

# S. J. McKee Archives



## The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon monograph

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13676>

Other Title Info:	Title based on the contents of the subseries
Part Of:	Fred McGuinness collection
Description Level:	Sub-series
Series Number:	McG 5.6
Accession Number:	1-2015 [formerly 6-2008 and 20-2009 and unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection]
GMD:	textual records
Date Range:	c. 1987 - 1988
Physical Description:	Approximately 6 cm of textual records

### History /

#### Biographical:

These records were produced between 1987 and 1988, the researching and writing period for *The Wheat City: A Pictorial History of Brandon* monograph. Published in 1988 by Western Producer Books (Saskatoon, Saskatchewan), *The Wheat City* is a 117-page soft cover book, containing black and white images.

Western Producer Books pitched the book's concept to Fred McGuinness in the fall of 1987. This book was part of the publisher's "city series" which focused on smaller cities such as Medicine Hat and Prince Albert. It was estimated that the book would contain a 6,000-word introduction followed by approximately 80 archival photographs of Brandon spanning from early settlement to the late 1950s/early 1960s.

Brandon University history major Pam Svistovski worked as McGuinness' research assistant and McGuinness obtained images for the book from his own personal collection, the Brandon Sun, Lawrence Stuckey, the Archives of Manitoba, and the Western Pictorial Index.

#### Custodial History:

Records were collected and created by McGuinness during the writing phase of the monograph *The Wheat City*. The materials were donated to the S.J. McKee Archives by the Estate of Fred McGuinness circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

#### Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of textual records and photographs created and collected during the production of the monograph *The Wheat City*. It includes correspondence, newspapers articles, drafts and black and white photographs from the Archives of Manitoba, Western Canada Pictorial Index, and *Illustrated Souvenir of Brandon*.

Notes: Information in the history/biography was obtained from The Wheat City's acknowledgements and a letter to Mr. Fred McGuinness from Western Producer Books, dated September 24, 1987 (McG 5.6, File 11)

Where known, archival reference numbers for photographs obtained from the Archives of Manitoba and the Western Canada Pictorial Index and considered/used in The Wheat City have been provided in the item level description

Accruals: Closed

Repro Restriction: Images published in the monograph and stored in files copyright protected by their respective organizations

Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions

Related Material: Clarence Hopkin collection  
Lawrence Stuckey collection  
Jack Stothard collection

Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible research materials pertaining to this monograph may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2) Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Local history research (McG 4.1), Manitoba: The Province & The People (McG 5.4), and Manitoba Enterprise (McG 5.5)

Arrangement:


Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to picture sources

## Documents

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McG 5\_6 Wheat City inventory.pdf

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Lawrence Stuckey photograph collection - Brandon history  
<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9030>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Creator: Many of the images presented were captured by Mr. Stuckey himself. However being a well known and accomplished photographer and amateur historian, he also bought, sold and traded negatives with other collectors. Therefore the viewer is reminded that many images, although part of his collection, were created and/or provided for Mr. Stuckey by other collectors. In addition, it is believed that some images contained within his collection were created by photographing a pre-existing negative or print. We have attempted to note the authorship of all images when possible.

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 3.1

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

History /

Biographical:

For history/bio information see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Custodial History:

For custodial history see the collection level description of the Lawrence Stuckey collection.

Scope and Content:

This sub-series consists of photographic negatives related to the history of Brandon, Manitoba.

All of the images contained within this sub-series were part of Mr. Stuckey's lifelong personal collection of photographic negatives and prints. Images include those related to people, street scenes, buildings, various city departments and so forth.

Notes: All of the images from Mr. Stuckey's collection of negatives and prints were reproduced and digitized using an Epson scanner and software suite. All attempts have been made to reproduce the images in such a manner that balances our desire to portray the negatives and photographs as they originally appear, with the need to create an optimal digital image for viewing. Therefore it is noted that minor alterations to image size and contrast have occurred.

With few exceptions, all digitizing and database entry of images and descriptions was conducted during the summer of 2009 at Brandon University by Patrick Elves.

Repro Restriction: The McKee Archives is the copyright holder for the Stuckey materials.

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

Arrangement:

Unless otherwise noted, the arrangement of these images was drawn from the original classification scheme used by Mr. Stuckey.

The information specific to each image, for the most part, was gained from Mr. Stuckey's personal notes regarding that particular photograph or similar photograph. Observations or notes contained within square brackets are explanatory or missing materials that have been added by someone other than Mr. Stuckey.

We have attempted to present the information that accompanies each image in the same format as was used by Mr. Stuckey himself.

Subseries 1 - Brandon History

- A. People
- B. Bridges
- C. Streets
- D. Buildings
- E. Business
- F. Fire Dept.
- G. Hospitals
- H. Industries
- I. Streetcars
- J. Utilities
- K. Construction
- L. Transportation (other than rail)
- M. Exhibition
- N. Misc. History
- O. Environs
- P. Railroads



## Brandon College Inc.

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4338>

Part Of: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Company fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MG 5 1.1

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1929-1968

Physical Description: 15.9 cm

History /

Biographical:

A.E. McKenzie was involved with Brandon College from its very beginnings. He was present at the cornerstone-laying ceremony of the Brandon College Building in July of 1900; he became a member of the Brandon College Endowment Committee in 1918; the following year he was on the Finance Committee. By the mid-1920's, he was a member of the Board of Directors of the College. In 1928, he was part of a group that convinced the Baptist Union of Western Canada, the principal funding body for the College, to provide money towards reducing the College's accumulated deficit. McKenzie and other members of the College Board had advised the Union that they were developing an endowment plan to provide continuing financial support for Brandon College.

In 1931, Mr. McKenzie organized the Brandon Board of Trade to help save the College when the Baptist Union indicated its intention to withdraw financial support to the College. When efforts to have the City of Brandon provide financial resources to the College failed, A.E. McKenzie organized the Brandon Citizen's Campaign to raise enough money to enable the College to open the next year.

In 1938, when the Baptist Union did withdrew support from the College, McKenzie offered to establish a \$100,000 endowment, which he later raised to \$300,000, to ensure the continuation of the College. On August 1 of the same year, the Board of Trade, of which McKenzie was a member, set out to raise \$15,000 to match the offer the government had made to the College. In September 1938, McKenzie increased his endowment again, this time to \$500,000. As a result, of McKenzie's endowment and the fundraising efforts of the Board of Trade the charter establishing Brandon College Incorporated was approved on April 17, 1939.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description of custodial history of A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd.

Scope and Content:

This sub-series includes correspondence between McKenzie and Lowes with various government officials - Duff Roblin, Hon. George Johnson, Hon. Stewart E. McLean and Comptroller-General George D. Iffe. There is also correspondence with the company lawyer, William Johnston. Documents within the series consist of the Act to Incorporate Brandon College, Inc. and Bill 86, as well as an indenture and an agreement between C.S. Eaton, G.C. Edwards, A.E. McKenzie, D.H. Hudson and E.J. Tarr. There are also a number of documents written by McKenzie that were presented to the Brandon College Board of Directors. Brandon College Inc. resolutions regarding the McKenzie Foundation are also included.

The sub-series has one sub sub series: MG 5 1.1.1 History of Brandon College Inc.

Storage Location: RG 3 A.E. McKenzie Seed Co. Ltd. fonds  
MG 5 A.E. McKenzie fonds



## Brandon College Bulletin

<http://archives.bradonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4735>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 12.4

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1917-1937 (not inclusive)

Physical Description: 1.5 cm

History /

Biographical:

The Brandon College Bulletin was a forerunner to the current Brandon University annual report. Nothing else is known about its origins. The publication was a product of the Brandon College Board of Directors.

Scope and Content:

Sub-series consists of copies of the Brandon College Bulletin for: 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1931, 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Series 12: Brandon College publications



## The Brandon College Gazette

<http://archives.bradonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5088>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 12.7

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1937-1938

Physical Description: 1 file

Scope and Content:

Sub-series consists of copies of The Brandon College Gazette, including: Vol. 1, No. 4 (May 11, 1937); Vol. 2, Nos. 1-4 (May 2, May 5, May 9, and May 11, 1938). It also includes a document entitled "Hand 'Bill' The Stick." This document is an endorsement of Bill Potoroka as a nominee for the position of Senior Stick.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Series 12: Brandon College publications

## Local history research

<http://archives.bradonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13668>

Other Title Info: Title based on the contents of the subseries

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Sub-series

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Series Number: McG 4.1  
Accession Number: 1-2015  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: c. 1881 - 2010  
Physical Description: Approximately 42 cm of textual records  
History /  
Biographical:

During the Great Depression, Fred McGuinness launched his career with the Brandon Sun as a paper career beginning in 1933. His route had him delivering papers in Brandon's downtown core, to many of the city's, now, historic or demolished buildings. Four years later he was employed in the city working for CPR telegraphs as a messenger and then as an operator. These early Brandon experiences weaved their way into McGuinness' newspaper columns, his broadcasts, and his books. In turn, McGuinness' readers shared with him their own memories about Brandon and its local history.

McGuinness was passionate about the social history of regional communities and the province as a whole. In the 1970s, McGuinness was instrumental in helping to establish the Rural Resource Centre, the predecessor to Brandon University's SJ McKee Archives. He co-authored several monographs about Manitoba's social history with Brandon University Professor Ken Coates and published a pictorial history about Brandon. He was also a community booster and was consulted to serve on, promote and write about local, provincial and rural development initiatives. In his obituary, the last piece he would publish in the Brandon Sun, McGuinness wrote that he had a "deep and continuing interest in anniversaries."

In its editorial piece on the passing of Fred McGuinness, the Brandon Sun commented that McGuinness had a "genuine interest in the stories and memories that are part of every Canadian's experience...He loved driving through small Westman towns and communities, stopping at the local coffee shop to strike up conversations with the locals." He continued writing his Diary column for the Brandon Sun and mentoring aspiring writers in his memoir writing workshops until his death in 2011.

Custodial History:

Accession 1-2015 contains records created and collected over the course of McGuinness' career as a newspaper journalist and freelance writer. The Estate of Fred McGuinness donated the materials to the SJ McKee Archives circa 2011. The Archives accessioned the records in 2015.

## Scope and Content:

The subseries consists of records created and collected by Fred McGuinness during his time as a journalist, editor, and freelance writer. As part of his research and writing process, McGuinness kept numerous files on various subjects and continued to add to them throughout his career. He accumulated his local history materials by personally collecting newspapers and clippings, books, and magazine articles; by readers' forwarding materials for his interest; and from workshop participants submitting memoirs and personal narratives for his interest, review and feedback.

Local history materials consist of newspaper clippings, correspondence, biographical documents and memoirs, obituaries, and manuscript drafts on Brandon (Manitoba) topics including:

the City of Brandon's origins, anniversaries (75th, centennial), reunions (Victoria 1969, Toronto 1977)

historic buildings and streets (Brandon's Central Heating System, Brandon's Fire Department, Brandon Gun Club, Brandon water power plant)

businesses (Assiniboine River ice harvest; Brandon woolen mills, skating arenas; Snellie brothers (Russell, MB); Meighen, Haddad, & Co., Prince Edward Hotel)

citizens and early pioneer/families (Armitage family, Beaubier family, Thomas Black, J.A. Brock, Henry Carroll, Q.C., Chalmer-Harden families, Clement family, Flora Cowan, Eliza Durston, William A. Elliott, Dr. Fleming, Hall family, Eleanor Kidd, Jack Lane, William Langdon, Lindenberg family, A.E. McKenzie, Margaret Muir, William Muir, W.S. Orchard, Mrs. Osmond (Griswold), General Thomas Lafayette Rosser, Harry Spafford, Allena Strath, George Treherne, Wallace family)

institutions (ACC, Brandon Research Station)

military units (181st Battalion)

museums (Commonwealth Air Training Plan Museum)

local newspapers

politicians (R.O. Lissaman, Sir Clifford Sifton)

railways (1916 Brandon trainwreck)

religious organizations (Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus, Beresford Church)

McGuinness also maintain files on the local history of surrounding communities, including: Birtle, Beresford, Camp Hughes, Hartney, Kemnay, Russell, and Souris.

Notes: Information in the history/biography was taken from "We're Going to Miss You, Fred," Brandon Sun, March 24, 2011, A8

Items dating to the 1880s are photocopies and transcripts of original materials

In the file level inventories, square brackets at end of file names reference the original location of the file in the unprocessed Fred McGuinness collection. The original location is also noted on the front of each file folder

Accruals: Closed

Finding Aid: A file level inventory is available

Storage Location: 2015 accessions



Related Material:

John Everitt collection

Clarence Hopkin collection

Provincial Exhibition Association of Manitoba fonds

Lawrence Stuckey collection

Jack Stothard collection

William Wallace papers

Fred McGuinness would write/publish about a topic in a number of forums. Therefore, it is possible work and correspondence pertaining to his research materials may be found in the Fred McGuinness collection Monograph series (McG 5) and subseries: Correspondence (McG 1.2), Brandon Sun (McG 2.2), Neighborly News (McG 2.3), Miscellaneous freelance (McG 3.2), Talks and workshops (McG 6.3). McGuinness also “filed” many clippings between the pages of his books in his personal library (see McG 8 Library series)

Arrangement:

Arrangement was artificially created by the Archives. Subseries has been re-arranged according to publication period

## Documents

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## Hans Burmeister - History

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4772>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Creator: Brandon University Dean of Arts Office  
Description Level: File  
Series Number: 7.1.1  
File Number: 17  
Accession Number: 24-2000  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1987-1995  
Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of course evaluations, performance reviews, a copy of Burmeister's curriculum vitae, and a course outline for An Introduction to the History of Germany, 1648 to the Present.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series VIII: Faculties and Schools  
7.1.1 Dean of Arts  
Box 2



## Hans Burmeister - History

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4773>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Creator: Brandon University Dean of Arts Office  
Description Level: File  
Series Number: 7.1.1  
File Number: 18  
Accession Number: 24-2000  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1968-1994  
Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of copies of Burmeister's curriculum vitae, retirement documents, application and promotion documents, sabbatical documents, a self evaluation form, a newsclipping regarding Burmeister's community service award, and records regarding various committee appointments.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series VIII: Faculties and Schools  
7.1.1 Dean of Arts  
Box 2



## Brandon College/University calendars

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions151>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 6.6

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1900-2005

Physical Description: 1.40 m

Physical Condition: Generally good

History /

Biographical:

The University Calendar is the authoritative statement of the institutional structure, faculty and staff, and academic program of Brandon University. Since the creation of the College in 1900, calendars have been produced annually, with only a few exceptions, by the Registrar's Office.

Up until 1991-1992, the calendar was called the general calendar. In 1991-1992, it was called the undergraduate general calendar. Beginning in 1992, the calendar was produced every two years instead of annually, except for 1998-1999, until 2003. The 1992-1994 calendar contains both the undergraduate and graduate general calendars, and starting in 1994 a separate undergraduate and graduate calendar was produced.

Custodial History:

The Brandon College/University calendar was produced by the Registrar's Office. Individual copies of the calendar were held by the Registrar's Office until their transfer to the University Archives.

Scope and Content:

The sub-series consists of general calendars, general undergraduate and graduate calendars, as well as calendars for the School of Music, the Faculty of Education, and for spring and summer sessions. It has been divided into three sub sub series, including: (1) Calendars - bound archival copies; (2) Calendars - researcher's copies; and (3) Calendars - miscellaneous.

Notes: The Registrar, acting in his/her capacity as Secretary of Senate, is responsible for the production of the University calendar.

Subject Access: Academic programs  
departments  
administrative staff  
board members  
history  
faculty

Accruals: Further accruals are expected.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series 6: Senate

Arrangement:

Chronological



## Brandon College Ministerial Association

<http://archives.bradonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4268>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 8.17

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1919-1921

Physical Description: 1 cm

Scope and Content:

This book contains the minutes from meetings of the students' ministerial association.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Series 8: Brandon College Students Association



## Brandon College library - minutes

<http://archives.bradonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4292>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 15.1

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1912-1967

Physical Description: 14 cm

Scope and Content:

The sub-series contains the minutes from Library Committee meetings. There are also minutes from the meetings of various sub-committees such as the Open Shelf Sub-Committee and the Sub-Committee on Apportionment of Library Funds. Includes minute books and files.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Series 14: Brandon College Library



## Brandon College miscellaneous publications

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4737>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 12.6

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1914-1929

Physical Description: 1 cm

History /

Biographical:

This is an artificially created sub-series.

Scope and Content:

Sub-series Brandon College track and field programs for 1920 and 1922; two copies of Brandon College songs and yells, along with a typed copy of the class song for the class of 1929; a copy of the Brandon College students' directory for 1914-1915; and a donations pamphlet for the Brandon College Students' Memorial Gymnasium ca. 1918.

Notes: Located on the front page of the Memorial Gymnasium pamphlet is a proposed campus development plan showing the site of the proposed gymnasium, with other additional facilities including: a science building, a library/chapel, a conservatory, and a new women's residence.

At the front of the Brandon College songs and yells is a copy of the Brandon College Students' Association constitution.

The students' directory contains the constitution of the Literary Society, and a newspaper clipping regarding the death of Dorothy Nelson (nee Werthembach), former Dean of Women at Brandon College 1934-1935.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Series 12: Brandon College publications



## W. Leland Clark - History

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4776>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Creator: Brandon University Dean of Arts Office  
Description Level: File  
Series Number: 7.1.1  
File Number: 23  
Accession Number: 24-2000  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1967-1989  
Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of evaluations, correspondence, political leave documents, application and appointment documents, sabbatical documents, payroll information, promotion documents, and documents regarding Clark's involvement with IMPACTE/CORE.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series VIII: Faculties and Schools  
7.1.1 Dean of Arts  
Box 2



## Brandon College Student Association records

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4262>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Description Level: Sub-series  
Series Number: 8.12  
GMD: textual records  
Date Range: 1948-1957  
Physical Description: 1.5 cm

### Scope and Content:

Consists of the BCSA constitution, electoral procedure documents, nomination forms, the Brandon College Crests and Awards Board constitution, the Brandon College Finance Board constitution, the Brandon College Athletic Board/Athletic Council constitution, the Brandon College Board of Publications constitution, the Brandon College Literary Board constitution, the Sigma Mu constitution, and BCSA statistical summary of Committee meetings.

Subject Access: club constitutions  
Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Series 8: Brandon College Students Association



## Brandon College library - accession records

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4294>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 15.3

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1899-1965

### Scope and Content:

Sub-series consists of accession records listing the accession number, author, title, publisher, cost and "source" for each book accessioned into the Brandon College Library. It includes a total of 10 accession catalogues covering the period December 1899 - June 1965: 2 accession catalogues (12x18x5) and 8 accession catalogues (9x12x .75 cm)

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Series 15: Brandon College Library



## Pension plans for Brandon College and University

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4447>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Description Level: File

Series Number: 15

File Number: 48

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1967-1974

Physical Description: 1 file

### Scope and Content:

File consists of various pension/insurance/retirement plans, correspondence and the constitution of the Brandon University Pension and Insurance Benefits Committee.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series XV: BUFA  
Box 5



## Brandon College Building and Clark Hall

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8273>

Part Of: BUPC 2 Campus buildings

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 2.2

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c.1909 - 1996; predominant 1960s - 1996

Physical Description: 116 photographs

History /

Biographical:

## BRANDON COLLEGE BUILDING

The construction of the Brandon College Building, also known as the Original Building, was primarily financed by Mr. and Mrs. William Davies, a Toronto based Baptist meat packer, and his sister Mrs. Emily Davies, also of Toronto, who pledged \$5,000 a year for five years to the new Baptist College. Four city blocks between 18th and 20th streets were purchased for the College campus and the tender of Messrs. T.M. Harrington of Winnipeg was accepted in the spring of 1900; Mr. Hugh McCowan of Winnipeg appointed as architect. Mrs. Davies laid the cornerstone for the Brandon College Building on July 13, 1900.

The Brandon College Building was conceived as a substantial five story brick structure with a stone basement. The Tyndall Manitoba quarries, located thirty miles northeast of Winnipeg, supplied the stone and presented the College with the stone steps at the main entrance. The basement contained the dining room, kitchen, laundry, furnace room, a science laboratory, and maids' rooms. The first floor housed the reception room, office, library, four classrooms and the teachers' cloak rooms. The second floor had five classrooms, a reading room, five rooms for resident students and a resident teacher. Teachers' rooms and seventeen rooms for students comprised the third floor; and additional thirteen rooms for residents took up the fourth floor. The residence was to house 70 men. The total cost of the building and furnishings was \$44,000. The Brandon College Building was ready for occupancy by October 1, 1901.

## CLARK HALL

The cornerstone of Clark Hall was laid by Mrs. A.P. McDiarmid, wife of the Principal of Brandon College, on May 24, 1906. The residence was officially opened on Thanksgiving Day, October 18, of the same year. The construction of the building grew out of a demand for a ladies' college. A canvass made in Eastern Canada had resulted in subscriptions totaling \$10,000. When Dr. McDiarmid reported the results of the canvass to the Chairman of the Board, Dr. C.W. Clark of Winnipeg, Clark proposed that he and his wife be allowed to provide the balance of the funds, some \$30,000. While presenting the building at the opening ceremony, Clark stated that the reason for his donation was his belief in the power of cultured womanhood - he believed "that refined and Christian mothers were the strength of a nation and that he wished to see in Brandon a school of learning for women in which every Christian virtue and grace might be illustrated."

Clark Hall was built immediately north of the Brandon College Building and was connected to it by classrooms and the iron door with its door bell, which was rung by gentlemen before being admitted. It is a five story brick building, with fittings of imported Georgia pine. In the basement was the gymnasium, studios and maids' rooms. On the main floor was a spacious reception room furnished by the Honorable A.C. Rutherford, the Premier of Alberta and the Lady Principal's suite, furnished by Mrs. N. Wolverston, wife of the treasurer of the College Board. Music studios and the offices of the resident matron were also on the main floor. The second and third floors were dormitories. The fourth floor was meant to be art studios, but due to registration demands, it was divided into students' rooms. The residence was designed to house fifty students and seven teachers. Piano practice areas were also designated on the west side of the building and on the groundlevel half way between the basement and the first floor.

## BRANDON COLLEGE BUILDING AND CLARK HALL RESTORATION PROJECT

By the early 1990s, it was clear that major reconstruction work on the Brandon College Building and Clark Hall was necessary if the buildings were to remain in use. The alternative was to demolish both buildings and construct a new central administrative structure for the campus. Because of the historic character of the two original campus buildings, the decision was taken to mount a complete restoration of the structures that involved a complete removal of everything except for the surrounding brick facade and the construction of new buildings



within the old external walls. This project was financed by the Provincial government of Manitoba, who granted the University approximately 10 million dollars. The Chief Architect for the restoration was George Cibinal. Work began in 1996 and was completed by the fall of 1997. In addition to the restoration of the Brandon College Building and Clark Hall, a new entrance was built on the west side of the buildings, as well as an addition to Clark Hall, which included a skywalk connecting it to the A.E. McKenzie Building.

Scope and Content:

Sub-series consists of photographs of the Brandon College Building and Clark Hall.

Notes: History/Bio information was taken from Brandon College: A History, 1899-1967 by C.G. Stone and F. Joan Garnett (Brandon, Manitoba: Brandon University, 1969), chapters 2 and 3. Tom Mitchell provided history/bio information on the restoration project.

## Images

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## Brandon College library - Director of library services

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4293>

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: 15.2

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1957-1963

Physical Description: 13 cm

### Scope and Content:

These records were created by the Director of Library Services from the year 1957 until 1963. It is mainly business correspondence and memorandums. The files include correspondence between the Director of Library Services and various people regarding the library. There are also memorandums to the faculty.

Storage Location: RG 1 Brandon College fonds  
Series 14: Brandon College Library

Related Material: RG 6 (Brandon University fonds), sub-series 8.1 (Director of Library Services).



## Brandon College - New Science Building - Documentation for Tenders

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8307>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Creator: Architect: Sproatt and Rolph (Toronto)

Description Level: File

Series Number: 2.1.

File Number: 21

GMD: textual records

Date Range: c. 1922

Physical Description: pages 26-34 and an Addendum setting out tender terms for construction of proposed new Science Building.

Physical Condition: Generally good.

### Scope and Content:

Document sets out requirements - materials and methods and conditions of construction - for the proposed new science building at Brandon College. Documentation includes electrical fixtures, heating and plumbing.

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Series 2: Board of Governors  
2.1 Documents



## Richard Bazillion - Director of Library Services and History

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4770>

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds  
Creator: Brandon University Dean of Arts Office  
Description Level: File  
Series Number: 7.1.1  
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File consists of reference letters, job postings, a copy of Bazillion's curriculum vitae, and reviews.

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