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Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection

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Colophon

The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection was processed by archivist Jannette L. D’Esposito during an internship for college credit in pursuit of a master’s degree in Library and Information Science from St. John’s University. Ms. D’Esposito was supervised during this project by Ms. Elizabeth Berilla, Reference, Instruction, and Outreach Librarian and Institutional Archivist at the Stephen B. Luce Library and Archives. Previously Ms. D’Esposito interned at the American Museum of Natural History’s Research Library processing and performing risk assessments of the Herpetology Department archives and the library’s photographic slide collection. The internship at the Stephen B. Luce Library is the first experience Ms. D’Esposito has had to create a finding aid for a collection she processed. Ms. D’Esposito processed eight of the twelve boxes that comprise the collection including boxes one through five, seven, eight, and twelve. Boxes six and nine through eleven were processed by Ms. Berilla.

Abstract

The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection contains professional and personal items collected by Lillian C. Borrone during her extensive career in the maritime industry as a prominent professional, who achieved the rank of Assistant Executive Director for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. The collection spans 1962-2008. The majority of the items were collected between 1984-2008 during Ms. Borrone’s tenure at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and her subsequent retirement but also includes items collected while Ms. Borrone was a college student and during her first jobs after college. A portion of the collection is related to Ms. Borrone’s appointment by President George W. Bush to the United States
Commission on Ocean Policy. Lillian C. Borrone was also appointed Recovery Coordinator for the Office of Recovery and Victim Assistance after the September 11, 2001 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. Items within the collection include photographs, correspondence, awards, certificates, news and journal articles, scrapbooks, published works, plaques and artifacts.

**Provenance**

The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection was deposited at the Stephen B. Luce Library in August 2012 by Captain James McNamara, President of National Cargo Bureau, Inc. The collection was packed by Lillian C. Borrone and the contents of each box were kept in original order to the best of the processor’s ability. The collection reflects the professional, personal, and academic career of Lillian C. Borrone.

**Biographical Note**

Lillian C. Borrone (née Lillian C. Liburdi) is currently the Chairman for the Eno Transportation Foundation’s Board of Directors. Ms. Borrone retired as the Assistant Executive Director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey in December 2000. Ms. Borrone’s career at the Port Authority started in 1984 including twelve years as Director of the Port Commerce Department. She also held the positions of Director of Management and Budget and Assistant Director of the Aviation Department. During her career at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey Ms. Borrone traveled extensively including many trips to the different ports throughout Asia. Prior to
her tenure at the Port Authority Ms. Borrone held positions as Deputy Administrator at the U.S. Department of Transportation, and as Associate Administrator at the Urban Mass Transportation Administration. In 2001 Ms. Borrone was appointed by President George W. Bush to the United States Commission on Ocean Policy and she has been inducted into the Maritime Association Hall of Fame. Ms. Borrone earned her bachelor’s degree in Political Science from American University and her master’s degree in Civil Engineering and Transportation Management from Manhattan College.

Scope and Content Note

The majority of the Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection contains materials collected by Ms. Borrone during her career at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. These materials include photographs from various career related functions, items collected during Ms. Borrone’s many trips to Asia, awards and certificates earned by Ms. Borrone, correspondence to and from Ms. Borrone as well as papers and reports written by Ms. Borrone. The collection also contains various news clippings and journal articles chronicling the highlights of Ms. Borrone’s career including the Fall 1991 New York Maritime Log (official magazine of the SUNY Maritime College) with an article honoring Lillian C. Liburdi on page five. A small portion of the collection contains items collected while Ms. Borrone was a college student and during her first jobs after college. Some of the items in the collection are related to Ms. Borrone’s appointment to the United States Commission for Ocean Policy and includes the final report completed by the commission. Ms. Borrone also collected materials relating to the attacks on September 11, 2001
and her appointment as Recovery Coordinator for the Office of Recovery and Victim Assistance including a presentation Ms. Borrone gave at the one year anniversary of the attacks.

The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection spans 1962 through 2008 however the majority of the items were collected between 1984-2008 during Ms. Borrone’s tenure at the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and her subsequent retirement. The earliest documents contained in the collection were included as part of Ms. Borrone’s college coursework comprising required readings and reflections. The latest item included in the collection is a lifetime achievement award awarded to Lillian C. Borrone for advancing women in transportation.

**Arrangement**

The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection is organized in twelve boxes. Items within these boxes were kept in original order to the best of the processor’s ability. The system of arrangement within the boxes is primarily topical however there are some items that are arranged chronologically. Descriptions of the items were largely done at the series level with some item level descriptions as deemed appropriate based on the material. Scrapbooks have been rehoused in archival folders, with buffered tissue interfiling each page of the original scrapbook order; additional measures have been taken to enclose photographs in pH neutral envelopes for preservation purposes.

- **Box 1**: Professional and personal memorabilia from 1995-1998, and 2000.
- **Box 3**: Professional and personal memorabilia from 1965-1983, 1992 and 2001, includes an entire scrapbook devoted to the September 11, 2001 attacks.

- **Box 5**: Primarily photographs and slides taken at various conferences and business trips, news and journal articles about Lillian C. Liburdi, a hardcover book titled Outstanding Young Women of America 1981, also contains an audio cassette of a keynote address given by David McCullough, box spans 1981, 1988-1993 and 1995-1996.

- **Box 6**: Documents and reports related to the United States Commission on Ocean Policy from 2004, includes the final report by the commission titled An Ocean Blueprint for the 21st Century.

- **Box 7**: Professional and personal memorabilia from 1972, 1993-1996, and 1999-2000. Materials include awards, certificates, photographs, slides, correspondence, and news clippings, also includes a small plaque with a statue of the Panama Canal.

- **Box 8**: Academic and professional documents spanning 1962-2008. Materials include news clippings, photographs, monographs and manuscripts.


- **Box 11**: Various artifacts collected by Ms. Borrone, also included are 2 photographs of Ms. Borrone. Items are from 1970-2001, 2003, 2005 and 2008 (some are undated).

**Conditions of Access and Use**

The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection is open to all researchers. All items from the Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection must be used and viewed inside of the Stephen B. Luce Library and Archive located at SUNY Maritime College, 6 Pennyfield Avenue, Throggs Neck, NY 10465. No food, drinks, or pens are allowed near the archival materials. When handling the Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection all researchers *must wear* the cotton archival gloves provided by the Stephen B. Luce Library and Archive staff. Consult the librarian or archivist for permission before taking photographs (without a flash) of the collection, or to request photocopies of the materials.

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**Citation Note**

Proper reference should be made by all researchers to the contents of this collection in accordance with the archive’s use policy. Published citations should take the following form:

Name of Item, Date (if known); The Lillian C. Liburdi Borrone Collection, Box #, The Stephen B. Luce Library and Archives, SUNY Maritime College.

**Language of Materials**

The language used for the majority of the materials contained in this collection is English. A few of the materials are in Japanese, Chinese, Italian, French, Spanish, German, and Russian.

**Added Entries**

American University

Eno Foundation for Transportation

Lillian C. Borrone

Lillian C. Liburdi
Manhattan College

National Research Council

National Academy of Engineering

New York Maritime Log

Panama Canal

Port Authority of New York and New Jersey

Transportation Research Board

September 11, 2001

United States Commission for Ocean Policy

Universita Italiana Per Stranieri
Container List

Box Ia


Box Ib


5-6. Photo Album (Pusan/Busan, South Korea Sister port opening). Photographs- seem to have been taken during business trip to opening of a new port in South Korea. Circa 1989-1990.

Box Ic


Box IIa


Box IIb

**Box IIIa**


**Box IIIb**


5. Photo Album (Trip to Japan). 23 photographs with descriptions on back of front cover, photographs seem to have been taken in Japan on a business trip. 1992.

**Box IVa**


**Box IVb**


**Box Va**


2. Envelope (Lillian Liburdi). Photographic slides-no information supplied seem to have been taken at a conference. No date.


**Box Vb**


**Box Vc**


**Box VIa**


**Box VIb**


Box VIc


Box VIIa

1. Proclamation (Commendation) from Governor of New Jersey. Proclamation from the Governor of New Jersey to Lillian Borrone for her work after the September 11, 2001 attacks (with photograph of the World Trade Center twin towers and the Statue of Liberty) 2 copies, photograph of Lillian Borrone on a ship, no date or information given but is inside a Port of New York and New Jersey photo jacket. 2001.

2. Journal Square Transportation Center (JSTC) Album. A printed black and white photo album of the people who worked on the Journal Square Transportation Center project (Lillian Liburdi on fourth page), correspondence from the project manager regarding the album. 1972.


5. Joint Civilian Orientation Conference (JCOC) Photo Album. Photo album is labeled Joint Civilian Orientation Conference but no other information is available, photographs seem to be from the conference. No Date.

Box VIIb

1. Panama Canal Sculpture/Panama Canal Authority (ACP) Hong Kong Advisory Board Meeting Plaque. A small plaque labeled that it is from the Panama Canal Authority (ACP) Advisory Board Meeting in Hong Kong, the plaque includes a small statue of the front northbound Minaflores Locks of the Panama Canal. September 13-14. 2001.

2. Correspondence Binder (2000). Correspondence and ephemera mostly regarding congratulations on Ms. Borrone's promotion to Assistant Executive Director of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and being named in the Star Ledger as one of the top 10 most powerful women in New Jersey business, a few letters are regarding her retirement, a newspaper clipping regarding Lillian Borrone's retirement. 2000.

Box VIIc

1. Box of Slides (1). Box of color photographic slides the slides contain no information but look to have been taken during a military training exercise and conference (#1 of 2). No date.

2. Box of Slides (2). Box of color photographic slides the slides contain no information but look to have been taken during a military training exercise and conference (#2 of 2). No date.


Box VIIIa

1. Vocabulary Index Cards. A collection of index cards with handwritten notes, the majority of the notes are vocabulary words with definitions, first 2 index cards are lists of books and authors titled "Possible Books for 1st Review". No date.


5. The Impact of Academic Research on Industrial Performance. Paperback book containing a report done to assess the impact academic research has had on 5 industries including: network systems and communications; medical devices and equipment; aerospace; transportation, distribution, and logistics services; and financial services. 2003.

6. A Geographical Analysis of Perugia, Italy (School Paper). A report (possibly for school) done by "Lillian Cerza" about the geography of Perugia, Italy. Contains handwritten corrections and comments. No date.


8. Italian Academic Papers. Miscellaneous papers used for academic work at the Universita Italiana Per Stranieri. 1962.

**Box VIIIb**


4. Immediate Office of the Secretary Address and Phone List. A typed address and phone number list labeled Immediate Office of the Secretary. No date.


**Box VIIIc**


2. Academic Index Cards. Stack of index cards containing what seems to be notes from an academic class. 1967.


5. Manuscript: Epilogue: Triumphs and Travails of an Aging Empire. Manuscript of the epilogue written by James Doig for “Empire on the Hudson” which contains a review of the major developments in the Port Authority since 1950. Also contains correspondence from Angela Wood in regards to the manuscript. A post-it indicates that pages 557 and 558 are missing. 1999.


**Box VIIIId**


4. Manuscript: Data for Decisions: Requirements for National Transportation Policy Making. Original manuscript of an independent study done by the Transportation Research Board of the data requirements to support transportation policy making and the
changes necessary to make the data available permanently (each chapter is stapled together). November 1991.

5. New Jersey Infrastructure Study. A report compiled for the Foundation of the New Jersey Alliance for Action in order to provide better understanding of the importance of infrastructure on the State of New Jersey. Contains 2 inserts: A copy of an article from the Trenton Times and a brochure about the foundation. August 1991.

6. Lillian C. Liburdi Name Plate. Small brown name plate with "Lillian C Liburdi" engraved on it. No date.


Box VIIIe


8. Miscellaneous Articles about Lillian C. Borrone. Several copies of article in World Trade about Lillian C. Borrone, Port of Rotterdam with Lillian C. Borrone article on page 8 marked. 1995.


Box VIIIIf


Box IXa


3. Department of Transportation, Distinguished Public Service Award. Distinguished Public Service Award given to Lillian C. Borrone by the United States Coast Guard. October 5, 2000.


**Box IXb**


2. Port Commerce Department, Team Project Award Certificate and photograph awarded to Lillian C. Borrone by the Port Commerce Department Director, Richard M. Larrabee. December 2000.

3. 101st Airborne Division, Honorary Air Assault Soldier. Framed certificate given to Lillian C. Liburdi upon her certification as an honorary Air Assault Soldier, Fort Campbell K.Y. May 13, 1992.


**Box IXc**


5. Italian Seamen's Club of New York, Achievement Award. Framed Certificate given to Lillian C. Liburdi for her outstanding leadership, service, dedication and excellence in her chosen profession. May 6, 1989.


IXd


2. Eno Transportation Foundation Board of Directors, Photograph. Framed photograph of Lillian C. Liburdi with Eno Transportation Foundation Board of Directors at the Lansdowne Headquarters. Undated.

3. TR News: Transportation Research Board, Profiles. Framed News article highlighting Lillian Liburdi’s education and career. Article also focuses on her research methods, and how research is of concern in the maritime industry. November-December 1988.


Box IXe


5. The Journal of Commerce and Commercial, Publisher's Note. Framed news article praising her for Lillian Liburdi’s role as Director of the Port of New York and New Jersey written by Don C. Becker. June 12, 1991.

IX-Oversized (Cabinet)


2. Ironbound Manufacturer's Association, New Jersey's Woman of the Year. Framed Certificate in honor of her leadership and outstanding dedication to the promotion, protection and development of New Jersey. April 11, 1991.

4. Board on Minorities and Women of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Celebrating Women in Engineering. Framed Certificate given to Lillian C. Borrone in celebration of her accomplishments in engineering. Recognizing her role as Director of the Port Commerce Department and as the Chairman as well as member of numerous Boards, Bureaus and Departments. Undated.

5. Comments by Administrator Richard S. Page from the Swearing in Ceremony of Lillian C. Liburdi as Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development. Framed Certification given to Lillian C. Liburdi recognizing her acceptance and command of her role as Associate Administrator for Policy and Program Development, Swearing-in ceremony comments are attached. October 10, 1978.

Box Xa

1. Port of New York Chapter of the United States Merchant Marine Academy, Maritime Person of the Year Award. Plaque presented to Lillian Borrone for her leadership as Director of the Port Department, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, and for expanding the dredging program. December 18, 1996.


3. Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey, Resolution by the Board of Directors. Plaque presented to Lillian C. Borrone for service on the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee. May 16, 1990.


**Box Xb**


**Box XIa**


4. Clock, American Association of Port Authorities. Wooden clock in a box awarded in appreciation for distinguished service in the port industry to Lillian C. Borrone by the AAPA. March 2003.


6. Clock, Women's Transportation Seminar. Crystal clock awarded with appreciation to Lillian Liburdi by the WTS. Undated.


9. Award, Lifetime Achievement. Award given to Lillian C. Borrone by the WTS for advancing women in transportation. 2008.


Box XIb


5. Paperweight, Higley Copper Coins. Two Higley Copper "Value Me As You Please" U.S. Colonial coins attached to paperweight. Copies. Undated.


**Box XIc**


**Box XIIa**

1. Star Ledger News Articles. Envelope containing news articles and copies of news articles printed in the Star Ledger that include Lillian Borrone, including several copies of the cover of the "New Jersey 10: The States Most Powerful Women in Business" article. August 20 & 26, 2000.


3. Photographs and Mounted Journal/News Articles in New Jersey Legislature Folder. Folder containing photographs of Lillian Borrone at various functions for the Port Authority of NY and NJ and at the Port of Shanghai, mounted journal articles about Lillian Borrone, certificates from the New Jersey General Assembly (2 for Lillian C. Liburdi/Borrone and 1 for Edward J. Borrone) and a Christmas poem. 1991-1993, 1996-1997
Box XIIb

1. Fighting the Tide Video Cassette. VHS cassette tape titled Fighting the Tide, label says it is part of Portfolio Projects and not for broadcast reproduction or commercial use. 2000.


4. Retirement Correspondence File. A file containing letters and cards sent to Lillian Borrone regarding her retirement for the NY and NJ Port Authority with her responses clipped to each one. January 5, 2001.

5. Miscellaneous Correspondence File. A file containing various letters, cards, and emails sent to Lillian Borrone and her responses to some of them are clipped onto them, some letters are regarding her retirement. January 2001.

6. Miscellaneous Correspondence File. A file containing various letters, cards, and emails sent to and from Lillian Borrone, some letters are regarding her retirement and one letter refers to potential a candidate for the position of president of SUNY Maritime. 2001.

7. Miscellaneous Correspondence File. Several letters and cards regarding Lillian Borrone's retirement with her responses clipped to them, also includes an article in JoC Week regarding her retirement. December 2000-January 2001.


Box XIIc


2. File Labeled: Personal Borrone, Lillian C. 1997. Various correspondence including Borrone's resignation letters from Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, certificates. announcements of appointment to Assistant Executive director of Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, various journals and news articles (some are copies) regarding the maritime industry some containing articles about Borrone, document outlining the position of Assistant Executive director of the Port Authority, the journal Context August-September 2000. 1997-2000 (Bulk 1999).


