

# S. J. McKee Archives



### Brandon Women's Musical Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4810

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 13-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1953-1965

Physical Description: 10 cm

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Women's Musical Club was formed in 1945 by Miss Peggy Sharpe and Miss Hilda Smith. Together with a group of women from around Brandon, they managed to form a large club for, according to the club's constitution, "the study of vocal and instrumental music, literature and related arts and the encouragement of promising Junior Artists under eighteen years of age." With these goals in mind, the club undertook to provide tuition for young music students and contributed to the formation of the Brandon Women's Musical Choral Club. The club held meetings during which club members listened to guest speakers and observed performances by local musical and dance groups, as well as some national musical stars. The group also sponsored performances of musicals, plays, and recitals, and held an annual Christmas party.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2002. Previous custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds is composed predominantly of two scrapbooks, one of which covers the years 1953-1960, the other the years 1960-1965. The scrapbooks contain newspaper clippings about the Musical Club's meetings and performances. There is also a file containing miscellaneous correspondence, the constitution and bylaws of the group, the club's membership lists from 1959-1964, and questionnaires about the Women's Musical Club.

Notes: CAIN No. 202589

Subject Access: Peggy Sharpe

Hilda Smith Lorne Watson Eric Davies Nona Mari

Isabelle Coghlin
Janine Theriault
Peggie Sampson
Howard Leyton-Brown
Norman Chapman

Peter Koslowsky
Nora Needham
Lucien Needham

Brandon Women's Musical Club

Brandon Women's Musical Choral Club

Baroque Trio of Montreal

Brandon College School of Music

Wilson Trio
City of Brandon
women's clubs
choral groups
musical clubs
scrapbooks

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions



# Keystone Centre development and construction fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4854

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 22-1998

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1957-1974; predominant 1970-1974

Physical Description: 36 cm

History / Biographical:

The idea of the Keystone Centre was first mentioned in 1958, at a meeting of the board of directors of the Manitoba Winter Fair. The Manitoba Winter Fair wanted a new facility because the old Wheat City Arena had a leaking roof and a deteriorating west wall. The old facility also had limited space and the Winter Fair felt it needed more space for expansion. The Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba also had problems with their facilities, such as old barns and poor display areas. The idea of the Keystone Centre was put on hold until 1969, when the boards of the Provincial Exhibition and the Manitoba Winter Fair joined together as the Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba and the Wheat City Arena was sold and demolished. The original estimate for the cost of the Keystone Centre facilities was \$4.5 million and funding would be proportioned so that the federal and provincial governments would each put in one-third of the money, with the rest coming from local donations. The financial campaign for the Keystone Centre began in 1970, and construction began in November 1970. The grand opening of the Centre was in March 1973, and coincided with the Royal Manitoba Winter Fair of that year.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains many folders full of correspondence, financial statements, meeting minutes and other documents relating to the development and construction of the Keystone Centre from 1970-1974, including those from the Keystone Executive Committee, as well as the Building Committee. Fonds also contains one folder that pertains to the Brandon Area Agricultural Development Survey from 1959. This folder contains the names and locations of all farmers in the Brandon area in 1959. The Brandon Area Agricultural Development Survey was created in 1959, in order to make farming in the Brandon area more profitable. The survey was aided by Doane Agricultural Service from St. Louis, Missouri, who had success creating agricultural development programs in the United States. Fonds also contains folders from the Provincial Exhibition with correspondence, pamphlets, estimates, and studies from the 1960's. There is also one folder belonging to the Manitoba Winter Fair, which contains correspondence and financial statements relating to the Wheat City Arena. Fonds also contains information pertaining to the proposals made in the 1960's, for the building of the Keystone Centre, as well as one folder about the Keystone campaign from 1970-73. There is also one folder about the opening of the Keystone Centre, which contains newspaper clippings and guest lists. Finally, the fonds contains information about a court case involving Albert Bobyk and Robert Stewart. Stewart was the project manager for the Building Committee and Bobyk worked on the Keystone Center. The fonds includes a report about the trial of the two men who were charged with fraud involving their work on the Keystone Centre.

Notes: CAIN No. 202608

Subject Access: Ray Forbes

Fred McGuinness

Brandon Area Agricultural Development Survey

Doane Agricultural Service Inc

Agricultural & Homemaking School of Brandon

Royal Manitoba Winter Fair

Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba

South-Western District Agricultural Society

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Manitoba Department of Agriculture

City of Brandon

Keystone Committee

Keystone Building Committee

agriculture
architecture
exhibitions
swine farming
sheep farming
cereal grain farming

rural life

winter fairs

Storage Location: 1998 accessions
Storage Range: 1998 accessions



## Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4859

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 10-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1932-1972

Physical Description: 20 cm

History / Biographical:

The Business and Professional Women's Club of Brandon was created in November 1932. The club grew out of a meeting of business and professional women who were interested in forming an association. Guest speakers at the meeting were Miss Hilda Hesson, the Vice President of the Federation of Canadian Business and Professional Women's Clubs, and Miss F. Ingram, the President of the Winnipeg Business and Professional Women's Club. The objective of the Brandon club, according to its constitution, was the "promotion of educational, service, and social facilities for the business and professional women." The club consisted of active and associate members and belonged to the greater Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club. The first President of the club was Miss Margaret Gemmell, with approximately 80 women attended the club's first meeting. The club established subcommittees on a variety of subjects including current events, sports, bridge instruction, public speaking, dress making, photography, stitch craft, manual training, and physical culture. The club also put on exhibitions, participated in drama festivals, held rummage sales and an annual Christmas party. During the Second World War, it established a War Effort Department. This department organized activities such as sewing and knitting in support of the war effort. The War Effort Department also raised money for charities such as the Red Cross. During its meetings, the club often heard local and national speakers or watched films. Women of many different vocations joined the club including florists, teachers, salesclerks, nurses, and housewives. Over the years, additional departments were added to the club including those named poetry, pottery, woodcraft, and drama.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2002. Previous custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains three small scrapbooks, which cover the years 1932-1939, 1939-1949, and 1950-1959, respectively. The scrapbooks contain newpaper clippings from the Brandon Sun, the Winnipeg Free Press, and the Flin Flon Daily Miner. The scrapbooks also contain exhibition and meeting programs from the Brandon Club. Fonds also contains meeting minutes for the years 1932-1972.

Notes: CAIN No. 202576

Subject Access: Miss Margaret Gemmel

Miss Marjorie McKenzie

Dr. Jane Turnbull

Miss Muriel Bowen

Miss Jessie Crawford

Mrs. Robert Darrach

Miss Margaret Clay

Hilda Hesson

Miss Jenny Gemmell

City of Brandon

Business and Professional Women's Club of Brandon

Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs

women's organizations

women's clubs

Manitoba women

scrapbooks

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material: Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club (10-2002);

Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002); Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trilliam

Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006).



### **Toal Commission**

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14289

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Fonds
Accession Number: 3-2013

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1971-1972

Physical Description: 24 cm textual records

Material Details: Photocopies of originals

History / Biographical:

The Toal Commission was a Commission of Inquiry conducted by James Toal at the Prince Edward Hotel in Brandon,MB from 1971-1972. The purpose of this inquiry was to investigage a report published by the Brandon Police Department entitled, "Problem Metis Families, City of Brandon," as well as allegations of police harassment in the City of Brandon from January 1, 1970, onward. The report was prepared by the Brandon Police Department following a petition submitted to Mayor Wilton. The petition, signed by approximately thirty residents of Brandon's East End, requested that the city prohibit the sale of homes in their neighborhood to Native families. A copy of the report was obtained by the Brandon Sun, which generated a considerable public response that resulted in the investigation in question.

#### Custodial History:

Records were ordered from the Archives of Manitoba by Brandon University Archivist Tom Mitchell and Brandon University history professor Jim Naylor in 2013.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of records created over the course of the Toal Commission. It includes copies of verbatim transcripts of the Toal Commission hearings, as well as a commission of inquiry, a report on the commission, and indexes, which list the witnesses and evidence presented for each day of the hearings.

Notes: Description by Jason Dooley (October 2016).

Name Access: James Toal

City of Brandon

**Brandon Police Department** 

Brandon Sun
City of Winnipeg
Prince Edward Hotel

J.S. Walker K.P. Regier

Chief Constable D.A. McNamee

Inspector L. White
Constable Keith Yorke
John Richard Bell

Alan Ross

John Langston Tyman

Mayor W.H.K. Wilton

R.G. Lagimodiere

Edith May Bryan

C.W. Gordon

Mr. Houle

Archie Joseph Nabess

The Canadian Native Justice League

Manitoba Indian Brotherhood

Andy Moir

Brandon Friendship Center

Indian Affairs Department

Keystone Center

Mr. Meighen

Ronald Stoney

Thomas Stoney

Henry Hunter

Marie Hunter

Sharon Pompana

Edgar Lee Pompana

Howard Clyde Sandy

Sanderson family

Lorna Esther Wright

Dorothy Sarah Watt

Wayne James Clifford Desjarlais

Elizabeth Edith Oudie

Mary Wilma Wasicuna

Beulah Faye Langford

P. Schacter

Donald James McKay

Leo John Wayne Porter

Isobel Grasby

Gladys Pasche

Harold Weitman

George Munroe

Dorothy Betz

Roger Obansawin

Peter Whitecloud

Dr. Adam Cuthand

Kenneth Neil McCaskill

Rene Joseph Houle

Carole Diane Lavalle

Brian Norman Otis

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Ragnar B. Nygaard

Mrs. R. Nygaard

Marlene Brichon

Joseph A. Farion

Calvin Gerry

Helen Bell

Kenneth Bell

Angus Spence

J.W. Potter

**Donald Pratt** 

Henry Carroll

Subject Access: Aboriginals

First Nations

Metis

race relations

government commissions

indiginous peoples

Storage Location: 2013 accessions

Related Material: Toal Commission Review - F.C. Muldoon Commissioner - Review the

Toal Commission's conclusions - review report (handwritten and typed copy), notes on testimonies and correspondence, Library and Archives

Canada Inventory no. 6822 Finding aid no. MSS2374

Toal Commission - Archives of Manitoba

John Langston Tyman fonds (70-1997 & 9-2001)

Audrey Silvius collection (21-2000)