

FONDS A59

SPARLING SCHOOL DIVISION #2119

AN INVENTORY OF ITS ARCHIVAL RECORDS HELD BY THE
MILLET & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Provenance: Sparling School Division #2119

Title: Sparling School Division #2119 fonds

Dates: 1910-1959; 2003

Phys. Desc.: 2 cm of textual records, 18 photographs

Bio / Admin History: Local ratepayers began meeting in late 1909 or early 1910 to form a school district. The first trustees were J. M. Saisberry, A. Hougstol, J. Sehlin, E. Moore and P. Strand. The school board was formally organized in 1925. The school house was built by N.K. Bakken in 1910 for \$177.00. There was an outdoor pump and a furnace that had to be stoked and started every day before school. The first school teacher that year was Miss Isabel Shaw. Nine grades were taught in the school in multi-grade classrooms and for many years there were more than 30 students. The final years only 4-5 grades were taught with the older grades being bussed into Wetaskiwin. The Sparling School closed in 1959 and students were bussed to Camp Centre in Wetaskiwin.

Custodial History: Materials were gathered for reference by Al Hegge in 2003 for a Sparling School homecoming from the story of Sparling School written for the Tales and Trails of Millet (local history book). They were donated to the Millet and District Museum and Archives at the end of that project. Mr. Hegge also donated numerous photographs of the Sparling School reunion held in 2003.

Scope / Content: The fonds consists of lists of students registered at Sparling School over the years, historic (b/w; various sizes) photographs of the school and contemporary (coloured 5 x 7) photographs of the school reunion in 2003.

Title Source: Title based on the contents of the fonds.

Language: The material is in English.

Restrictions: There are no restrictions on access.

Finding Aids: Box List is available in repository.

Associated/Related: There are copies of the newspapers available in microfilm.

Accruals: Further accruals are expected.

Record No.: A59

Repository: Millet and District Museum and Archives

Names: The Sparling School District # 2119

Topics: Education

Box List

File

- 1 List of pupils 1930-1958 [copies]
- 2 Christmas program for concert, ca. 1943-1944
- 3 Photographs of school building, children and reunion, ca. 1950 – 1978