

S. J. McKee Archives



Dilys Collier collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14286

Part Of: MG 2 Brandon College students

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 14-2016

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1954-1959, 1983

Physical Description: 14 cm textual records

1 artifact

Physical Condition: Some pages in the scrapbooks have fallen out and some of the glued

pieces are no longer attached to pages

History / Biographical:

Dilys Collier (nee Pearce) was born 4 December 1937, in the Rural Municipality of Daly near Rivers, MB. Before studying at Brandon College, Collier was educated in Bradwardine, MB. Collier graduated from Brandon College with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Pedagogy in 1958 and 1959 respectively. In 1961, Collier married a Brandon College classmate, Clare Coburn. She spent much of the next two decades working as a homemaker and mother to her three children.

After she and her husband separated in 1979, Collier decided to go back to school. In the next ten years, Collier completed a Bachelor of Education degree (1980), a Bachelor of Social Work from the University of Regina (1982) and a Master of Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan (1987). Across her working career, Collier held many posistions including public school teacher, adult educator, social worker, researcher and personal counselor. Along with her work, Collier volunteered extensively with the Knox United Church and the Brandon Cooperative Nursing School. Through the years, she worked for a variety of organizations, including The Saskatoon Family Service Bureau and the REgina John Howard Society. Collier has lived and worked in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia and Swansea, Wales.

Currently (January 2017), Collier is retired and lives in Mission, BC with her husband of thirty-four years, Kenneth Collier.

Custodial History:

The records were created and collected by Dilys Collier during her years as a student and alumna of Brandon College/University. The records were stored in her home huntil they were donated to the McKee Archives in 2013.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records created and collected by Dilys Collier as a means to document her life as a Brandon College student in the 1950s.

Included are three scrapbooks and two folders containing: newspapers and newspaper clippings from The Brandon Sun and The Quill, dealing primarily with Brandon College students, faculty and events; Brandon College administrative records such as the Clark Hall Rules, Collier's proof of registration records, her Brandon College acceptance letter, class schedules and exam timetables; photographs and programmes that cover events such as Freshie Week, dances and other student functions on campus; records documenting campus student activities, including the words to Hail Our College and various College Yells performed after student dances and other functions; decorations from fall proms and Valentine's Day dances, as well as Convocation (1958); programmes from various College convocation ceremonies; various cards Collier received, including those for her birthday and Valentine's Day; election advertisements, primarily for those students running for Student Administration "Stick" positions.

The collection also contains a green taffeta, net and rhinestone gown purchased by Collier to wear to some of the formal dances held at Brandon's Prince Edward Hotel.

Notes: History/Bio information was provided by the donor in late 2016/early

2017. Information on the green gown can be found on prairiehistory.ca.

Description by Brian Erixon (October 2016) and Christy Henry.

Name Access: Dilys Collier

Dilys Pearce The Quill

Brandon Student fund

Hail Our College

Subject Access: student life

college athletics student productions college music

student activities student elections

Storage Location: 2016 accessions

Related Material: Verda McDonald collection (16-2016)

Bob Blair collection (18-2013)

Clare Coburn collection (6-2010 & 5-2014)

Arrangement:

One scrapbook for each academic year



Verda McDonald collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14293

Part Of: MG 2 Brandon College students

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 16-2016

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1951-2005

Physical Description: 10.5 cm textual records

18 loose photographs

Physical Condition: Some of the pages and photographs in the scrapbooks have become

loose

History / Biographical:

Verda Joan McDonald (nee Peden) was born in Brandon, MB on May 2, 1934. She was the middle daughter of Bill, a school principal, and Phyllis Peden. McDonald attended school at King George, Alexandra (now Betty Gibson), Earl Oxford and Brandon Collegiate Institute.

In 1951, McDonald enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts program at Brandon College. A fellowship program from the local YMCA enabled her to teach gym and swim programs after school and on Saturday for a small salary, which enabled her and some other students to finance their education. She graduated in 1955 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. During her graduating year, McDonald served as Lady Stick for Brandon College; the title of Lady Stick was an elected position and an honour, and gave McDonald and the person elected Senior Stick, Frank McKinnon, the responsibility of leading the student council for that year. In 1956, McDonald obtained her Bachelor of Pedagogy degree, also from Brandon College, which allowed her to teach grades 1 to 12 in Manitoba.

Verda married her college sweetheart, Dick McDonald, on August 25, 1956, and the couple moved to Dauphin to teach at the Dauphin Collegiate and Technical Institute for two years. They returned to Brandon in September 1958, and Verda proceeded to teach at Brandon Collegiate, Neelin High School and Vincent Massey until December 1960.

When Dick finished his degree at Brandon College and started teaching, Verda stayed at home to raise their three sons, Rick, Paul and Daren. During this time she began her many years of volunteering within the community. She served seven years on each of the following three boards: The Brandon Schools Instrumental Music Association; The Brandon University Alumni Board; and The Board of Fairview Nursing Home. She became President of each board during her term.

McDonald supported her husband throughouet his teaching and financial career, as well as his strong involvement in the Artillery Reserve Army with the 26th Field Regiment where he served as Commander and later Honorary Colonel. Both McDonald and her husband maintained strong ties with Brandon University and have contributed generously to funding campaign and scholarships. The Sports Wall of Fame in the Health Living Centre on the Brandon University campus is named in their honour.

In addition to their involvement with Brandon University, the McDonald's were members of the Kinsmen, K40 service club, gold and bridge clubs and enjoyed many years together in Brandon. They enjoyed going on cruise ship holidays and visited many countries together.

Since Dick's death in September 2015, Verda has tried to maintain her involvment in university activities. She continues to reside in Brandon, MB.

Custodial History:

Records were created and collected by Verda McDonald during her years as a student and alumna of Brandon College/Brandon University. The records were stored in her home until their donation to the McKee Archives in 2015.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records dealing with Verda McDonald's experiences as a student and alumna at Brandon College/University. The majority of the collection contains records from the early 1950s during McDonald's college years (1951-1955). These records, which cover the social and athletic aspects of Brandon College in the 1950s, provide a detailed look at college student life during this time period. The collection also contains a small number of records (1955-2005), documenting McDonald's experiences as an alumna of Brandon College/University.

The collection consists of four scrapbooks, which contain photographs, newspaper clippings, graduation cards, lyrics for class songs, and programs for graduation banquets, school dances, graduation ceremonies and drama productions. The scrapbooks also contain ephemera such as sports emblems, table decorations, election paraphernalia. It also includes McDonald's oath of office from when she was sworn in as Lady Stick, as well as her acceptance speech from the same ceremony.

The three file folders in the collection include: a list written by Frank McKinnon, a classmate of McDonald's, outlining his reasons for coming to Brandon College and his recollections of being a student at Brandon College; the rules of Clark Hall residence hall; and pamphlets for various celebrations and events at Brandon University (Homecoming 2009, Homecoming 2006, Reunion Weekend 2005, Reunion Weekend 2004, Homecoming 1995 and 1995 Reconovocation program, Homecoming 1980, 1975 Open House).

Finally, the collection contains 18 loose photographs. A number of the photos document important reunions for the Class of 1955 (40th Anniversary in 1995, 50th Anniversary in 2005), while others were taken at alumni events over the years (1988-1997). There is one postcard of Brandon University buildings (Original Building and Clark Hall, McMaster Hall and the Queen Elizabeth II School of Music building). Some of the 1995 reunion photos include images of the Brandon College Building and Clark Hall under renovation. Also included are a composite portrait of the Class of 1955 and class portraits Arts and Science for the Class of 1960.

Notes: History/Bio information provided by Verda McDonald. Description by Emily Bate (October 2016) and Christy Henry.

Name Access: Verda McDonald

Dick McDonald

Brandon University Alumni Association

Henry Champ

Joan Garnett

Eileen McFadden

Norma Walmsley

Ernie Criddle

Jean Wilkie

Jean Brown

Frank McKinnon

Hilt Stewart

Lou Visentin

Edward Schreyer

Doug Adams

Carla Eisler

Shawna English

Cindy Yacyshen

Jim Minions

Walter Huculak

Ben Ward

Elaine Cameron

Elaine McCrorie

Barrie McLeod

Gord Williams

Harvey Young

George Strang

Gerald Graham

Helen Batho

Helen Mitchell

Allan Hattie

Trevor McNeely

Russ Roney

Harold Woods

George Gooden

Harold Stewart

Jack Meyers

Ron McMurray

Ken Adams

Bill Keller

Lorne Day

Don Dillistone

Subject Access: student life

student activities graduations convocations homecomings reunions

chancellors

student productions

residences
college athletics
college initiation
Student government

Lady stick

Storage Location: 2016 accessions

Related Material: Dilys Collier collection

Bob Blair collection
Brandon College fonds
Brandon University fonds

Arrangement:

Two of the scrapbooks are in chronological order. The third scrapbook contains miscellaneous materials from the 1950s until 2005.



The great society: a psychological analysis

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections421

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Wallas, Graham, 1858-1932

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-16
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-16
Responsibility: by Graham Wallas

Start Date: 1914 Date Range: 1914

Publication: London: Macmillan

Physical Description: xii, 406 p.; 22 cm

Notes: Includes index

Name Access: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Subject Access: Social psychology

Socialism



Our social heritage

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections423

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Wallas, Graham, 1858-1932

Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-33
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-33
Responsibility: by Graham Wallas

Start Date: 1921 Date Range: 1921

Publication: George Allen & Unwin, Ltd

Physical Description: 292 p.; 23 cm
Subject Access: Social psychology

Cooperation



Fabian essays in socialism

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections416

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Shaw, Bernard, 1856-1950

Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-38
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-38

Responsibility: by G. Bernard Shaw ... [et al.]; edited with a new preface by G. Bernard

Shaw

Start Date: 1931

Date Range: 1931

Publication: London: The Fabian society, and George Allen & Unwin Ltd

Physical Description: xlix, 220 p.; 22 cm

Subject Access: Socialism

Socialism Great Britain



Fabian essays in socialism

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections424

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Shaw, Bernard, 1856-1950

Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-17
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-17

Responsibility: by G. Bernard Shaw ... [et al.]; edited by G. Bernard Shaw

Start Date: [1889]

Date Range: [1889]

Publication: London; New York: Walter Scott Limited

Physical Description: vii, 233 p.; 22 cm
Notes: Includes index
Subject Access: Socialism

Socialism Great Britain



Socialism in thought and action

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections429

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Laidler, Harry Wellington, 1884-1970

Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-24
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-24
Responsibility: by Harry W. Laidler

Start Date: 1921
Date Range: 1921

Publication: New York : Macmillan Physical Description: xviii, 546 p.; 19 cm

Notes: Bibliography: p. 511-520

Includes index

Subject Access: Socialism

Communism



My apprenticeship

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections411

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Webb, Beatrice Potter, 1858-1943

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-22
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-22

 Start Date:
 [1938]

 Date Range:
 [1938]

Publication: Harmondsworth, Middlesex, Eng. : Penguin Books Limited

Physical Description: 2 v.; 18 cm

Name Access: Fabian Society (Great Britain)
Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain



Men and ideas: essays

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections417

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Wallas, Graham, 1858-1932 Wallas, May Graham, 1898

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Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-2-25
Item Number Range: Archives 15-2-25

Responsibility: by Graham Wallas; with a preface by Gilbert Murray

Start Date: 1940 Date Range: 1940

Publication: London: G. Allen & Unwin Ltd

Physical Description: 221 p.: port.(front.); 22 cm

Notes: Editor's note signed by May Wallas

Name Access: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain



The history of the Fabian Society

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections420

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Pease, Edward R. (Edward Reynolds), b. 1857

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 15-2-34Item Number Range:Archives 15-2-34Responsibility:by Edward R. Pease

Start Date: 1916 Date Range: 1916

Publication: London: A. C. Fifield

Physical Description: 288 p.:ill.; 20 cm

Name Access: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain



Socialism restated

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections455

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Webb, Sidney, 1859-1947

Webb, Beatrice Potter, 1858-1943 Shaw, George Bernard, 1856-1950

Jaur© s, Jean, 1859-1914

Vandervelde, Emile, 1866-1938 Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-3-45
Item Number Range: Archives 15-3-45

Responsibility: by Sidney Webb, [Beatrice Webb]

Start Date: [1913]

Date Range: [1913]

Publication: [London: [s.n.]

Physical Description: [8] p.; 22 cm

Notes: Chairmen, George Bernard Shaw, Jean Jaur© s, Emile Vandervelde

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





A public meeting

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections456

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 15-3-46Item Number Range:Archives 15-3-46Responsibility:The Fabian Society

Start Date: [1911]

Date Range: [1911]

Publication: [London: [s.n.]

Physical Description: [1] p.; 27 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

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The annual Fabian conference [July 5, 1913]

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections457

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 15-3-47Item Number Range:Archives 15-3-47Responsibility:The Fabian Society

Start Date: [1913]

Date Range: [1913]

Publication: [London: [s.n.]

Physical Description: [2] p.; 27 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

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The Fabian common room

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections458

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 15-3-48Item Number Range:Archives 15-3-48Responsibility:The Fabian Society

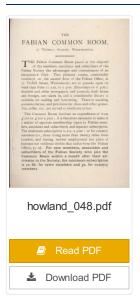
 Start Date:
 1915]

 Date Range:
 1915]

Publication: [London: [s.n Physical Description: [4] p.; 17 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





Report on the Lancashire campaign

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections459

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number:Archives 15-3-49Item Number Range:Archives 15-3-49Responsibility:Fabian Society

Start Date: 1890
Date Range: 1890

Publication: [London: [s.n.]

Physical Description: [1] p.; 26 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





First annual report and rules

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections460

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-3-50
Item Number Range: Archives 15-3-50

Responsibility: Local government information bureau

Start Date: 1901 Date Range: 1901

Publication: [London: [s.n.]

Physical Description: [3] p.; 27 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





The scope and work of a local Fabian Society

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections461

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-3-51
Item Number Range: Archives 15-3-51

Start Date: 1913 Date Range: 1913

Publication: [London: [s.n.]
Physical Description: [3] p.; 27 cm

Notes: "Submitted to the annual Fabian conference, 5th July, 1913, and

approved."

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





Special lecture arrangements: Lancashire, September, 1890

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections463

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-3-53
Item Number Range: Archives 15-3-53

Start Date: 1890 Date Range: 1890

Publication: [London: [s.n.]
Physical Description: [1] p.; 26 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





Agenda for annual meeting [of the Fabian Society]

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections464

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-3-54
Item Number Range: Archives 15-3-54

Start Date: 1907
Date Range: 1907

Publication: [London: [s.n.]
Physical Description: [1] p.; 34 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents





Fabian fund for the "Daily Citizen."

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/specialcollections465

Part Of: MG 2 2.16 Robert Dudley Howland Collection

Collection: Robert Dudley Howland Fabian Society Collection

Creator: Fabian Society (Great Britain)

Description Level: Item

Item Number: Archives 15-3-55
Item Number Range: Archives 15-3-55

Start Date: 1913

Date Range: 1913

Publication: London: Fabian Society

Physical Description: [3] p.; 27 cm

Subject Access: Socialism Great Britain

Documents

