

Lois Bewley fonds

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Fonds Description

Lois Bewley fonds. – 1968-1987.

54 cm of textual records.

Biographical Sketch

Lois Bewley was born in Regina, Saskatchewan in 1927, and completed her undergraduate degree at the University of British Columbia in 1947. She then went on to study library science, graduating from the University of Toronto with a B.L.S. (1949) and later from the University of Illinois with a M.S.L.S. (1966). After working as a librarian and lecturing in the field, Bewley joined the School of Librarianship at UBC in 1969. She worked extensively in a variety of professional associations including the British Columbia Library Association and the Canadian Library Association and was involved on numerous committees and panels in British Columbia and the Greater Vancouver Regional District. Interested in legislation affecting the financing, and structure of public libraries in general, Bewley was active in the 1970s in the Library Development Commission which sought to restructure public libraries in British Columbia.

Scope and Content

The fonds consists of academic and professional work undertaken by Bewley including several papers written and supervised by her. It also includes the records from several professional associations to which Bewley belonged, including the Library Development Commission (1971), The Fraser Valley Regional Library Committee (1970s), the B.C. Centennial Citizen's Conference on Libraries (1971), for which Bewley served as chair of the Programs Committee, and the Association of B.C. Librarians (1968-1969), later the BCLA (1980s).

Note

Researchers are strongly advised to check with the University Archives regarding permission to publish or otherwise use materials from this fonds.

Title based on the contents of the fonds.

Series Descriptions

Academic and Professional Work series. -- 1966-1987.

12 cm.

Series consists of several essays and papers written by Bewley as well as some works overseen by her in her capacity as professor in the School of Librarianship at UBC. It also includes some research materials specifically related to Bewley's interest in library legislation as well as some miscellaneous material pertaining to the UBC School of Librarianship.

Series is arranged chronologically.

Professional Associations series. -- 1970-1986.

30 cm.

Series consists of correspondence, minutes, working papers, drafts, notes and reports prepared during the course of Bewley's work on a variety of panels, boards and committees for the BCLA, CLA, Great Vancouver Library Development Committee, Fraser Valley Regional Library Committee, and the British Columbia Library Development Commission among others. It also includes information relating to the proceedings of the 5 Conferences associated with the Library Development Commission in 1971.

Series is arranged chronologically.

B.C. Centennial Citizen's Conference on Libraries series. -- 1971.

12 cm.

Series consists of records relating to the British Columbia Centennial Citizen's Conference on Libraries, for which Bewley served as chair of the Programme Committee, and includes correspondence, reports, minutes, notes, and clippings.

File List

BOX 1

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL WORK SERIES

- 1-1 "A History of Librarianship in Canada, 1900-1939" by Lois Bewley 1966
- 1-2 Legislation [research materials, correspondence, working briefs re: changes to legislation and funding initiatives in library management in BC and elsewhere in Canada] 1966-1983
- 1-3 "A Program for Continuing Education in Librarianship" by Lois Bewley 1969
- 1-4 Program for Library Development – Position paper by Lois Bewley 1970
- 1-5 [School of Librarianship – University of British Columbia Alumni Information] 1970, 1979
- 1-6 T.E. Rusheinsky "A Study of the Acquisition and Promotion of Canadian Adult Trade Publications within the Greater Vancouver Library Federation" [notes and drafts] 1975
- 1-7 Alberta legislation 1983-1984
- 1-8 Legislation [paper] study 1983-1985
- 1-9 Vancouver Public Library False Creek Survey [draft] by Lois Bewley and Students 1985
- 1-10 Legislation [paper] Dalhousie 1987

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS SERIES

- 1-11 Lower Mainland Public Library Coordinating Committee 1970-1972

BOX 2

- 2-1 Library Development Commission – 5 year 1970-1972
- 2-2 Library Development Commission – 5 year 1970-1971
- 2-3 [Library Development Commission] - System standards 1970-1971
- 2-4 Library Development Commission - System standards finance 1971
- 2-5 Library Development Commission – Structure 1971
- 2-6 The Library Development Commission of British Columbia – Five Conferences 1972
- 2-7 Greater Vancouver Library Federation – plan of service 1973-1974

BOX 3

- 3-1 Greater Vancouver Library Federation – plan of service 1973-1974
- 3-2 Greater Vancouver Library Federation 1973-1983
- 3-3 BCLA – Action Committee 1975-1979
- 3-4 BCLA – Library/Book Trade Relations Committee 1976-1978
- 3-5 Greater Vancouver Library Federation Legislation Committee 1978-1979
- 3-6 Fraser Valley Regional Library [FVRL] – Surrey Library Committee 1977-1982
- 3-7 [CLA – The future of Public Library Boards Committee] 1978-1985
- 3-8 FVRL Management Study 1980
- 3-9 [Fraser Valley Regional Library] 1981-1982

BOX 4

- 4-1 BCLA – Public Library Development 1984-1985
- 4-2 BCLA – Panel on Long-Range Development 1985-1986
- 4-3 BCLA – Public Library Development Committee Oct. 1985-1986

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B.C. CENTENNIAL CITIZENS' CONFERENCE ON LIBRARIES -- 1971

- 5-1 Citizens' Conference Clippings
- 5-2 BCCCC on L [Briefing Session]
- 5-3 Citizen Conf. -- Program
- 5-4 B.C.C.C.C.L. -- Problems
- 5-5 Citz Conf. Program Comm. -- Meetings
- 5-6 B.C.C.C.C. on L. -- Publicity
- 5-7 B.C.C.C.C. on L. -- Disc. Groups
- 5-8 Disc. group technique
- 5-9 Reaction sheets
- 5-10 B.C.C.C.C.L. -- Speakers
- 5-11 B.C.C. -- Citizens' Conference

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS SERIES (cont'd)

5-12 ABCL 1968-1969