

Title:	Welland Canals Society fonds, 1979-1991		
Creator:	Welland Canals Society		
Dates of Material:	1979-1991	Record Group Number:	RG 58
Summary of Contents:	<p>Inventory:</p> <p>Box 1</p> <p>1.1 An Evaluation of the Welland Canals Society Innovations Program, November 24, 1988, prepared by The Coopers & Lybrand Consulting Group.</p> <p>1.2 An Evaluation of the Welland Canals Society Innovations Program Activities for the period August 1988-July 1989, June 15, 1989 prepared by The Coopers & Lybrand Consulting Group.</p> <p>1.3 Lessons Learned: Final evaluation of the Welland Canal Society Innovations Program, March 30, 1990 prepared by The Coopers & Lybrand Consulting Group.</p> <p>1.4-1.5 Original manuscript, <u>A study of historic structures</u> [2 folders] Welland Canals Preservation Association, [1978] – 1986; includes newsletters, correspondence, promotional material, annual report</p> <p>1.6 Photographs including: Construction of the 3rd Welland Canal, promotion photos, the Merritt Trail and Merritt Trail opening, mountain locks, Mountain Locks Park ceremony, Dufferin Islands, Connecticut Bridge, award presentations, bike path ceremonies, 37 b&w photos, 29 col. photos, 1985, n.d.</p> <p>1.7 Photographs including: Port Dalhousie; Jim Timmins; a train that went into the canal at Michigan Central Bridge; M.H. Hogue and Son in Wainfleet with M. Hager, M.H. Hogue and M.B. Limburner; building of the 3rd aqueduct; Main Street, Welland; Port Robinson Lock; Port Colborne; Old fire hall no.1 with George Gibbs in Welland; Alexandra Bridge, Welland; Sherkston Quarry; Lem Hogue at the junction lock near Broadway Bridge and Mrs. Hogue at the Lincoln Street Bridge, 41 b&w photos, 2 col. photos, 1860, 1910, 1914, 1916, 1945, 1968, 1982, n.d.</p> <p>Copies of postcards including: Philip and Co. Paperhangers and Decorators with Anna Maciluride; Welland Riverside Mills; Welland Aqueduct; Main Street, Welland; Industrial home, Welland; Empire Cotton Mills, Welland; West Main Street and Baptist Church, Welland;</p>		

	<p>Y.M.C.A., Welland; Public School and Holy Trinity Church, Welland, 14 b&w copies of postcards, 1880, 1912-1913, 1916, 1951, n.d.</p> <p>Coloured copies of postcards including: North Main Street, Welland; Welland High School; Post Office, Town Hall and Alexandra Bridge, Welland; G.T.R. Station, Port Colborne and the Welland Canal, 4 col. copies of postcards, 1 col. postcard, 1913, 1983, n.d.</p>
1.8	<p>Vintage slides including: Henley, Wilfred Coons at Port Dalhousie, a mill, a factory, Lock 6, stone masons on the 3rd Welland Canal, Glenridge Bridge, Riordan Paper Mill, 4th Welland Canal horse stable, Taylor & Bate Breweries, gas lamp along old canal, Muir's Shipyard, NS&T steamer, ships including the "Juno", St. Catharines in 1850, 1860 and in 1870, and the Griffiths Block in Welland, 72 b&w slides, 1880, n.d.</p>
1.9	<p>Port Colborne and Thorold slides: Port Colborne includes: the lighthouse, Harbourview Park and the pavilion. Thorold includes: the transformer station on the New Welland Canal, Port Robinson Lock, Lock 7, Thorold Glendale Ave. Locks, a plaque for the Second Welland Canal and Battle of Beaverdams Park, 45 col. slides, 1981, 1983, 1985, n.d.</p>
1.10	<p>Port Dalhousie slides include: Muir Brothers sign, Front Street arcades and ad for Murphys, Lock 1 Park and 3rd Welland Canal Lock, 23 col. slides, 1977, 1980, 1982-1983, 1986, n.d.</p>
1.11	<p>Slides (most are St. Catharines) including: Lockport City Hall, Haircloth Company, William Hamilton Merritt, article about 10 million dollar canal recreation centre being proposed, Folk Arts Festival poster, Lock 25 and Bailey Bridge, Merritt Trail, construction, Lock 22 of the 3rd canal, Johnson's bar, 120 col. slides, 1976, 1983, 1986, n.d.</p>
1.12	<p>Slides (most are St. Catharines) including: Heritage Trail map, Taylor and Bate Building, looking upstream from Lock 1 and bird sanctuary, Johnson's bar, 100 col. slides, 1983, n.d.</p>
1.13	<p>Canal systems slides including: maps and diagrams, article about Beaverdams Park, plaques (St. Catharines, founding of St. Catharines, First Welland Canal, Mountain Locks, William Hamilton Merritt, Centennial Garden and Merritt Island), Lock One Park, construction on Martindale Road, 106 col. slides, n.d.</p>
1.14	<p>Construction slides, 21 col. slides, 1987, 1990</p>
1.15	<p>Various slides including: a domed stadium, historical marker at Alanburg, Alexandria Canal, architectural dig and Dunnville, 18 col. slides, 1985, n.d.</p>

- 1.16 Welland Canals Society strategy objectives and thematic framework Slides and Welland Canals Society development guide, 72 col. slides, n.d.
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- 1.18 Board Minutes, 1987
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- 2.9 Handbook for Board Members, 1989-1992

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- 4.9 Background Report on the Management of the Heritage Economic Resource Welland Canals Corridor Development Guide prepared by Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited; Lane, Frenchman and Associates; Historica Research Limited and the Welland Canals Society, n.d.
- 4.10 Society Management System (SOCMS), 1989
- 4.11 Advertisement for the Whitman and Barnes Manufacturing Company of St. Catharines and posters for the CHSC and Welland Canals Preservation Association Winter Funfest, 1984, n.d.
- 4.12 Audio cassette tour of St. Catharines and the four Welland Canals, 1989
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	<p>Box 5</p> <p>5.1 Clipping Book 4A – August 1985-June 1986</p> <p>5.2 Clipping Book 5 – July 1986- March 1987</p> <p>5.3 Clipping Book 6 – March 1987-August 1987</p> <p>5.4 Clipping Book 7 – August 1987-February 1988</p> <p>5.5 Clipping Book 8 – February 1988-September 1988</p> <p>5.6 Clipping Book 9 – September 1988- 1990</p> <p>5.7 Transparencies [22]</p>
<p>Physical Description / Condition:</p>	<p>1.12 m of textual records 72 b&w slides 552 col. slides 89 b&w photographs 25 coloured photographs 1 coloured postcard 44 transparencies 2 framed prints 1 cassette tape</p>
<p>Administrative/ Biographical Sketch</p>	<p>Fonds consists of records and other material accumulated by the Welland Canals Society. Fonds includes reports, guides, surveys and studies, Board minutes and Executive Committee Minutes, newspaper clippings and administrative files. Fonds also includes slides, photographs, transparencies and cassette tape.</p> <p>The Welland Canals Society was a coalition of business, tourism, heritage, and recreational groups that joined with the Regional Government in 1986 to promote the redevelopment of the Welland Canals Corridor. The mandate of the Society was to provide leadership and assistance to the public and private sectors in achieving heritage-sensitive and tourism/recreation-related economic development in the Welland Canals Corridor. The Society folded in 1991 due to government funding cuts.</p>

Abbreviations:	WCPA – Welland Canals Preservations Association W.C.S. – Welland Canals Society
Separated materials: (Materials already present in the collection)	<p>Merritton redevelopment plan / N.I.P. [in cooperation with the Merritton Residents' Neighborhood Improvement Committee]. --[s.l : s.n., 1979] SPCL FC 3153 M4 Z632 1979</p> <p>Old Welland Canal: a land use/marketing review : final report / Public Works Canada. [Toronto] : Proctor & Redfern Group : Pannell Kerr Forster, 1989. SPCL FC 3143.7 L28 C35 1989</p> <p>Thomas B. McQuesten / Roland Barnsley.-- Markham [Ont.] : Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 1987. SPCL FC 3075.1 M37 B37 1987</p> <p>An evaluation of the Public Works Canada Study Old Welland Canal - a land use/marketing review / prepared by: Welland Planning and Development Dept., Corporation of Welland. [Welland, Ont. : The Dept.], 1989. SPCL FC 3143.7 L28 C353 1989</p> <p>City of Thorold: parks, recreation & background report / Monteith Zelinka Limited.-- London, [Ont.] : Monteith Zelinka, 1990. SPCL FC 3163.45 C55 M649 1990</p> <p>Archaeological excavation of Lock 24, first Welland Canal / Historica Research Limited. London [Ont.] : Historica Research, 1988 SPCL FC 3143.7 E94 H57 1988</p> <p>A proposal for the Welland Canals Heritage Parkway (phase II) / prepared by Danielle Mroz, Rick Niesink, Anne Willmot; Cover design : Margaret Beatty.- [S.l. : s.n.], 1983. SPCL FC 3143.7 P3 M76</p> <p>A heritage assessment of Welland Iron and Brass in Welland, Ontario / submitted to: The Welland Historical Museum, prepared by: Welland Canals Society, Archaeology Project. Welland, [Ont.] : The Society, 1989. SPCL FC 3164.123 W45 W45 1989</p> <p>HERITAGE CONSERVATION: THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT Ward, E. Neville. 1986 NA 109 C2 W37 1986 [Floor 8]</p> <p>Preservation through development" : a pilot project of the Welland Canals Society / [prepared by: Elmer Wick & Associates for the Welland Canals</p>

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A handbook for cultural trustees : a guide to the role, responsibilities and functions of boards of trustees of cultural organizations in Canada / by Marion A. Paquet ; with Rory Ralston and Donna Cardinal. -- Waterloo, Ont. : University of Waterloo Press, [1987] [NX 760 P37 1987](#) [Floor 8]

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Port Dalhousie secondary plan : background report and analysis / [prepared by] Planning Dept., St. Catharines. St. Catharines, Ont. : City of St. Catharines, Planning Dept., 1979. SPCL [FC 3153 P6 Z632 1979](#)

Port Dalhousie area plan: analysis and policies planning. [St. Catharines Ont. : Dept., 1982]. [FC 3153 P6 Z632 1982](#)

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Port Dalhousie Marina : report to Landcorp Ontario Limited / Fenco Engineers Inc., in association with EDA Collaborative Inc. [St. Catharines, Ont. : Landcorp Ontario], 1986. SPCL [FC 3153 P6 Z663 1986](#)

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Source Information:	Fonds remained in the possession of the Welland Canals Society until about 1994, when the material was transferred to Special Collections and Archives, James A. Gibson Library, Brock University. Fonds was received around 1994 from Lou Marcantonio, a board member of the society, on behalf of the Welland Canals Society. Additional items were donated by Evelyn Smith, 2008.		
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Related material held at other repositories:	Welland Canal material can be found at the St. Catharines Museum and the Welland Historical Museum.		
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