

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Alfred R. McDiarmid

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9044>

Part Of: RG 11 Lawrence Stuckey fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 3.1

Item Number: 1-2002.3.1A15

Accession Number: 1-2002

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [19-]

Physical Description: 3 1/2" x 5"

Material Details: Negative

History /

Biographical:

Dr. McDiarmid served as mayor in 1919.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Item is a portrait of Brandon mayor Dr. Alfred McDiarmid.

Name Access: Alfred R. McDiarmid

Subject Access: government  
political figures  
mayors  
mayors of Brandon

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

Storage Location: Lawrence Stuckey collection

## Images



## Henry Forbes Angus

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions2123>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 8

Item Number: 8.A.9

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1914

Physical Description: 3.5" x 4.25" (b/w)

### History /

#### Biographical:

Henry Forbes Angus (1891-1991) graduated from McGill University in 1911 and in 1914 he went to Oxford University. His studies were interrupted by the First World War. In 1919, he joined the faculty of the University of British Columbia in the Economics Department. Angus was likely an associate of William Burton Hurd, a faculty member at Brandon College and former student at Oxford University (around the same time that Angus attended that institution).

#### Scope and Content:

Portrait of Henry Forbes Angus, a member of the Canadian Expeditionary Force during World War I.

Related Material: Angus family fonds at the University of British Columbia Archives.



## Andy Murray

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions1215>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 4

Item Number: 4.193

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [197?]

Physical Description: 4" x 5.8" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the Brandon University Bobcat Andy Murray in action against the Winnipeg Wesmen at the Brandon Arena.

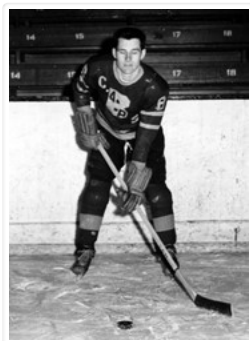
Name Access: Andy Murray  
Brandon Arena

Subject Access: Hockey  
team sports

## Images

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## Murray MacDonald

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions1254>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 4

Item Number: 4.233

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1950

Physical Description: 2.75" x 3.75" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

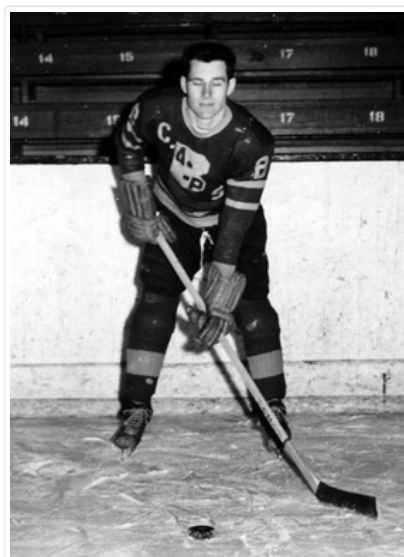
Portrait of Brandon College Caps player Murray MacDonald.

Name Access: Murray MacDonald

Subject Access: Hockey

### Images

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## Murray Evans

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8829>

Part Of: Brandon Folk, Music & Art Society, Inc.

Description Level: Item

Fonds Number: 17-2008

Item Number: 17-2008.30

Accession Number: 17-2008

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1986-1987

Physical Description: 3.5" x 5" (colour)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Murray Evans, songwriter and first festival Artistic Director, and unidentified performer onstage; 1986 or 1987 festival.

Storage Range: RG 5 photograph storage drawer



## Eleanor Murray

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions2360>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 8

Item Number: 8.M.26

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1949

Physical Description: 2.75" x 4" (b/w)

Physical Condition: Photograph is glued to a piece of cardboard and the glue has caused some discoloration of the image. The surface of the photograph is cracking.

Scope and Content:

Graduation portrait of Eleanor Murray, class of 1949.



## Murray's Garage (Souris)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13108>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S109b  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Garage.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Garage  
Subject Access: businesses  
car lots  
cars  
building exteriors  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Murray's Garage (Souris)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13109>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S109a  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Garage.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Garage  
Subject Access: businesses  
cars  
building exteriors  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

## Images

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## Earl Murray interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14553>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH236.Mur

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 16, 1983

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:45:00]

### History /

#### Biographical:

Melvin Earl Murray was born on October 16, 1901 in Neepawa, MB and he lived his entire life in there. Earl left school at the age of 15 to assist an uncle on the farm; he was one of a number of young men who took the place of men who were called to serve in the armed services during the First World War. He worked with his father on his farm until starting a transportation business locally in 1927. In 1932, he obtained a contract with General Motors to sell G.M. products. Subsequently he contracted to sell IHC farm machinery and later added a contract as distributor of Thomas school buses for the Province of Manitoba. Earl married Margaret Mary McIntosh (1902-1994) on November 5, 1924 and together they had one son, Gerald. Earl was active in church and community affairs, service clubs and sporting circles. Among his awards were The Town of Neepawa Honorary Citizen award, The Golden Boy award, The Red Cross Service award, a Chamber of Commerce award, Motor Dealers awards provincially and nationally and Her Majesty The Queen Silver Anniversary award. Earl Murray died on September 4, 1986 in Brandon, MB. He is buried at Riverside Cemetery.

#### Custodial History:

As part of the Westman Oral History Collection, this collection was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1998. The original tapes from the Westman Oral History project were deposited in the Brandon Public Library. Copies of these originals were made by Margaret Pollex of the Brandon University Language Lab at the request of Eileen McFadden, University Archivist in the early 1990s. These copies compose the collection held in the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Earl Murray about automobiles in Neepawa since the early days. The interviewer is Winnie Cheetham.

Notes: History/bio information taken from the records, the Neepawa local history "Heritage" and Murray's obituary. Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

### Audio Tracks

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## R. Murray Simmons

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions2435>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 8

Item Number: 8.S.6

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1966

History /

Biographical:

Simmons taught Philosophy and Religious Studies at Brandon College/University from 1947-1971. Simmons was made Professor Emeritus in 1971. He died November 13, 1978.

Scope and Content:

Portrait of R. Murray Simmons.



## Donald Murray Wilkie

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions2491>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 8

Item Number: 8.W.3

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1965

Physical Description: 2.5" x 3.5" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Graduation portrait of Donald Wilkie, class of 1965.



## Murray's Farm Equipment (Souris)

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13110>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S108  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: after 1954  
Physical Description: 5" x 4" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Farm Equipment.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Farm Equipment  
Subject Access: businesses  
building exteriors  
signs and signboards  
cars  
Tractors  
farm implements  
Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Souris sponsors - Murray's Garage

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13176>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: S  
Item Number: 11-2010.S75  
Accession Number: 11-2010  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1968  
Physical Description: 1.5" x 1.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: Negative

### Custodial History:

See fonds level of the CKX records for custodial history.

### Scope and Content:

Image of Murray's Garage building.

Name Access: CKX  
Murray's Garage  
Subject Access: building exteriors  
businesses  
cars  
automobile dealerships  
service stations  
signs and signboards

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

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## Murray's Garage (Neepawa) - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14337>

Part Of: CKX fonds  
Creator: CKX  
Description Level: Item  
Series Number: M  
Item Number: 11-2010.M7a

Accession Number: 11-2010

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1954

Material Details: Negative

History /

Biographical:

Murray's Garage opened in 1932 by Melvin Earl Murray. The business was later renamed Murray's of Neepawa in 1964.

Custodial History:

See Fonds level description for custodial history

Scope and Content:

Murray's Garage opened in 1932 by Melvin Earl Murray. Before it's opening in 1932 the building was used as a truck and storage facility, the business opened for automotive sales after Earl Murray had recieved a contract by General Motors in 1932. The first sale of a vehicle occurred in 1933 when a customer from Winnipeg bought a Pontiac vehicle. During the first few years of operation Earl Murray served as the Office Manager, Parts Manager, and Salesman. In 1934 an additional contract with the International Harvester Co. giving license to the additional sale of farm equipment. This new expansion resulted in the hiring of other staff to handle Parts and Service while the sales of the farm machinery remained Earl's responsibility.

The business aquired many contracts over the course of its existence as such new propoerties were aquired to allow for this expansions and new additions were added to the original building. When the new addition was near completion an explosion occured which resulted in 100% loss of the original building as well as all the contents it enclosed. Luckily, the fire department was able to save most of the new addition. A sizable loan was required for the buisness to rebuild after this disaster. Once the business was open again, car sales, need for parts, and service volume increased resulting in the complete recovery of the buisness.

In 1940 due to the war the purchase of new vehicles was limited to emergency service, it was at this time that General Motors added the Cheverolet-Oldsmobile to their contracts. Shortly after this a tornado hit the building causing substantial damage however it was soon repaired and business resumed.

Earl's son, Gerald, had worked in the business since his return from the war in 1945. He schooled in in Flint Michigan at a General Motors Business Institute to assist his father with the business. In 1960 Gerald took a course in Detroit Michigan in a Post Graduate School of Modern Merchandising and Management. After his completion of this course Gerald moved back to Neepawa and took of the position of Sales Manager at his fathers garage. The business was later renamed Murray's of Neepawa in 1964 when Earl handed the keys to the business over to his son Gerald.

Notes: Description by Jillian Combs. Information from Manitoba Hisotrical Society,

Name Access: D.R. MacKay

Subject Access: building exteriors  
downtown  
Neepawa

Repro Restriction: Canadian Copyright Law may apply. Consult the archivist for access

Storage Location: CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

Related Material: D.R. MacKay fonds, Brandon College fonds, Brandon University fonds

Arrangement:

Original order maintained. Series arranged alphabetically by letter (A-Z) but negatives not alphabetical within each series.

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### Murray's Garage (Neepawa) - exterior

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14338>

Part Of:	CKX fonds
Creator:	CKX
Description Level:	Item
Series Number:	M
Item Number:	11-2010.M7a
Accession Number:	11-2010
GMD:	graphic
Date Range:	1954
Material Details:	Negative

## History /

### Biographical:

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### Custodial History:

See Fonds level description for custodial history

### Scope and Content:

Image is of Murray's Garage exterior view. The photo was taken from across the street. There are a series of signs on the building "Firestone" on the peak of the building, "Murray's used cars" on the roof, and "Murrays Pontiac, Buick, GMC, Trucks" down the front of the building above the main entrance. Murray's Garage appears to be next to a Texaco station.

Notes:	Description by Jillian Combs. Information from Manitoba Hisotrical Society
Name Access:	Neepawa
Subject Access:	building exteriors downtown Rural
Repro Restriction:	Canadian Copyright Law may apply. Consult the archivist for access
Storage Location:	CKX fonds - 2010 accessions

### Arrangement:

Original order maintained. Series arranged alphabetically by letter (A-Z) but negatives not alphabetical within each series.

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## Murray Kerr at BU Display

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3071>

Part Of: Brandon University Photograph Collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 7

File Number: 7.10.212

Item Number: 7.10.212

Date Range: N/D

Physical Description: b/w, 3.5" x 5"

Scope and Content:

Murray Kerr at BU Display



## Norma Laird collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4793>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection  
Description Level: Fonds  
Accession Number: 05-2007  
GMD: multiple media  
Date Range: 1880-1972  
Physical Description: 2 photographs  
6 cm textual records, including architectural plans

### History /

#### Biographical:

Norma Laird's mother, Irene Clarke, was a daughter of Mr and Mrs John Clarke, who were pioneers in the Brandon region. Irene married David Black. Norma Laird was their daughter.

#### Custodial History:

The records passed from Irene Clarke to her daughter Norma, who donated them to the McKee Archives on January 15, 2007.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection consists of two historical accounts, one of the beginnings of Grand Valley, and a second of the Grand Valley School (author(s) unknown); architectural plans for the brick residence of Mr. Clarke, Farmer on section 35, township 10, range 19, county of Brandon by W. Richard Marshall, Architect, Brandon (1892); a newspaper clipping from the Brandon Sun, June 8, 1972 depicting the fire that destroyed the Clarke residence; a Three-Quarter Century Farm Ownership certificate to M. Irene Black from the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba (1967); a certificate to John T. Clarke to honour the significant contribution the family had made to the founding of Brandon from the Brandon Centennial Board (1982); two Grand Valley honorary Goodwill Ambassador of Grand Valley certificates for Mrs. J. Clarke and Mr. D. Black (1970).

The first photograph is a 8x10 b&w mounted photo of the counsellors of the Municipality of Elton with names on the back (1912). The second photograph is a 5.5 x 3.5 b&w postcard of a bus of some kind with numerous men and women standing in front of it (ca. 1914).

Accruals: The Archives anticipates the donation of a photograph of the Clarke residence from Norma Laird at a later date.

Storage Location: 2007 accessions





## Alf Fowler collection

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4794>

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection  
Creator: Davidson & Gowen  
Description Level: Fonds  
Accession Number: 6-1999  
GMD: graphic  
Date Range: 1912  
Physical Description: 105 b/w photographs

### History /

#### Biographical:

Alfred Fowler was born in 1903, in Toronto, Ontario. At the age of 23 he began working for Canadian National Railways (C.N.R.) in the company's telegraph accounting department. He remained employed there for 45 years, with the exception of the years 1940-45 when he served with the Royal Canadian Artillery during World War II. During his service he was stationed at Shilo, Manitoba, where he met his future wife, Elsie Bowen. They were married late in 1944, and in 1945 returned to Toronto. Fowler remained in Toronto until his death in 1969. Throughout his life, Mr. Fowler was an ardent amateur photographer.

#### Custodial History:

All 105 prints in this collection were created by Davidson & Gowen, a photography business located in Brandon. It seems likely that they were created for display and/or for commercial sale as part of the November 7, 1912 "Harvest" edition of The Brandon Sun. Alfred Fowler acquired a copy of the Davidson and Gowen prints during his stay at C.F.B. Shilo during the Second World War. In 1946 Alfred Fowler left Brandon returning to his home in Toronto. With the death of Alfred in 1969 the collection passed to his wife, Elsie Fowler. Elsie died in 1987, also in Toronto. Her estate passed to her nephew, Byron Forsyth, a Brandon resident. Byron brought the collection back to Brandon and in 1999 donated it to the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

The prints concern various subjects in Brandon, Manitoba c. 1911-1912 including Brandon residences, store fronts/businesses, streetscapes, churches, the Brandon Fair, parks, hotels, institutional structures (ie hospitals, City Hall) and rail yards (both Canadian Northern and Canadian Pacific) in the city. These images provide a visual record of Brandon in the years just before the Great War.

Notes: CAIN No. 202647. All addresses listed for photographs in the Fowler collection were derived from Henderson's Directories (1911, 1913).  
Location Copy: Copies of the photographs are in the green binder on the reference shelf in the reading room. Negatives for CPR photographs have been placed with 6-1999.10 (CPR Railway depot).  
Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer.



## Miscellaneous documents

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4383>

Part Of: RG 2 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba Association fonds

Description Level: Series

Fonds Number: RG2SF4

Series Number: 4.1

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1964-1984

Physical Description: 6.5 cm

History /

Biographical:

See Administrative History for RG2SF4 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba Association.

Custodial History:

The records were housed with the PEM and the MEA until c1986 when they were transferred to the S.J. McKee Archives located at Brandon University.

Scope and Content:

The series consists of documents that deal primarily with the proposal and subsequent development of the Keystone Centre Complex in Brandon, Manitoba.

Notes: Inventory of documents in the series is available in the printed finding aid.

Storage Location: RG 2 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba Association fonds  
RG2SF4 Miscellaneous



## Miscellaneous minutes

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4384>

Part Of: RG 2 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba Association fonds

Description Level: Series

Fonds Number: RG2SF4

Series Number: 4.2

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1973

Physical Description: 6.5 cm

History /

Biographical:

The minutes were created by a committee formed by the Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba Association on the occasion of the opening of the Keystone Centre in 1973.

Custodial History:

The records were held by the MEA until c1986 when they were transferred to the S.J. McKee Archives located at Brandon University.

Scope and Content:

The minutes include a meeting of the Keystone Centre Opening Committee on 24 Jan 1973.

Notes: Part of RG2SF4. Inventory of documents in the series is available in the printed finding aid.

Storage Location: RG 2 Provincial Exhibition of Manitoba Association fonds  
RG2SF4 Miscellaneous