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## Guide to the Thomas Kraemer Speech and Blog, 2006

### Title

Thomas Kraemer Speech and Blog

### Dates

2006 (inclusive)

### Creator

Kraemer, Thomas Fredrick

### Summary

Oregon State University alumnus Thomas Kraemer helped to found the Gay Peoples Alliance, the first officially recognized gay student group at OSU, in 1976. The Thomas Kraemer Speech and Blog contains a presentation Kraemer made for Queer History Month in 2006 on the history of gay student groups at OSU from 1976 to 2006.

### Quantity

0.08 cubic foot (1 box)

### Restrictions on Access

Collection is open for research.

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## Biographical Note

Thomas Kraemer earned BS (1977) and MS (1978) degrees in Electrical Engineering from Oregon State University. With other students, he founded the Gay Peoples Alliance in 1976, the first officially recognized gay student group at Oregon State University.

## Content Description

The Thomas Kraemer Speech and Blog consists of a bound copy of a presentation made at Oregon State University for Queer History Month by alumnus Thomas Kraemer on the history of gay student groups at OSU from 1976 to 2006. Included with the speech are photocopied entries from an online blog maintained by Kraemer in which he writes about other gay OSU alumni, media stories about the campus climate for gays and lesbians at OSU, Oregon laws regulating sexual practices, the American medical community's view of homosexuality, and the controversy surrounding a 1976 story about homosexuality that appeared in the *Corvallis Gazette-Times* newspaper. A compact disc containing an electronic copy of the speech and blog are included in the collection.

## Preferred Citation

Thomas Kraemer Speech and Blog, Oregon State University Archives, Corvallis, Oregon.

## Related Material

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## Subjects

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## Organizations

Gay Peoples Alliance (Oregon State University)  
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## Topics

Gay college students--Oregon--Corvallis.

## Forms of Materials in the Collection

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