



Kansas City *Alternate News* Collection (K0193)

Collection Number: K0193

Collection Title: Kansas City *Alternate News* Collection

Dates: 1982-1985, bulk 1985

Creator: Spark/Walker Publishing Company

Abstract: The Kansas City *Alternate News* Collection contains an incomplete run of *Alternate News*, which was a weekly newsletter published by the Spark/Walker Publishing Company in Kansas City, Missouri, for the gay and lesbian community.

Collection Size: 0.57 cubic foot
(16 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Historical Note:

Alternate News was a weekly newsletter published by the Spark/Walker Publishing Company in Kansas City, Missouri, for the gay and lesbian community of the greater Kansas City metropolitan area. The newsletter contains personal advertisements and advertisements for local businesses, information on local events and prominent persons within the community, letters, poems, and short stories, as well as articles on local entertainment and sexual health and well-being.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in sixteen folders in chronological order.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists of an incomplete run of the weekly newsletter *Alternate News* published by the Spark/Walker Publishing Company in Kansas City, Missouri, for the gay and lesbian community. Folder one contains three issues of volume 3 for 1982. Folders two and three contain two and four issues respectively of volume 5 for 1983 and 1984. Folders four through fifteen contain thirty-five issues of volume 6 for 1984 and 1985. Note that folders five through fifteen have been further broken down by month, as volume 6 for 1985 constitutes the bulk of the collection. Lastly, folder sixteen contains four issues of volume 7 for 1985.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1	Volume 3, 1982
	f. 2-3	Volume 5, 1983-1984
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