978;
March 1979; Fall 1980 with Membership directory 1979 – 80. |
| 1 | 13 | <i>Yellow Ribbon</i> -United Methodist National Women's Caucus Newsletter,
Feb 20 1972- June 1975 |
| 1 | 14 | Poster of Feminist Button NT Quotation, "There is neither male nor female
for you are all one in Jesus Christ" |
| 1 | 15 | National NOW 1980 Conference Documents |