

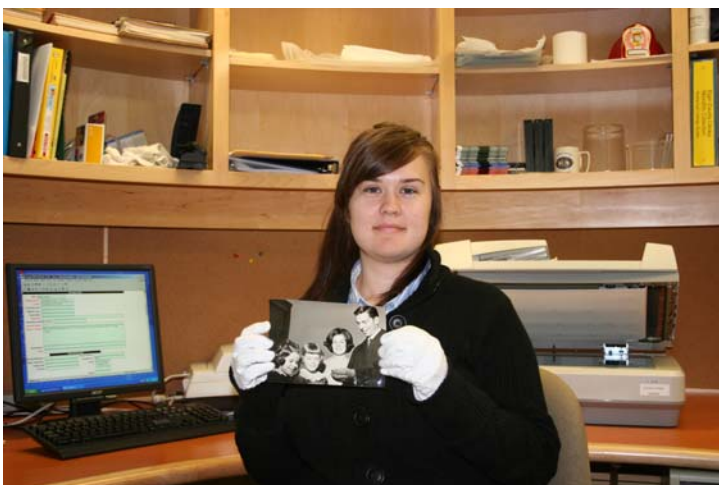
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Archives Begins Work on St. Thomas Times-Journal Photographs Digitization Project

With funding received from Heritage Canada through the Young Canada Works in Heritage Institutions Program administered by the Canadian Council of Archives, the Archives was able to hire a student digitization assistant to begin work on a multi-year project to digitize and publish online an estimated 50,000-item collection of original photographs published in the *St. Thomas Times-Journal* from the late 1940s to the mid 1980s.

To date, more than 4,000 images have been digitized, documenting institutions, organizations, businesses, individuals and events of central importance to Elgin County and the City of St. Thomas, enabling the Archives to contribute to milestone anniversary celebrations organized this year by the St. Thomas-Elgin Public Art Centre; Regional Mental Health Care, St. Thomas (formerly the St. Thomas Psychiatric Hospital); and the St. Thomas branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society; and to provide assistance to organizers of the 2010 International Plowing Match and the 2010 Olympic Torch Relay.

Item-level descriptive records and images are available through the Archives' [online database](#).



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