

**Collection Name: Bruce Cole Collection**

The Bruce Cole Collection is comprised of physical representations of Bruce's 30+ years of research, community organizing, and commitment to seeking justice, protection, and representation for LGBTQ+ communities and members in Tucson and beyond.

Series 1: COMMEMORATING RICHARD HEAKIN	Box	Folder	Title	Date(s)	Detailed Description	Container List By	Date Container List Created
	1	1.01	RICHARD HEAKIN MEMORIAL COMMITTEE WORK 2002	1998 - 2006; Some items not dated	The contents of this folder are comprised of newspaper clippings, mementos, and personal and professional correspondence pertaining to the 2002 installation of a memorial dedicated to the memory of Richard Heakin in Tucson, AZ.	Jamie A. Lee/Angela M. Labistre Champion	January 24th, 2019
				Date not available	Printed document - Story of Richard Heakin attack, GLBT Tucsonan response/activism, and donation request for Memorial Fund Committee.		
				Date not available	RH Memorial Banner/Display - 2 Laminated photographs of Richard Heakin, 1 laminated poem dedicated to RH, written by Charles S. Gillespie--joined together by yarn.		
				Date not available	"Turning Tragedy into Triumph" - BC's lived experiences and activism surrounding Richard Heakin's murder		
				May 23, 2002; 2005	Request to Peg Weber for Richard Heakin Memorial installation - written by RH Memorial Fund Committee (Bruce Cole and 52 committee members); Purpose & Mission statements of City of Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Issues; Commission project proposal email - for ethnography of Tucson GLBT community		
				Wednesday, June 5, 2002	Newspaper article featuring Installation of Richard Heakin Memorial. Published in <i>Arizona Daily Star</i> , Tucson/Region section.		
				Wednesday, June 7, 2006	Newspaper clipping highlighting Richard Heakin Memorial service held on the 30th anniversary of his death. Published in <i>Arizona Daily Star</i> .		
				Thursday, October 12, 2006	Newspaper clipping featuring Richard Heakin memorial service held on 30th anniversary of his murder. Published in <i>Tucson Citizen</i> .		
				June '98	Issue 1, <i>Up Front</i> , Wingspan newsletter		
	1	2.01	HEAKIN MURDER NEWS CLIPPINGS & MEMORIAL COMMITTEE	1976 - 2006; Some items not dated	This folder contains numerous articles from Tucson and Lincoln, NE newspapers documenting Richard Heakin's murder and the ensuing court case for his murderers. Also included in this folder are organizational materials pertaining to the Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee's efforts to establish a memorial for Richard Heakin, as well as event/program materials from the ceremony they organized to honor Richard Heakin during the memorial installation.	Jamie A. Lee/Angela M. Labistre Champion	February 26, 2019
				Friday, October 13, 2006	Newspaper article, titled "Hate-crime victim's sister awed by memorial." Features Lori Ryan, sister of Richard Heakin and her experience visiting his memorial (2 copies); From <i>Arizona Daily Star</i>		
				Wednesday, May 31, 2006	Editorial article, "Tucson's LGBT 'Memorial Day' Tuesday, June 6"; From <i>Observer</i>		
				Wednesday, June 5, 2002	Article, "Richard Heakin: An Involuntary Contributor to Human Rights in Tucson"; From <i>Observer</i>		
				Sunday, October 27th, 2002	Richard Heakin Memorial Dedication program (5)		
				February 7th, 1977	Copy of Ordinance #4616 - Human Relations Chapter; Amendments to chapter 17 of the Tucson Code--Added provisions for protection against discrimination on the basis of sexual or affectional preference in public places, housing, and employment.		
				June '76-February '78	Hand-made booklet of copies of newspaper articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder, the trials of his murderers, community outrage, and memorial of RH		
				June '76-September '76	1-page of photocopied newspaper articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder and the trials of his murderers; From the <i>Lincoln Star</i>		
				Wednesday, June 12, 2002	Printed email correspondence to Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee members regarding donated funds & memorial display at Bookman's		
				Monday, June 10th, 2002	Printed email correspondence between Rowan Frost (RHMF member) and Sandy--an individual who helped to organize a memorial service at their church for Richard Heakin in the 70s.		
				Wednesday, June 12, 2002	Printed email correspondence to Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee members regarding donated funds & memorial display at Bookman's		
				Thursday, February 7th, 2002	Printed email correspondence to RHMF committee members regarding the 25th Anniversary of Rights in Tucson		
				Date not available	Outline of Richard Heakin Memorial design		
				Date not available	Memorial Design for Richard Heakin's plaque		
				Wednesday, June 5, 2002	Printed e-article from <i>Arizona Daily Star</i>		
				Thursday, May 9th, 2002	Email correspondence		
				April 14th, 2002	Printed UA Library call information: <i>The Tucson gay coalition newsletter</i> (1976-1978)		
				Date not available	Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Address labels		
				Oct 6th, 1976 - Oct 21, 1976	Photocopied news articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder and the trials of his murderers; From <i>The Lincoln Star</i> (and possibly other publications)		
				March/April 2002	Copy of events/Ex Libris page of Wingspan Newsletter, <i>The Center</i> ; Volume XIV, Number 2; Features call to community members who have memories of the 1976-1977 era surrounding Richard Heakin's death.		

June 1976 - October 1976	Photocopied news articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder and the trials of his murderers; From <i>The Arizona Daily Star</i>
June 1976 - September 1976	Photocopied news articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder and the trials of his murderers; From <i>The Lincoln Star</i>
Oct 6th, 1976 - Oct 21, 1976	Photocopied news articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder and the trials of his murderers; From <i>The Lincoln Star</i> (and possibly other publications)
March/April 2002	Copy of events:Ex Libris page of Wingspan Newsletter, <i>The Center</i> ; Volume XIV, Number 2; Features call to community members who have memories of the 1976-1977 era surrounding Richard Heakin's death.
Thursday, May 16th, 2002	Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Meeting Summary
Wednesday, May 22nd, 2002	Printed email correspondence to RHMF from Bob Bowers, stating that he cannot make it to the next RHMF meeting.
Monday, May 20th, 2002	Printed email correspondence to RHMF from Bob Bowers, indicating securing of RHMF fundraising event space, provisions, etc.
Thursday, May 23rd, 2002	Printed email correspondence to RHMF member, Rowan Frost from "Tom," proposing large posters with information about Richard Heakin, and ways to contribute memories to the memorial efforts.
June '77	Photocopied front page of <i>The Tucson Gay Coalition Newsletter</i> (later known as <i>The Observer</i> ), Vol.1, No. 10. Article titled, "A Sad Anniversary" remembers Richard Heakin and talks of his murder.
June '77; Date not available	Photocopied front page of <i>The Tucson Gay Coalition Newsletter</i> (later known as <i>The Observer</i> ), Vol.1, No. 10. Article titled, "A Sad Anniversary" remembers Richard Heakin and talks of his murder & stapled to a photocopied news article from <i>The Arizona Daily Star</i> , titled "Once ridiculed, homosexuals emerge outspoken, unified"

1 3.01 RICHARD HEAKIN FILES

1976 - 2006; Some items not dated  
**The contents of this folder include materials related to Bruce Cole's exploration of Richard Heakin's life before his untimely death, including written/email correspondence with Richard's sister Lori. Also included are program materials related to the Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee's fundraising campaign for the Heakin Memorial installation, and their organization of the accompanying memorial ceremony.**

Jamie A. Lee/Angela February 27, 2019  
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Champion

June 4th, 2006	Printed email from Lori Ryan (sister of Richard Heakin) to Bruce Cole describing her personal relationship and memories of her brother.
June 6th, 2006	Two newspaper clippings of Richard Heakin's memorial obituary; Published in <i>Arizona Daily Star</i> .
Date not available	Poem dedicated to Richard Heakin, written by C.S. Gillispie
June 7th, 2006	News clipping article titled, "Service honors '76 hate-crime victim"; Published in <i>Arizona Daily Star</i>
June 7th, 2006	News clipping article titled, "Tucson's LGBT 'Memorial Day'" features pictures of Bruce Cole and other RHMF members; Published in <i>The Observer</i> .
June 4th, 1976 (postmarked)	Laminated postcard written from Richard Heakin to sister Lori and nephew Mike.
June 5th, 2002	Copy of page/article featured in <i>The Observer</i> ; Article titled, "Richard Heakin: Involuntary Contributor to Human Rights in Tucson," and poem written by C.S. Gillispie titled, "Why Richard Heakin Will Never Leave Tucson."
June 7th, 2006	Entire issue of <i>The Observer</i> ; Features article on Richard Heakin Memorial service
June 5th, 2002	Pages of <i>The Observer</i> ; Article titled, "Richard Heakin: Involuntary Contributor to Human Rights in Tucson," and poem written by C.S. Gillispie titled, "Why Richard Heakin Will Never Leave Tucson."
Date not available	Handwritten notes for speech about Richard Heakin
Date not available	Three copies of Richard Heakin memorial obituary (sans photograph) as published in <i>The Arizona Daily Star</i>
July 13th, 2002	Payment receipt from Bruce Cole to <i>Arizona Daily Star</i>
Saturday, July 13th, 2002	In memoriam speech notes for Richard Heakin & Notes about the proposed text for RH memorial plaque
Date not available	Handwritten notes re: Richard Heakin's memorial - Notes include: "May 20, '06 - Cactus Killers Get 3 Yrs. Probation"
Date not available	Handwritten notes re: Richard Heakin's memorial
Date not available	The Richard Heakin Memorial Fund info/donation sheet
May 23rd, 2002	Letter from Rowan Frost (RHMF) to Jay Moman (LGBT/Straight Alliance Fund)
Date not available	Richard Heakin Memorial Fund email list sign-up sheets
Date not available	The Richard Heakin Memorial Fund info/donation sheet
Date not available	Draft/blueprint of Richard Heakin Memorial Bench from Tucson Marble & Granite
June 28th, 2002	Tucson Pride Inc., Listing of Heakin Memorial Donation amounts and donor info
Date not available	Richard Heakin Memorial Fund email list sign-up sheets (blank)
Date not available	Copy of article/opinion section titled, "Right & Gay & Like It That Way?"--highlighted opinion circled. From <i>Exchange</i>
Date not available	Photograph of postcard front featuring cactus blossoms (from postcard sent by Richard Heakin to sister & nephew)
Date not available	Photograph of postcard back/text (from postcard sent by Richard Heakin to sister & nephew)
June 2nd, 2006	Handwritten letter from Lori Ryan to Bruce Cole
Date not available	Business card, from Akonso Latouche of Southern Arizona AIDS Foundation
Date not available	Photographs (3) of community-made memorial to Richard Heakin
January 24th, 1977	Pima Commission on Human Relations meeting minutes
June 3rd, 2006	USPS tracking/purchase receipts for package/letter sent from Bruce Cole to Lori Ryan
September 13th, 2002	Printed webpage from Matthew Shepard Foundation website
Date not available	Story of Richard Heakin attack, GLBT Tucsonan response/activism, and donation request for Memorial Fund Committee.
June 6th, 2002	Program of events - We Remember Richard Heakin candlelight memorial
June 14th, 2002	Printed email correspondence to Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee members regarding donated funds & memorial display at Bookman's
October 4th, 2006	Issue of <i>The Observer</i>

				September 27th, 2006 July 3rd, 2002 April 9th, 2002 June 5th, 2002 October 27th, 2002 June 6th, 2002 February 7th, 1977 October 6 - 21, 1976 Date not available Oct 6th, 1976 - Oct 21, 1976 April 9th, 2002 November 27th, 2001 March 6th, 2002 February 19th, 2002 February 7th, 2002 June '76-February 78	Issue of <i>The Observer</i> Issue of <i>The Observer</i> Letter to Tucson Pride Board of Directors from Rowan Frost & Bruce Cole Newspaper clipping of article titled, "Time to honor the memory of fallen gay man"; Published in <i>The Arizona Daily Star</i> Richard Heakin Memorial Dedication program Program of events - We Remember Richard Heakin candlelight memorial Copy of Ordinance #4616 - Human Relations Chapter; Amendments to chapter 17 of the Tucson Code--Added provisions for protection against discrimination on the basis of sexual or affectional preference in public places, housing, and employment. Photocopied news clippings re: Richard Heakin murders The Richard Heakin Memorial Fund info/donation sheet (2) Photocopied news articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder and the trials of his murderers; From <i>The Lincoln Star</i> (and possibly other publications) Letter to Tucson Pride Board of Directors from Rowan Frost & Bruce Cole City of Tucson Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Commission Meeting minutes - Bruce Cole & Rowan Frost featured in call to audience to speak about discriminatory experiences at the hands of Salvation Army Fax cover letter from Southern Arizona Center Against Sexual Assault (SACASA) from Rowan Frost to Bertie Lozano City of Tucson GLBT Commission Meeting Notice Printed email correspondence from Rowan Frost Hand-made booklet of copies of newspaper articles pertaining to Richard Heakin's murder, the trials of his murderers, community outrage, and memorial of RH		
	1	4.01	PTSD RESEARCH/HEAKIN MURDER	1976 - 2005; Some items not dated	Contained in this folder are photocopied textbook excerpts, local/national media articles, and correspondence with local news outlets regarding various issues that were being conveyed as problematically central to the LGBTQ communities; mental illness, drug addiction/risky behaviors, HIV. Also included in the folder are some newspaper articles, correspondence, and organizational materials pertaining to the Richard Heakin Murder and memorial efforts.	Jamie A. Lee/Angela M. Labistre Champion	February 21, 2019
				July/August 1996 July/August 1996 Fall 2005 2004 (approx.) Tuesday, July 12, 2005 Monday, July 18, 2005 Monday, July 18, 2005 Date not available Sunday, April 4, 1999 Thursday, December 27, 2001 Date not available Tuesday, May 17, 2005 Thursday, May 16, 2002 Date not available Saturday, May 4th, 2002 Tuesday, January 15, 2002 Thursday, April 8, 1999 Sunday, December 15, 2002 Date not available Date not available Date not available Thursday, May 16, 2002 1976 Date not available Tuesday, December 18, 2001 Sunday, April 7, 2002 Sunday, April 7, 2002 Thursday, July 18, 2002	Photocopied article titled, "Researching PTSD: The Biology of Fear," from <i>Networker</i> Photocopied article titled, "Researching PTSD: Shattered Lives," from <i>Networker</i> Newspaper, <i>From Vietnam to Iraq: Ignoring the Veteran Health Care Crisis</i> ; Produced by Vietnam Veterans Against the War Analysis of Police Reports of Sexual Misconduct in Tucson Parks, and the Possible Targeting of Gay and Bisexual Men by the Tucson Police - A report submitted to City of Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Issues Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Issues (GLBT) Board Meeting minutes; Includes photocopied newspaper articles. Methamphetamine fact sheet (printed); From Lansing Police website Letter to the editor of <i>Arizona Daily Star</i> , written by Bruce Cole 4-page, handwritten memoir/personal narrative written by Bruce Cole Online news article, titled "If People Are Taught to Hate Homosexuals, Then Murder Cannot Be Far Behind," featured in <i>Salt Lake Tribune</i> Online News article, titled "Victim of Firefighter Attack Unhappy With Case's Attention," featured on KOLD-TV Tucson's webpage. Handwritten Thank-You letter to Richard Heakin, by Bruce Cole Commission on GLBT Issues Meeting Agenda Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Meeting Summary Newspaper clipping, titled "Connecting with past offers hope for future" Flyer for first organizational meeting for Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committee Letter to Mayor/Council from GLBT Commission GLAAD online publication, titled "For the Phelps, Hate is a family affair" GLBT Commission letter to Tucson City Attorney News clipping, titled "Protest notes go in Salvation Army pots" News clipping, titled "Army official: Policy not aimed at gays" Handwritten letters to GLBT Commission Handwritten letter titled Surprise Richard Heakin Memorial Committee Report B/W photo of Richard Heakin News Clipping, titled "Time to honor the memory of fallen gay man," features Bruce Cole's recollection of Richard Heakin's murder Handwritten reflection from Bruce Cole regarding positive meeting with TUSD's Chief of Police Richard Miranda. Newspaper article, titled "Their Hatred?," featured in <i>Parade Magazine</i> Newspaper article, titled "How Can We Understand," by Ele Wiesel, featured in <i>Parade Magazine</i> Front page article of the <i>Arizona Daily Star</i> , titled "Local gay men taking more risks, study says"		
Series 2: TUCSON LGBTQ ORGANIZATIONAL INVOLVEMENT	Box	Folder	Title	Date(s)	Detailed Description	Container List By	Date Container List Created

1	5.01	<b>TUCSON GLBT COMMISSION BY-LAWS &amp; WINGSPAN DOCS</b>	<b>1988 - 2006; Some items not dated</b>	<b>The contents of this folder include documents related to prominent Tucson LGBTQ organizations Wingspan, Tucson GLBT Commission, and the Richard Heakin Memorial Fund Committees (e.g., meeting minutes, group communication), as well as professional correspondence between organization members and legal institutions (e.g., City of Tucson Equal Opportunity Office),</b>	Jamie A. Lee/Angela M. Labistre Champion	January 24th, 2019
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Tuesday, February 26, 2002	Letter to Bruce Cole from City of Tucson Equal Opportunity Office - Discrimination complaint against Salvation Army; Original envelope included
Wednesday, March 13, 2002	Fax Confirmation/Cover Letter from COPE Behavioral Services to Ron Bogard
July '88	Wingspan - Lesbian and Gay Community Resources List
Sunday, July 31, 1988	Bylaws of Wingspan (as presented to the General Membership)
Date not available	GLBT community ethnography project proposal outline (3 copies)
Tuesday, November 15, 2005	City of Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgender (GLBT) Issues meeting agenda & roll call, correspondence related to community initiatives.
Thursday, May 23, 2002	Drafts of letter to Peg Weber requesting Richard Heakin memorial installation (4)
Tuesday, May 17, 2005	City of Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgender (GLBT) Issues meeting agenda & roll call, commission appointment/resignation letters, and correspondence related to community initiatives.
Tuesday, September 20, 2005	City of Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, & Transgender (GLBT) Issues meeting agenda & roll call, commission appointment/resignation letters, and correspondence/research related to community initiatives.
Tuesday, July 19, 2005	City of Tucson Commission on GLBT Issues meeting agenda & roll call, commission appointment/resignation letters, and correspondence/research related to community initiatives.
Tuesday, August 16, 2005	Tucson Commission on GLBT Issues meeting agenda
Monday, July 25, 2005	Attorney General Opinion Memorandum re: Open Meeting Law Requirements and E-mail to and from Members of a Public Body
July 6, 2000 - December 11, 2003	Arizona Open Public Meeting Law records as they relate to Tucson Boards, Committees, and Commissions
Monday, January 17, 2005	Tucson Commission on GLBT Issues meeting agenda
Tuesday, November 15, 2005	Tucson Commission on GLBT Issues meeting notes (handwritten, photocopy)
Wednesday, December 28, 2005	Loyalty Oath of Office Statement, signed by Bruce Cole in becoming a member of Commission on GLBT Issues
Monday, December 5, 2005	Commission Re-appointment letter
Wednesday, December 7, 2005	Commission member contact information, position titles, appointment dates, and expiration of appointment dates
Tuesday, December 18, 2001	Letter to TPD Chief, Richard Miranda from Commission re: Request for Mandatory GLBT Sensitivity Training of TPD Officers
Wednesday, November 14, 2001	Photocopy - newspaper article published in Arizona Daily Star. Titled, San Diego Pride: After 10 years, coming out is a success in Police Dept. (1 of 2 enclosures in letter to TPD Chief)
Tuesday, December 18, 2001	City of Tucson GLBT Commission Education Subcommittee Report (2 of 2 enclosures in letter to TPD Chief)
Date not available	GLBT Commission Education Sub-Committee Standards of Practice for Education & Training (2 of 2 enclosures in letter to TPD Chief)
Tuesday, December 11, 2001	GLBT Commission Timeline
Tuesday, December 18, 2001	Copy of letter to TPD Chief, Richard Miranda from Commission re: Request for Mandatory GLBT Sensitivity Training of TPD Officers

Sunday, July 16, 2006

Research participation consent form (doctoral research)

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WINGSPAN NOTES/FORMER BOARD MEMBER

1988 - 2008; Some items not dated

This folder contains multiple issues/inserts of the Wingspan monthly newsletter, *Up Front* (later known as *The Center*), mail correspondence, and newspaper clippings which span Bruce Cole's involvement as a board member for the organization.

Jamie A. Lee/Angela M. Labistre  
Champion January 24th, 2019

Wednesday, February 13, 2008 Invitation letter to annual gathering of Wingspan's former board members/leaders.  
July '98 Wingspan Calendar of Activities  
Spring 2007 Issue of *The Center*, Wingspan's quarterly community newsletter  
Date not available Wingspan Membership Brochure  
Date not available Wingspan Donation Insert  
Fiscal Year 2006-2007 Wingspan Financial Information Handout  
January '89 Issue 8 of *Up Front*, Wingspan's monthly newsletter  
May '89 Issue 12 of *Up Front*, Wingspan's monthly newsletter  
July '88 Issue 2 of *Up Front*, Wingspan's monthly newsletter  
November '88 Issue 6 of *Up Front*  
April '89 Issue 11 of *Up Front*  
Date not available Page of *Up Front*  
August '88 Issue 3 of *Up Front*  
September '88 Issue 4 of *Up Front*  
September '88 Inner pages of Issue 4 of *Up Front*  
Date not available Pages of *Up Front*  
Tuesday, July 26, 1988 Photocopied newspaper comic from Arizona Daily Star, Tucson  
Date not available Newspaper clipping, *Arizona Daily Star*. Titled "40 Workers to boycott fund drive over gay issue"  
Date not available Newspaper clipping, *Arizona Daily Star*. Titled "Circle K drops AIDS victims from health plan"  
Date not available Wingspan Statement of Purpose  
Wednesday, December 10, 2003 Newspaper clipping with several articles, *Tucson Citizen*. Front page headline reads, "Domestic partner registry: 101 local couples sign list, get nominal city benefits"  
Fall '92 Issue 1, Volume 4 of *Up Front*  
1988 Photocopied newspaper article from the *New York Times*. Titled, "Playing politics: Foreign governments cast votes for Bush by boosting the dollar." Includes hand-written notes underneath article.  
Date not available Wingspan membership mailer  
Date not available Wingspan Standing Committee list with member contacts  
Fall '92 Issue 1, Volume 4 of *Up Front*
