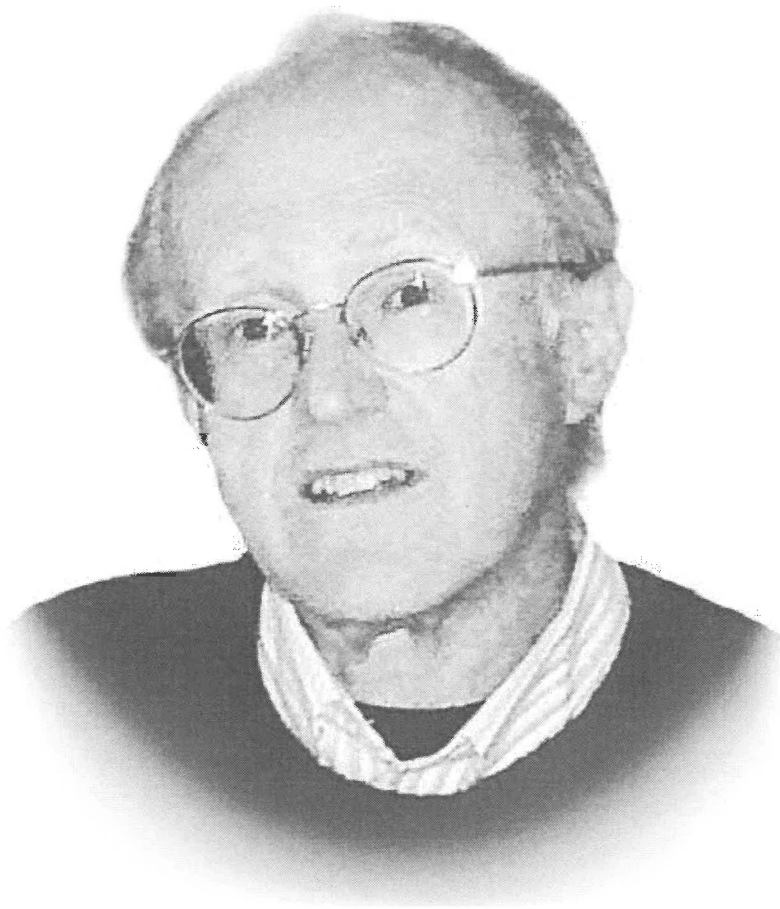


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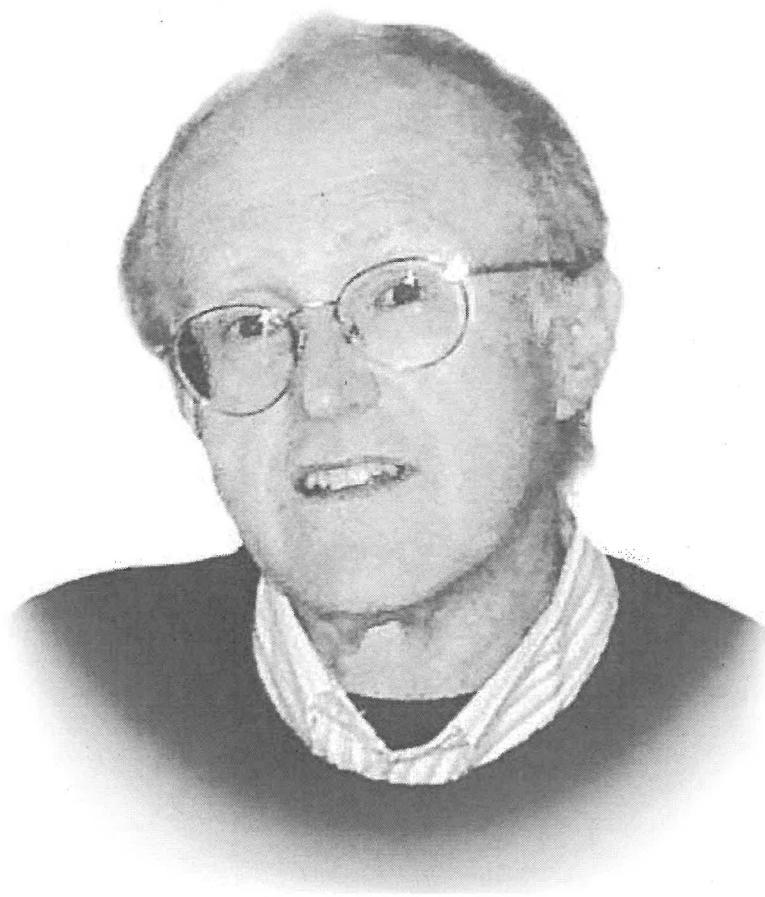
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Henry Drake Petersen fonds

Title proper:	Henry Drake Petersen fonds
Level of description:	Fonds
Reference code:	CA NSHK.HDP
Dates of creation:	c. 1935-2012
Physical description:	4 m of textual and other materials, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• c. 1,000 photographs• 3 CD-ROMs• 7 architectural drawings• 3 artefacts• 1 graphic image

Archival description

Name of creator: Henry Drake Petersen (August 31, 1946-October 17, 2012)

Biographical sketch

Henry Drake Petersen was born in Amityville, Long Island, New York, on August 31, 1946. He died in Halifax, Nova Scotia, on October 17, 2012. He never married or had children.

Petersen was the son of Marion Isabelle Drake Petersen and Henry Adolph Petersen. His father served in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific during World War II and remained in the military after the war. Petersen's parents were divorced in 1956. His mother remarried and had two sons and two daughters with whom Petersen remained close.

Petersen's grandmother ran a boarding house in Amityville, where authors would stay when they gave readings at Long Island country clubs.

Petersen's childhood nickname was "Petie." He was known among colleagues at King's College as Drake.

Petersen was educated in the Amityville public school system, graduating from Amityville Memorial High School in 1964. He then enrolled in Long Island University's Richard L. Conolly College in Brooklyn, Long Island, New York, earning his B.A. with honours in history in October 1968.

While at Long Island University, Petersen was on the Dean's List and a member of Phi Alpha Theta national history honour society. He had a tuition scholarship and a New York State Regents scholarship. He worked as a residence hall counselor and university tutor. His extracurricular activities included All-University Chorus, which sang at the New York World's Fair in fall 1964; L.I.U. Theatre, where he was stage manager and costume designer; Student Orientation Committee; Forum Linguae; International Student Association; Inter-Faith Council; and the Fellowship of St. Alban and St. Sergius.

In the summer of 1965, he worked as an interior decorator's assistant at a department store in New York, Abraham & Strauss.

From November 1965 to April 1966, Petersen worked as the evening receptionist for the LIU Dean of Admissions.

In the summer of 1966, he worked at South Oaks Hospital in Amityville as a patient attendant.

In April 1968, approaching graduation from LIU, Petersen applied for admission to the Episcopal Theological School in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

From July 1968 to February 1969, he worked as evening supervisor of the LIU Reserve Library.

From September 1968 to February 1969, he was enrolled in The New School for Social Research in New York.

In 1969, at the height of the Vietnam War, Petersen, age 23, left the United States and went to Nova Scotia, Canada, where he had family connections through his mother, whose sister, Alida Wicks, had moved from New York to Cape Breton with her husband in 1964.

In March 1969, Petersen's address was R.R. #1, Whycocomagh, Inverness Co., Nova Scotia, c/o Mrs. Alida Collins, General Delivery, Arichat, NS. He applied for a library assistant position with the Eastern Counties Regional Library Board in Mulgrave.

In May 1969, he applied for admission to the Dalhousie Faculty of Graduate Studies Master of Arts degree program in Classics, but withdrew his application in July.

By June 1969, Petersen had arrived in Halifax, where he would reside for the rest of his life.

He applied for admission to the Howe Hall men's residence at Dalhousie University in July. From September 1969 to September 1971, Petersen worked at Dalhousie University, where he was hired as a cataloguer in the Killam Library Bibliography Department.

In November 1969, the U.S. Selective Service System ordered Petersen to report for induction into the military. After he refused to do so, he was involved with the Selective Service until February 1977, when an indictment against Petersen was dismissed.

From 1969-1982, he was enrolled as a part-time "no degree" student in Dalhousie University's Faculty of Arts and Sciences, taking or auditing courses in classics, history, Greek, German, and Latin, and auditing a course in Library Service in 1982.

Not long after coming to Halifax, a friend invited him to dinner at King's College, which so impressed Petersen that he applied for a donship.

From September 1970 to September 1971, he was Don of Middle Bay at the University of King's College, and from September 1971 to June 1972, he was Don of North Pole Bay. While serving as Don, he participated in student groups, including the Quintilian Debating Society, the Haliburton Literary Society, and the King's Dramatic and Choral Society.

In the summer of 1972, he and a friend, James Lowry, moved into a house they purchased in Hubbards, Nova Scotia, where he lived until about 1974.

He spent the summer of 1979 at the Université de Paris-Sorbonne taking the *Cours de Civilisation Française*.

In August 1982, he applied for a position as a part-time groundskeeper caretaker of a private property in Chester, Nova Scotia. Friends living in the area may have been a motivation.

In 1983, he registered as a full-time student in the Dalhousie Faculty of Graduate Studies' one-year Master of Arts program in Classics. He earned his M.A. in Classics (Greek Literature) in 1990. His thesis title was "The cult of souls and the mediation of women: *eros* and *philia* in Euripides' *Alcestis* and *Medea*."

Petersen enjoyed tennis, jogging, reading and writing. He loved gardening and had many plants in his apartment. On the evenings his spectacular night-blooming cereus flowers were to open, he invited friends to come witness the event. He could often be seen tending plants in the Library and weeding plantings on the King's campus. As a memorial to a King's donor, he planned and oversaw the construction of the Margaret Martin memorial planter to the south of the Library building.

Petersen maintained a social network, dining with friends and keeping in touch with family members and friends in the U.S. and across Canada by correspondence and regular telephone calls. If a friend were in hospital, he visited and brought gifts.

Petersen read tarot cards for friends on their birthdays and hoped to write a book about tarot. He also planned to write a book about his early life.

Library career

Petersen's life work was in libraries. He held part-time jobs in Long Island University libraries while in college, worked at Dalhousie University Library during his first years in Halifax, then was hired by the University of King's College Library as a cataloguer in 1971, the start of a 41-year career in the Library. In 1993, he was promoted to University Librarian, and in 2006, he took the title of University Librarian and Archivist, which he held until his retirement on August 31, 2012.

Petersen's years at King's spanned the Library's transition from its original location on the third floor of the main building (A&A) of the Halifax campus through its move to the new Library building that opened in 1991, and the first two decades in that location. The advent of computers, databases, and automated library systems took place during the period Petersen worked in the Library.

Respected for his good taste, he was consulted by members of the University for advice on campus beautification and served on the Aesthetics Committee. He was also a member of the Staff Committee, Board Pension Committee, and Sub-Committee on Investments.

Through his years at King's, Petersen gave his time freely to any student who asked, reading and discussing their essays and tutoring them in Foundation Year and Classics topics. He solicited suggestions from students about how the Library could be improved, and responded thoughtfully to every comment. Petersen, in his daily work uniform of dark blue pullover sweater, dark blue trousers, and boat shoes, could often be found in the Library well into the evening.

April 1966-July 1968

Student assistant in Long Island University Circulation Library.

1969

Hired as a cataloguer in Dalhousie University's Killam Library Bibliography Department at \$3,800 per annum, where he worked for the next two-and-a-half years.

1971

September: Applied to Mary H. Lane, head of the University of King's College Library, for position as cataloguer, giving as references the names of Mrs. Deirdre Simon, Rev. Fred Krieger (King's Divinity professor), and David Jones (Dean of Residence). Petersen was the Don of North Pole Bay.

October: Hired as cataloguer in the King's Library, where he worked for the remainder of his career. The Library staff list included Drake Petersen, B.A. (L.I.U.), Cataloguer.

Resigned his position in the Bibliography Department at Dalhousie's Killam Library.

November: Head Librarian Mary Lane noted Petersen's arrival in the King's Library in the Librarian's report 1971-1972 (in President's annual report), p.12: "In November 1971, our cataloguer, Mrs. Deirdre Simon, left to join her husband [Leonard] who was teaching in St. Lucia and was replaced by Mr. Drake Petersen who has had two-and-a-half years' experience in the same work in the Dalhousie Library. In February 1972, due to volume of work, we added another assistant, Mrs. G. W. Philpotts, who works half days."

1971-1981

King's head Librarian, Mary H. Lane, was his supervisor. Upon her retirement in 1981, Petersen wrote to King's professor Harry Granter to express interest in applying for her position.

1971-2012

As cataloguer for the King's Library throughout his career at the University, Petersen was responsible for technical services in general and supervised several major projects: two years of cataloguing and classifying the Kingdon Collection of 2,500 special collection volumes by eight students; shifting and integrating two collections of 25,000 volumes each into one collection of 50,000 volumes; rationalizing and integrating rare books and Special Collections (35,000 volumes); and undertaking a retrospective cataloguing project (1991- c.2010) with 12 students.

1972-c.1987

Part-time cataloguer at the Atlantic School of Theology, responsible for theses, rare books, and special projects. He became friends with Librarian Alice Harrison and her husband, Clement Harrison, a professor at the Dalhousie School of Library Service.

1982-1991

University Librarian Dr. Wayne Hankey was his supervisor.

1991

When the new Library building opened, Petersen planned and coordinated the move from the Library's original location on the third floor of the main building (A&A) into its current location, with the assistance of 30 students.

The new Library has been recognized repeatedly for its architectural merit: the city of Halifax bestowed its Award for Design Excellence on the Library in 1993, and readers of *The Coast* weekly

newspaper voted it “Best Building” in 1998 and first runner-up for “Best Place to Study” in 2007. Petersen was proud of the Library and concerned about its appearance and maintenance. In the summers, he hired students to wax the large study tables in the Reading Room and on the lower floor, and to do touch-up painting in public spaces and staff areas and on the exterior wooden window frames. He also supervised students who shifted books in the stacks.

1991-1993

Appointed Acting Librarian, University of King’s College, while University Librarian Dr. Wayne Hankey was on leave. In that position, Petersen served on the Library and Archives Committee (chair); Disciplinary Committee; Atlantic School of Theology Senate Library Committee; Novanet Management Committee; Council of Nova Scotia University Libraries (CONSUL); and the Association of Atlantic Universities Librarians’ Council (AAULC).

1993

Applied to Dr. Walter Kemp, Chair of the Librarian Search Committee, for the position of Librarian of the University of King’s College, giving as references Alice W. Harrison, Head Librarian of the Atlantic School of Theology; Peter Klynstra, F.C.S.L.A., of Sperry & Partners, Dartmouth; and Dr. Henry Roper, Director of the Foundation Year Programme.

Appointed University Librarian for a three-year term.

Petersen’s position in the Library was a hybrid: his role as University Librarian (faculty status) was half time; he also continued half time as a cataloguer (Library staff member). He catalogued books himself, and through the years, trained a series of students in cataloguing, thereby reducing King’s cost of cataloguing a book to the lowest in the Novanet academic consortium.

1996

Reappointed as University Librarian from July 1, 1996, to June 30, 2001.

While University Librarian, Petersen served on the Residence Life Committee and other University committees, and the Novanet Policy Board (2003).

1998-1999

Applied for three months’ administrative leave from September-November 1998; later changed dates to May-July 1999.

2000s

After various small marble statues, paintings, and a tapestry had gone missing through the years while being displayed on campus, Petersen became a steward of the University’s “Things of Consequence” – manuscripts, rare books, artworks, historic records and memorabilia of both the University and of students. He collected the University’s valuable artworks and treasures from across campus, bringing into the secure custody of the Library’s Treasure Room items that were fragile or which had historic or financial value so they would be protected, preserved, and available for viewing and consultation in future by people interested in the history and traditions of the University.

2004

Petersen arranged for Dr. Marie Elwood, the Nova Scotia Museum’s retired Chief Curator of History, who had catalogued the Weldon Collection, to prepare a catalogue of the University of King’s College Collection, photographing and describing artworks, furniture, and objects of value in five buildings on campus.

2006

Petersen assumed the title of "University Librarian & Archivist" and established the tradition of Tuesday afternoon tea in the Library Committee Room from 3:30-4:30 p.m. The first guests were King's student society executive members, whom Petersen hoped to persuade to deposit their society's materials in the Archives after he noticed the dearth of information about student activities in the modern-day yearbook, *The Record*, in contrast to the early decades of *The Record*, which had extensive coverage of student life.

Petersen, an excellent cook, often brought his apple cake to afternoon tea in the Library. The table in the Library Committee Room always featured tangerines, and satsuma oranges when in season. Petersen sat at the head of the table, where he would slice apples and pass a dish of the pieces around the table. Other food at the teas included apricots, Carr's water crackers, sardines, and blue cheese.

By 2008, the teas were so popular that Petersen created sign-up lists to limit the attendees to eight at a time. In addition to students, he invited University administrators, librarians from other institutions, and Library staff members for tea. After Petersen's retirement, the teas ceased.

As a way to collect more information from the students' perspective, Petersen required each student hired to work in the Library to write a 600-word essay on their life at King's. The student was paid for her or his time, and the essays were added to the Archives. In years to come, these essays will provide insight into student life of the time.

2008

Petersen hired ceramics conservator John Thomson to examine each piece in the Weldon Collection and prioritize it for repairs. He then had the most urgent repairs made on a few pieces each year as funding permitted.

2012

May: In recognition of his service to the University, he was inducted into the Order of the Ancient Commoner at the Alumni annual dinner. Dr. Henry Roper, in his speech on the occasion of the award, remarked that, "In giving so much to the institution that he took to his heart over forty years ago, Drake has exemplified the spirit of King's, a spirit of service to which we are all called as King's men and women."

August 31: Henry Drake Petersen retired from King's as University Librarian and Archivist.

Henry Drake Petersen died on October 17, 2012, at home in his apartment on Brenton Street in Halifax, Nova Scotia, of pancreatic cancer, six weeks after retiring from King's. He was 66 years old.

A memorial service was held in the University of King's College Chapel on November 3, 2012.

It was Petersen's wish that his ashes be scattered at Lake Ainslie, Cape Breton, on the family property he enjoyed visiting in his youth. Planning the home he hoped to build there comforted him during his final illness.

Henry Drake Petersen as University of King's College benefactor

In addition to being a founding member and treasurer of the Friends of the Citadel Society (1981-1982) and a supporter of the Nova Scotia Nature Trust, Petersen was a generous benefactor of King's.

He was devoted to King's and took a deep interest in the progress of the University and its students. He came to regard the King's Library staff as an extension of his family.

In 1984, he donated six mid-Victorian silver-plated altar candlesticks of European manufacture valued at \$900 to the King's Chapel.

In 2001, he initiated the creation of the Library Heritage Fund, an endowment for restoration and preservation of the treasures of the University that were stored in the Library. The fund paid for maintenance and conservation of materials in the Library's Special Collections to preserve them for the enjoyment of future generations. He oversaw conservation of Halifax architect Andrew Cobb's architectural drawings of the University's original Halifax buildings (1928-1929); cleaning and repairs to portrait paintings of prominent King's figures; housing of thousands of historic photographs in archival folders; repairs to pieces of the Weldon Collection of Pottery and Porcelain (one of the oldest collections of ceramics in Canada); cleaning and repairs to pieces of sculpture; and binding and paper repairs to scores of rare books in Special Collections.

In 2006, Petersen and Dr. Wayne Hankey established a Library endowment fund in memory of James Alexander Doull in tribute to his work as scholar, teacher, and philosopher. Income from the Doull Fund is used for the purchase of books in the Platonic and Aristotelian traditions.

Over the past two decades, Petersen's vision, support and encouragement made the University Archives into a functional entity from the dozens of boxes of unsorted records that had accumulated over decades. During several grant-supported projects, those records were arranged and described and finding aids were written, which has allowed Archives staff to answer thousands of questions about the history of the University and people connected to King's.

In 2012, in recognition of the increased importance of the Archives' role in preserving the University's heritage, Petersen amended the terms of the original deed of gift by changing the name of the endowment to the University of King's College Library & Archives Heritage Fund.

Late in his life, Petersen created the Henry Drake Petersen Endowment for the University of King's College Archives in 2012. The endowment of over \$100,500 was the largest gift to the University ever made by a King's employee.

The purpose of the Petersen Endowment is to fund the arrangement, description, maintenance and storage of the Henry Drake Petersen fonds and for the continuing conservation and storage of the records; to pay for publication of any writings related to the fonds; and, after the Petersen fonds is processed, to pay for the arrangement, description and preservation of other records and materials in the Archives.

Scope and content of fonds

The Henry Drake Petersen fonds documents the life of a University of King's College employee who was associated with the College for 42 years. The fonds consists of records relating to Henry Drake Petersen's private and professional life. The records were created, received by, or relate to Petersen as a child, youth, and adult, and through his four-decade career as a librarian at the University of King's College. The materials range in date from the mid-1930s (family photograph) to 2012.

Petersen was an American citizen who left the United States because of its involvement in the Vietnam war. He made a new life for himself in Canada after resisting the U.S. military draft, and eventually became a dual citizen in Canada. Records of those matters are included in the fonds.

The records provide information over an extended period about a librarian who documented both his private and professional daily life. The records reflect Petersen's dedication to the University and the Library, his family and friends. The fonds provides information about the Library's activities, and a broad view of general activities at King's, over a 40-year span. Finally, the fonds offers interesting glimpses into life in Halifax during the end of the 20th century and the start of the 21st century.

The fonds is of particular interest because no other King's librarian – or employee – has left such detailed records about his or her life, or the Library.

Petersen was an eloquent and thoughtful writer. He had distinctive handwriting, and wrote prolifically, generating voluminous correspondence and over three million words in his journals from 1969-2012.

He never owned a computer, so his correspondence, other than email sent from and to his office computer, was handwritten. He preserved handwritten copies or photocopies of the letters he sent to others, so the fonds has the rare perspective of both halves of continuing exchanges of letters with many correspondents.

The records add depth to the Archives' holdings by giving details of King's Library activities and the views of a senior administrator who witnessed many changes (both physical and organizational) at the Library. The advent of computers, databases, and automated library systems took place during the period Petersen worked in the Library.

The fonds includes Petersen's vital documents; education and employment records; personal and professional correspondence, including photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters to family and friends; journals spanning 43 years; manuscripts of his Master of Arts degree thesis and topics on which he planned to write more fully later; photographs; architectural drawings of the house he hoped to build in Cape Breton after retirement; and correspondence and memoranda relating to Petersen's career as a librarian at King's.

The fonds also includes correspondence with University administrators, memoranda relating to Petersen's librarian career at the University of King's College, congratulatory letters and cards relating to his retirement from King's, the Ancient Commoner Award given to him by the Alumni Association in May 2012, and a memorial book from the Chapel service after his death.

Arrangement of fonds

In the months before Petersen died, he worked with King's alumni Alex Day and Greg Slack (former student assistants in Library) sorting correspondence from family and friends, which they organized into plastic zip-loc bags labeled with the name and relationship of the correspondent. The executors of Petersen's estate also contributed to the organization of the records.

During processing, the Archivist maintained the arrangement by correspondent, and folder headings were retained. The records were divided into series for correspondence from family members and correspondence from friends, which each correspondent having a separate file. The correspondence files are arranged alphabetically by last name.

The fonds is described to the file level, while Series 4, the journals, are described to the item level.

The fonds is arranged into eight series:

Series 1	Vital records and legal documents
Series 2	Academic records
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Series 4	Journals
Series 5	Writings
Series 6	Correspondence - family
Series 7	Correspondence - friends
Series 8	Photographs

Notes

Title note	Title based on name of fonds creator.
Repository	University of King's College Archives 6350 Coburg Road, Halifax, Nova Scotia Canada B3H 2A1

Custodial history

The fonds was created and collected by Henry Drake Petersen over the course of his lifetime.

The Henry Drake Petersen fonds was donated to the Archives pursuant to a deed of gift from Petersen dated August 27, 2012, which conveyed the records as well as transferring Petersen's copyright in them to the Archives. Petersen's will reiterated the gift.

The fonds was in the custody of Henry Drake Petersen until his death. The records were delivered to the Archives on January 12, 2013, by the co-executors of Petersen's will, Archibald D. Collins (Petersen's cousin) and Dr. Henry Roper (Petersen's friend; retired University of King's College professor, former Registrar and Vice President).

The fonds is University of King's College accession no. 2013.01.

The deed of gift and the executors of Petersen's will specified that the fonds be closed for a period of 30 years after Petersen's death, i.e., until October 17, 2042.

Petersen's donation of the fonds to the Archives was accompanied by a financial gift to pay for processing and preserving the records, the Henry Drake Petersen Endowment for the University of King's College Archives. He specified that the first use of the funds was to pay for the arrangement and description of Henry Drake Petersen fonds; after that, income from the endowment would be available for other University of King's College Archives projects. The completion of this finding aid satisfies the requirement of the endowment. The endowment continues to receive annual donations.

Restrictions on access

Pursuant to the wishes of the donor, Henry Drake Petersen, and at the direction of the executors of his estate, the records are closed until 30 years after the date of his death. The fonds will be open on October 18, 2042.

Rights

Copyright subsists in the records. By the Deed of Gift, Henry Drake Petersen transferred to the Archives all applicable copyright, moral and intellectual rights that he held in the fonds. Accession record no. 2013.01, signed by the executors of Petersen's estate, confirms the transfer of all rights in the records to the Archives.

Use, reproduction, and publication

After the opening of the fonds in 2042, permission of the University Librarian or Archivist will be required to reproduce or publish any of the materials. Fees may apply.

Finding aid

Janet Hathaway, retired University of King's College Assistant Librarian (Archives & Special Collections) processed the records and wrote the finding aid in 2016-2017. Elnaz Behnia, Archie Collins, Jr., Oriana Duinker, Paulette Lambert, Angela Miller, and Dr. Henry Roper provided valuable assistance with the project.

Financial support for the arrangement and description of the records and production of the finding aid was generously provided by Henry Drake Petersen under the terms of the Henry Drake Petersen Endowment for the University of King's College Archives.

Finding aid rules or conventions

Canadian Rules for Archival Description (RAD), 2008 edition.

Accruals

All accessions have been processed.

No further accruals are expected except for one item that may be added to the fonds in future: *Tea & Tangerines*, the bound volume of friends' letters to Petersen on his retirement, which is in Vermont with Petersen's mother, Marion Boese, as of the date of this finding aid. If that item were added to the fonds in future, it would go into Series 1.

Preferred citation

Henry Drake Petersen fonds, HDP.[series #].[file #], University of King's College Archives, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Related material in the University of King's College Archives

Two works of art in the Archives depict Petersen:

- a portrait, "The Archivist," by Halifax artist Aaron Weldon (2013) (oil on canvas, 127 cm H x 102 cm W) that shows Petersen with four members of the Library staff: Tasya Tymczyszyn, Janet Hathaway, Paulette Lambert, and Patricia Chalmers; and
- a framed sketch of Petersen's face (37 cm H x 29 cm W) by Weldon, a study for the portrait.

Information about the Library and photographs of Petersen are in the *King's College Record* (student yearbook). *The Record* of 2013 was dedicated to Petersen.

Other records relating to the Library and which may mention Petersen are in the University of King's College Library fonds, UKC.LIB; and the President's annual reports, UKC.PRES.2.

Variations in title

The fonds is known informally as the Drake Petersen papers.

Physical condition

Original letters, manuscripts and news articles are in good condition.
Some news clippings have deteriorated to the point of disintegrating at the edges and folds.

Language of material

English, French, Latin

Access points

Academic librarians – Canada – Biography.
Petersen, Henry Drake, 1946-2012.
University of King's College (Halifax, N.S.).
University of King's College (Halifax, N.S.) – Library.
University of King's College (Halifax, N.S.) – Librarians.

Series descriptions and file lists

Series 1 Vital records and legal documents

Date of creation 1946-2012.

Extent 25 cm of textual records.

Scope and content Series consists of Henry Drake Petersen's vital and legal documents, including birth and baptism certificates, U.S. Selective Service documents, passports, Canadian citizenship documentation, a copy of his will, and his obituary.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement Records are arranged chronologically.

Note The *Tea & Tangerines* bound volume of letters to Petersen on his retirement will go in this series if Petersen's family sends it to the Archives.

File list

Title	File no.
New York State Department of Health Certificate of Birth (3 c.). – September 4, 1946. Registration for Henry Drake Petersen born August 31, 1946, at Amityville, NY, son of Henry A. Petersen and Marion Drake Petersen.	HDP.1.1
Baptismal certificate from Copiague Union Church, NY. – November 3, 1946. Confirmation certificate from Grace Church, NY. – March 5, 1967. New York Public Library borrower's card; expiry March 13, 1971.	HDP.1.2
Letter from U.S. Department of Justice - United States Attorney, Eastern District re: United States v. Henry Drake Petersen - sent c/o Mrs. Marian Boise [sic], Fieldstone Lodge, Newfane, Vermont, re: offense by Petersen against the U.S. on 10/28/69 in violation of s.12 of Military Selective Service Act. – October 17, 1974.	HDP.1.3
U.S. Selective Service System (SSS) military service documents. – 1968-1975.	HDP.1.4
1. Henry Drake Petersen Selective Service System Registration Certificate (SSS Form No. 2). – October 20, 1964.	
2. SSS Form 223 - Order to report for Armed Forces Physical Examination: "You are hereby directed to present yourself for Armed Forces Physical Examination by reporting at Local Board No. 2, Bay Shore, N.Y., on July 15, 1968 at 6:30 A.M." – July 3, 1968. Sent to Petersen at 27 Bennett Place, Amityville, NY.	
3. SSS Form 252 - Order to Report for Induction: "You are hereby ordered for induction into the Armed Forces of the United States and to report at Local Board No. 2, Bay Shore, N.Y., on November 3, 1969." – October 20, 1969.	

Title**File no.**

4. United States of America against Henry Drake Petersen, Defendant 6/28/1972. The Grand Jury charges: Count 1. "On or about the 3rd day of November 1969, and up to and including the date of the filing of this indictment . . . the defendant . . . neglected to comply with said induction order . . ." Count 2. "On or about the 28th day of October 1969 ... the defendant neglected to keep his local board advised of his address."
5. Retainer Agreement for legal representation by Melvin L. Wulf and Edwin J. Oppenheimer in all matters relating to the Selective Service System and/or military service, signed by Petersen. – c.1975.
6. Authorization for release of information contained in Selective Service records to Edwin J. Oppenheimer, signed by Petersen. – June 16, 1975. (Photocopy).
7. SSS Form 217 - Advice of Right to Personal Appearance and Appeal. Enclosed in envelope with SSS Form 110 Notice of Classification by which Petersen was classified II-S until 6/68. – August 13, 1968. Petersen was registered in SSS October 20, 1964, and classified II-S until June 1969; he was classified I-A on June 18, 1969.
8. U.S. Dept of Justice Eastern District: United States of America v. Henry Drake Petersen - Indictment - Criminal No. 72 CR 823, mailed August 11, 1972: "Please take notice that the case will be called in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York in the Borough of Brooklyn on 5 September 1972, at 10:00 A.M., at which time defendant will be required to plead to an indictment heretofore filed, for an alleged violation of the United State Criminal Code. If defendant fails to attend, a warrant will be issued for his arrest." – August 11, 1972.
9. Letter from Thomas R. Maher, Assistant United States Attorney for Eastern District to New York to Petersen: "This letter concerns reports that you have committed an offence against the United States on or about 10/28/69 in violation of Section 12 of the Military Selective Service Act. ... In accord with the President's policy of granting leniency to certain individuals who are charged with violating ... the Act, you are eligible for diversion to an alternate service program ... If you accept the proposed program, you must meet with the undersigned by January 31, 1975, so that the number of months of civilian work (no more than 24) that would be required of you may be agreed upon." – October 17, 1975.
10. United States District Court – United States of America vs. Henry Drake Petersen Order of Dismissal 72 CR 823: "The United States Government having moved orally to dismiss the indictment herein, and the said motion having been granted, it is Ordered that the indictment is hereby dismissed against the above named Defendant." – February 11, 1977. Susan Mannheimer mailed the Order of Dismissal by Special Delivery to Petersen at 5516 Inglis Street, Halifax. – December 2, 1977.

Loan documents. – 1972-1973.

HDP.1.5

Title	File no.
Letter from Marion Boese enclosing student financial aid questionnaire. – 1978. Petersen's father's home address was Windmill Rd, West Babylon, NY; occupation unknown; divorce date 1956.	HDP.1.6
Identification card: Drake Petersen, Dalhousie University Library Assistant; expiry 30 September 1994. – c.1993. Magnetic lapel pin: "Drake Petersen, University Librarian & Archivist." – c.2007.	HDP.1.7
Canadian and U.S.A. citizenship documents and passports. – 1969-2004.	HDP.1.8
Deeds of donation and endowment. – 2012.	HDP.1.9
1. Deed of gift (amended) for the University of King's College Library & Archives Heritage Fund, signed by Henry Drake Petersen and accepted and approved on behalf of the University of King's College by Adriane Abbott, Director of Advancement. – May 22, 2012.	
2. Deed of gift for the Henry Drake Petersen Endowment for the University of King's College Archives - signed by Henry Drake Petersen and accepted and approved on behalf of the University. – May 22, 2012.	
3. Deed of gift from Henry Drake Petersen to the University of King's College Archives for the Henry Drake Petersen fonds, signed by Henry Drake Petersen. – August 27, 2012.	
4. Notice to Beneficiaries (Non-Residuary) - Nova Scotia Court of Probate, s.44(1)(b) signed by John G. Cooper, Q.C., lawyer for the personal representatives (photocopy). – November 8, 2012.	
5. University of King's College Archives accession record 2013.01 for the Henry Drake Petersen fonds signed by Archibald Collins and Henry Roper, Co-Executors of the Estate of Henry Drake Petersen (photocopy). – January 12, 2013.	
Medical records; daily glucose readings for Dr. A. Jayabarathan, M.D. – 2012.	HDP.1.10
Order of the Ancient Commoner framed certificate. – May 10, 2012. Awarded to Petersen for his selfless dedication to the University.	HDP.1.11
Order of the Ancient Commoner medallion (engraved acrylic disc on dark blue ribbon in presentation box). – 2012. Box labeled "Commoner Petersen."	HDP.1.12
University of King's College gold lapel pin in Charm Diamond Centres box. – c. 2012.	HDP.1.13
Order of the Ancient Commoner citation, menu, programme, history of the Ancient Commoner by Phil Taber, congratulatory cards, Tidings issue. – 2012.	HDP.1.14
Retirement cards; note on envelope says, "These are to go with the book when it is returned from Aunt Marion." – 2012. (The book is <i>Tea & Tangerines</i> , which the King's Advancement office commissioned as a retirement gift for Petersen and which was presented to him on his last day at King's; cards are from Patricia Chalmers,	HDP.1.15

Title	File no.
Paulette Lambert, Tasya Tymczyszyn and her husband, Dan de Munnik, Janet Hathaway, and Pat Dixon (FYP/Residence administrative assistant).	
Power of attorney re Bank of NS given to Archie Collins and Henry Roper. – October 12, 2012. Personal Directive appointing Archibald Collins to make health care decisions. – September 23, 2012. Statement of funeral costs. – October 18, 2012. Will (signed October 11, 2012) - Crowe Dillon Robinson (copy). – 2012.	HDP.1.16
Obituary, eulogy, death certificate, get well cards. – 2012.	HDP.1.17
<i>In Memoriam - Henry Drake Petersen, 1946-2012.</i> – 2012. Handmade bound volume. Title page: “A Memorial Service held at the University of King’s College Chapel & Library, Saturday, November 3 rd , 2012 at 2:00 p.m. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. The names of friends and family signed herein honour and hold the memory of Henry Drake Petersen. <i>Requiescat in pace.</i> ” Colophon on last page: “This memorial book was handbound by Ruth Legge of West Brooklyn, N.S., using 100 lb Mohawk paper for the pages and endpapers, Go-Hucha hand-made paper for the cover and Pentland goatskin for the spine, corners and label. Title page illustration and calligraphy designed and executed by Fran Ornstein of Chester Basin, using sumi ink and watercolour.” Book includes signatures and comments by Petersen’s friends and members of the King’s community.	HDP.1.18
<i>Tea & Tangerines: a celebration of Henry Drake Petersen, University of King’s College Librarian & Archivist, on the occasion of his retirement, September 2012.</i> – 2012. A collection of letters to Petersen from members of the King’s community. At the time this finding aid was written, the book was in Vermont with Marion Boese, Petersen’s mother. If it is sent to the Archives, it will go in this series. University of King’s College President William Barker, who attended the tea at which <i>Tea & Tangerines</i> was presented to Petersen, photographed each page of the book. His digital photographs have been printed and are in this file; the photographs were also burned to a CD-ROM that is in this file. – September 25, 2012.	HDP.1.19

Series 2 Academic records

Date of creation 1953-1990.

Extent 50 cm of textual records.

Scope and content Series consists of records documenting Henry Drake Petersen's education from his years in Amityville Elementary School, New York, through his Master of Arts degree in Classics from Dalhousie University in 1990, including school projects and yearbooks, correspondence with universities, a copy of his thesis, and university diplomas.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement Records are arranged chronologically.

File list

Title	File no.
Amityville Elementary School (New York) records. – 1953-1960. Certificates, memorabilia. Amityville Elementary Schools Diploma of Graduation.	HDP.2.1
Park Junior High School, Amityville, New York, records. – 1957-1961. Report cards, school projects.	HDP.2.2
Amityville Memorial High School (New York) records. – 1961-June 1964. Class projects, report cards, diploma.	HDP.2.3
<i>Warrior</i> (Amityville Memorial High School yearbook). – 1963. Petersen's junior year; he appears in the class photo on p.48.	HDP.2.4
<i>Warrior</i> (Amityville Memorial High School yearbook). – 1964. Petersen's senior year. His graduation photograph is on p.40. His high school activities included <i>Warrior</i> yearbook production, Student Council, Dramatics Club, Chorus, French Club, International Relations Club, Math Club, Chess Club, Physics Club, Photography Club, Key Club, tennis.	HDP.2.5
<i>Sound</i> (Richard L. Conolly College of Long Island University - The Brooklyn Center yearbook). – 1966.	HDP.2.6
Long Island University - <i>Universitas Longinsulanae Collegium</i> Richard L. Conolly College B.A. Diploma. – 1968. (Encapsulated in Mylar.)	HDP.2.7
Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass. – 1967-1968. Correspondence.	HDP.2.8
Massey College, Toronto; School of Library Science, University of Toronto. – 1969. Correspondence.	HDP.2.9
Long Island University correspondence. – 1968-1969. Letters to Dr. Lerner and Prof. Kostich.	HDP.2.10
Dalhousie University Howe Hall room application. – 1969.	HDP.2.11
Dalhousie University Registrar's Office correspondence. – 1969-1983.	HDP.2.12
Dalhousie University Faculty of Graduate Studies correspondence. – 1969-1983.	HDP.2.13

Title	File no.
Long Island University and Dalhousie University undergraduate course papers. – 1967-1978.	HDP.2.14
Sorbonne, Summer of 1979 (1 of 2). – 1979. <i>Cours de civilisation française de la Sorbonne textes d'étude; Cours université d'été pour professeurs et étudiants étrangers - relevé officiel des notes obtenues par Monsieur Drake Petersen de nationalité américaine.</i> Colour photographs of Paris; handwritten notes of expenses; La Sorbonne booklet; Parisian stories (handwritten notes).	HDP.2.15
Sorbonne, Summer of 1979 (2 of 2). – 1979. <i>Cours de civilisation française</i> brochure, <i>cahier d'exercices</i> ; Michelin map of Paris; correspondence from friends and family; Paris Opera programme; American Cathedral in Paris brochures.	HDP.2.16
Greek tragedy and religion notes 1. – c.1980-1990.	HDP.2.17
Greek tragedy and religion notes 2. – c.1980-1990.	HDP.2.18
Greek tragedy and religion writings by Drake Petersen. – c.1980-1990. "Adoption and emancipation." "Eros and sexuality." "On the adoption of women." "Philia and eros in the domestic religion." "Philia and eros in the Olympian religion." "The Domestic religion and the Olympian religion." 6 documents, each in WordPerfect X6 and Microsoft Word 97-2003 formats. CD-ROM (573 Mb). – 1999 (WordPerfect), 2007 (Microsoft Word). Printed copies in file.	HDP.2.19
<i>Oedipus</i> notes. – c.1980s.	HDP.2.20
<i>Orations</i> comments. – c.1980s.	HDP.2.21
Virgil term paper. – c.1980s.	HDP.2.22
"The cult of souls and the mediation of women: <i>Eros</i> and <i>Philia</i> in Euripides' <i>Alceste</i> and <i>Medea</i> " by Henry Drake Petersen. Dalhousie University M.A. thesis. – 1990. Advisors' notes, photocopies, additional chapter on Hippolytus.	HDP.2.23
"The cult of souls and the mediation of women: <i>Eros</i> and <i>Philia</i> in Euripides' <i>Alceste</i> and <i>Medea</i> " by Henry Drake Petersen. Dalhousie University M.A. thesis. – September 1990. Typescript.	HDP.2.24
"The cult of souls and the mediation of women: <i>Eros</i> and <i>Philia</i> in Euripides' <i>Alceste</i> and <i>Medea</i> " by Henry Drake Petersen. Submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts at Dalhousie University. – September 1990. Bound volume.	HDP.2.25
Dalhousie University Master of Arts diploma. – October 12, 1990. (Rolled in cardboard tube.)	HDP.2.26

Series 3 Professional records

Date of creation 1969-2012.

Extent 15 cm of textual records.

Scope and content Series consists of records relating to Henry Drake Petersen's employment at Dalhousie University and the University of King's College, documenting his career as a librarian and University administrator. It includes reports, memos, meeting minutes, professional correspondence, and news articles.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement Records are arranged chronologically.

Note There may be related materials in the University of King's College Library fonds, UKC.LIB.

File list

Title	File no.
Job application letters. – 1969-1982.	HDP.3.1
Library job applications to Dalhousie and King's. – 1969-1971.	HDP.3.2
University of King's College salary letters, appointment correspondence. – 1975-2001.	HDP.3.3
Library budget submissions, memo re Budget Advisory Committee. – 1990-2012.	HDP.3.4
Nova Scotia Council of Higher Education brief from Drake Petersen. – 1995.	HDP.3.5
Report of the Librarian by Dr. Wayne Hankey. – c.1992.	HDP.3.6
Report of the University Librarian & Archivist by Drake Petersen. – 2006-2008.	
President William Barker. – 2005-2006. Memos.	HDP.3.7
Assistant Archivist position. – 2006. Memo, correspondence.	HDP.3.8
Library extension proposal. – 2007.	HDP.3.9
Student Societies Project. – 2006-2007. Memo, report.	HDP.3.10
Correspondence. – 2010-2011. Printed emails, cards from University staff members, Chapel guest book plan.	HDP.3.11
<i>Encaenia</i> programs and invitation. – 2006-2012.	HDP.3.12

Title	File no.
University of King's College Residence Don position documents. – 1962-1972. Folder labeled "Drake as Don." Chapel greeting cards; University of King's College Statutes, 1962; College Regulations; "King's - a view of campus life" (brochure, c. 1968) compiled by the KPPR Committee, text by Lloyd Gesner, photos by Reid Morash, Petr Hanel, Don Banks; "Duties of the Dons"; lists of students in residence; "The Dodo Manual"; correspondence from John Godfrey (then a history professor at Dalhousie University, later President of King's), President Graham Morgan, Adrian Potter, et al.	HDP.3.13
<i>The Record</i> . – 1971. University of King's College yearbook.	HDP.3.14
Raleigh bicycles. – 1971. Correspondence.	HDP.3.15

Series 4 Journals

Date of creation 1969-2012.

Extent 80 cm of textual records (48 journals).

Scope and content Series consists of journals that Henry Drake Petersen wrote from 1969 until three months before his death in 2012. Most of the journals are Blueline brand hardbound black volumes with lined pages.

Petersen wrote over three million words in his journals. They include his thoughts about his work in the Library and on King's committees, his plans for the future, his friendships with a number of people, his daily routines, visits to and from friends and family members, and lists of books he read. The last journals record the thoughts of a man confronted by a diagnosis of a terminal disease, trying to come to terms with the knowledge of his impending death, his concerns for how his mother would receive the news, and the comfort it gave him to have people support him, such as when his cousin Alida told him she would be with him to see it through.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement The journals are arranged chronologically.

File list

Title	File no.
Journal. – January 20-December 31, 1969. Norcross Date Book 1969 with entries of activities in date squares.	HDP.4.1
Journal. – March 5-31, 1969. Small black softsided notebook; note inside front cover: "Drake's first journal when he arrived in Canada." Written inside front cover in Petersen's hand: "Kirkwood, Lake Ainslie."	HDP.4.2
Journal. – April 1-15, 1969. Small black softsided notebook; written inside front cover in Petersen's hand: "This booklet started in Arichat, Nova Scotia: 1 April 1969."	HDP.4.3
Journal. – April 27-July 15, 1969. Small black softsided notebook; written inside front cover: "Arichat, N.S."; the June 6 entry was from 1645 Beech Street, Halifax.	HDP.4.4
Journal. – August 8, 1969-November 15, 1970. Small black notebook.	HDP.4.5
Journal. – January 18-December 30, 1970. Metropolitan Museum of Art desk calendar 1970 with Petersen's notes of daily activities, touching on Halifax, work, Classics studies, painting his apartment, visits to and from friends.	HDP.4.6
Journal. – January 7-February 21, 1971. Metropolitan Museum of Art desk calendar 1971 with Petersen's notes of daily activities.	HDP.4.7

Title	File no.
Journal. – November 27, 1971-April 12, 1974. Black hardbound volume; the first months have details about life at the University of King's College, while later months discuss house in Hubbards that Petersen shared with James (Jim) Lowry.	HDP.4.8
Journal. – April 17, 1974-August 1, 1980. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.9
Journal. – June 23, 1974-December 2, 1978. Black hardbound volume; only 9 pages have writing.	HDP.4.10
Journal. – 14 March 1980-September 21, 1980. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.4.11
Journal. – January 9-October 6, 1982. Loose handwritten pages. Stories by Petersen.	HDP.4.12
Journal. – May 10-June 25, 1983. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.4.13
Journal. – October 10, 1983-July 24, 1984. Tartan pattern hardbound volume; writing by Thomas Glatzfelder on first 7 pages; Petersen wrote from Newfane, Vermont, and New York.	HDP.4.14
Journal. – August 5-November 11, 1986. Black hardbound volume; writing focused on Petersen's cousin Archie Collins, who lived in Petersen's Halifax apartment for several months. Folded colour map of Lake Ainslie, Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia (Canada Department of Mines and Technical Surveys National Topographic Series, c.1952) tucked inside back cover.	HDP.4.15
Journal. – November 13, 1986-September 21, 1987. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.16
Journal. – September 22-December 9, 1987. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.17
Journal. – December 10, 1987-May 12, 1989. Black hardbound volume; notes and letters by Petersen dated 1983, 1989; exercise workout records; poetry lines in another hand tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.18
Journal. – May 17, 1989-July 14, 1991. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.19
Journal. – July 16, 1991-Dec. 25, 2001. Black hardbound volume. "Trip to Ottawa"; Writing on first page only.	HDP.4.20
Journal. – December 19, 1997-August 12, 1999. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.21
Journal. – August 14, 1999-December 10, 2001. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.22
Journal. – March 25-December 24, 2001. Black hardbound volume; loose notes of tarot reading, expenses for trip to New Jersey/New York taken April 27-May 12, 2001.	HDP.4.23
Journal. – December 26, 2001-May 31, 2002. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.24
Journal. – June 2, 2002-March 30, 2003. Black hardbound volume; trip to Vacaville, California.	HDP.4.25
Journal. – April 5-August 21, 2003. Black hardbound volume; trip to Venice, Italy, April 11-21, 2003, with brother Jim and Jim's partner, Stewart.	HDP.4.26

Title	File no.
Journal. – August 23, 2003-February 7, 2004. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.27
Journal. – Feb. 8-July 15, 2004. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.28
Journal. – July 16, 2004-Jan. 13, 2005. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.29
Journal. – January 15-July 29, 2005. Black hardbound volume. Diagrams of tarot card readings tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.30
Journal. – July 30, 2005-Jan. 1, 2006. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.31
Journal. – January 2-June 26, 2006. Black hardbound volume. Postcards, notes, photographs, financial statements tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.32
Journal. – June 27-Dec. 24, 2006. Black hardbound volume. Notes and copy of Petersen's letter re early retirement as of December 2008 to President Barker tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.33
Journal. – Dec. 25, 2006-May 25, 2007. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.34
Journal. – April 6-November 12, 2007. Black hardbound volume titled "Meditation Journal"; contains only 10 pages of writing.	HDP.4.35
Journal. – May 26-August 30, 2007. Black hardbound volume. Pension statements tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.36
Journal. – August 31-December 15, 2007. Black hardbound volume. Pay stubs, financial statements, notes, colour photograph of Petersen and Sandra (Sam) Klynstra tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.37
Journal. – Dec. 16, 2007-April 16, 2008. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.38
Journal. – April 17-Aug. 30, 2008. Black hardbound volume. Pay stubs, genealogy note tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.39
Journal. – August 31, 2008-Jan. 24, 2009. Dark green hardbound volume. Notes tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.40
Journal. – January 25-July 11, 2009. Black hardbound volume.	HDP.4.41
Journal. – July 12-Nov. 11, 2009. Black hardbound volume. Black-and-white photo (modern reproduction) of a couple with date 1919 tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.42
Journal. – November 11, 2009-April 22, 2010. Black hardbound volume. Notes, pay stub, letter from President Barker about annual raise tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.43
Journal. – April 23-September 24, 2010. Black hardbound volume. Notes from Alex Day and two colour photos of Alex Day tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.44
Journal. – September 25, 2010-April 3, 2011. Dark green hardbound volume. Pay stub, pension statement, notes tucked inside front cover.	HDP.4.45

Title**File no.**

Journal. – April 5-Sept. 21, 2011. Black hardbound volume. Pay stub and notes tucked inside front cover. HDP.4.46

Journal. – Sept. 22, 2011-April 9, 2012. Black hardbound volume. Details of daily life, food bought and eaten. March 8, 2012: "The greatest shock of my life has come upon me. Shock, denial, disbelief still has a firm grip on me. I am trying – who knows how – to come to terms with all of it. The news from Dr. AJ in her office yesterday, with dear Henry [Roper] sitting beside me, could not have been worse. She calmly explained to me that I have pancreatic cancer – that it is inoperable and that it has spread beyond the pancreas: there are spots on bones and the lungs." HDP.4.47

Journal. – April 13-July 5, 2012. Black hardbound volume. Written on a piece of paper tucked inside front cover: "Drake's final journal. Drake died October 17, 2012." HDP.4.48
The final entry was dated 5 p.m. on Thursday, July 5, 2012. Earlier that day, a surgeon had told Petersen that his life expectancy was a few months and that he needed palliative care. The last paragraph Petersen wrote in the journal was: "I must get Greg [Slack] back to work on my personal papers, etc. I must work with him on those things – if I ever want to get that done. No matter how difficult that will/may be, I must do it. I am in a fog, full of uncertainty. I place myself, once again, in the hands of God, praying always that His will be done in all things."

Series 5 Writings

Date of creation 1965-2012.

Extent 10 cm of textual records
7 architectural drawings

Scope and content Series consists of manuscripts by Henry Drake Petersen recording his thoughts on several topics. Some copies of Petersen's correspondence to friends are included. Seven architectural drawings of a house Petersen planned and hoped to build in Lake Ainslie, Cape Breton, after retirement are included in this series.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement Records are arranged chronologically.

File list

Title	File no.
University correspondence / writing. – 1965-1973.	HDP.5.1
Writing. – August 21, 1965-February 9, 1973. Densely written pages of thoughts; hand-written copies of letters to friends.	
Writing. – 1977-1980.	HDP.5.2
Writing. – October 21, 1981-November 2, 1998. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.3
Writing. – September 6-October 7, 1983. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.4
Writing. – November 11, 1999-March 3, 2000. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.5
Writing. – July 8, 2000- October 31, 2000. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.6
Writing. – September 21, 2000-January3, 2001. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.7
Writing. – May 14, 2001-June 7, 2008. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.8
Goals, aspirations, and things that make me happy. – June 3, 2010-November 11, 2011. Loose handwritten pages.	HDP.5.9
“1. The Library Job: I have achieved virtually everything I ever wanted to do at King's:	
a) the library collection when I took over was probably 4 th class – over the years, by increasing the book budget at the expense of other things, I have turned it into probably a 2 nd class collection for an undergraduate university.	
b) I established the University Archives (in 1992) and with determination finally was able to acquire and keep adequate staff to run it – as of the present time about 2/3 of the Archives has been processed, properly arranged and described, etc.;	
c) All of the books and serials – including all the rare books – are now in the Novanet system;	
d) I have managed to maintain the essential character of the building itself while adding adequate computer facilities, leather and other easy chairs, paintings, rugs, etc.	

Title**File no.**

I will not leave the Library with a lot of unfinished business, projects. I am pleased with what I have done there,

2. I would like to complete at least two books that are in process:

- a) the tarot book and
- b) the book on Oedipus. Also, I'd like to return to my memoirs of my early life – I've written 50 or more pages already. As well, some memoirs of my 40 years at King's. I'm not sure how much I have to say about those years, but probably quite a lot.

3. Living arrangements, place of residence.

I'd like to keep this apartment for as long as possible. I'd also like to have a place in the country. Where? Probably far down the South Shore, in the Shelburne area. At least 50-100 acres. I'd like to build a house, using as far as possible material from the land itself (rock, timber, etc.). I'd like to spend spring and fall in the country, winter and summer in the city."

Architectural drawings for house Petersen hoped to build in retirement on family land at Lake Ainslie, Cape Breton, NS. – 2012.

HDP.5.10

Series 6 Correspondence - family

Date of creation 1959-2012.

Extent 65 cm of textual records; approximately 50 photographs.

Scope and content Series consists of correspondence Henry Drake Petersen sent to and received from family members. It includes letters, greeting cards, printed emails, and photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters to his mother, grandmother, siblings, aunts, nieces, and cousins. The files include photographs that were enclosed with correspondence to Petersen.

The correspondence in this series relates to the following members of Petersen's family:

Boese, Edward – brother, of Vacaville, California; wife Joni; daughter Rebecca Boese, Walnut Creek, California

Boese, James – brother, theatrical producer, of New York; partner Stewart

Boese, Marion Drake – mother, of Vernon, Vermont; born January 21, 1926, daughter of Lawrence Erwood Drake (1899-1985; born in Amityville) and Marion Julia Beckwith Schmitz; siblings Alida Drake (Wicks after her marriage), Lawrence Drake, Richard Drake.

Boese, Rebecca – niece

Chaffee, Marion S. – grandmother; husband Red

Collins, Alida – cousin, of East Lake Ainslie, Cape Breton; husband Archie

Collins, Alida, Jr. (Alida Collins Holmes after her marriage in 1987) – second cousin; Alida Collins' daughter; granddaughter of Petersen's aunt, Alida Wicks

Collins, Archie – cousin by marriage; Alida Collins' husband

Collins, Archie, Jr. – second cousin; wife Elaine; Halifax

Collins, Clifford – friend; brother of Archie Collins (Marjorie and Stanley Collins' son)

Collins, Jamie – second cousin; Alida Collins' son

Collins, Lawrence – second cousin; wife Terry; Alida Collins' son and daughter-in-law

Collins, Stanley and Marjorie – friends; grandparents of Archie Collins, Jr.

Drake, Bernadette A. – aunt; uncle Lawrence Drake's second wife

Drake, John – cousin; son of Richard C. Drake

Drake, Richard C. – uncle; brother of Marion Boese and Alida Wicks

Judge, Alexandra – niece

Judge, Melanie Boese – sister, of Vernon, Vermont; husband Jack

Miramontes, Claire – niece, of Newfane, Vermont

Miramontes, Julia – niece; goddaughter

Miramontes, Maryann Boese – sister, of Newfane, Vermont

Wicks, Alida – aunt, of East Lake Ainslie, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia; originally from New York; sister of Petersen's mother. Alida Wicks' husband worked in the New York garment district; they moved to Cape Breton in 1964.

Wooten, Mollie – cousin, godmother.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement Records are arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent.

File list

Title	File no.
Boese, Marion Drake. – 1959-1969. Letters, greeting cards, including greeting cards Petersen wrote as a child.	HDP.6.1
Boese, Marion D. – 1970-1979. Letters, greeting cards, some of which include letters from Melanie Boese.	HDP.6.2
Boese, Marion D. – 1980-1989. Letters, greeting cards.	HDP.6.3
Boese, Marion D. – 1991-1999. Letters, greeting cards; one letter includes the Long Island University Alumni Newsletter of May 1974.	HDP.6.4
Boese, Marion D. – 2001-2011. Letters, greeting cards.	HDP.6.5
Boese, Eddie (Edward). – 1969-2004. Letters and greeting cards from Eddie, Joni, and daughter Rebecca Boese.	HDP.6.6
Boese, James. – 1969-2010. Letters, greeting cards, postcards.	HDP.6.7
Boese, Maryann. – 1969-1988. Letters, greeting cards.	HDP.6.8
Boese, Melanie. – 1969-2010. Letters, greeting cards.	HDP.6.9
Boese family (various people). – 1970-2012. Letters, greeting cards, photo.	HDP.6.10
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1954-1967.	HDP.6.11
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1970-1972.	HDP.6.12
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1973-1974.	HDP.6.13
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1975-1976.	HDP.6.14
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1977-1979.	HDP.6.15
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1980-1982.	HDP.6.16
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1983-1986.	HDP.6.17
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1987-1989.	HDP.6.18
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1990.	HDP.6.19
Chaffee, Marion S. (Nana). – 1982-2006. Photocopies of Petersen's correspondence to Nana and Red; photographs.	HDP.6.20
Collins, Alida. – 1975-2011. Correspondence sent from Whycocomagh, Nova Scotia; Beaufort, North Carolina; photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters.	HDP.6.21
Collins, Alida, Jr. (Alida Collins Holmes after her marriage in 1987; granddaughter of Petersen's aunt Alida Wicks). – 1982-2011.	
Collins, Archie, Jr. – 1987-2006. Correspondence from Archie to Nana and Grandpa Red; colour photograph of Archie, notes to Petersen.	HDP.6.22

Title	File no.
Collins, Clifford. – 1962. Letter to Petersen mailed from Whycocomagh, Nova Scotia.	HDP.6.23
Collins, Jamie. – 2006. Wedding invitation.	HDP.6.24
Collins, Lawrence and Terry. – 2007-2010. Greeting cards to Petersen; greeting card from Petersen to Terry and Lawrence.	HDP.6.25
Collins, Stanley and Marjorie. Correspondence to Petersen from Whycocomagh, Inverness County, Nova Scotia. – 1962-1963.	HDP.6.26
Wicks, Alida D. (Wicks, Mrs. William. G.) – 1970-2011.	HDP.6.27
Wicks, W. E. – 1964-1988.	HDP.6.28
Wooten, Mollie. – 1961-1963.	HDP.6.29

Series 7 Correspondence - friends

Date of creation 1959-2012.

Extent 120 cm of textual records.

Scope and content Series consists of letters, postcards, and greeting cards, from Petersen's friends and acquaintances, and photocopies of his correspondence to them, including notes of tarot card spread. Colour photographs are enclosed in some greeting cards from friends.

Source of title Title based on content.

Arrangement Records are arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent.

File list

Title	File no.
Bialecki, Leon (best friend at Long Island University). – 1964-1970. Letters to Petersen, photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters, colour photograph, postcards, sketches.	HDP.7.1
Carr, Katherine; Stanley, Graeme. – 1986-1993. Photocopies of handwritten letters from Petersen; letters and postcards to Petersen.	HDP.7.2
Clarke, Stewart. – 2007-2011. Photocopies, letters, postcards to Petersen.	HDP.7.3
Cook, Sarah (King's alumna; in King's Contemporary Studies Programme first graduating class; Library student assistant; United Kingdom art gallery/museum curator). – 1996-2006.	HDP.7.4
Day, Alex. – 1999-2011. Correspondence, greeting card, printed emails, tarot spread, pamphlet, "Morning Papers" notebook by Alex Day given as birthday gift to Petersen, colour photographs of Day and family.	HDP.7.5
Day, Alex. – 2007-2009. Margaret's Bay Stewardship Association. Notes and emails from Petersen to Alex Day, Island Coordinator.	HDP.7.6
Day, Alex. – 2008-2009. "Memoirs of a School Bus Driver" by Alex Day; notes by Petersen.	HDP.7.7
Day, Alex. – 1999. "The role of the church in negotiations: an analysis of P.U.C.M.M. (<i>Pontification Universidad Catholica de Madre y Maestra</i>): a tri-partied dialog according to the philosophy of the different" by Alex Day: University of King's College Contemporary Studies Programme honours thesis supervised by Dr. Dorota Glowacka; emails from Petersen to Day.	HDP.7.8
De Kock, Johan (Petersen met him in Howe Hall at Dalhousie University, where he stayed upon arrival in Halifax). – 1969-1971. Handwritten letters to Petersen.	HDP.7.9
Dumaresq, Alex (King's alumnus, Library student assistant). – 2006-2010. Correspondence, photocopies of Petersen's letters; colour photographs.	HDP.7.10

Title	File no.
Duncan, Bruce. – 2008-2012. Letters, email, greeting cards.	HDP.7.11
Fitzpatrick, Daniel (note from Petersen in file: "He lived in the apartment before me and basically handed it over to me 25 years ago. – December 2009"). – 1987-1990, 2009. Correspondence to Petersen, stories by Daniel Fitzpatrick, photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters to Fitzpatrick.	HDP.7.12
Fortner, Yonah N. (Long Island University roommate). – 1969-1976.	HDP.7.13
Fraser, Barrie (artist). – 1987-1990. Correspondence; greeting card titled "Lake Ainslie from Donald Mike's Mountain."	HDP.7.14
Glatzfelder, Thomas (Petersen met him while undertaking his Classics M.A. at Dalhousie). – 1984-1988. Letters to Petersen, photocopies of handwritten letters from Petersen.	HDP.7.15
Hall, John (King's alumnus, Library student assistant). – 1998-2006. Printed emails, handwritten copies of letters from Petersen.	HDP.7.16
Hankey, Wayne. – 1991-1994. Aerogramme letters from Hankey from Europe, photocopies of handwritten letters from Petersen.	HDP.7.17
Harrison, Margaret and Willis, Ruth Ellen (daughters of Alice Harrison, who was head librarian at Atlantic School of Theology when Petersen worked there part-time for 15 years). – 1979-2010.	HDP.7.18
Hartley, Carolyn; Nicklen, Paul (later divorced). – 1997-2010. Email, tarot card reading, photocopy of Petersen's handwritten letters.	HDP.7.19
Kam, Roger Lee (roommate for one year at Long Island University); Kam, Catherine Lee (daughter); Lewis, Gwyneth (medical doctor; met Petersen through Roger Lee Kam and his wife Anne in St. John's, Newfoundland). – 1976-2011.	HDP.7.20
Kennedy, Matt (King's alumnus, Library student assistant). – 2004-2009.	HDP.7.21
Klynstra, Sandra (Sam) and Peter. – 1983-2012. Photocopies of handwritten letters from Petersen, postcard, obituary of Peter Klynstra (died October 10, 2010).	HDP.7.22
Lane, Mary H. (Mrs. J. E.) (King's College Librarian 1970-1980; hired Petersen). – 1990-2010.	HDP.7.23
Lau, Yuk Lai (Long Island University roommate). – 1968-1971.	HDP.7.24
Lin, Jinding. – 1987-1998. Photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters, Lin's letters to Petersen, email, postcards.	HDP.7.25
Lowry, James (Jim) (1 of 2) (Saint Mary's University philosophy professor, Dalhousie Classics and German professor; Petersen shared a house in Hubbards, Nova Scotia, with Lowry for over a year.) – 1982-2011. Photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters to Lowry.	HDP.7.26

Title	File no.
Lowry, Jim (2 of 2). – 1982-2011. Correspondence from Lowry to Petersen; softcover volume titled “Mentaphysics” by James Lowry, Chiron Philosophy Series: “For Drake, your friend, Jim, 2002” written on title page.	HDP.7.27
MacIntyre, Annette. – 2003-2012. Correspondence, greeting card.	HDP.7.28
Mannheimer, Susan (Long Island University friend). – 1970-1976.	HDP.7.29
Mannheimer, Susan; Rosenthal, Susan (married name) and Richard. – 1969-1986. Correspondence, photocopies of Petersen’s handwritten letters, black-and-white photograph.	HDP.7.30
Myers, Karen (resident of 21 Ireland Place, Amityville, when Petersen was a child). – 2010-2012. Letters to Petersen (“Dearest Petey”), greeting card, photocopied letters from Petersen. Two black-and-white photographs of Petersen as a child, in one wearing a U.S. sailor uniform (about age 5).	HDP.7.31
Nicklen, Aaron (son of Louise Nicklen).– 1980-1994, 2002-2009. Petersen’s photocopied letters; postcards and letters to Petersen; emails.	HDP.7.32
Nicklen, David. – 1981-2003.	HDP.7.33
Nicklen, Louise (maiden name Roy; Petersen met her in Paris at Sorbonne in 1979); Nicklen, David (husband of Louise); Nicklen, Paul (son of Louise; photographer; wife Carolyn). – 1980-1983.	HDP.7.34
Nicklen, Louise and Aaron. – 2002-2011.	HDP.7.35
Nicklen family: David, Louise, Paul, Lyn (Carolyn). – 1980-2010. Photocopies of Petersen’s handwritten letters; Nicklen Journal 1980 (handwritten pages in envelope); emails, letters to Petersen, greeting cards.	HDP.7.36
Frobisher Bay - The Nicklens (1 of 2). – July 6, 1980-December 31, 1982. Correspondence (loose pages); photocopies of letters and faxes from Petersen.	HDP.7.37
Frobisher Bay - The Nicklens (2 of 2). – July 2, 1990-June 22, 1995. Correspondence (loose pages); photocopies of letters and faxes from Petersen; copies of letters to Aaron Nicklen.	HDP.7.38
Pearlman, Esther A. – 1979-1988. Letters and greeting cards to Petersen.	HDP.7.39
Rasmussen, Blake; Rasmussen, Simon. – c.1969, 2008-2011. Correspondence, photocopies of handwritten letters from Petersen, three colour photographs.	HDP.7.40
Robertson, Andrew; Castillan, Natasha. – 1994-2011. Petersen’s photocopied letters; postcards and letters to Petersen; colour photographs in small albums.	HDP.7.41
Roper, Henry (King's professor and administrator) and wife Phoebe. – 2004-2011.	HDP.7.42
Sassine, Marie. – 1985-1999.	HDP.7.43

Title	File no.
Tremblay, Clément (Dalhousie University Killam Library librarian). – 2001-2006. Greeting cards, photocopied letters from Petersen, email, news clipping, colour photographs.	HDP.7.44
Van Beek, Ries (1 of 2) (King's alumnus, Library student assistant). – 1993-2009. Photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters to Van Beek.	HDP.7.45
Van Beek, Ries (2 of 2). – 1993-2006. Correspondence from Van Beek to Petersen: printed emails, letters, colour photographs.	HDP.7.46
Wetmore, Stephen J. (Don of North Pole Bay 1970-1971, later a medical doctor practicing in Ontario; wife Susan). – 1971-1994.	HDP.7.47
Correspondence to and from Petersen to various people. – 1950s-1970.	HDP.7.48
Correspondence to and from Petersen to various people. – 1980s.	HDP.7.49
Correspondence to and from Petersen to various people. – 1990s.	HDP.7.50
Correspondence to and from Petersen to various people. – 2001-2008. Letters, greeting cards, postcards, printed emails, photocopies of Petersen's handwritten letters to and from various Adriane Abbott, Jim Dalling, Rachel DeWolf, Hilary Drummond, James Howell, J. G. Linn, Annette MacIntyre, Frank Peddle, et al.	HDP.7.51
Two address books. – c.1960s-c.2006.	HDP.7.52

Series 8 Photographs

Date of creation c.1935-2012.

Extent 30 cm of photographic material
1 graphic image

Scope and content Series consists of approximately 1,000 colour and black-and-white photographs, including slides, negatives, and 1 CD-ROM; and a framed Picasso print (65 cm H x 36 cm W) that hung in Petersen's apartment on Brenton Street, Halifax.

The photographs depict Petersen, his family members and friends, and landscapes and scenery of places where he lived, worked and traveled.

Photographs that were enclosed in letters or greeting cards are in Family Correspondence (series 6) and Friends Correspondence (series 7).

Source of title Title based on content of the series.

Arrangement The photographs have not been arranged. Most of the photographs are unlabelled and undated. They arrived in the Archives in clear plastic zip-loc bags, some bags labeled and others not. The photographs have been placed in acid-free envelopes labeled with name, place, and date, when that information could be determined.

Stored separately in cabinet:

1. Black three-ring photograph album box containing colour and black-and-white photographs and colour slides; a list of people and places pictured is inside the album. Photographs of people include Petersen, Henry Petersen (Petersen's father); Archie Collins; Marjorie Collins; Alida Wicks (Collins); William Wicks; et al.

Photographs of places include Ireland Place, Amityville, NY; Hobby Hill, Vermont; Kirkwood, Lake Ainslie; Isle Madame; University of King's College; Peggy's Cove (Nova Scotia). – 1952-1973.

2. Collage of nine colour photographs of family members, including Petersen's mother in lower left corner photo. – c.1990-2010.
3. Framed Picasso print of a boy that hung in Petersen's apartment on Brenton Street.

Among the people and places depicted in the photographs are:

Henry Drake Petersen

From childhood through his career in the Library; primary and secondary school class photographs; 6th grade, Amityville, 1958; "Petie - June 25, 1960 - Amityville NY"; "Near Light Point, NS, 1962"; "In front of the Unisphere the day the LIU chorus sang at the Fair, fall 1964"; red night-blooming cereus flowers in his apartment, c.2000; receiving Master of Arts degree upon graduation in Dalhousie University's Rebecca Cohn auditorium. - 1990.

Family members

Boese, Eddie and Rebecca, Newfane, Vermont, 1991.

Boese, Maryann, 1961, 1970.

Boese, Marion: "Petie and I at 21 Ireland Place, Amityville, June 1949" (woman and little boy sitting on front steps of house); Petersen's mother and four children, Christmas 1970.

Boese, Rebecca, 1990-1992.

Collins, Archie, 1962.

Drake, Marion Isabelle, 1943.

Drake, Lawrence.

Drake, Marion.

Petersen's mother and family members on their visits to Halifax, c. 1970s-1980s, e.g., in Don's suite, Middle Bay, University of King's College: "Spring 1971: Mom and me (Don). On floor: Melanie B., Jimmy B. and Maryann [children]."

Petersen, Candy, Sharon Road, Copiague, 1960 (little girl in snowsuit).

Petersen, Henry Adolph, World War II, Pacific; in Navy uniform c. late 1940s and on wedding day (woman has corsage); "Dad and Drake, Sharon Road" (man in plaid shirt and boy sitting on hood of car next to house), c.1951. "Drake and father on Sharon Rd., Copiague, NY" (U.S. Navy sailor holding boy of about 5 years old on his shoulder in front of car), c.1951; Henry Petersen, Betty Petersen and Bunkie (dog) in back yard of house on Park Avenue, Amityville, c.1940.

Petersen, Marion.

Schmitz, Maria Allen (grandmother), age 82.

Wicks, Alida (aunt), Amityville, 1957, Cape Breton west coast, 1962.

Wicks, Alida - with raccoon at Allegheny State Park; Niagara Falls, 1957; "2 Alidas and Nana, October 1957."

Friends

Bialecki, Leon, and Petersen, "the night we saw 'The Subject was Roses' on Broadway," 1965.

Day, Alex, 2003.

Duncan, Bruce, 2003.

Harrison, Alice and Clement, c.1990.

Klynstra, Peter and Sandra (Sam), c.2000s.

Jamilkowski, James and Craig Ufferheide "going around Manhattan on Circle Line, 7th grade," 1959.

Lin Jinding, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, 2001.

Michael and Tina, Durham, North Carolina, 2005, 2009.

Slack, Greg, c.2005.

Yuk-Kai Lau, Bennett Place, Amityville, summer 1968.

Zinck, Chris, in Bermuda, c.2000.

University of King's College

University of King's College Middle Bay Don's suite, spring 1971.

Library staff and student assistants, c.1990-2008, including Paulette Lambert, Patricia Chalmers, Elaine Galey (MacInnis), Alex Day.

University of King's College colleagues, including Catriona Talbot, Dorota Glowacka, Tim Currie, Stephen Kimber.

Petersen's 50th birthday celebrations in Library Committee Room and his apartment, August 30, 1996.

Places

21 Ireland Place, Amityville NY - "My Nana's house c.1935."

Newfane, Vermont, c.1980s.

New York City.

Family trips to Mt. Rushmore, San Francisco and Disneyland, 1959.

Yellowstone National Park (mountains), c.1959.

San Francisco Botanical Gardens, c.1959.

Halifax, Nova Scotia; including Halifax Citadel; post-Hurricane Juan 2003; Brenton Street; Killam Library at Dalhousie; Halifax Public Gardens: – c.1970-1995.

Nova Scotia scenery, including oceanfront house; white two-story clapboard house in field with fir trees, c.1980s-1990s.

Cape Breton, NS, including Fortress Louisbourg; Lake Ainslie farm; Wicks homestead and view of Lake Ainslie, 1961.

Frobisher Bay, Northwest Territories, c.1980s.

Venice, Italy, 2003.