

Guide to the Kendall Stagg Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Stagg, Kendall
Title:	Kendall Stagg Collection
ID:	MS-00447
Date [inclusive]:	1998-2000
Physical Description:	0.21 Linear Feet (1 box)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Kendall Stagg Collection (1998-2000) consists of material documenting Kendall Stagg's political races in northern Nevada and also details gay activism in Reno. The collection consists of Stagg campaign materials, a t-shirt from one of his campaigns, and documents pertaining to the Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Student Union at the University of Nevada, Reno and Gay Pride parade organizing in Reno.

Preferred Citation

Kendall Stagg Collection, 1998-2000. MS-00447. Special Collections, UNLV Libraries, Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Born September 17, 1976, Kendall Stagg was one of Nevada's youngest openly gay politicians. He attended the University of Nevada, Reno, where he was elected president of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Student Union and in 1998 organized the first National Conference on Gay and Lesbian Studies on campus that drew more than 200 participants from throughout the country and was also one of the co-founders of Reno's first Gay Pride parades in 1999. During the conference, Stagg made political contacts that encouraged him to run for public office. In 2000, Stagg challenged Dan Gustavson in Nevada Assembly District 32. Stagg received endorsements and funds from the Nevada Trial Lawyers Association, the teacher's union, the AFL-CIO, Nevada Faculty Alliance, firefighters, Citizens for Justice, the State Council of Senior Citizens, the Nevada State Employees Association, and Washoe County Administrators, among others. Both the Reno Gazette-Journal and Sparks Tribune endorsed Stagg over Gustavson. Ultimately, Stagg lost the election, but drew 42% of the vote. In 2002, Stagg ran for the Reno City Council in Ward 4 but lost in the primary.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement Note

Material is arranged alphabetically.

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Administrative Information

Access

Collection is open for research.

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Aquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2002; accession number 2002-14.

Processing Note

Material was processed by UNLV Special Collections staff. In 2014, as part of a legacy finding aid project, Ian M. Baldwin revised and enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards. Subsequently, Ian M. Baldwin entered the date into ArchivesSpace.

Revision Description

The finding aid was revised by Ian M. Baldwin to bring into compliance with DACS. June, 2014

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Names and Subjects

- Gays -- Social life and customs -- Nevada -- 20th century
- Politicians -- Nevada -- Biography

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers	
Campaign materials, 2000	box 01	folder 01
Gay Lesbian Bisexual Student Union of UNR; Queer Theories conference, Reno, NV, 1988 October	box 01	folder 02
Gay Pride celebrations: Reno, 1999	box 01	folder 03
Gay Pride celebrations: Reno, 2000	box 01	folder 04
T-shirt: Stagg's campaign for Nevada State Assembly, District 32, 2000	box 01	folder 05