

K. (Kenneth) Brad Ott Papers

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Name of Creator

Ott, K. (Kenneth) Brad, July 5, 1961

Administrative/Biographical History

K. (Kenneth) Brad Ott is an activist and sociological researcher. Ott wrote, edited, and published the grassroots publications *Dialogue Newsjournal*, (1981-1998) and *Café Progresso Magazine*, (1997-2001) among others. These publications covered community activism and activities in New Orleans, Louisiana. Additionally, Ott co-founded and was a member of numerous community service groups, committees, and collectives. Ott has been recognized for these contributions and has been awarded community leader, social justice, and academic writing honors.

Scope and Content

The K. (Kenneth) Brad Ott Papers consist of materials chronicling the production and distribution of Ott's self-published social justice and activism publications. The bulk of this collection is related to the publication, production, distribution, promotion, and corresponding networking congregated around Ott's publishing activities. The remaining contents of the collection consist of other publications, ephemera, and correspondence congregated by Ott during his publishing years.

System of Arrangement

The collection is divided into four series, K. Brad Ott Publications, Correspondence, Other Publications and Organizations, and Collected Publications. Within each series the arrangement scheme is chronological.

Conditions Governing Access

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Language and Scripts of the Material

Collection is in English.

Processing Information

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Series Description

- Series I: K. Brad Ott Publications**
- I. Dialogue**
 - II. Alternative Hotline Bulletin**
 - III. Reproductive Freedom Defense Frontline Bulletin**
 - IV. Café Progresso**
 - V. Bookkeeping**
 - VI. Paste-ups and Fliers**

Ott's publication materials were produced between 1981-2000 and include the self-published periodicals *Dialogue*, *Alternative Hotline Bulletin*, *Reproductive Freedom Defense Frontline Bulletin*, and *Café Progresso*. Bookkeeping records outlining the funding and cost of production, pre-print paste-ups of various issues, and an assortment of event fliers are also included.

- Series II: Correspondence**
- I. General Correspondence**
 - II. Prisoner Correspondence**

Series II includes general correspondence and prisoner correspondence files. The general correspondence files were collected between 1984-1997, and consist of personal messages and subscription-related correspondence from activists, advocates, artists, and other underground/grassroots publishers. These files contain numerous types of ephemera such as postcards, photographs, pamphlets, and fliers. Some notable correspondents include activist Greg Boertje, artist Peter Küstermann, poet Lee Meitzen Grue, historian Dr. Lance Hill, and activist/organizer Gary Modenbach.

The prisoner correspondence files were collected between 1985-1998, and consist of communication between Ott and inmates incarcerated in the United States. These files contain letters, pamphlets and other material associated with subscription requests, as well as various actions and campaigns for prisoner rights and release. Some noteworthy correspondence includes information regarding Arnold (Avi) Naftel's and Linda Evans' incarcerations. The bulk of these files consist of letters from Albert "Chui" Clark and Reginald W. Myer regarding an action called the Campaign For Exposure. This action sought to expose corruption and oppression in the Louisiana State Penitentiary in Angola, La.

Series III: Other Publications and Organizations

Series III consists of items related to other community groups Ott either co-founded or participated in. Materials include publications produced by these groups, organizational information, and fliers. The organizations include Delta Greens, ECO Newsletter of Environmental Conservation, Environmental Forum, Freeport Watch Review, and New Orleans Social Ecology Group.

Series IV: Collected Publications

I. Oversized Collected Publications

Series IV consists of an assortment of publications collected by Ott between the years 1975-1995. These are self-published grassroots activism and underground press publications primarily produced in the southern United States. Most notably of these is an almost complete run of *Broken Barriers* (1975-1980), an underground press newspaper published in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Container List

- Series I:**
- K. Brad Ott Publications**
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VI. Paste-Ups and Fliers

Box 1	Folder 1	Dialogue: August 1981
	Folder 2	Dialogue: September 1981
	Folder 3	Dialogue: Mid-September 1981
	Folder 4	Dialogue: October 1981
	Folder 5	Dialogue: November 1981
	Folder 6	Dialogue: December 1981
	Folder 7	Dialogue: March 1982
	Folder 8	Dialogue: April 1982
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	Folder 10	Dialogue: June 1982
	Folder 11	Dialogue: Mid-June 1982
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Box 2	Folder 1	Dialogue: April 1985
	Folder 2	Dialogue: May 1985
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	Folder 7	Dialogue: October 1985
	Folder 8	Dialogue: November 1985
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	Folder 12	Dialogue: April 1986
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	Folder 17	Dialogue: October 1986
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	Folder 19	Dialogue: Carnival 1987
	Folder 20	Dialogue: Spring 1997
	Folder 21	Dialogue: Summer Solstice 1987
	Folder 22	Dialogue: August 1987
	Folder 23	Dialogue: September 1987
	Folder 24	Dialogue: October/November 1987
	Folder 25	Dialogue: December 1987

Box 3	Folder 1	Dialogue: Carnival 1988
	Folder 2	Dialogue: April 1988
	Folder 3	Dialogue: May 1988
	Folder 4	Dialogue: June/July 1988
	Folder 5	Dialogue: October/November 1988
	Folder 6	Dialogue: October/November 1988
	Folder 7	Dialogue: Winter Holidays 1988-1989
	Folder 8	Dialogue: March 1989
	Folder 9	Dialogue: April/May 1989
	Folder 10	Dialogue: Autumn 1989
	Folder 11	Dialogue: Spring 1990
	Folder 12	Dialogue: Summer 1990
	Folder 13	Dialogue: January 1991
	Folder 14	Dialogue: February 1991

	Folder 15	Dialogue: March 1991
	Folder 16	Dialogue: April/May 1991
	Folder 17	Dialogue: September/October 1991
	Folder 18	Dialogue: November 1991
	Folder 19	Dialogue: Spring 1992
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Box 4	Folder 1	Dialogue: January/February 1993, #95
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	Folder 3	Dialogue: Winter 1993, #97
	Folder 4	Dialogue: Spring 1994, #98
	Folder 5	Dialogue: Special Issue, National Meat-Out Day 1994
	Folder 6	Dialogue: Autumn 1994, #99
	Folder 7	Dialogue: Autumn 1994, #99 (Reprint)
	Folder 8	Dialogue: Spring 1995, #92
	Folder 9	Dialogue: Autumn 1996, #100
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	Folder 13	Dialogue: Subscriber Newsletter, 1 October 1989, #2
	Folder 14	Alternative Hotline Bulletin: July 1993
	Folder 15	Alternative Hotline Bulletin: August 1993
	Folder 16	Alternative Hotline Bulletin: September 1993
	Folder 17	Reproductive Freedom Defense Frontline Bulletin: 2 April 1995, #1
	Folder 18	Reproductive Freedom Defense Frontline Bulletin: 8 April 1995, #2
	Folder 19	Reproductive Freedom Defense Frontline Bulletin: 14 April 1995, #3
	Folder 20	Dialogue Digest: May 1995
	Folder 21	Dialogue Digest: July 1995
	Folder 22	Dialogue Digest: Fall 1995
	Folder 23	Dialogue: Election Special 1995
	Folder 24	Dialogue Subscriber Edition: 1 May 1996
	Folder 25	Dialogue Subscriber Edition: Carnival 1998, #102
	Folder 26	Café Progreso: 25-30 April 1997, No. 1
	Folder 27	Café Progreso: 1-7 May 1997, No. 2
	Folder 28	Café Progreso: 8-14 May 1997, No. 3
	Folder 29	Café Progreso: 15-21 May 1997, No. 4
	Folder 30	Café Progreso: 29 May-11 June 1997, No. 5
	Folder 31	Café Progreso: 12-25 June 1997, No. 6
	Folder 32	Café Progreso: 26 June-9 July 1997, No. 7
	Folder 33	Café Progreso: 11-24 July 1997, No. 8

	Folder 34	Café Progresso: August 1997, No. 9
	Folder 35	Café Progresso: 1-15 September 1997, No. 10
	Folder 36	Café Progresso: 22 September-4 October 1997, No. 11
	Folder 37	Café Progresso: 23 October-12 November 1997, No. 12
	Folder 38	Café Progresso: 18-30 November 1997, No. 13
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	Folder 41	Café Progresso: May 1998, No. 16
	Folder 42	Café Progresso: September 1998, No. 17
	Folder 43	Café Progresso: October 1998, No. 18
	Folder 44	Café Progresso: 6 November-9 December 1998, No. 19
	Folder 45	Café Progresso: Winter Holidays 1998-1999, No. 20
	Folder 46	Café Progresso: Early Spring 1999, No. 21
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	Folder 48	Café Progresso: Winter Holidays 1999-2000, No. 23

Box 5	Folder 1	Dialogue Stationary
	Folder 2	Dialogue Mailing Labels
	Folder 3	Distribution
	Folder 4	Dialogue Subscription Forms
	Folder 5	Whole Foods Banning of Dialogue
	Folder 6	Dialogue Archives Holding
	Folder 7	Dialogue Back Issues Index
	Folder 8	Bank Statements, 1996, January-November
	Folder 9	Bank Statements, December 1996 - March 1997
	Folder 10	Bank Statements, 1997, April-September
	Folder 11	Bank Statements, October 1997 - March 1998
	Folder 12	Bank Statements, 1998, April-October
	Folder 13	Bank Statements, November 1998 – August 1999
	Folder 14	Bank Statements, September 1999 – September 2000
	Folder 15	Receipts, 1985
	Folder 16	Receipts, 1988
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	Folder 20	Receipts, 1993
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	Folder 26	Paste Ups and Fliers, 1984 - 1988
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	Folder 32	Paste Ups and Fliers, n.d.

Series II: Correspondence
I. General Correspondence
II. Prisoner Correspondence

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	Folder 5	Correspondence: April, 1983
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	Folder 8	Correspondence: November – December, 1983
	Folder 9	Correspondence: January, 1984
	Folder 10	Correspondence: February – April, 1984
	Folder 11	Correspondence: April – June, 1984
	Folder 12	Correspondence: July/August 1984
	Folder 13	Correspondence: September – December, 1984
	Folder 14	Correspondence: January-March 1985
	Folder 15	Correspondence: April – July, 1985
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	Folder 18	Correspondence: January – April, 1986
	Folder 19	Correspondence: May - August, 1986

Box 7	Folder 1	Correspondence: September, 1986
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	Folder 9	Correspondence: January – March, 1988
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	Folder 12	Correspondence: 1990 - 1991
	Folder 13	Correspondence: June – December, 1991

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	Folder 15	Correspondence: January – February, 1993
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	Folder 17	Correspondence: January – November, 1994
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	Folder 21	Correspondence: May, 1996-1997
	Folder 22	Correspondence: No Date, c.a. 1981-1984

Box 8	Folder 1	Correspondence: No Date
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	Folder 3	Correspondence: No Date
	Folder 4	Correspondence, Prisoner: 1985 - 1986
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	Folder 6	Correspondence, Prisoner: July, 1987 – March, 1989
	Folder 7	Correspondence, Prisoner: April 1989 – February, 1990
	Folder 8	Correspondence, Prisoner: March – September, 1990
	Folder 9	Correspondence, Prisoner: October – December, 1990
	Folder 10	Correspondence, Prisoner: January – May, 1991
	Folder 11	Correspondence, Prisoner: June – July, 1991
	Folder 12	Correspondence, Prisoner: August, 1991
	Folder 13	Correspondence, Prisoner: September – December, 1991
	Folder 14	Correspondence, Prisoner: February, 1992
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	Folder 16	Correspondence, Prisoner: May, 1992

Box 9	Folder 1	Correspondence, Prisoner: January – May, 1992
	Folder 2	Correspondence, Prisoner: June – December, 1992
	Folder 3	Correspondence, Prisoner: January – April, 1993
	Folder 4	Correspondence, Prisoner: May, 1993
	Folder 5	Correspondence, Prisoner: June - August, 1993
	Folder 6	Correspondence, Prisoner: September, 1993 – March, 1996
	Folder 7	Correspondence, Prisoner: April, 1996 – September, 1998

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	Folder 9	Delta Greens: Committees of Correspondence Interregional Conference, 17 February 1989
	Folder 10	Delta Greens: Constitution Statement

	Folder 11	Delta Greens: <i>Delta Greens Quarterly</i> , December 1989-Summer 1993
	Folder 12	Delta Greens: <i>Delta Greens Quarterly</i> , Autumn 1993-Summer 1995
	Folder 13	Delta Greens: <i>Delta Greens Quarterly</i> , Winter 1996-Spring 1997
	Folder 14	Delta Greens: Mailing Lists
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	Folder 16	Delta Greens: Reconstruction Proposals
	Folder 17	ECO Newsletter of Environmental Conservation
	Folder 18	Environmental Forum
	Folder 19	Freeport Watch Review
	Folder 20	New Orleans Social Ecology Group: Social Ecology Newsletter, 1983
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Series IV: Collected Publications
I. Oversized Collected Publications

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	Folder 4	Freeze Report, 1983
	Folder 5	Survival Network Newsletter, 1983, 1984, 1987
	Folder 6	Conscience & Military Tax Campaign – U.S. Newsletter, 1984
	Folder 7	The Pan-American Indian Association News, 1984
	Folder 8	Metro Now times, 1984
	Folder 9	The Mobilizer, 1985
	Folder 10	Circle A in Atlanta, 1985
	Folder 11	The Progress Review, 1985
	Folder 12	Tulsa Peace Fellowship, b1986
	Folder 13	Kill for Peace Again, 1987
	Folder 14	Penny Resistance, 1987
	Folder 15	Rural Southern Voice for Peace, 1987
	Folder 16	Network News: National War Tax Coordinating Committee, 1988
	Folder 17	Workers' Democracy, 1988
	Folder 18	Life of Crime, 1988
	Folder 19	A Benefit for Ecumenical Immigration Services Program, 1989

	Folder 20	French Market Blues, 1990
	Folder 21	Le Flambeau, 1991
	Folder 22	The Daily Spectacle, 1994
	Folder 23	Louisiana Coalition for Tax Justice Convention Program, 1995

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	The Harbinger, April 10, 1984
	The Driftwood, April 10, 1986
	True Story: Magazine of Art, Fall, 1986
	Bayou La Rose, Winter, 1987
	Torch: A Newspaper of The revolutionary Socialist League, 1989
	Driftwood: University of New Orleans, February, 1989
	The Second Line, circa 1980's
	Broken Barriers, June 14 – July 20, 1975
	Broken Barriers, July 20 – August 19, 1975
	Broken Barriers, August 20 – September 19, 1975
	Broken Barriers, October, 1975
	Broken Barriers, April – May, 1976
	Broken Barriers, June, 1976
	Broken Barriers, July- August, 1976
	Broken Barriers, September, 1976
	Broken Barriers, October – November, 1976
	Broken Barriers, January, 1977
	Broken Barriers, April – May, 1977
	Broken Barriers, July, 1977
	Broken Barriers, February – March, 1978
	Broken Barriers, June, 1978
	Broken Barriers, August – September, 1978
	Broken Barriers, December, 1978
	Broken Barriers, February, 1970
	Broken Barriers, Early Summer, 1979
	Broken Barriers, Late Summer, 1979
	Broken Barriers, Early Spring, 1980