

F 0195 – L'Association Saint-Jean-Baptiste fonds

FINDING AID

This fonds contains administrative records of the Association Saint-Jean-Baptiste branches in Stoney Point and Windsor, Ontario, ca. 1914-1967. It also contains several commemorative booklets and a scrapbook of newspaper clippings relating to the French language. It is arranged in six series: Series I (Administrative Records, 1915-1967) contains letters patent and membership lists; Series II (Minutes, 1914-1967) contains meeting minutes from Stoney Point and Windsor; Series III (Correspondence, 1948-1967) contains correspondence files from the Windsor branch that touch on matters including financial arrangements, events, and activities; Series IV (Newsletters, 1957-1961) contains copies of the *Bulletin* that was a precursor to the *Le Rempart* newspaper; Series V (Commemorative Booklets, 1958; 1962) contains two publications celebrating significant community events; Series VI (Scrapbook, 1918-1919) contains a scrapbook of French-language children's columns from local newspaper *La Défense*.

SERIES I: Administrative Records, 1915-1967

This series contains official records relating to the legal status and membership of the association.

Files:

1. Letters Patent, Stoney Point, 1930-1950
2. Letters Patent, Windsor, 1935-1967
3. Membership Lists, [Stoney Point?], 1915-1965

SERIES II: Minutes, 1914-1967

This series contains official minutes of association meetings, with some supporting documents.

Files:

1. Minutes, Stoney Point, 1914-1931
2. Minutes, Stoney Point, 1930-1966
3. Minutes, Windsor, 1950-1967

SERIES III: Correspondence, 1948-1967

This series contains three groupings of correspondence conducted by the Windsor branch, on a wide range of subjects relating to the activities of the association and/or issues of concern to

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French-speaking Ontarians. Some material produced by the Ontario S-J-B society is included, as is some ephemera relating to French-language cinema.

Files:

1. Correspondence and Activity Reports, Windsor, 1948-1958
2. Correspondence and Financial Reports, Windsor, 1951-1955
3. Correspondence, Windsor, 1959-1967

SERIES IV: Newsletters, 1957-1961

This series contains multiple copies of the Bulletin newsletter which also came to be known as Le Rempart. Some issues are missing from each copy of the run, so all three have been retained. At different times the newsletter's banner indicated it served Windsor or Western Ontario.

Files:

1. "Bulletin," 1957-1961
2. "Bulletin," Dec. 1958-1961
3. "Bulletin," 1959-1961

SERIES V: Commemorative Booklets, 1958; 1962

This series contains publications produced in connection with significant mid-20th c. community events for Southwestern Ontario Francophones and/or Catholics.

Files:

1. Opening of Windsor's Centre canadien-français, 1958
2. John Christopher Cody, Bishop of London 25th anniversary, 1962 **[oversize]**

SERIES VI: Scrapbook, 1918-1919

This series contains a handmade scrapbook of newspaper clippings produced for the nephews of Angéline Lacasse. The articles come from a children's column called "Au Bonhomme Sept Heures," written by Gustave Lacasse, in La Défense, a short-lived (March 1918-December 1920) French-Canadian nationalist newspaper in Windsor. Gustave Lacasse subsequently established other local French-language newspapers La Presse-Frontière (1921-1922) and Feuille D'Erable (1931-1958).

Files:

1. "Au Coin du Bonhomme Sept-Heures," 1918-1919