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**Frank Lloyd Wright in Michigan Collection, 1945-1988**

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**COLLECTION SUMMARY:**

**TITLE:** Frank Lloyd Wright in Michigan Collection, 1945-1988

**EXTENT:** .5 linear foot (1 box) and oversize material

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**ABSTRACT:** Correspondence, architectural drawings, photographs, and published materials documenting architect Frank Lloyd Wright's designs in Michigan.

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** Correspondence, printed papers, black and white photographic prints, and architectural reprographic prints.

**ORIGINATION:** Northrup, A. Dale, 1941-

**ACQUISITION INFORMATION:** The collection was a gift from A. Dale Northrup to the Ryerson and Burnham Archives in 1995.

**HISTORICAL NOTE:**

This collection was compiled by A. Dale Northrup during the course of his research for the book *Frank Lloyd Wright in Michigan* (1991).

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:**

The bulk of the collection consists of photocopied correspondence between architect Frank Lloyd Wright and his clients, and correspondence between A. Dale Northrup and Wright's clients or the current owners of the homes. A few photographs and blueprints documenting Wright's Michigan projects complete the collection.

**ORGANIZATION AND ARRANGEMENT:**

Items are grouped into two categories: projects and miscellaneous. Projects are arranged alphabetically by location; miscellaneous materials are arranged chronologically.

**CONTROLLED ACCESS POINTS:**

This collection and other related materials may be found under the following headings in online catalogs:  
Usonian houses--Michigan--History--Sources  
Northrup, A. Dale, 1941- . Frank Lloyd Wright in Michigan  
Wright, Frank Lloyd, 1867-1959--Correspondence  
Architecture, Domestic--Michigan--History--Sources

**ABBREVIATIONS:**

<b>Abbreviation</b>	<b>Definition</b>
BOX.FF	Box #, Folder #
Flatf.	Flatfile
n.d.	not dated
Portf.	Portfolio

**RELATED MATERIALS IN THE RYERSON AND BURNHAM ARCHIVES, THE ART INSTITUTE OF CHICAGO:**

Dana/Thomas House Restoration Plans and Documents, 1995.2  
First National Bank of Dwight Collection, 1969.1  
Herbert and Katherine Jacobs Frank Lloyd Wright Collection, 1977.1  
Joseph J. Bagley Cottage Collection, 1978.1  
Penfield Residence Collection, 1982.3  
Wrightiana Collection, 2001.3  
Historic Architecture and Landscape Image Collection, 00.20

**SELECTED BIBLIOGRAPHY:**

Northrup, A. Dale. *Frank Lloyd Wright in Michigan*. Algonac, MI: Reference Publications, 1991.

**PHYSICAL LOCATION:**

The collection is housed in the Ryerson and Burnham Libraries' on-site stacks.

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#### PROCESSING INFORMATION:

The collection was processed by staff of the Ryerson and Burnham Archives in 1995. This finding aid was revised and expanded by Annemarie van Roessel in 2002.

#### ITEM INVENTORY:

LOCATION	CONTENTS	DATES	ITEMS
	<b>PROJECTS:</b>		
	<b>ALPAUGH, AMY, RESIDENCE. NORTHPORT, MI</b>		
Box.FF 1.2	Correspondence between members of the Alpaugh family and Frank Lloyd Wright. Photocopies. Regarding the Alpaugh residence.	1945-1965	48
Box.FF 1.3	Correspondence between Amy A. Alpaugh Russell and A. Dale Northup. Photocopies. Regarding the Alpaugh residence.	1968-1985	13
Flatf. 29.2	Specifications and plans. Laminated architectural reprographic prints.	n.d.	9
	<b>BURKE, WILLIAM, RESIDENCE. THREE RIVERS, MI</b>		
Box.FF 1.5	Correspondence.	08/1987-11/1987	6
	<b>HARPER, INA MORRIS, RESIDENCE. ST. JOSEPH, MI</b>		
Box.FF 1.4	Correspondence.	01/1988-02/1988	8
	<b>SCHULTZ, CARL E., MR. AND MRS., RESIDENCE. ST. JOSEPH, MI</b>		
Flatf. 29.3	Specifications and plans. Laminated architectural reprographic prints.	n.d.	8
	<b>TURKEL, H., DR. AND MRS., RESIDENCE. DETROIT, MI</b>		
Flatf. 29.1	Specifications and plans. Laminated architectural reprographic prints.	06/25/1956, 09/25/1956	6
	<b>VOSBURGH, ERNEST, RESIDENCE. GRAND BEACH, MI</b>		
Box.FF 1.1	Exterior view. Black and white photographic prints.	n.d.	1
	<b>MISCELLANEOUS:</b>		
Box.FF 1.6	B., J.L. "What is it? Frank Lloyd Wright is the designer of this new all-concrete house... Detroit's First Usonian Automatic." <i>Detroit Free Press</i> . Photocopy and black and white photographic prints.	07/28/1957, n.d.	4
Box.FF 1.7	Miscellaneous correspondence. Regarding Frank Lloyd Wright-designed residences in Michigan.	1967-1985	22
Box.FF 1.8	Miscellaneous correspondence. Regarding Frank Lloyd Wright-related cooperative projects and groups.	1967-1987	9