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JOAN GIVNER

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1976-1990

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Arrangement: The records were collected and created by Joan Givner. Some files were arranged by Joan Givner. The majority of the records were arranged and organized by an archives grant worker.

Restrictions: Joan Givner holds the copyright to all the material. The file titled "Correspondence, Butala, Sharon" is open only with permission of Sharon Butala.

Scope and content: The Joan Givner Fonds consists of correspondence between Givner and other writers as well as some drafts and copies of short stories and essays written by Givner. The records were divided into seven series including: Correspondence, Professional activities, Publications about Givner, Publications by others, Publications featuring works by Givner, writings by Givner, writings by others.

Occupation, life, and activities: Upon completing a Bachelor of Arts degree at the University of London Joan came to North America and started her academic career at a Junior College in Michigan. In 1965 she began teaching in the English Department of the University of Saskatchewan Regina Campus. She received her Ph.D. from the University of Washington in 1972 and a full professorship at the University of Regina in 1976. Joan Givner has been awarded several Canada Council grants for writing and a United States National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship. Joan Givner is most noted for her book *Katherine Ann Porter: A Life* published by Simon and Shuster in 1982.

Notes: Other Accessions in the Joan Givner Fonds are: 85-92, 86-61, 87-84, 88-13, 89-72, 92-25, 93-72, 94-79.

Custodial history: The records comprising the Joan Givner Fonds were held by Joan Givner before being transferred to the University Archives.

Box 1

Correspondence

Friends

Wenaus, Donna

Writers

Andre, Lola

1979-1983

Butala, Sharon

1985-1990 (**Closed**)

Cimaralli, Mary

1979-1983

Colquitt, Betsy

1979-1983

Crozier, Alice

1981-1983

DeBellis, Jack

1976-1981

Ditsky, John

1985-1986

Gault, Connie

1983-1985

Greene, Annetta

1976

Heller, Ricki

1984-1987

Hillis, Doris

1985-1987

Hicks, John V.

1987-1990

(2 photos included)

McConahay, Mary

1982-1984

Roy, Irene

n.d.

Speer, Laura

1986-1987

Wesseler, Marlis

1984-1988

Miscellaneous

1983-1990

Professional Activities

Recommendations

Publications about Givner, Freelance

Volume XVIII, No. 3, October, page 16, 1987

Publications by Others

Broadsheets, 1967

Butala, Sharon

DeBellis, Jack, 1968

Publications Featuring Writings by Givner

Forum, June - 1990

Writings by Givner

"The Decline and Fall of a Reasonable Woman"

Essay, Draft
Footnotes
"Holiday"
"Jump Sunday"
"Knowing Crocodiles"
"Meeting Alphonse in the Luxembourg Gardens"
"My Chinese Marriage" Preface - 1990
"Nelly's Place"
Box 2 "Nocturne" Drafts
"Prince Albert"
"Prince Albert" Drafts
"Remembering Miss Charnock"
"The Saskatoon Letters"
"The Saskatoon Letters" Draft
"Short Story With Footnotes"
"Short Story with Footnotes" Draft
"The Trade"
"Unfortunate Incidents"
"Why Katherine Ann Porter Wrote About Mexico"
"The Woman Who Couldn't Imagine Men"
Writings by Others
Butala, Sharon
Cimarolli, Mary
Gault, Connie
Keller (Wenaus) Donna
Wessler, Marlis