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## Brooker, George R., Collection, MS 174

### George R. Brooker Collection

#### Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	George R. Brooker
<b>Title</b>	The George R. Brooker Collection
<b>Dates</b>	1959 – 1992
<b>Quantity</b>	.8 linear foot
<b>Collection Number</b>	MS 174
<b>Summary</b>	A collection of documents, awards, correspondence, biographical information and other papers relating to former PSU faculty member George R. Brooker.
<b>Repository</b>	Pittsburg State University, Leonard H. Axe Library, Special Collections & University Archives 1701 S. Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	There are no restrictions and collection is open for research. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections & University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University
<b>Languages</b>	English
<b>Biographical Note</b>	George R. Brooker (1929-1992) was born in Ft. Scott, Kansas where he attended high school and community college. He received his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the Kansas State Teacher's College of Pittsburg (now Pittsburg State University) in 1956 and 1957, respectively. He earned a Doctorate of Education from the University of Arkansas (Fayetteville) in 1970. Dr. Brooker was on faculty in the Department of Technology at Pittsburg State University from 1959 until his death in 1992. Prior to working at PSU, he taught Automotive Studies at Bradley University in Illinois. During his career, he consulted with Walt Disney and Universal Studios, particularly in constructing the shark from the 1975 movie <i>Jaws</i> . He also was involved with NASA in designing the moon rover used in the lunar Apollo

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missions, and alloys for the Department of Defense. He also collected barbed wire and researched its effect on the West.

### **Content Description**

This collection is primary and secondary resources and is divided into the following series:

1. Personal
  - a. Biographical
  - b. Certificates and Awards
2. Academic
  - a. Curriculum
  - b. Student work
  - c. Research
3. Newspapers/Articles
4. Photos

### **Processing Note**

Collection formally processed in September 2017

### **Detailed Description of Collection**

#### **Series 1: Personal**

- F. 1 Personal Correspondence 1959-1984
- F. 2 Personal Correspondence 1985-1987
- F. 3 Personal Correspondence 1988-1992, and undated
- F. 4 Biographical information regarding personal life and committees and organizations while at Pittsburg State University.
- F. 5 Regarding conferences and coursework regarding bio astronomy and automotive technology. Includes diagrams and SAE club information.
- F. 6 Pittsburg State University *Insight*, and Korody-Colyer portfolio.
- F. 7 Awards and Certificates- Including National Association of Industrial Technology; conference and course work; academic; general motors; and miscellaneous.

#### **Series 2: Academic**

- F. 8 Thesis – Proposed Content of Agricultural Machinery Technology Curriculum for Four-Year Colleges and Universities (Ed.D, University of Arkansas, 1970).

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F. 9 Curriculum

F. 10 Papers and research regarding automotive technology; the American Civil War; Eli Whitney; and barbed wire.

**Series 3: Newspapers/Articles**

F. 11 Articles regarding the automotive technology field and Dr. Brooker.

F. 12 Articles regarding barbed wire; extraterrestrial life; and miscellaneous.

**Series 4: Photos**

F. 13 Photographs include Dr. Brooker; Hydraulic school; and other automotive subjects.

**Series 5: Miscellaneous**

F. 14 Napkins; papers regarding Caroline Brooker; cassette tape; and badges.