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**Judy Godfrey fonds.** - 1978-1982, 1987. - 12.5 cm of textual records.

*Judy Godfrey (1940-) is a researcher and writer from Toronto, Ontario. In the late 1970s, Judy became actively involved in raising awareness of the issue of acid rain, particularly in the Muskoka area of Ontario, and lobbying the governments of Ontario and Canada for action on the issue of acid-rain causing emissions. As a member of the Muskoka Acid Rain Petition Committee, she played a key role in raising support for a petition for action on acid rain. Judy and her husband, lawyer Sheldon Godfrey, have been involved in several charitable, environmental, and civic initiatives over the years, including the preservation of Ontario's architectural heritage, and have co-authored books and articles about the history of Canadian Jews. (Source: <http://archivesfa.library.yorku.ca/fonds/ON00370-f0000435.htm>, and content of the fonds.)*

*Contents: fonds consists of records collected and created by Judy Godfrey in her role as a member of the Muskoka Acid Rain Petition Committee and as a citizen concerned about the issue of acid rain. Material relates to Godfrey's efforts to learn about and raise awareness of acid rain and generate support for the petition for action on acid rain among Muskoka-area associations and individuals, as well as her communication with government representatives about the issue. Includes newspaper clippings, correspondence, ms. notes, petition forms, reports and pamphlets, etc.*

*Title from content of the fonds.*

*The extent is measured in linear metres of shelf space occupied by the fonds.*

*Donated in 2007.*

*Fonds is arranged according to the original file numbers.*

*Some material may be restricted (contains personal information).*

*Detailed finding aid available.*

*More material relating to Judy Godfrey can be found in the Sheldon and Judy Godfrey collection (F0435) at the Clara Thomas Archives, York University.*

File 1 **Background : petition on acid rain.** - 1979-1982.

*Contents: file consists of material relating to the causes and effects of acid rain as well as potential action in response to the problem. Includes reports, fact sheets, and pamphlets published by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Environment Canada, the Great Lakes Science Advisory Board, and the United States-Canada Research Consultation Group on the Long-Range Transport of Air Pollutants; a children's colouring and story book; and ms. notes and handouts created and collected by Judy Godfrey at a citizen's conference on acid rain (Action Seminar on Acid Precipitation). Contains vol. 5 (1982) of the Canada-United States Law Journal, which is a special issue on acid rain.*

File 2 **Notes relating to the petition on acid rain (including drafts).** - [1979?]-1980.

*Contents: file consists of ms. notes relating to acid rain and publicity for the Muskoka-area petition on acid rain. Notes contain information about acid rain, addresses and contacts, and lists of recipients of letters and press releases. File also includes a newspaper clipping and draft correspondence.*

File 3 **Form of petition and cover letter : petition on acid rain.** - 1979-1980.

*Contents: file consists of blank copies of several versions of the petition for action on acid rain, addressed to the Prime Minister of Canada (Pierre Trudeau and Joe Clark) and Ontario Premier William Davis. File also includes copies of letters sent with the petition to Muskoka-area cottage associations.*

File 4 **Responses to petitions : petition on acid rain.** - 1980.

*Contents: file consists of signed individual acid rain petition forms (many with envelopes and stamps) returned to Judy Godfrey or the Muskoka Acid Rain Petition Committee, and original and photocopies of the signed petition. File also includes letters of support for the petition, ms. notes, and photocopied newspaper clippings.*

*Some material may be restricted (contains personal information).*

- File 5      **Correspondence with government officials : petition on acid rain.** - 1979-1981.  
*Contents: file consists of correspondence from politicians in response to letters and petitions from the Muskoka Acid Rain Petition Committee. Letters are addressed to the committee, Ruth Miller, or Judy Godfrey. Includes letters from: Ontario Premier William Davis, Ontario Minister of Natural Resources (James A.C. Auld), Ontario Provincial Secretary for Resources Development (Rene Brunelle), Ontario Minister of Energy (Robert Welch), Ontario Minister of the Environment (Harry Parrott), Parry Sound-Muskoka MP Stan Darling, Office of the Prime Minister, Minister of Environment Canada (John Fraser), Minister of National Health and Welfare (Monique Begin) and the Office of the Leader of the NDP (Canada and Ontario). File also includes copies of speeches by Harry Parrott and John Fraser, news releases from the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and the Ontario NDP, a copy of a House of Commons debate on acid rain, a copy of a draft order to Inco Limited from the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, and other photocopied documents.*
- File 6      **Correspondence and meeting Frank Miller : petition on acid rain.** - 1979-1980.  
*Contents: file consists of material relating to a meeting between Frank Miller, Treasurer of Ontario, and representatives of the Muskoka Acid Rain Petition Committee and of the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Associations. Includes correspondence between Miller and Judy Godfrey (including a draft letter by Godfrey), a report on acid rain presented by Miller at the provincial legislature, a draft press release by Godfrey for Muskoka-area newspapers, and ms. notes by Godfrey concerning the meeting.*
- File 7      **Networking : petition on acid rain.** - 1979-1980.  
*Contents: file consists of material relating to the efforts of Judy Godfrey to network among individuals and organizations to raise awareness of and assistance for the petition for action on acid rain. Includes correspondence (some in draft form), newspaper clippings, and ms. notes. Organizations contacted include the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association and the Federation of Ontario Naturalists.*
- File 8      **Newspaper clippings, etc.** - 1979-1980.  
*Contents: file consists of newspaper clippings related to acid rain. Clippings are from Muskoka-area newspapers as well as national newspapers and magazines. File also includes a ts. chronology about acid rain, a newsletter from the Federation of Ontario Naturalists, and advertisements for books and videos about acid rain.  
Some material is oversized.*
- File 9      **Related issue : toxic wastes.** - 1978-1980, 1987.  
*Contents: file consists of material relating to toxic wastes and water pollution, and in particular the disposal of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Includes newspaper clippings; a report to an environmental assessment board regarding the burning of PCBs in Mississauga; a letter to Godfrey from Jim Bradley, Ontario Minister of the Environment; and a newsletter from the Liberal Caucus (Ontario) regarding pollution in Lake Simcoe.*
- File 10     **Related issue : nuclear issues : petition on acid rain.** - 1979-1980.  
*Contents: file consists of material relating to nuclear power and nuclear waste. Includes newspaper clippings (some photocopied); correspondence (some photocopied); draft correspondence; ms. notes; pages photocopied from books, newsletters, and reports about nuclear power; material produced by Ontario Hydro; material produced by independent political candidates; and other material. Includes correspondence between Godfrey and Ontario Premier William Davis.*