

## STSO Documentary Educational Guide

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#### **Chapter 3: Gay Liberation Front, University of Rochester, Speaker's Bureau 3:15**

Within 2 years of Stonewall happening, over 400+ Gay Liberation Front organizations sprang up all over the country. Here in Rochester, two men, Bob Osborne and Larry Fine of the University of Rochester, advertised a meeting on October 3, 1970 at Todd Union to talk about the formation of a Gay Liberation Front (GLF) organization on the University of Rochester Campus. The group became an organization of the University supported by Student Government. The group had an office in Todd Union, began the Empty Closet Newspaper, and began the Speakers Bureau.

The GLF also began the Speakers Bureau. GLF volunteers would accept invitations from professors to speak in their classes about homosexuality. As the GLF became more known, community organizations and schools began inviting GLF volunteers to speak about being gay and to tell their story. Today, the Speakers Bureau has become the Community Outreach and Education Program of the Gay Alliance.

GLF Founding and Early Beginings:

Empty Closet January, 1971 - 1973

Campus Times V. 16 N. 29 Tuesday, September 29, 1970 Notices.

For more references see Campus times GLF Reference Page

For Speakers Bureau Engagements

Empty Closet Calendar and Speaking Engagements Lists in the Empty Closet

For Personal Reflections of a Student

Journal of Jay Stratton – available at University of Rochester Rare Books

#### **Featured Persons – Video and Audio recordings for Most**

Karen Hagberg

Liz Bell

Tim Mains

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