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Time Capsule Collection
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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Title	Time Capsule, 1980.
Extent	1.5 linear feet. 2 boxes.
Arrangement	All items were removed from the original orange plastic document case, placed in acid-free folders and boxes. All items in the collection were kept in their original order.
Provenance	The Time Capsule was given to archivist Hermann Beckert on August 24, 1982 by Dean Reilein on behalf of sociology professor Donald Leveridge.
Finding Aid	Printed finding aid available in repository. Electronic version: http://ecsu.archives.s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com/
Preferred Citation	[Series, Date, Folder description]. Time Capsule, 1980. University Archives, J. Eugene Smith Library, Eastern Connecticut State University, Willimantic, Connecticut 06226
Access points	Eastern Connecticut State College Eastern Connecticut State University.
Restrictions	None.
Document types	Notebooks. Photographs. Fliers. News clippings. Student Essays. 1980 Yearbook.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

The Time Capsule was created in the fall of 1980. An office memo from Dean Reilein to Mr. Hermann Beckert states that it was given by sociology professor, Donald Leveridge. "It is to be opened in the year 2000. He wanted it to be kept until then in the college archives." The contents include the following materials: student essays and campus publications including a complete 1980 yearbook; contemporary newspaper articles about the draft & foreign affairs; political flyers; plus articles about celebrities and miscellaneous cultural material including a copy of *TV Guide* (magazine) dated November 22-28, 1980.

SERIES DESCRIPTION:

The collection is complete in one series.

The collection contains 12 file folders of material plus a copy of the 1980 yearbook.

The following are descriptions of the contents of the time capsule.

Folder 1 – Donation of the Time Capsule

The original memo identifying the material and its history.

Folder 2 – Social Issues

Topics: Alcoholism, Environment-whales, Birth Control, Crime, Inflation, Medicine, Racism, Refugees, and Willimantic, Connecticut.

Folder 3 – College booklets and other print material

Registration-Fall 1980, *Dimension*, Intramural handbook, Christmas Concert-program, Apartment Housing Guide, Housing "warning" letter, 2 articles (community service).

Folder 4 – Student Essays

Titles: "The Era: History & Feelings"; "Social Problems"; "Thursday Nights at Eastern"; "College Costs in 1980"; "Living Together"; "Social Problems of Elderly".

Folder 5 – Famous People

Articles about: Melissa Gilbert, Steve McQueen, Sugar Ray Leonard, Gilda Radner, John Lennon, Ella Grasso, and The Grateful Dead (Rock Group).

Folder 6 – Draft & Disarmament

Articles: "Do You Feel a Draft? : Selective Service and You"; "The Draft Preparing America For Its Next Vietnam"; "The Draft Threatens a Comeback"; "Without Disarmament.."; "Power Plants & Weapons: The Nuclear Connection"; "Peace Is An Individual Struggle".

Folder 7 – Foreign Affairs

Articles about: South Korea, Italy Earthquake, Syria, Moscow, Poland, and the Soviet Intervention in Poland.

Folder 8 – Iran Hostage Situation

Assorted news clippings.

Folder 9 – Politics of the Eighties

Articles about: Chris Dodd, Jim Buckley, Andy Carey, John Anderson, Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Carter, Martin Masters, and Audrey Beck.

Folder 10 – *TV Guide* & *Ziggy*

November 22-28, 1980 issue of *TV Guide* and booklet *A Book of Strange and Wonderful Things* “1980 Brings the Air of *Ziggy*”.

Folder 11 – Fashion, Movies, Shopping

Mounted news clippings and a local grocery store flyer - various newspapers.

Folder 12 – Comics & Top 40 (popular music)

Comics page plus horoscope from the December 9, 1980 issue of the *Norwich Bulletin* newspaper plus a copy of Caldor Department Store *Top Hits* 45 R.P.M for November 10, 1980.

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

N/A

RELATED COLLECTIONS:

Related material may be found in the following publications: college catalogs, yearbooks and the college newspaper, *Campus Lantern*.

The University Archives has a substantial collection of university archives material and also houses the Connecticut Studies Collection. For more detailed information on these collections please speak with a staff member, call 860-465-5563 or visit the Smith Library Archives & Special Collections online at <http://ecs.uconn.edu/archives/s3-website-us-east-1.amazonaws.com/>

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<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Date</u>	
Series I – Time Capsule			
1	1	Donation of the Time Capsule	26 August 1982
	2	Newspaper Articles (Social Issues)	November 1980
	3	College booklets and other print material	1980
	4	Student Essays	December 1980
	5	Famous People	Nov-Dec 1980
	6	Draft & Disarmament	Spring 1980
	7	Foreign Affairs	Nov-Dec 1980
	8	Iran Hostage Situation	Oct-Dec 1980
	9	Politics of the Eighties	Fall 1980
	10	<i>TV Guide & Ziggy</i>	1980
	11	Fashion, Movies, Shopping	1980
	12	Comics & Top 40 (popular music)	Nov-Dec 1980
	-	ECSC Yearbook “ <i>Sustinet</i> 1980”	1980