

Collection Summary

ID Number: CS 602

Title: University of the Trees

Extent: 1 Folder(s)

Span Dates: 1979-1986

Language: English

Geographic Location: Boulder Creek, California

Abstract: This collection consists of catalogs of book and products and newsletters from the organization.

Historical Notes: In 1973, the social philosopher Christopher Hills founded the University of the Trees in Boulder Creek, California. By the mid-1980's, some 40 members were living communally in local houses and offering courses in such areas as meditation, yoga, and healing. Others studied with the group by correspondence. The group focused on a system of conflict resolution known as "Creative Conflict." Members operated several small businesses for support, among them one selling spirulina. Since the death of Hills in 1997 the communal features of the organization seem to have declined, but some of the group's programs have continued in modified form.

Sources: Miller, Timothy. *The encyclopedic guide to American intentional communities*. 2nd ed. Clinton, New York: Richard W. Couper Press, 2015. pg. 457.

Selected Search Terms

Subjects: Communal living; Collective settlements; Housing, Cooperative; Commune; University of the Trees; Hills, Christopher B.; Spirulina; Universities and colleges; Ecology

Administrative Information

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Contents	Date	Container	Folder	Location
Book and Product Catalogs and Flyers	1979 - 1986	Filing Cabinet	Folder 1	Filing Cabinet 17-A

