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INTRODUCTION**THE ESTONIAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION OF MONTREAL**

Founded in 1958, the Estonian Women's Association of Montreal sought to serve both the cultural and social needs of the local Estonian community. It presented films and lectures on Estonian life and culture, sponsored Montreal's Estonian Boy Scouts' and Girl Guides' movements, as well as lent its support to the Estonian Children's Summer Camp "Joekaaru" and to the Senior Citizen's Home "Insula". Theatrical presentations were arranged by the Association, and its small lending library made available Estonian language literature to the reading public. Due to declining membership caused by aging and the movement of Estonians from Montreal to other urban centres across Canada, the Association ceased its activities in 1985.

The records were presented in 1985 by the Estonian Women's Association of Montreal, through the courtesy of L. Rava.

The records were arranged in chronological order by document type and/or subject matter. Finding Aid No. 1779 is a list of file tables.

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