Collection Title: Reuel Buchanan Collection

Manuscript Series Number: MS013-1990

Date Received: 1990

Processed by: Jessey C. Reed

Cataloged by: Dieter C. Ullrich

Date Listed: October 21, 2014; updated October 10, 2017.

Date Span: 1940’s-1990’s

Size of Collection: 6.0 linear feet.

Number of Boxes: 8 letter sized document cases, 3 10½x6x5 in photograph cases and 1 oversized box.

Type of Material: Correspondence, brochures, guides, maps, newspaper clippings, photographic prints, negatives and slides.

Condition of Material: Good.

Arrangement: Organized alphabetically by subject; Arranged by format.

Biographical / Historical Information: Reuel Buchanan, born May 26 1920, was a tourism and recreation instructor at Morehead State University. He was an important figure in the development of tourism and recreation in eastern Kentucky from the 1960s to the 1980s. Buchanan served as a member on the board of directors on both the Kentucky Festival Association, in which he also served as treasurer, and the Kentucky Highlands Association. He was also the Executive Director of the Morehead Recreation, Tourism and Convention Commission. He died on May 10, 1997.

Scope and Content: Collection consists of brochures, travel guides, historical booklets and newspaper clippings concerning tourism and recreation in the State of Kentucky. The bulk of the material focuses on the eastern region of the State. The collection features a series of photographic prints, slides and negatives of Kentucky recreation areas, historical sites and scenic areas across the State. Included are letters and memorandums between Buchanan, his colleagues and board members of various tourism and recreational organizations in Kentucky and surrounding states. Added to the collection was a typescript of interview notes with Roy Cassidy,
reel-to-reel audio tapes of interviews from the 1960s, and histories of the Morehead Methodist Church and United Methodist Mountain Mission at Jackson, Kentucky.

Subject Headings / Descriptors:
Cassidy, Roy.
Tourism – Kentucky.
Tourism – Appalachian Region.
Morehead (Ky.) – History.
Appalachian Region – History.

Notes: Collection was reprocessed and re-cataloged in April of 2015. A box of materials located in the archives by Reuel Buchanan we added on October 10, 2017.