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MS5/Leah C. Morris Collection

Memorabilia, 1998-2003
(Bulk Date, 2003)

Manuscript Collection Number: 5

Accessioned: Gift of Leah C. Morris, 2006

Extent: .1 linear feet and 1 storage box

Content: DVD's, one photograph, one magazine, e-mail correspondence, and one team jacket

Access: This collection is open for research.

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Biographical Note

Leah C. Morris, as a teenager, attended high school in Ridgefield, Connecticut. Her mother, a nurse, worked in a doctor's office where Agnes Nixon's son was a patient who was treated for his allergies. Agnes Nixon is the creator of the television program *All My Children*, an American daytime soap opera, which was first aired on ABC TV on January 5, 1970. The program is still currently televised.

In July 2003, Leah and her partner attended "Lianafest 2003" in Sunnyvale, California. The women hosting the event had nine hours of the Liana character from *All My Children* on video. Liana, played by Eden Riegel, is a lesbian character on the program.

In 1998, Leah attended and participated in the Gay Games in Amsterdam as a member of Team Sacramento. Amsterdam hosted the fifth Gay Games, August 1-8, 1998, and it was the first time the Games had been held outside North America. There were nearly 15,000 artists and athletes from 62 countries and 200,000 spectators from around the world who attended this event. Athletes participated in 31 events.

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Team Sacramento sent 46 athletes to the Gay Games. Everyone who participated was given a participation medal. Team Sacramento won a combined total of 30 medals (Gold, Silver and Bronze) in Bowling, Badminton, Martial Arts, and Swimming.

Sources: Biographical information is derived from material in this collection. *Gay Games* historical information is from *Mom Guess What Newspaper*, Sacramento, California, Vol. 20, Issue 343, 1 Aug 1998, and from Vol. 20, Issue 345, 1 Sep 1998. Information on Agnes Nixon and *All My Children* is from Wikipedia.com.

Scope and Content

The Leah C. Morris Collection, spanning the years 1998-2003, consists of .1 linear feet of DVD's and e-mail correspondence, plus one storage box containing a Team Sacramento team jacket. The items in this collection are mainly the DVD's (January-June 2003) containing programming that includes the lesbian character, Liana, a TV character on *All My Children*, played by Eden Riegel.

The collection is arranged chronologically by DVD program and then by correspondence. The other item in the collection is a Team Sacramento team jacket from the Gay Games in Amsterdam in 1998.

Important Names and Subjects

All My Children (Television program)
Eden Riegel
Gay Games (1998 : Amsterdam, Netherlands)
Leah C. Morris
LianaFest 2003

Contents List

Box 1

- 1-1 "All My Children"; television program, 4 DVD's, AMC Vols. 1-4, 2 Jan – 4 May 2003
- Vol. 1 "The Beginning"; DVD, 2 Jan – 4 May 2003
 - Vol. 2 "Attraction"; DVD, 2 Jan – 4 May 2003
 - Vol. 3 "Realizations"; DVD, 2 Jan – 4 May 2003
 - Vol. 4 "Interlude"; DVD, 2 Jan – 4 May 2003
- 1-2 "All My Children"; television program, 4 DVD's, AMC Vols. 5-8, 3 May – 6 Jun 2003

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- Vol. 5 "Passion"; DVD, 3-9 May 2003
- Vol. 6 "Betrayal"; DVD, 12-16 May 2003
- Vol. 7 "Retribution"; DVD, 20-28 May 2003
- Vol. 8 "Understanding"; DVD, 29 May – 6 Jun 2003

1-3 Soap Opera Digest; "Too Darn Hot", magazine article, pp. 44-47, Vol. 28, No. 22, 3 June 2003

1-4 "LianaFest 2003"; e-mail correspondence, 22 Jun – 7 Jul 2003

Box 2 (Storage Box)

2-1 Team Sacramento team jacket with logo "Saga V, Team Sacramento, Amsterdam '98"; Size M Adult, long sleeve, grey with black trim

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Appendix A

Photograph

The one photograph in this collection is of Eden Riegel who plays the lesbian character, Liana, on *All My Children*.

<u>Photo No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Folder</u>
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Name and Subject Entries used for this collection

Lavender Library:

Morris, Leah C.
Riegel, Eden
All My Children (Television program)
LianaFest 2003
Compact discs
Sports
Gay Games
Manuscripts
Television
Actors
Athletes
Lesbians

Library of Congress:

Morris, Leah C., -- Manuscripts
Riegel, Eden
All my children (Television program)
LianaFest 2003
Television programs -- United States
Compact discs
Gays and sports
Gay Games (1998 : Amsterdam, Netherlands)
Television actors and actresses -- United States
Characters and characteristics in television programs
Lesbianism