







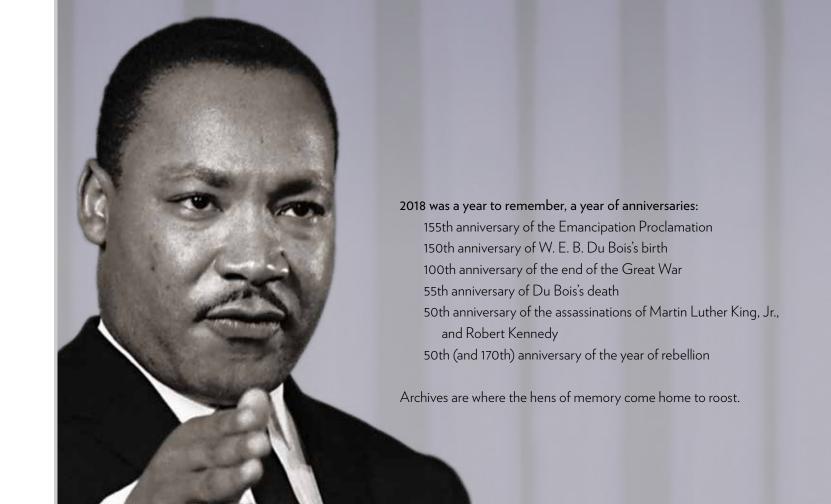


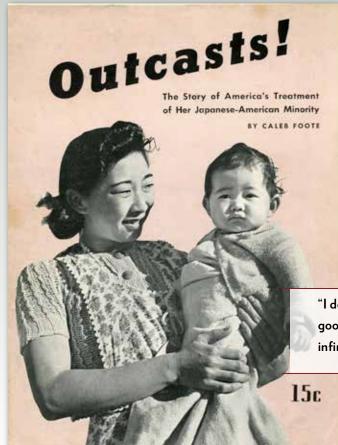
A MORALITY TALE

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Let us begin with **Caleb Foote**. As Field Secretary for the Fellowship of Reconciliation in northern California, he carried the banner for pacifism and social inclusion during the grimmest days of the Second World War, playing an active role in resisting the internment of Japanese Americans and the persecution of draft resisters. Drafted twice by the military himself, Foote refused compulsory public service, earning eighteen months in federal prison for his choice. Later in life, he drew on this experience to forge a distinguished career in law with an emphasis on safeguarding civil liberties.

"I do not think that violence can eradicate evil. I believe, rather, that active goodwill and understanding, linked with tireless, constructive action, is an infinitely more powerful force. Therefore, I am a pacifist."

PEACE

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Francis W. Holmes enlisted in the American Friends Service
Committee's short-lived Southern Student Project in 1965,
sponsoring an academically gifted African American high school
student from Alabama, Deborah Craig, to live and study in
Amherst. A member of the Mount Toby Quaker Meeting and
faculty member at UMass Amherst, Holmes kept meticulous
records of all aspects of the exchange.





The beautiful vision of a new language to promote international and intercultural understanding has led millions to study Esperanto, and since the early days of the Cold War, **Esperanto USA** has been the movement's North American hub. This large and diverse collection reveals the linguistic idealism and complex organizational history that has marked the movement.

Generous support from the Esperantic Studies
Foundation will enable us to fully process and
digitize the collection in the new year.

Ĉiu lingvo liberigas kaj malliberigas siajn anojn, donante al ili la povon komuniki inter si, barante la komunikadon kun aliaj. The political fabric of our country and state is woven through with radical threads. SCUA added two small but notable radical collections: the papers of **Otis A. Hood**, Chair of the Massachusetts Communist Party during the height of the McCarthy era, and **Carroll Bush**, a Socialist labor organizer who operated in the Northampton textile mills during the 1930s.

The founder and longtime Exectutive Director of the Rowe Conference Center, **Douglas Wilson** brought together an eclectic mix of activists, seekers, and finders over nearly fifty years in rural Rowe, Mass. Modeled on the Esalen Institute, the Rowe Center offers retreats and workshops founded in Unitarian Universalist principles of equality, justice, freedom, peace, and the respect for the interdependent web of all existence.

VOTE For ICTORY

1942



OTIS A. HOOD

Communist Candidate
for Governor

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A BETTER HERE

A Quaker and devoted peace activist, **Teddy**

Milne was a writer, educator, and publisher at various times in her life. Her papers include extensive accounts of the press she operated, Pittenbruach Press, her own writing, and her work opposing nuclear power and war.

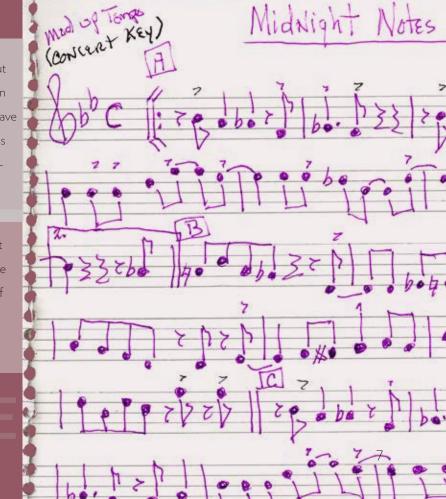
In the famously tumultuous year 1968, **Cheryl**

Evans stood out. A "Black pioneer"
on the UMass Amherst campus, she was a
key organizer in the occupation of what was
to become New Africa House and a student
leader in supporting the establishment of
the Department of Afro-American
Studies.

The death of **Tiyo Attallah Salah-El** on June 8, 2018, put a pause in the remarkable journey of a jazz musician, prison abolitionist, and lifer. Tiyo's many friends and supporters have added to his existing collection in SCUA, donating dozens more letters and new writings by this influential and muchbeloved man.

Monty Neill's 1987 Harvard dissertation was based in part on dozens of oral historical interviews conducted during the height of the busing crisis in Boston, most with members of the city's Black community. These recordings are currently being digitized and will be available online in 2019.

AND THERE



LIBERATION

In 1968, the **Liberation News Service** famously splintered into two factions: the Vulgar Marxists of New York and the Virtuous Caucus of Montague, Mass.

Adding to our extensive collections for the virtuous side, SCUA received a nearly complete run of packets issued by vulgar New York, along with a small selection of artwork, articles, and materials kept by the alternative *Indianapolis Free Press*.

From the early 1970s, **George Ebert** has been one of the most noted figures in the anti-psychiatry and psychiatric survivors' movements. Radicalized by three periods of involuntary incarceration, Ebert founded the Mental Patients Liberation Alliance in 1978 as a self-help, mutual support, human rights, and advocacy organization. Broad and deep, his collection is a cornerstone for SCUA's documentation of civil rights movements for people with disabilities.

The arrival of the records of the **Northeast Sustainable**

Energy Association is welcome news at UMass Amherst, where sustainability has become a thriving focus for research. Founded in 1974, NESEA has been a leader in promoting energy sustainability, particularly in the building sector, where they work to further sustainable energy practices in the built environment by cultivating a community where practitioners share, collaborate, and learn.



The flowering of SCUA's partnership with Folk New England has led us to preserve the legacy of folk, blues, and roots music in our region. With a successful concert in the fall and several new collections in the hopper, a bright future together lies ahead.





Jim Rooney's stellar career as performer, producer, writer, and pioneer in Americana music has included stints managing Club 47 in the 1960s, Bearsville Sound Studio in the 1970s, and a long run in Nashville. Rooney has produced Hal Ketchum, Townes Van Zandt, Iris DeMent, John Prine, and Bonnie Raitt, among many others, and won a Grammy in 1993 for his work with Nanci Griffith. He is perhaps the sole record producer with a master's degree in classical literature from Harvard.

Rooney's college friend and musical partner **Bill Keith** was an innovator on the five-string banjo, renowned for writing tablatures for Earl Scruggs. Early stints with Bill Monroe's Bluegrass Boys and Jim Kweskin's Jug Band led Keith to play with acts as diverse as lan and Sylvia, Judy Collins, Richie Havens, Loudon Wainwright, and the Bee Gees. He is a member of the Bluegrass Hall of Fame.

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February 15, 1967

shots by Rick Sullo



FOLK MUSIC AND COFFEE HOUSE NEWS H TWENTY - FIVE CENTS

Under publisher

David Wilson, The Broadside

became the indispensible resource for New England folkies, the place to connect, read about the scene, and learn who was performing where. While SCUA seeks to fill in a few missing issues, we have digitized our *Broadside* run.





Johanna Halbeisen founded the

New Song Library in 1974, a collaborative resource for sharing music with performers, teachers, and community activists, who in turn shared with a wide variety of audiences.

The NSL collection includes organizational and operational records along with hundreds of sound

recordings from concerts, music festivals, and song swaps.

Camera in hand,

Charlie Frizzell became a
fixture in the folk music scene in Boston
and Cambridge during the mid-1960s. A
regular at Club 47, he photographed many of
the luminaries of the day, from Jim Kweskin to
Maria Muldaur, Bob Siggins, and
Bonnie Dobson.





Sue Kramer and Anna Gyorgy donated hundreds of images taken by them and **Tony Mathews** from the 1960s through 1980s, offering extraordinary visual documentation of the communes at Montague Farm and Packer Corners. The collection includes a stunning series of images from the famous occupation of the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant in 1977.



Seabrook occupiers playing tag in the armory yard after their arrest, May 1977



Occupation of the Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant, May 1, 1977





Woman at an antiwar demonstration, 1968



Woodstock Festival, July 1969

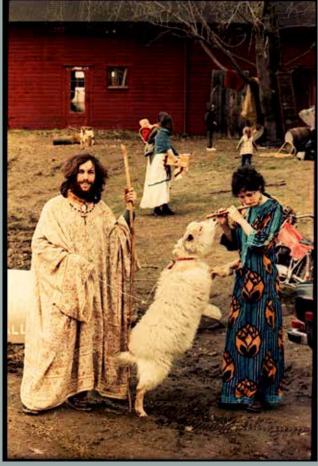
An award-winning photojournalist, **Kathy Borchers** began a thirty-year career with the *Providence Journal* in the mid-1980s. Covering the gamut of assignments from the crime beat and general news to sports and longer-form photoessays, Borchers's work is visually compelling in either black and white or color.













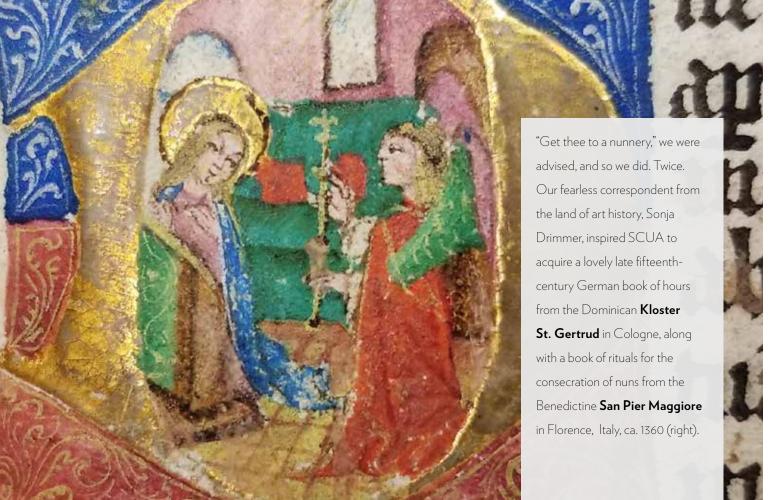






In the fall of 2018 we lost a good friend and brilliant photographer in **Peter Simon**. Peter had a preternatural eye for the iconic image, whether shooting a political demonstration in Boston, the Tree Frog Farm commune, a music concert, or the landscape of his beloved Martha's Vineyard, he was there, one with the image. As we care for his photographic legacy, we will miss his warm and smiling presence.







WRITERS, TWO BY TWO



A New Hampshire writer, **Edie Clark** proposed an article to *Yankee* magazine in 1978 on Abby Rockefeller and composting toilets.

Somehow this led to a career. By the 1990s, Clark had become a much-beloved columnist at *Yankee* and the author of seven books.

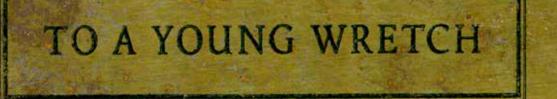
Rooted in her writing, this collection includes a wealth of research and family materials that she mined for her books.

A Vermont poet and writer, **Martha Ramsey** is the author of *Where I Stopped* (1995), a powerful memoir of being raped at the age of thirteen, and a volume of poetry, *Blood Stories* (1996). Her collection includes background materials and drafts; unpublished writings, journals, and correspondence from her teenage years forward; and family papers from her father, Frederic Ramsey, a noted jazz historian, and Ethel Ramsey Davenport, a weaver and member of the artists' colony in New Hope, Pennsylvania.

Elders Share the Arts and Stagebridge are pioneers in creative aging, a field using the arts as a means to transform the lives of older adults. Founded in New York City in 1979, ESTA has developed participatory programs in the arts for older adults, using storytelling, theater, writing, dance, and the visual arts.

A theater company based in San Francisco, Stagebridge was organized in 1978 "for and of" older adults, and has sponsored workshops, performances, and other opportunities for lifelong learning.





Ben Lewis's Robert Frost collection was built over sixty years and includes first and variant editions of nearly all of the poet's works, mostly autographed, along with first appearances of poems in magazines; letters and manuscripts; and rare ephemera such as this 1937 Christmas poem. Nothing says holidays like a young wretch.

For nearly forty years, **Madeline DeFrees** lived as a Catholic nun, but in 1973, her talent as a poet pried her into the secular world. For a dozen years thereafter, including six in the MFA program at UMass Amherst, she taught writing at universities, publishing nine

books of poetry and two of prose.

An anti-fascist and a major figure in 20th century Italian letters, **Cesare Pavese** was a novelist, poet, critic, and translator of American authors.

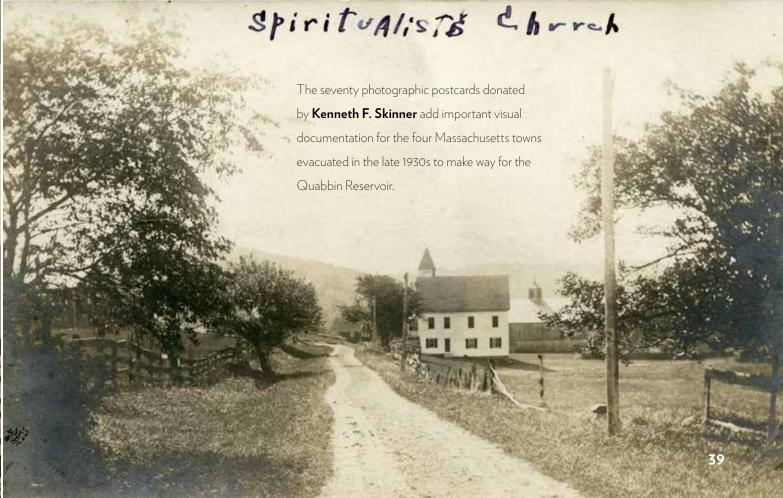
Donated by Lawrence G. Smith, this small collection includes several first editions by Pavese inscribed to Constance Dowling, the woman whose rejection allegedly prompted his suicide at age 41.



Cesare Pavese

Dialoghi con Leucò







MARCH ON MAY DAY

To Demand

CEASE-FIRE IN KOREA! NEGOTIATE FOR WORLD PEACE!

To Voice Our

REPEAL OF ALL POLICE-STATE

LAWS!

Since 1912, when Howevelt was elected President, the American labor movement has grown from three million to burteen million members; the United Mine Workers, from 150,000 to 600,000, including 137,000 in the armed forces.

Recall the years before Roosevelt! While Wall Street kept and with Couldge, we miners sweated under the open shop and the yellow-day contract. Even today, mothers in the mining ramps score their children with Hoover's name. Those were the days of the Coal and Iron Palies and the Baldern-Febr thugs Mining towns were emergeration samps, cucles and with high wire forces patrolled by brutal men, with guns on their him. Those were the slays of the barrants and the blacklist In 1930, there were only 193 United Mine Workers members in District Five; and only 512 in District 17.

THEN CAME ROOSEVELT. AND THE NEA. SECTION 7A. AND THE WAGNER ACT.

Who dares to tell the miners that the salvation of our union does not date from these victories for American labor and democracy? Today, District Five has about 50,000 members and, in what was District 17, there are around 10,000 members.

Who will deny that if the present sponsors of Thomas Dewey had favored the passage of a Wagner Act." in 1925, the long train of open shop minfortunes which befull the coal miners sered have been avoided? But they were not an disposed. Now, minuteen years later, those hyperrites, after history had rubbed their noses in the dirt, inddenly assounce that they accept the principles of the National Labor Relations Act. Such gall cannot disguise their

than the NRA in the last.

Over the continued opposition of many of Dewey's isolationist supporters, like William Bandalph Bearst and Sabert McCormick. President Rossevelt has led this nation to the threshold of sictory. The key to this success has been the President's consistent develop ment of the redicy of United Nations unity. For war and for peace, IF WE COAL MINERS ARE TO HAVE JOBS IN THE POST WAR YEARS there must be a world of democratic nations. unfrombled by war and threats of war. Only then will there be foreign and home markets enough to keep the American steel, railroad, chemical, power, shipbuilding and other industries busy conshiring five days production of our coal mines every week.

This is why Rossevelt's policy of the United Nations is a bread and butter vasation of this decade no less important to us miners

Theodore W. Allen

stands among the twentieth

century's most important thinkers on race and class. A working-class intellectual, labor activist, and anti-white supremacist, he began to develop a powerful class struggle-based analysis of "white skin privilege" in the 1960s that culminated in his seminal two-volume history, The Invention of the White Race (1994, 1997). The struggle against white supremacy, he arqued, was essential to creating radical social change in

the U.S.

Until her retirement in 2016, **Ellen Story** represented the 3rd Hampshire District in the Massachusetts legislature for 24 years, advocating for critical issues ranging from pay equity for women and transgender rights to health services. The extensive collection of American coins, commemorative pieces, and exonumia assembled by Paul Murphy '73 forms a deep well for research in public art, memory, and the process of memorialization.

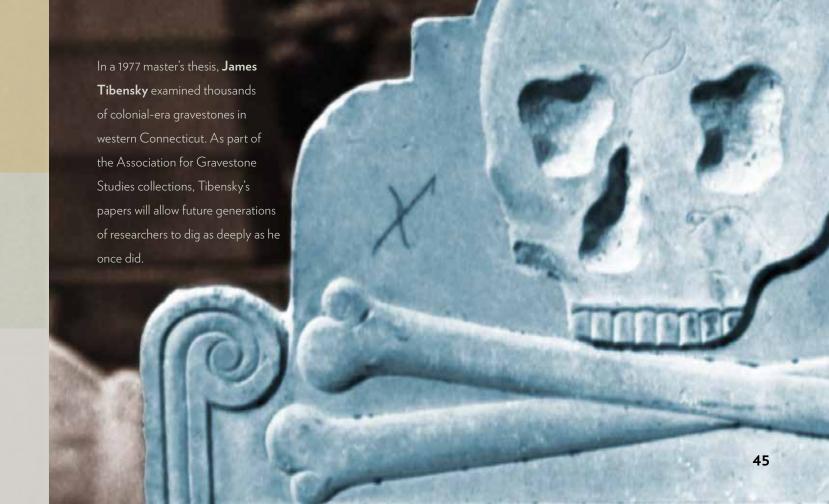
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Drafted into the Quartermaster Corps in 1917, **Frank**Newth served overseas in France for nearly eighteen months. The letters describing his First World War experiences are fully digitized and online.

Surviving Pearl Harbor, the destroyer **USS Reid** served with distinction from the Aleutians to the Solomons until falling to kamikaze attacks at Leyte Gulf in 1944. Leonard Gardner's '49 collection documents his former ship with photographs, oral histories, and other materials.

Samuel Beach of Branford, Conn., served in the nine-month 27th Connecticut Infantry during the Civil War, witnessing the full force of Fredericksburg and Chancellorsville. In an abrupt change of pace, he went on in civilian life to found Pawson Park, a day resort that reached a peak of popularity in the 1880s.





Barton Byg, founder of the DEFA East German Film Archive, has begun to donate materials from his career, including posters and the first ever spatula accessioned in SCUA, part of a small collection of domestic products that complement our extensive library of imprints from East Germany.



Selected projects 2018

William MacConnell aerial survey project (digitizing approximately 40,000 aerial photos of Massachusetts taken from 1950 to the 1990s)

The McCormack Family Foundation provided generous support for digitizing the Mark H. McCormack Papers

The **Topol Family Foundation** provided funds to process the Theodore W. Allen Papers and to digitize the papers of Caleb Foote

Lloyd Bonfield provided funds to digitize several collections from World War I

Thomas and Barbarie Hill provided support for processing and digitization of Quaker collections

The **Esperantic Studies Foundation** provided funds to support processing and digitization.

Lorrey '69 and Kathy Bianchi provided funds that helped process the records of Elders Share the Arts

Conrad and Michiko Totman supported processing of the records of the Clarke School for the Deaf

Assorted friends of **Tiyo Attallah Salah-El** have provided funds to digitize materials

The **Council of Library and Information Resources** have provided a major grant to support digitization of collections pertaining to disability history. We begin in 2019.



With our partners in the W. E. B. Du Bois
Center, SCUA supported the 24th annual
Du Bois Lecture featuring **Reiland Rabaka**speaking on W. E. B. Du Bois and the
emergence of the Civil Rights movement.

Other SCUA events included a reunion of the Interfaith
Pilgrimage of the Middle Passage participants, a
celebration of the life of Tiyo Attallah Salah-El, and
a concert at the Friends of the Libraries annual Fall
Reception featuring Jim Rooney and friends.

A scholar from Kazi Nazrul University in West
Bengal, India, Dr. **Anindya Sekhar Purakayastha**spent the autumn at SCUA researching W. E. B.
Du Bois and the Dalit activist B. R. Ambedkar.
During his stay, he presented his work at seminars
here and in New York, Georgia, and California.

2018 Du Bois Fellows

Richard D. Benson (Spelman College): Funding the Revolution: Black Power, White Church Money, and the Financial Architects of Black Radicalism. 1966-1976

Juliana Góes (UMass Amherst): Du Bois on Brazil

Marc Lorenc G'22 (UMass Amherst)

Lisa McLeod (Guilford College): W. E. B. Du Bois, A World Search for Democracy

Thomas Meagher (UConn): Darkwater as Philosophical Classic

Joshua Myers (Howard University): Of Black Study: A Critique of Disciplinary Knowledges

Benjamin Nolan G'23 (UMass Amherst)

Josh Odam '17, G'21 (UMass Amherst)

Camesha Scruggs G'21 (UMass Amherst)

Phillip Luke Sinitiere (College of Biblical Studies): Democracy, Education & Peace: W. E. B. Du Bois's Late Career Life and Legacy

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