

Roland Burgan Collection MS-525

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Summary Information

Repository: Creator:	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections Burgan, Roland "Bruce"	
Title:	Roland Burgan Collection	
ID:	MS-525	
Date [inclusive]:	1934-2015	
Physical Description:	1.12 Cubic Feet (3 manuscript boxes and 1 media box)	
Language of the Material:	English	
Mixed Materials [box]:	1-4	
Abstract:	Collection, 1934-2014, of Roland Bruce Burgan, a resident of Hancock, Michigan with interests in photography and local history.	

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Biography

Roland Bruce Burgan was born in Laurium, Michigan, to George and Irma (Karhu) Burgan on January 30, 1939. Following his 1956 graduation from Calumet High School, Burgan enrolled at Michigan College of Mining and Technology (later Michigan Technological University) to study electrical engineering. He subsequently served in the Air Force, enlisting in 1961.

Following his service in the military, Burgan worked as general manager at Houghton radio station WHDF and later as an engineering for ABC Channel 5 television in Calumet. He also served as a weather observer at Houghton County Memorial Airport.

Active in his local community, Burgan was a member of various organizations, including the Alfred Erickson American Legion Post 186, the Copper Country Veterans Association, the Hancock Sesquicentennial Committee, and the Houghton County Building Authority. He also pursued passions in amateur radio, local history, and photography, providing pictures for the City of Hancock's website beginning in 1998.

Roland Burgan passed away on January 14, 2016, at the age of seventy-six. He was survived by his wife of nearly fifty years and several other family members.

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Collection Scope and Content Summary

Collection, 1934-2015, of Roland Bruce Burgan, a resident of Hancock, Michigan with interests in photography and local history. Reflecting Burgan's interests and his work as the photographer for the City of Hancock's website, the collection includes photographs, articles, audiocassettes, and oral history on CDs collected and captured by Burgan. Subject matter pertains to local events and history, including parades, new construction, college commencements, the city of Hancock website, the sesquicentennial celebration for the city of Hancock, local scenery, and the early history of radio broadcasting in the Copper Country and Michigan Technological University. Local veterans and military history are also emphasized in Burgan's collection.

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Administrative Information

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Controlled Access Headings

- Negatives (Photographic)
- Audiocassettes
- Compact discs
- Naval reserves
- Printed ephemera
- Local history -- Michigan -- Copper Country
- Hancock (Mich.)
- Keweenaw Peninsula (Mich.)
- Photographs
- Construction projects -- Michigan -- Copper Country
- Landscapes -- Michigan -- Copper Country
- Radio broadcasting -- History -- Michigan -- Copper Country
- Floppy disks

1934-March 1935

- Hockey -- Michigan -- Copper Country
- Veterans -- Michigan -- Societies and clubs

Collection Inventory

Copper Country Community History

Language of the Material: English.

Title/Description	Instances
Hancock, MI Post Office Construction Photos, October	box 3

Language of the Material: English.

Post Office Construction Photographs, 1934-1935 Language of the Material: English.	box 1	folder 19
Michigan College of Mining and Technology Sky Diving Club Photographs, Negatives, and Clippings, 1956-1960	box 1	folder 2
Language of the Material: English.		
Michigan College of Mining and Technology Sky Diving Club Photographs, 1959	box 2	folder 5
Language of the Material: English.		
Keweenaw Waterway and Michigan College of Mining and Technology Aerial Photographs, 1957	box 1	folder 1
Language of the Material: English.		
Hancock Web Page Images and Captions , 1998-2015	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		
Removal of Engineer's Control Booth, South Tower of Portage Lake Lift Bridge Photographs, 1997	box 1	folder 3
Language of the Material: English.		
Portage Health Systems, 1996-2000	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		
Portage Health System Hospital Construction, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 8
Language of the Material: English.		
Portage Health System Hospital Dedication, 2000	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		
Portage Health Systems Dedication Programs and Clippings, 2000	box 2	folder 4
Language of the Material: English.		
Houghton County Medical Care Dementia Wing Construction, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 6
Language of the Material: English.		
New Hancock Water Tank, Quincy Hill, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 10
Language of the Material: English.		
Rosza Center, Michigan Technological University, Construction and Dedication Photographs	box 1	folder 17
Language of the Material: English.		
Department of Public Works Construction, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 9

Language of the Material: English.

Hancock High School Construction Photographs, 1998 Language of the Material: English.	box 1	folder 7	
Hancock City Hall Check Signing Ceremony Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 4	
Language of the Material: English.			
Summer, Hancock, MI Panoramic Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 5	
Language of the Material: English.			
Copper Country Fireman's Tournament, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 12	
Language of the Material: English.			
Michigan Technological University Parade of Nations, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 11	
Language of the Material: English.			
Bridgefest Parade, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 13	
Language of the Material: English.			
St. Patrick's Day Parade, Hancock, MI Photographs, 1998	box 1	folder 14	
Language of the Material: English.			
138th Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, Hancock, MI Photographs, 2001	box 1	folder 22	
Language of the Material: English.			
Prime Minister of Finland, Honorable Paavo Lipponen, Suomi College, April 27-29, 2000	box 3		
Language of the Material: English.			
CLK 2000 : Images of the Calumet/ Laurium Area, 2nd All Class Reunion, 2000	box 3		
Language of the Material: English.			
SmartZone Meeting Photographs, 2000	box 1	folder 18	
Language of the Material: English.			
SmartZone Announcement Photographs, 2001	box 1	folder 16	
Language of the Material: English.			
Copper Island Beach Club Project, 2001	box 2	folder 1	
Language of the Material: English.			
Aerial Photographs and Miscellaneous Clippings	box 2	folder 8	
Language of the Material: English.			
City of Hancock 2013 Web Page Pictorials and Captions CD, 2013	box 4		

Quincy Volunteer Fire Department Fall 2013 CD, 2013 Language of the Material: English.	box 4	
Sesquicentennial City of Hancock: Hancock Copper by Dr. Larry Lankton, CD, 2013 <u>Language of the Material</u> : English.	box 4	
Sesquicentennial City of Hancock: The Irish by Dr. Mulligan, CD, 2013 <u>Language of the Material</u> : English.	box 4	
Sesquicentennial City of Hancock: Journey to the Surface by Deborah Mann, the Italians, CD, 2013 Language of the Material: English.	box 4	
Sesquicentennial City of Hancock: Jacob's Sandstone by Karen Hubbard, CD, 2013 <u>Language of the Material</u> : English.	box 4	
Sesquicentennial City of Hancock: Hervy Parke, president 1862-1864 City of Hancock, CD, 2012	box 4	
Sesquicentennial City of Hancock: Hervy Parke, president 1862-1864 City of Hancock, photograph	box 2 folder	11

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Copper Country Military History

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Title/Description	Instances
First Nike-Apache Missile Launch Photos : Keweenaw Missile Range, January 28-29, 1971	box 3
Language of the Material: English.	
Keweenaw Missile Range : Rocket Launch Photos (1-10), 1971	box 3
Language of the Material: English.	
Keweenaw Missile Range : Rocket Launch Photos (11-17), 1971	box 3
Language of the Material: English.	
Keweenaw Missile Range : Rocket Launch Photographs, 1971	box 1 folder 15
Language of the Material: English.	
"History of the Hancock Naval Reserves," by Roland Burgan,	box 3

March 20, 1941

Language of the Material: English. "History of the Hancock Naval Reserves," by Roland Burgan, box 2 folder 3 2012 Language of the Material: English. History of Naval Reserve Center : Special Addendum (Photo box 3 #19), 2012 Language of the Material: English. Hancock Naval Reserves : 9-202M Division, 2009 box 3 Language of the Material: English. box 2 folder 2 U. S. S. Mount Vernon, Hancock Naval Reserves Language of the Material: English. "A History of Alfred Erickson Post 186, American Legion, box 3 Hancock, MI," by Roland Burgan, undated Language of the Material: English. "A History of Alfred Erickson Post 186, American Legion, box 2 folder 6 Hancock, MI," by Roland Burgan, 2012 Language of the Material: English. Key to Unknown Photo - Names of Alfred Erickson box 1 folder 23 American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps, 1949 Language of the Material: English. General Photograph is found on compact disc in box 3. Memorial Day : Alfred Erickson American Legion, Post 186, folder 20 box 1 Hancock, MI Photographs, 2000 Language of the Material: English. folder 7 **Copper Country Military Units** box 2 Language of the Material: English. CMSgt. Daniel Hackmeier (Retired) : World War II Bataan box 3 March Survivor, 2003 Language of the Material: English. Houghton County Honor Rolls photographs (Copper box 2 folder 9 Country Veterans Association), 2014 Photographs of Peter Paulson and Paul Peterson of Laurium folder 10 box 2 in U.S. Navy attire, approximately 1940's

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Copper Country Radio History

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Early Amateur Radio at Michigan Technological University : A Program by Professor Walter T. Anderson, PE, WSERB, 1995	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		
The Golden Age of Radio : An Interview with John Sincock, WSCSI, 1998	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		
WBKP-TV channel 5 videos and clippings, 1999	box 1	folder 21
Language of the Material: English.		
WHDF Oral History (aired WGLI, Keep It In the U.P. Program), 2009	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		
Ham Radio : Broadcast Discussion on WCCY, Dave Torrey, CCRAA President, 2010	box 3	
Language of the Material: English.		

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Copper Country Hockey History

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Hancock Outdoor Hockey : Rink Panel Discussion (Part 1 and Part 2), 2013	box 3
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Hancock Outdoor Hockey : Rink Panel Discussion (Part 1), 2013	box 3
Language of the Material: English.	
Hancock Outdoor Hockey : Rink Panel Discussion (Part 2), 2013	box 3
Language of the Material: English.	

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