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Charles Kessler Papers, 1939-2004

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Scope and Content Note: The Charles Kessler Papers contain some personal and professional correspondence, research for articles and books, and manuscripts for published and unpublished works. Kessler authored several pamphlets and books on local history including *Lancaster in the Revolution* in 1975 and *President Buchanan: Trapped in a Whirlwind* in 2003.

Creator: Kessler, Charles H., 1921-2005.

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Language: English

Biographical and Historical Note: Charles H. Kessler, a World War II veteran, began his career as a reporter for the *Reading Eagle Times*, and later worked for the Lancaster *New Era* until his retirement in 1984.

Source of Acquisition: Gift of Charles H. Kessler's estate.

Accruals: No further accruals are expected.

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People:

Kessler, Charles H.

Buchanan, James

Johnston, Harriet Lane

Subject Headings:

Authors

Family records

Jewish veterans

Letters

World War, 1939-1945

Search Terms:

Authors

Correspondence

Family records

Finding aids

Jewish veterans

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Manuscript groups

World War II

World War, 1939-1945

Processing History: The collection has not been fully cataloged. This collection has been documented, preserved and managed according to professional museum and archives standards. The finding aid was prepared using DACS conventions.



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Box 1

Binder 1 Jewish War Veterans of the US; Leblang, Friedman, Kessler Post 363: In Solemn Memory of Our Veterans, 1999

Binder 2 Jewish War Veterans of the US; Leblang, Friedman, Kessler Post 363: In Solemn Memory of Our Veterans, 1999

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Folder 3 Military, 1986-1991

Folder 4 Jewish War Veterans, 1946-1999

Folder 5 Jewish War Veterans, 1990-2000

Folder 6 Jewish War Veterans, 1998-2000

Folder 7 Jewish War Veterans, not dated, [1999]

Folder 8 Jewish War Veterans, not dated, [1999]

Folder 9 Jewish War Veterans; USS Savannah, 1943-1987

Folder 10 Isadore Princenthal, 1943-1998

Folder 11 In Solemn Memory of Our Veterans, [1999]

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Folder 12 In Grateful Memory of Private First Class Robert E. Kessler, Not Dated

Folder 13 In Glorious Memory, not dated

Folder 14 Screenwriting A to Z, not dated

Folder 15 Reprint of Kessler's Article in New Era: The Susquehanna- River of Power, [196_]

Folder 16 Pottstown High School Class of 1939: 50th Anniversary, 1989

Folder 17 U.S. News & World Report, 1994

Binder 18 Kessler Scrapbook, 1956-1957

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Folder 19 Hon. Marvin E. Millers Jr. Citation, 1984

Folder 20 "A Tanker's Tale," by Michael G. Moskow, 1990

Folder 21 "A Time to Remember," by Paul H. Duffy, not dated

Folder 22 The 2020 Election Campaign, 1985

Folder 23 Andrew Johnson, 1999

Folder 24 Witchcraft, 1929, 1942

Folder 25 Typhoid Fever/ Whooping Cough, 1917, 1923



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Folder 26 Speech Pathology, not dated
Folder 27 Lancaster Tourism, not dated
Folder 28 Lancaster County, 1975
Folder 29 Columbia, not dated, 2003
Folder 30 Local History, 1979
Folder 31 Thaddeus Stevens, 1994, not dated
Folder 32 Atomic Power Plant, not dated
Folder 33 Holtwood Dam, 1978
Folder 34 Newspaper, 1958-1983
Folder 35 Newspaper, 1948-1963
Folder 36 Newspaper, 1972-1992
Folder 37 Newspaper, 1959-2003
Folder 38 Personal, 1939-1998
Folder 39 Personal/Family, 1954-2002
Folder 40 Personal Story?, 2000
Folder 41 Fencing, 2003
Folder 42 Drawings (Extremely Brittle), not dated
Folder 43 Valleybrook Estates, 1997-2003

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Folder 44 Press Kit – Bicentennial Committee, 1975
Folder 45 [Lancaster in the Revolution] Research, 1973-1976
Folder 46 Lancaster in the Revolution, 1977-1997, not dated
Folder 47 *Lancaster in the Revolution*, 1974
Folder 48 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – draft, multiple copies, not dated
Folder 49 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – draft, not dated
Folder 50 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – 4th draft, not dated
Folder 51 Publicity Package, 1975

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Folder 52 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – press, 1975-1983
Folder 53 Revolutionary War – Research, 1975-1980
Folder 54 Bicentennial, [1975]-1984
Folder 55 [Lancaster in the Revolution] Manuscript, 1975
Folder 56 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – uncorrected proofs, not dated
Folder 57 [Lancaster in the Revolution] – galley proofs, not dated
Folder 58 *Lancaster in the Revolution*, not dated
Folder 59 *Lancaster in the Revolution*, 1974



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Folder 60 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – draft, 1974

Folder 61 Duplicate and Unused Photographs [*Lancaster in the Revolution?*], not dated. Photographs transferred to the Photograph Collection, 27 October 2017.

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Folder 62 *Lancaster in the Revolution*, not dated

Folder 63 *Lancaster in the Revolution* – Finished Book, 1975

Folder 64 [*Lancaster in the Revolution*] – 3rd draft, not dated

Folder 65 George Ross, Edward Hand, Bicentennial Articles, 1975, not dated

Folder 66 [Transcripts] of Letters from Edward Hand, not dated

Folder 67 General Edward Hand Letters to Jasper Yeates, not dated

Folder 68 Constitution, not dated

Folder 69 Lancaster and the Constitution, not dated

Folder 70 *Lancaster and the Constitution*, 1991, not dated

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Folder 71 Buchanan, 1988-1990

Folder 72 Buchanan, not dated

Folder 73 Buchanan, not dated

Folder 74 Buchanan, 1999-2003, not dated

Folder 75 Buchanan, 1991-2002, not dated

Folder 76 “Remembering President Buchanan,” 1990

Folder 77 *President James Buchanan*, not dated

Folder 78 *President James Buchanan*, not dated

Folder 79 Buchanan Manuscript, not dated

Folder 80 *James Buchanan Elected President of United States*, not dated

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Folder 81 Civil War Research, 1992-2003

Folder 82 *The Harriet Lane* – Revenue Cutter, not dated, 2003

Folder 83 Part of Manuscript – Buchanan or Lane?, not dated

Folder 84 Harriet Lane, 1991, not dated

Folder 85 Buchanan Press and Correspondence, 1991-2003

Folder 86 Buchanan/ Lane – Correspondence with Publishers, 1990-1991

Folder 87 Buchanan Research, 1977-2004

Folder 88 Buchanan Research, not dated



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Folder 89 Buchanan, 2002-2003, not dated

Folder 90 Buchanan, 1979-1991, not dated

Folder 91 Buchanan Research, 1991-2003, not dated

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Folder 92 *President Buchanan: Trapped in a Whirlwind*, 2003

Folder 93 Buchanan, not dated

Folder 94 Buchanan, not dated

Folder 95 *President Buchanan: Trapped in a Whirlwind* (galley), not dated

Folder 96 *President Buchanan: Trapped in a Whirlwind*, 2003

Folder 97 *President James Buchanan and the Secession Crisis*, 2002

Folder 98 *President James Buchanan and the Secession Crisis*, 2002

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Folder 99 Speech by Sam Slaymaker, 2003

Folder 100 Manuscripts of Buchanan/Lane and First Daughter; Research; Correspondence, 1990, not dated

Folder 101 Monologue of Harriet Lane, 1990

Folder 102 *Harriet and Uncle James*, not dated

Folder 103 *Harriet and Uncle James*, not dated

Folder 104 "Harriet and Uncle James", 1990

Folder 105 *Harriet and Uncle James*, not dated

Folder 106 First Daughter, 1970-1986, not dated

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Folder 107 *First Daughter*, 1985-1986

Folder 108 *First Daughter*, not dated

Folder 109 *First Daughter*, not dated

Folder 110 *First Daughter* (early draft), not dated

Folder 111 *First Daughter* (photocopy), 1985

Folder 112 Manuscripts of Scripts of *First Daughter*, not dated



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Folder 113 "Saga of Midnight Melody"; Notes, not dated

Folder 114 Future Stories/ Features, 1982-1986

Folder 115 "All the News", not dated

Folder 116 "All the News", not dated

Folder 117 "Burst of Fear", [1957]

Folder 118 *Dawn on the Conestoga* – Robert Fulton, not dated

Folder 119 *Devil Talk*, not dated

Folder 120 *The Great Female Madness*, not dated

Folder 121 "Hark the Sound", not dated

Folder 122 Susquehanna – *Ice Jam*, not dated

Folder 123 *Incident at Wright's Ferry* – a play, not dated

Folder 124 "The Lake Mill", not dated

Folder 125 "The Lower Susquehanna", not dated

Folder 126 "Storm in Alsace", not dated

Folder 127 "The Swordfighter" – notes, not dated

Oversized "A Salute to Jewish War Veterans" *The Mercury*, Pottstown, PA, 1999