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Summary information

Repository:	University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections
Title:	Survival Research Newsletters and Periodicals Collection
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Accession [alternative]:	A2011-062
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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The Survival Research Institute of Canada was founded in 1991. The institute aimed to pursue and promote studies in the field of survival research, which is investigation into whether some part of the human consciousness or personality, commonly referred to as spirit, survives physical death and whether that spirit is able to communicate with the living. Based in Victoria, BC, its representatives carry out the following activities: undertaking research into the history of Spiritualism and psychical research in Canada (including study of the work of Canadian psychical researcher, Dr. Thomas Glendenning Hamilton, and the relationship of Spiritualist table-tilting phenomena documented by Hamilton and others to theories about psychokinesis); taking part in experiments connected to evidence of spirit survival brought through mediumship; sponsoring public education on subjects relevant to survival research through workshops, lectures, and demonstrations of mediumship; participating in media interviews; presenting academic lectures in Canada, the United States and Europe; and directing relevant records of Canadian organizations and individuals to appropriate archival repositories. On May 24, 2000, the institute was federally incorporated and became a registered charity. The founding members were: Walter Meyer zu Erpen and Debra Barr, two noted Canadian archivists, Walter Keoki Quan, Claus Michael Thomsen, Janice Irene Stromgren, Paul Dennis Biscop, and Lolita Nevon Wilson.

Custodial history

The collection was donated by the Survival Research Institute of Canada in 2011 and was transferred to the Archives by Walter Meyer zu Erpen, the Institute's President. A second accession A15-139 was transferred to the Archives by Walter Meyer zu Erpen in July 2015.

Scope and content

This collection was arranged in part by the transferring agent in accordance with specifications he provided. This collection consists of 218 newsletters, journals and other publications created by Spiritualist churches and organizations between the 1980s and 2011 which have been collected by the Survival Research Institute of Canada. The collection takes up 0.26 linear metres of shelf space and is fully textual. The items and folders were organized by the transferring agent and are divided by publication. Publications and papers bound together by staples, archival clips or other means were done so by the transferring agent and thus are treated as a single record, even those which contain what could be considered more than one document. The second accession (A15-139) consisted of less than 12 issues which were interfiled with the previous accession.

Notes

Title notes

Restrictions on access

There are no restrictions on this material.

Conditions governing use

Users must abide by relevant copyright legislation.

Related material

This collection is one of a series of fonds and collections transferred to the archives by Walter Meyer zu Erpen of the Survival Research Institute of Canada related to survival and parapsychology research. Other such fonds and collections transferred by Meyer zu Erpen are the Survival Research Institute of Canada fonds "(MSS 372; A11-60)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/survival-research-institute-of-canada-fonds;rad>, A.R.G. (George) and Iris M. Owen fonds "(MSS 373, PC 328, EL 38; A11-61)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/r-g-george-and-iris-m-owen-fonds;rad>, Debra Barr and Walter Meyer zu Erpen Research and Publication Collection "(MSS 375; A11-63)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/debra-barr-and-walter-meyer-zu-erpen-research-and-publication-collection;rad>, Jenny O'Hara Pincock fonds "(MSS 376; A11-64)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/jenny-ohara-pincock-fonds;rad>, Spiritualist Hymnals and Manuals Collection "(MSS 377; A11-65)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/>

spiritualist-hymnals-and-manuals-collection;rad, Kenneth J. Batcheldor fonds "(MSS 378, EL 39; A11-66)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/kenneth-j-batcheldor-fonds;rad>, Mary Olga Park fonds "(MSS 380; A11-71)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/olga-park-fonds;rad>, Albert Batten fonds "(MSS 379, PC 329, EL 40; A11-67)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/albert-batten-fonds;rad>, Howard Reed fonds "(MSS 381, EL 41; A11-107)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/howard-reed-fonds;rad>. Also related, but not transferred by Meyer zu Erpen, is the Hamilton Family fonds "(Mss 14, Pc 12, Tc 70; A.79-21, A.79-41, A.79-52, A.79-56, A.79-65, A.80-08, A.80-25, A.81-09, A.86-56)":<http://nanna.lib.umanitoba.ca/icaatom/index.php/hamilton-family-fonds;rad>

Accruals

The transferring agent has indicated that further accruals are very likely.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published

Access points

- Survival Research Institute of Canada
- Textual record (documentary form)

Series descriptions

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Alpha Print Pty. Ltd. - Psychic Science News-Magazine	1957		A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0001
	File - The ARC (Awareness, Reality, Consciousness) News	1988		A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0002
	File - Barbanell, Maurice - Psychic Truth	1946-1947		A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0003
	File - Bodin, Ed - Spirit World	1947		A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0004
	File - British Astrological and Psychic Society	1997		A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0005
	File - Canadian Healing Exchange Association - Healing Exchange News	1989		A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0006

	File - Canadian Psychic Research Centre - Psychic Power	1976	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0007
	File - Christian Spiritual Ministries Inc. - The Digest	2002, 2008-2015	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0008
	File - Community Spiritualist Church - Circle of Light	1999	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0009
	File - Cosmic Light Press - Cosmic Light	1967	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0010
	File - Church of Religion Research - Religious Research Journal	1991-1993	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0011
	File - Church of Spiritualist Truth - Quest	1970	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0012
	File - Church of the White Eagle, Star Centre for the Americas - Newsletter for the Americas	1990-1991	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0013
	File - Denton, Leigh and June - Chimes	1950, 1964-1965	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0014
	File - The Eagleye Management Group - Egleye	1995-1996, 2001	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0015
	File - Elodia Castol de Benavides	1956-1967	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0016
	File - Dorothy Jeanne Engst - True Blue Spirit	2008-2009	A2011-062, Box 0001 File 0017
	File - Fate Magazine - Fate	1980, 1983	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0001
	File - The Gateway Centre Spiritualist Church - That's the Spirit	1991-2002	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0002
	File - Greater World Christian Spiritualist Leage - The Greater World	1937-1959	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0003
	File - Greater World Christian Spiritualist Leage - The Greater World	1960-1969	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0004
	File - Greater World Christian Spiritualist Leage - The Greater World	1970-1973	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0005
	File - Greater World Christian Spiritualist Leage - The Greater World	1981-1986	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0006
	File - Greater World Christian Spiritualist Leage - The Greater World	1988-1991	A2011-062, Box 0002 File 0007

	File - W.E. Harrison - The London Spiritualist	1957	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0001
	File - The Healer Publishing Company - The Spiritual Healer	1963-1971	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0002
	File - The Healer Publishing Company - The Spiritual Healer	1972	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0003
	File - The Healer Publishing Company - The Spiritual Healer	1973	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0004
	File - The Healer Publishing Company - The Spiritual Healer	1974-1975	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0005
	File - The Healer Publishing Company - The Spiritual Healer	1978-1980	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0006
	File - The Hydesville Healing Shrine - Spiritual Digest of Hydesville	1952, 1962	A2011-062, Box 0003 File 0007
	File - IARP - Research for Religion and Parapsychology	1982, 1983	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0001
	File - IARP - Institute for Religious Psychology Newsletter	1982, 1983	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0002
	File - Inner Quest Foundation - Direct Voice	1994-1997	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0003
	File - International Association of Near-Death Studies - Vital Signs	1998	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0004
	File - International General Assembly of Spiritualists - The Journal	1990-1997	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0005
	File - International Spiritualist Federation - Yours Fraternally	1991; 1999-2004	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0006
	File - International Spiritualist Federation - Yours Fraternally	2005-2015	A2011-062, Box 0004 File 0007
	File - Japan Psychic Science Association, Inc. - Psychical Research and Spiritualism	1957	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0001
	File - Leicester Progressive Spiritualist Church Hymn Sheet		A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0002
	File - London District Council SNU - London Chronicle	1969	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0003
	File - The Lynwood Fellowship of Spiritual and Metaphysical Studies - The Lynwood Fellowship	1999	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0004

	File - The National Spiritualist Association - The National Spiritualist Summit	1985, 1989, 2002	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0005
	File - Norwich Christian Spiritualist Church - Friend	1970-1981	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0006
	File - The Psychic Society of Alberta - New Dimesnsions	1988	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0007
	File - Psychic Systems Research - Psi-scene	1980, 1983	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0008
	File - Dr. C.S. Ramaswami Iyer - Life	1956-1957	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0009
	File - Renaissance Spirituelle Fran	1961	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0010
	File - Royal Oak Christian Spiritualist Church - Seekers Newsletter	2000-2003	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0011
	File - Shared Vision - Shared Vision	1990	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0012
	File - Shinri-Jikko-Kai (Truth-Practicing-Society) - The Cosmos	1957-1958	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0013
	File - Sommer, Andreas - Human Nature	1999	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0014
	File - The Spiritual Truth Mission - Wisdom Magazine	1962	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0015
	File - The Spiritualist Association of Great Britain - Service	1986	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0016
	File - The Spiritualist Association of Great Britain - Spiritualist Gazette	1972-1973, 1986	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0017
	File - Spiritualist Church of Canada - The Light Within	1994-1997	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0018
	File - The Spiritualist Information Service -Sei	1994-1995	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0019
	File - Spiritualist Publication Collection - Publication Lists	1980	A2011-062, Box 0005 File 0020
	File - Springdale Church - Spiritual Information Bulletin	1991-1995	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0001
	File - Synchronicity Publishing Ltd. - Synchronicity : The Magazine	1996, 2000	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0002

	File - Tone Magazine - Tone	1996	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0003
	File - Toronto Spiritualist Temple - Digest	1965-1967, 1996	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0004
	File - Two Worlds Publishing Co. - Two Worlds	1953-1960	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0005
	File - Two Worlds Publishing Co. - Two Worlds	1961-1972	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0006
	File - Two Worlds Publishing Co. - Two Worlds	1975-1983	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0007
	File - Two Worlds Publishing Co. - Two Worlds	1983-1989	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0008
	File - White Eagle Lodge (Ontario Daughter Lodge) - Drumbeat	2000	A2011-062, Box 0006 File 0009