

**PRELIMINARY INVENTORY
ACCESSION CA6138
SISTER RUTH HEANEY PAPERS**

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Dates: 1970s-1990s

Creator: Heaney, Ruth Boylston, Sister, 1914-2006

Collection Size: 2.4 cubic feet

Introduction

The papers of Ruth Boylston Heaney, Benedictine sister of Our Lady of Peace Monastery in Columbia, Missouri. Widow of Larry Heaney (founder of the Milwaukee Catholic Worker) and a social activist, Heaney raised her six children on a Catholic Worker farm in Starkenburg, Missouri. She volunteered with the Benedictine sisters and eventually joined the order in 1979. Includes correspondence with prisoners, notebooks, and limited photographs.

Donor Information

The papers were donated to the State Historical Society of Missouri by Sister Mary Jo Polnak on 16 January 2007.

Restriction

Until 17 June 2060, written permission from the Donor is required to access the prisoner correspondence in boxes 1 and 2. Access to the prisoner correspondence will be granted during that time and after the Donor is deceased, if the Manuscript Collection receives proof that the prisoner is deceased.

NOTE: As a prisoner advocate, Sister Ruth Heaney corresponded throughout her career with prisoners incarcerated in Missouri penal institutions and with government officials regarding prison reform.

Box List

Box 1

Prisoner Correspondence

Achter, Leslie Allen

Anderson, Robert

Balboa, Josey

Banks, Arthur L.

Barber, Gary

Barragon, Alex

Beishline, Eric J.

Bozeman, Jimmy Lee

Brady, Charles

Bromwell, Kevin

Bulloch, Dennis

Childers, Bob

Cook, Padraic Angelo

Crawford, Chuck

Crawford, Ike

Donnell, Pettis Bey

Early, Peter Tim

Epps, Edward E.

Ferguson, Paul

Fogle, Donald

Foster, William W.

Fox, Ronnie

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Frandsen, Simon
Gallatti, Vincent S.
Gamache, Joseph B.
Gilbert, Kenneth
Haley, Sam
Hamilton, Fred A.
Hanes, William
Helgoth, Walt
Hensley, Don
Herron, Bill
Hoins, Alta
Hughes, Thomas
Isaac, Wendell D.
Jennings, James
Johnson, Manuel
Kemper, Benedict
Leady, Joseph
Lozano, Mike
Macon, Robert
McGuire, Tim
Milentz, Raymond C.
Mussa, Mansa Kan Kan
Noble, Jack L.
Phillips, Frank
Pine, John
Postawko, Michael
Powell, Jerome
Price, Allen
Rader, A. F.
Correspondence—General
Aber, Elaine M.
Adoration Chapel
Bauer, Sister Germanus
Card, Joe
Cure
Earthbridge
Frandsen, Mary G.
Missourians to Abolish Death
Pennebaker, Lisa Heaney

Box 2

Prisoner Correspondence

Barragon, Alex
Bromwell, Kevin
Cavallaro, Vincent
Chastain, H. Andrew

Rapheld, John
Robbins, Sam
Ross, B.
Ruether, Ardell
Scott, Jesse
Shackelford, Herb R., Jr.
Shields, Richard W.
Smith, Harris
Smith, Joseph Sewell
Snodell, Herbert V., III
Sours, Scott
Stacey, Jon B.
Sykes, Martin J.
Taylor, Jon Marc—1995-2005 [5]
Taylor, Phillip
Thomas, Robert
Tito, Rois
Tverdick, Mike
Vandiver, Mason
Wagler, Dan
Walker, Darrin S.
War-Eagle, Sunny
Warmack, Michael
White, Michael
Williams, Nathan
Williams, Ronell Barrett

Childers, Bob
Cook, Padraic Angelo
Couch, Donald
Crawford, Chuck
Epps, Edward E.
Fogle, Donald
Frandsen, Simon
Gallatti, Vincent S.
Gamache Joseph B.
Haley, Sam
Hamilton, Fred
Hanes, William
Hannon, Laville
Harden, Donald
Helgoth, Walt
Helms, Donald
Hensley, Don

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Herron, Bill
Hughes, Thomas
Human, Dan
Jennings, James
Johnson, Manuel
Kinder, Tom
Lincoln, Rodney
Malone, Clifford P.
McCabe, Mark
McGuire, Tim
Meinhardt, Brook A.
Milentz, Raymond C.
Muhammad, Amin Khatih
Mussa, Mansa Kan Kan
Neal, Sam
Noble, J. L.
Noel, Jimmy
Phillips, Frank
Phillips, M. B.
Pine, John
Pingel, Cletus
Postawko, Michael
Powell, Jerome
Reece, Gerry D.
Reed, Richard
Reed, William L.
Ruether, Ardell
Scott, Jesse
Shields, Richard W.
Smith, Gerald D.
Smith, Harris
Smith, Joseph
Snodell, Herbert V., III
Sours, Scott
Stacy, Jon B.
Strickland, Kevin
Taylor, George
Taylor, Jon Marc
Tito, Rois
Tverdick, Michael
Tyler, Melvin
Uih, Robert
Vandiver, Mason
Wagler, Dan
War-Eagle, Sunny
Warmack, Michael

Williams, Nathan D.
Woods, Burton
Zitko, Matthew

Box 3 (gray)
Correspondence—General
Holiday Cards
Miscellaneous papers
Notebooks