

Indiana University South Bend Archives

Guide to IU South Bend Dr. Glenn Chesnut Collection

Summary Information

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Title: IU South Bend Dr.Glenn Chesnut Collection

Extent: .43 cubic feet

Abstract:

Collection of materials of Indiana University South Bend retired professor Glenn Chesnut. Dates of materials range from 1964 to 2009. The collection is composed of selected books edited or written by Dr. Chesnut, some regarding the history of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA), the history of the Twelve-Step Program, the spiritual aspects of AA as well as the Twelve-Step Program. Chesnut's IUSB career was from 1970 to 2003 where he taught Ancient, Medieval and European courses and Religious Studies. Materials in this collection are a resume (1964 to 2009), professional correspondence from 2010, documents and information on Kenneth G. Merrill (founder of AA in the Michiana area) and a biography with photographs of Glenn Chesnut from his childhood to 2005.

Scope and Content Note:

Materials are arranged by subject and within subject by date. Items are from Glenn Chesnut's tenure with IU South Bend from the 1970 to 2003. The collection includes these specific categories:

- Glenn Chesnut resume (1964 to 2009).
- Correspondence from October 2010 regarding Alcoholics Anonymous play performed at a convention.
- Information and documents of Kenneth G. Merrill.
- Biography with photographs of Glenn Chesnut from childhood to 2005.
- Published works edited or authored by Glenn Chesnut. Supplemental works by various other authors, several themed on Alcoholics Anonymous. Most are catalogued and searchable in the Indiana University South Bend catalog, IUCAT, and have call numbers. (Note: The catalog numbers are listed below where applicable.)

Administrative Information:**Access Restrictions:**

This collection is open for research.
Advanced notice is required.

Usage Restrictions:

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Preferred Citation:

Glenn Chesnut Collection, Indiana University South Bend Archives.

Processing Information:

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Biographical Notes:

Glenn Chestnut received his Bachelor's Degree in Science from the University of Louisville in 1960. Afterwards, he pursued doctoral studies in physical chemistry and nuclear physics at Iowa State University from 1960 to 1961. In 1961 Chesnut left Iowa and attended Southern Methodist University where he obtained his Bachelor's of Divinity (B.D.) in 1965 from the Perkins School of Theology. Once completed with his seminary degree, Chesnut attended Oxford University from 1965 to 1968 where he received his doctorate in theology.

Dr. Chesnut was the Preceptor of Greek and Philosophy in the graduate theology program at Southern Methodist University from 1964 to 1965, taught Religion at the University of Virginia from 1968 to 1970, and then came to Indiana University South Bend where he taught classes History and Religious Studies from 1970 to 2003.

Currently, Glenn Chesnut is the Director of the Hindsfoot Foundation. This foundation was founded in 1993 and publishes works on the history and theory of alcoholism treatment and the moral and spiritual dimensions of recovery. Chesnut has been an ordained United Methodist minister since 1964. He has written books on Ancient History, Early Christianity and the history, theory, and spirituality of alcoholism treatment and the Twelve Step program in the twentieth century.

Processing Notes:

This collection was given to Indiana University South Bend by Glenn Chesnut. The physical arrangement of the collection is divided into documents and publications. The documents include a resume, a biography with photographs, correspondence regarding a

play from 2012, information and documents on Kenneth Merrill. Publications include materials written and edited by Dr. Chesnut or related to the Hindsfoot Foundation.

The collection is small and in good condition with no deteriorating or problem areas requiring attention.

Box 1: Glenn Chestnut resume, correspondence regarding Alcoholics Anonymous play, materials on Kenneth Merrill and published works edited or written by Glenn Chesnut.

Box	Folder	Contents
1	1	Glenn Chesnut resume from 1964 to 2009; correspondence from October 2012 regarding South Bend history in Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) play performed at international convention; document of information regarding Kenneth G. Merrill who was written in the book <u>The Factory Owner and the Convict: How AA first got started in Michiana in 1943.</u>
1	2	Biography with photographs of Glenn Chesnut from his childhood to 2005.
1	3	Published works: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ernest Kurtz, <u>Shame and Guilt</u>, 2nd edition, iUniverse, Inc.; Lincoln, NE; 2007. (BF575.G8K84 2007)• Ernest Kurtz, <u>The Collected Ernie Kurtz</u>, Authors Choice Press; Bloomington, IN; 1999. (HV5279.K87 2008)• Glenn Chesnut, <u>The St. Louis Gambler and the Railroad Man: Lives and Teachings of the A.A. Old Timers</u>, 2nd edition, Hindsfoot Foundation Series on Alcoholics Anonymous History, iUniverse, Inc.; Lincoln, NE; 2005. (HV5278.C48 2005)• Glenn Chesnut, <u>The Higher Power of the Twelve-Step Program: For Believers and Non-Believers</u>, Authors Choice Press; Lincoln, NE; 2001. (BL624.5C48 2001)• Glenn Chesnut, <u>Changed By Grace: V.C. Kitchen, the Oxford Group, and A.A.</u>, 2nd edition, iUniverse, Inc.; Lincoln, NE. (BV4487.09C49 2006)• Glenn Chesnut, <u>The Factory Owner and the Convict: Lives and Teachings of the A.A. Old Timers</u>, 2nd edition, Hindsfoot Foundation Series on Alcoholics Anonymous History, iUniverse; Lincoln, NE, 2005. (HV5280.I6C48

2005)

- Nancy Olsen, With A Lot of Help from Our Friends: The Politics of Alcoholism, Writers Club Press, Hindsfoot Foundation series on the History of Alcoholism Treatment, Glenn F. Chesnut, editor; Lincoln, NE; 2003.
- Sergeant Bill S. with Glenn F. Chesnut, Ph.D., On the Military Firing Line: In the Alcoholism Treatment Program – The Air Force Sergeant Who Beat Alcoholism and Taught Others to Do the Same, Hindsfoot Foundation Series on the History of Alcoholism Treatment, iUniverse; Lincoln, NE; 2003. (HV5279.S2 2003)
- Richard M. Dubiel, The Road To Fellowship: The Role of the Emmanuel Movement and the Jacoby Club in the Development of Alcoholics Anonymous, Glenn F. Chesnut, editor; Hindsfoot Foundation Series on the History of Alcoholism Treatment, iUniverse, Inc.; Lincoln, NE; 2004. (HV5279.D83 2004)
- Annette D. Smith, Ph.D., The Social World of Alcoholics Anonymous: How It Works, Hindsfoot Foundation Series on Treatment and Recovery, Glenn F. Chesnut, editor; iUniverse, Inc.; Lincoln, NE; 2007.