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OLOC's Media Library

AVAILABLE for Rent or Purchase: OLOC DVD on Ageism

Ageism - Do They Get It?

An edited version of the CR session on ageism at the OLOC National Gathering in 2008. For use with OLOC groups and the general public, the DVD features several Old Lesbians sharing their experiences with ageism and reflecting on its effect throughout society. Each OLOC chapter received a free copy and OLOCers can purchase one for a special purchase price of \$5.00. Agencies, institutions and other groups, \$15.00. Both the edited and unedited versions are available for rental, too. See the listing under 2008 below.

About the Library:

OLOC is proud to say that we have a fine and growing media collection available for OLOC subscribers and supporters to borrow. We also have copies of DVDs from the OLOC Herstory Collection available for purchase.

The Library is focused on Old Lesbians, though we do have a few selections that feature young Lesbians and/or old women who may or may not be or have been Lesbians but are of interest to Old Lesbians. We also have a few that include men.

Each time the list is updated, it will be posted on our website, oloc.org, under Resources. There will also be an announcement in the OLOC Reporter, our quarterly newsletter.

OLOC Herstory Collection:

Our collection of CDs and DVDs that document the story of OLOC as an organization is rapidly expanding. Our long-time videographer, Cristina Vegas, is hard at work providing us with many edited and unedited DVDs of our OLOC herstory. We have a whole section of them available for your viewing or listening pleasure, with more to come. Copies are also available for purchase.

Donations accepted:

Check in with Susan before making any donations of media of any type, as our storage space is limited. Also, please send us CDs or DVDs of appearances of individual Lesbians connected with OLOC like the ones in our radio show section. A donation of money for purchase of new media is always welcome, too.

How to borrow our media:

We ask a donation of \$5.00 or more per disk to cover the costs of mailing them to you. We ask that you keep them for no longer than two weeks. Also, check in with Susan for possible reduced rates if you want to borrow more than one at once.

Use the addresses that follow to:

- request an email or print list
- borrow or buy one or more of the disks

susan@oloc.org Susan Wiseheart, HC 73 Box 169C, Drury MO 65638. If you are requesting a print list, send Susan an SASE with postage for 2 ounces.

To pay by **check**, send to Susan made out to OLOC along with your order.

For PayPal or credit card payment, send your order by e-mail to Susan and note that you have paid by PayPal.

To order through a **PayPal account** (direct transfer of funds), use the donate button on oloc.org and be sure to write "media rental" on the form.

To pay by **credit card**, use the donate button at oloc.org. PayPal administers credit card payments whether or not you have a PayPal account. Just follow the instructions under the icons of the credit cards. Note that you do not need a PayPal account to use credit cards through PayPal.

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General Interest Media Library

(note that all of these items are copyrighted and are not available for purchase from OLOC. If you want to purchase one, contact Susan for ideas of where to find them)

Documentaries on DVD and a few are also on VHS.

- ***All Aboard: Rosie's Family Cruise*** A moving film of 100s of gay, lesbian, bisexual and straight families who join Rosie and her family on a cruise from New York to the Bahamas and back. Not many Old Lesbians, but still interesting and enjoyable. **DVD ONLY** 91 minutes. 2006
- ***Barbara and Tibby: A Love Story in the Face of Hate*** They had been together for 39 years when this was made. A law passed in Virginia in 2004 led to them leaving their home to escape oppression as Lesbians. Gaye Adegbalola featured. Gaye's partner Suzanne Moe made the film. **DVD ONLY** 38 minutes. 2004
- ***Dedication of the Blue Lunden Reception Room at the Gay and Lesbian Center of Key West, Florida August 21, 1999*** This DVD captures the speeches and awards preceding the ribbon cutting for the Blue Lunden room at the center and feature OLOCer Harriet Marks-Spencer, chief organizer of the event, public officials, and Blue's daughter and grandson. **DVD ONLY: 37** minutes. 1999
- ***Ellen Spangler & Mary Alice Stout: Alapine Village*** Interviews with OLOC members Ellen and Mary Alice about their lives and their present home at Alapine Village with an emphasis on building Lesbian community and building environmentally sound houses. Part of a series about Lesbian Landykes that is underway by Lesbian and Landyke Documentary Media Projects. **DVD ONLY** 110 minutes. 2006
- ***Golden Threads*** The story of the founding of Golden Threads featuring founder Christine Burton, with footage of the summer Golden Threads events in progress **VHS and DVD** 57 minutes. 1997
- ***High Heels on Wheels*** One of eight "outstanding Lesbian Short Films" on ***She Likes Girls 2***, distributed by Wolfe Video, Donna Cassyd (OLOC member) and Leslie Sloan document Lesbians of women's roller derby from the late 60s and early 70s. **DVD ONLY** 11 minutes. 2005 The other shorts do not feature Old Lesbians but are interesting and engaging. The entire DVD is 129 minutes. Compilation made in 2008.

Documentaries continued

- ***In The Life: Documentary stories from the gay experience: The Best of In The Life 2006-2008*** The 16th and 17th seasons of this Emmy-nominated news magazine featuring seven shorts on various topics, including (Old Lesbian) Kate Clinton interviewing Margaret Cho on the presidential race and other things and one on Caffè Cino, which in the late 50s and early 60s in Greenwich Village was a vibrant meeting place for the gay community, the beginning of independent theater, and has interviews with a couple of Old women who are most likely Lesbians, though it mostly features men, as it did in its day. **DVD ONLY** Episodes range from 7 to 18 minutes for a total of approximately 92 minutes. 2008.
- ***Last Call at Maud's*** “An entertaining...engaging...informative...incisive look at lesbian social revolution.” The story of the life and times of the world's longest running lesbian bar, San Francisco's Maud's. More than a few Old Lesbians were acquainted with this cherished landmark. Los Angeles Times. VHS and **DVD ONLY** 77 minutes. 1983
- ***Living With Pride: Ruth Ellis @100*** The story of Ruth's life as a Lesbian in Springfield, Illinois and Detroit. Born in 1899, she was at one time the oldest “out” African American Lesbian **VHS and DVD** 60 minutes. 1999.
- ***Look Us In The Eye: The Old Women's Project*** Features many Old Lesbians, along with some other old women. It's the story of the activist project in San Diego and there are many great anti-ageist quotes within it. **DVD ONLY** 25 minutes. 2006
- ***Maggie Growls*** An entertaining look at the legacy and advocacy of the Gray Panthers' Maggie Kuhn. Although Maggie was not a Lesbian, her life was an inspiration to activists of all ages. **DVD ONLY** 56 minutes. 2002.
- ***Max Dashu's Suppressed Histories Archives: Women's Power in Global Perspective.*** Max has been collecting slides of powerful women for decades. This is a DVD of “a rich tapestry of women famous and anonymous”, a slide show extraordinaire. “A stunning visual history displaying the range of female leadership, wisdom, courage and creativity over thousands of years and around the world”, complete with Max herself narrating. **DVD ONLY** 86 minutes 2008

Documentaries continued

- ***Mirrors of Privilege: Making Whiteness Visible*** Shows members of a group of “white” people telling stories of how they have worked to “gain insight into what it means to challenge notions of racism and white supremacy in the United States”. Not focused on Old Lesbians, but of deep interest to all of us. **DVD ONLY** 50 minutes. 2006
- ***No Need to Repent: The Ballad of Rev. Jan Griesinger*** This is a Jan-authorized copy of a film made about one of OLOC’s present co-directors. An inspiring and moving look at her activist life. It’s fun to see her at various ages, too. **VHS and DVD** 27 minutes. 1989
- ***No Secret Anymore: The Times of Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon*** The story of Del and Phyl’s long activist careers, from the early days of the Daughters of Bilitis on into the 21st century. This is a must-see movie. 2003 **DVD ONLY** 57 minutes.
- ***One Wedding and A Revolution*** The day San Francisco said I do. A Debra Chasnoff film about the marriage of Phyllis Lyon and Del Martin in San Francisco in 2004. Touching and informative story of the decision on the part of Mayor Gavin Newsome to carry out justice. 2004 **DVD ONLY** 19 minutes.
- ***Project Visibility*** A film to bring awareness and a face to the issues of aging as an LGBT and partially funded by Northern Colorado OLOC, it is for those who provide service to LGBT Elders. Includes a manual, a 39-slide power point presentation with many facts and the film. Film is available in both **DVD and VHS** and is 22 minutes. 2004
- ***Radical Harmonies*** Many Old (and some young) Lesbian musicians (including lots of Alix Dobkin) appear in this story of “the movement that exploded the gender barriers in music”, Women’s Music. Available in both **DVD and VHS**. 90 Minutes. 2002
- ***Ruthie and Connie: Every Room in the House*** Billed as the hilarious and heartwarming story of the Lesbians (yes, they are part of OLOC!) who made history in New York City by winning a lawsuit instituting domestic partner benefits for all New York City employees. **VHS and DVD** 55 minutes, 2002

Documentaries continued

- ***Senior Beat*** A Madison Wisconsin program on public television which addresses, in two segments, old and young LGBT concerns. A good look at what issues Old Lesbians are thinking about compared to young ones as well as the ones that affect both groups. **DVD ONLY** 30 minutes. 2007.
- ***Some Ground to Stand On*** Features Blue Lunden, a working class activist who, beginning in the 1950s, was involved with lesbian, feminist and anti-nuclear movements. Filmed by Joyce Warshaw, who also worked on a film about Shevy Healy. **VHS and DVD** 35 minutes. 1998
- ***still kicking*** – Six artistic women of Project Arts and Longevity in San Francisco. “Very old women, still active artists, living with zest.” No out Lesbians, but fascinating women with a variety of interests. **DVD ONLY** 36 minutes. 2006
- ***The Colorful Life of Alta Fly*** From Wingspan’s “Colorful Life Series”, which features LGBT people in Tucson, AZ, comes a fascinating interview with Alta Fly, OLOC member who has led an exceedingly interesting life and tells a great story. **DVD ONLY** 87 minutes. 2009
- ***Ugly Ducklings The Documentary*** The story of a theater troupe of girls and women in Maine rehearsing and preparing for presentation of Carolyn Gage’s play *Ugly Ducklings*, about a group of girls at a summer camp and the Lesbian baiting, homophobia and suicidal impulses amongst today’s youth. It is an excellent production and highly moving. If you were ever a girl struggling with your lesbianism, you will relate to this movie. You will relate to it even if you weren’t. **DVD ONLY** 54 minutes. 2006
- ***Winnie Freed: Alapine Village*** An interview with OLOC member Winnie, who lives in a Lesbian village and talks about why she does and about how they address issues of aging plus tells stories of her life. Part of a series about Lesbian Landykes that is underway by Lesbian and Landyke Documentary Media Projects. **DVD ONLY** 91 minutes. 2006
- ***West Coast Crones: A Glimpse Into the Lives of Nine Old Lesbians*** Yes, indeed, exactly as it says and at least five of them are or were OLOC members. Given to us by Lucille Frey. A real treasure. **VHS and DVD** Approximately 30 minutes. 1990.

Drama on DVD

- ***Mrs. Steven's Hears the Mermaids Singing*** A movie based on the novel by May Sarton, which was at least somewhat autobiographical. Compared to Masterpiece Theater in terms of quality and pacing. **DVD ONLY** 120 minutes. 2004
- ***Strangers in Good Company*** The Film Board of Canada classic about a group of women stranded together on a bus trip and how they cope and interact. One is an out Lesbian (in the story and in life) Mary Meigs (now deceased). **DVD ONLY** 105 minutes. 1990

Comedy on DVD

- ***Laughing Matters*** Hysterical performances by some of our favorite Lesbian comics, some of whom are about to be old if they aren't already; Kate Clinton, Marga Gomez, Karen Williams and Suzanne Westenhoefer will tickle your funny bone hard. **DVD ONLY** 60 minutes 2004
- ***Laughing Matters...The Men*** Filmmaker Andrea Meyerson who made ***Laughing Matters*** (see above) followed it up with a similar one featuring gay men comics Bruce Vilanch, Alec Mapa, Bob Smith, Scott Kennedy, Andre Kelley and Eddy Sarfaty. **DVD ONLY** 83 minutes. 2007

OLOC Herstory DVD and CD Collection

OLOC Videographer Cristina Vegas edited the collection of videos below using her own work and that of Sherry Fulton, Eleanor Savage and an unknown woman. Thanks to her, we are able to view or listen to this wonderful documentation of our organization.

You can **rent** them for viewing for **\$5.00 each** and you can also buy a copy of any of them you want. The **purchase** cost is **\$10.00 each (except for the edited workshop on ageism as above)**, but please remember that **this is a fundraiser for OLOC, so if you can afford more, send what you can**. When ordering for purchase, please be clear when you contact Susan about exactly what you want and that it is a purchase not a rental.

More to Come!

1989 West Coast Old Lesbians Conference & Celebration, San Francisco, California.

1. *Peek at the Diners* (10 min), *Comedy* (10 min), *Musical Entertainment* (25 min), and *Dancing in the Dark* (includes Barbara Kalish and Rosemary Hathaway in a five minute dance in the midst of it.) (25 min) - DVD with a total of 70 minutes
2. MothertongueTheater Collective: *Aging* - DVD 40 minutes

1991 OLOC Fundraiser, West Hollywood, California, March 10, 1991 (Rental for 1, 2 or 3 at a time: \$5.00)

1. *Barbara Macdonald Speaks to the Word Old* - DVD 13 minutes
2. *Shevy Healey Claims the Word Old* - DVD 10 minutes
3. *Dialogue on the Word Old* featuring Barbara Macdonald, Shevy Healey, Shaba Barnes, Degania Golove, Mina Meyer and Sharon Raphael – DVD 38 minutes (Disk 3. Includes the footage on Disks f1 and 2))

1996 OLOC Gathering - Minneapolis, Minnesota

These are moving and amazing recordings featuring wonderful stories from many Old Lesbians.

(Rental: Individually: \$5.00. All three: \$12.50)

Disk 1. Panels 1: *Our Community, Who Are We?* - DVD 40 minutes and 2: *Confronting Our Challenges* - DVD 55 minutes

Disk 2. Panels 3: *The World We Live In* DVD 60 minutes and 4: *Living Our Lives* DVD 67 minutes

Disk 3. Fishbowl: *As An Old Lesbian What Do You Never Again Want to Hear, See or Experience?* DVD 56 minutes

1999 OLOC Gathering – San Francisco, California

Part One: 1999 OLOC Gathering

(Rental: Both for \$5.00)

1. Words from Shevy Healey - DVD 11 minutes
2. Ageism Workshop by Shevy Healey - DVD 16 minutes

Part Two: More from 1999 OLOC Gathering

(Rental: \$5.00 each or all six for \$25.00)

1. Panel 3 *Death and Dying* - DVD 83 minutes
2. Panel 4 *Celebrating Change: Making a Difference* - DVD 117 minutes
3. Banquet Entertainment: Mothertongue Feminist Theater Collective: *Stories, Lives, Loves* - DVD 68 minutes

4. Banquet Entertainment: Rhiannon followed by the Dance - DVD 50 minutes
5. Sunday: Last Day Part 1 of 2 *Announcements, Recognitions, Endowment Fund, Fantasies Panel featuring the Steering Committee* - DVD 68 minutes
6. Sunday: Last Day Part 2 of 2 *Down Home Entertainment* - DVD 58 minutes

2008 OLOC Gathering: California Dreaming: Building A Better World for Every Old Lesbian – Los Angeles, California

Rental \$5.00 each.

1. *Overview: California Dreaming: Building a Better World for Every Old Lesbian: 20th Anniversary Celebration.* Short clips from many parts of the proceedings. – DVD 62 minutes
2. *First Evening uncut with Gaye Adegbalola.* - DVD 62 minutes
3. *Gaye Adegbalola: Keynote Speaker.* Gaye is well known as an inspiring speaker, teacher, jazz and blues singer and Lesbian activist. - DVD 43 minutes or Audio CD 43 minutes - Please specify DVD or CD.
4. *Gaye Adegbalola Sings the Blues* on first evening - DVD 47 minutes.
5. *Jewelle Gomez: Keynote Speaker.* Jewelle is a writer and activist and the author of the double Lambda Award-winning novel, *The Gilda Stories*, as well as a critic and poet - DVD 49 minutes or Audio CD 49 minutes. Please specify DVD or CD
6. *Jackie Goldberg: Keynote Speaker* Jackie, retired from 22 years of elected office in California, was responsible for passing many of the LGBT rights bills in California. - DVD 38 minutes or Audio CD 38 minutes Please specify DVD or CD
7. *Mothertongue Feminist Readers Theater Collective Presentation on Disability* DVD 80 minutes
8. *Participation Post Mothertongue Presentation* DVD 20 minutes
9. *Talent Show* Features a flock of talented OLOC Lesbians singing, playing instruments, dancing, reading poetry and doing comedy. - DVD 75 minutes
10. *Plenary on Race* edited with Sandra Tignor, Angela Bowen and Eunice Samuels - DVD 22 minutes
11. *Plenary on Race and Ethnicity uncut* – includes Plenary on Race and Plenary on Jewish Ethnicity - DVD 63 minutes
12. *Plenary on Jewish Ethnicity* edited with Billie Potts, Sharon Raphael, Harriet Marks-Nelson, Pauline Bart and Myra Brahms – DVD 32 minutes
13. *Plenary Fishbowl on Class* with Sally Tatnall, Dolores Williams, Elizabeth Berrey and Sandy Tate DVD 22 minutes
14. *Lifelong Lesbians Workshop* with Dotty Fowler, Beverly Hickok and Sharon Raphael - DVD 72 minutes
15. *Ageism Consciousness Raising Led by OLOC co-director Jan Griesinger edited* - DVD 25 minutes
16. *Ageism Consciousness Raising Led by OLOC co-director Jan Griesinger*

unedited - DVD 84 minutes

17. *Oral Herstory Workshop led by Arden Eversmeyer edited* - DVD 20 minutes

18. *Oral Herstory Workshop led by Arden Eversmeyer unedited* - DVD 78 minutes

19. *Ten Mini Biographies from the Workshop on the Arden Eversmeyer Old Lesbian Oral Herstory Project led by Arden Eversmeyer* - DVD 42 minutes

20. *Workshop on Herbal Medicine in the Second Half of Life presented by Billie Potts* (one and only version) DVD 95 minutes

21. *1970s Activism Then and Now* with Alix Dobkin, Jeanne Cordova and Susan Wiseheart DVD 80 minutes

22. *Storytelling Workshop* with Ardy Tibby DVD 77 minutes

23. *Remembering Our Departed* DVD 57 minutes

24. *National Gathering Memorial Service* DVD 60 minutes

24. *Banquet Night edited* DVD 20 minutes

25. *Banquet Night uncut* DVD 25 minutes

26. *Closing Plenary* DVD 35 minutes

OLOCers on the Radio in 2008 (Audio CD or Tape Only)

Our thanks to Margaret Purcell for downloading them from the Internet onto CD for us.

Rental: All three on one CD for \$5.00. The entire CD is about 1 hour 14 minutes long.

Note: They are not to be broadcast. They are only for private listening.

1. *Bay Area OLOC on KPFA*

Susan Chacin created a marvelous radio show about OLOC. It aired on June 23, 2008 on *Women's Magazine*, KPFA Pacifica Community Radio 91.1, Berkeley (the first community supported radio in the U.S.). Featuring a whole bouquet of amazing OLOC Lesbians speaking of their experiences with OLOC and with being Old Lesbians, it is a 'must hear' show. CD cut 32 minutes.

2. **Jean Mountaingrove** interviewed by Amalya Peck on Karen Tate's Internetradiovoices.com show called *Voices of the Sacred Feminine*, October 22, 2008. Jean was one of the founders and publishers of *Womanspirit Magazine* and is a long time landyke, living at Rootworks in Southern Oregon. The interview is about some of the vital work she has done during her life. CD cut 30 minutes.

3. **Jan Griesinger**, OLOC co-director, interviewed about OLOC on WFHB's *BloomingOut* show from Bloomington, Indiana. CD cut 10 minutes.