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Historical Note

The American Canal Society was founded on January 1st, 1972, by Captain Thomas F. Hahn, (U.S. Navy Retired) of Fort Meade Maryland. Hahn served as its president from 1972-1997.

The Canal Society was founded as a national organization to coordinate different local societies and serve local canal enthusiasts in places where such societies were lacking as a clearinghouse for information. It's early focus included creating a comprehensive list of American canals and surviving canal structures, the distribution of canal related literature, and the preservation and maintenance of canal-centric parks.

Scope and Contents

The collection includes Hahn's early correspondence as society president, records of advocacy with the National Park Service, flyers advertising canal publications, brochures for different canals, and documents relating to canal research as well as selected news clippings. A few whole and partial issues of the newsletter "Along the Towpath" are also included. There is also some graphical material depicting canals, canal boats, and structures, primarily in the form of prints.

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Description of Subordinate Components

Correspondence

Unit Date 1971-1976
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National Park Service Public Consultation on Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park

Unit Date 1972
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New Clippings

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Along the Towpath

Unit Date 1972, Undated
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Essays, Guides, Reports, and Lists about Canals

Unit Date 1970-1976, Undated

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Container 284-5 (folder)

Language English.

Maps of Canals

Unit Date Undated

Text 04 (Assorted Box)

Container 284-6 (folder)

Language English.

Canal Museum Symposiums

Unit Date 1974-1975

Text 04 (Assorted Box)

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Brochures

Unit Date 1971-1977, Undated

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Publication Lists and Order Forms

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Canal Boat Materials

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Canal and Canal Boat Images

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Photos

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