

# **Inventory of the California Eagles Records**

## **(#2008-10)**

*Note: This document is a preliminary inventory, not a completed finding aid. The collection is surveyed but not processed, and its organization and composition are subject to change. This inventory is intended to help researchers better understand the general scope and content of the collection.*

**Repository:** Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society

**Collection Title:** California Eagles records

**Collection Number:** 2008-10

**Physical Description:** 13 linear feet (5 cartons, 2 large oversize boxes, one extra-large oversize box)

**Creator:** California Eagles

**Date (inclusive):** 1984-2000

**Language of Material:** English

**Abstract:** The California Eagles are a gay motorcycle club founded in 1984. The collection includes organizational records, meeting minutes, financial records, materials about motorcycle runs and other events, photographs, scrapbooks, t-shirts, and artifacts.

**Preferred Citation:**

[Identification of item], California Eagles records (#2008-10), The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society.

**Conditions Governing Access:**

Collection is open for research.

**Publication Rights:**

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**Acquisition Information:**

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**Processing Information:**

Inventory created by Isaac Fellman in 2020, based on preliminary surveys completed by Marjorie Bryer and Rebekah Kim in 2011.

This inventory uses terminology for LGBTQ people that was in current use at the time of its creation. Descriptive language for queer identities evolves quickly and some of these terms may now be dated or even offensive. Finding aids are themselves historical documents; they reflect the moment in which they were written and often reflect the terms that subjects used for themselves. Please contact the GLBT Historical Society Archivist with questions or comments.

**Biographical/Organizational History Note:** The California Eagles are a gay motorcycle club founded in 1984.

**Scope and Content:** The collection includes organizational records, meeting minutes, financial records, materials about motorcycle runs and other events, photographs, scrapbooks, t-shirts, and artifacts.

**Indexing Terms:**

Gay men

Motorcycle clubs

**Container Listing**

Carton 1:

Event programs, 1988-2000

Materials regarding motorcycle runs, including applications, flyers, riding procedures, 1985-1999

Meeting minutes, including open meetings and special membership meetings, includes some related correspondence, 1984-1998

Photographs

Guestbook, 1985-1996

Mass mailings; organizational records, including certificate of registration of service mark, Eagles Song; membership lists; circa 1986-1999

Major event survey, 1985

Carton 2:

Plaque, t-shirts, leather jacket (with patch), license plate holder

Videotape—"Where Eagles Dare V: CEMC Reflections on Tribal Rites," Finnon Lake, California, 1990

Videotape—"Where Eagles Dare VIII: Land of the Eagle/Realm of the Bear," Finnon Lake, California, 1993

Carton 3:

Membership lists, 1987

Event programs and other materials regarding 1987 motorcycle run

Financial records, including receipts; general ledger; notes from the club treasury; run receipts. Folders marked "records" and "finances" contain receipts and financial statements; 1987-1989

Unsorted materials, including correspondence, run reports, flyers, calendar listings, newsletters, certificates, mass mailings, contact sheets (1990), photographs, clippings

Meeting minutes, 1988

Materials regarding 1988, 1990 runs, including application forms

Scrapbooks—1984 run to Sacramento and Tahoe Shadows, 1998

ICF 2001 Awards Program Advertisements, Zip drive

Carton 4:

Mug, plaques

Cancelled checks

Event programs, circa 1986-1993

Carton 5:

Meeting minutes 1993-1997

Bank statements 1992-1997

Receipts/bills 1988-1998

Financials (ledger) 1989

Checking account 1991

1991 Minutes, letters and reports

1988 Ledger

1990 Summer Run

Checking account – 1987

1989-1990 Executive Council

Emblem orders – 1989

Fall 1989 run

Summer 1989 run

Where Eagles Dare II 1987 (tour)

Where Eagles Dare II 1988 (tour)

Oversize Box 1:

Scrapbooks (mostly photographs, a few documents) from 1995, 1996 and one with materials from 1984-1990

Oversize Box 2:

Photograph collages on foamcore board

Scrapbook with photographs and memorabilia, circa 1984-1987