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Abstract

Charles P. Poland Manuscript Collection on "Dunbarton, Dranesville, Virginia" consists of .5 linear feet and spans the years 1972-1974 and consists of a final manuscript, manuscript drafts, research notes, illustrations, architectural sketches, and correspondence. Subjects covered are the architecture and history of the Dunbarton old stone home and the history of the Dranesville community.

Creator

Poland, Jr., Charles P.

Extent

.5 linear feet

Repository

Fairfax County Public Library

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

None

Use Restrictions

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None

Historical and Biographical Information

In 1974, the Fairfax County Office of Comprehensive Planning published this history of the community of Dranesville, Virginia and one of its historic homes named Dunbarton. The manuscript has two parts. The first covers the community of Dranesville from 1720 through the 20th century. The second covers the history and architecture of Dunbarton (910 Seneca Road), one of the oldest stone houses in Fairfax County, and the people who lived there.

Dr. Charles P. Poland, Jr. was a professor of history at Northern Virginia Community College's Annandale Campus. He was honored by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia with a 2012 Outstanding Faculty Award. He has taught undergraduate and graduate courses on the history of Virginia and the American Civil War. He founded the Northern Virginia Community College Civil War Museum. Poland wrote seven books on subjects including the Civil War and the nation's shift from an agrarian society to an urban society. His books include *The Glories of War: Small Battles and Early Heroes of 1861* (2004) and *From Frontier to Suburbia, Loudoun County, Virginia; One of America's Fastest Growing Counties* (2005). With his father, Charles Preston Poland, Sr., he wrote *A Forgotten Way of Life* (2012), which traces the Poland family's transition from a rural life to a suburban one. Poland, Jr. earned BA and MA degrees from American University and a doctorate from Western Colorado University.

Index Terms

Architecture - Stone houses

Dranesville, Virginia

Dunbarton (910 Seneca Road)

Poland, Jr., Charles P.

Container List

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Box 1 Folder 4: Dunbarton Study - Draft and Research Notes, 1972

Box 1 Folder 5: Dunbarton Study - Illustrations, Undated

**Box 1 Folder 6: Dunbarton Study - Architectural Sketches,
Undated**

Box 1 Folder 7: Dunbarton Study - Correspondence, 1970-1972

Box 1 Folder 8: Dunbarton Study - Draft, 1972 May

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