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Capt. Karl P. Fanning Collection

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Papers

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c.1965, 1976



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INTRODUCTION

This collection of papers of Capt. Karl P. Fanning are class notes which he took as a student at Texas Maritime Academy studying for his B.S degree and 3rd Mates License which he received in May 1967. The courses represented here are Transportation, Rules of the Road, Navigation, Naval Architecture and the Deck Department Sea Project. Of particular interest are the intricate drawings throughout the collection. Some are figures relating to the coursework and many are artistic “doodles” in the margins.

The Williams library received the collection as a gift from his family in 2007.

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Biography

Captain Karl Fanning 1944-2007

Captain Fanning earned his bachelor's of science degree in 1967 and a master's of arts degree in 1977, both from Texas A&M University. He held a United States Coast Guard License - Master, Steam and Motor Vessels, Any Gross Tons, Ocean.

For more than 30 years, Captain Fanning served aboard U.S. Merchant vessels and school ships as Cadet, 3rd Mate, 2nd Mate, Training Officer, Chief Mate, and Master Mariner. He sailed with Lykes Brothers S.S. Company Incorporated from 1967 to 1995. He was an assistant professor at Texas A&M University in Galveston from 1970 to 1975. He retired from the sea in 1995, from real estate in 2000, and from ranching in 2001. After he returned to Texas from Colorado, he took his post as senior lecturer in Maritime Administration at Texas A&M University at Galveston.

Captain Fanning was well respected by his colleagues and students. To show their respect, he was nominated by his peers to receive the William Paul Ricker Distinguished



Faculty Award. Captain Fanning accepted that award on Saturday, May 12, 2007 to the applause of his family, students, and colleagues.

Source: Eulogy, Texas A&M University at Galveston, website, 2007.

SCOPE and CONTENTS

The collection is approximately .33 linear feet in size and contains items dating c. 1965. The collection is organized by course: Rules; Navigation; Naval Architecture; and Sea Project. Script on the cover of the sea project binder indicates this to be the mater copy of Captain Bennett M. Dodson, 1st Superintendent of Texas Maritime Academy and Captain of the T/S TEXAS CLIPPER I (1962-1967). Also included are two copies of a paper written by Capt. Fanning for a history course in 1976 titled: "Texas Maritime Academy : a view of student life 1962-1966.

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Container List
Box 1 of 1

Folder 1 – Finding Aid

Folder 2 – Biography

Folder 3 – Transportation II III

n.d.

Folder 4 – Rules & Regs.

1966 Jan.

Folder 5 – Rules of the Road

(1965-66?)

Folder 6 – Celestial Navigation

n.d.

Folder 7 – Terrestrial Navigation

n.d.

Folder 8 – Electronic Navigation

n.d.

Folder 9 – Naval Architecture

1965

Folder 10 - Naval Architecture – drawings

1965

Folder 11 – Deck Department Sea Project

n.d.

Folder 12 – “Texas Maritime Academy :

A view of student life 1962-1966” (2 copies)

1976