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## Mary Jane Cosgrove interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14691>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH258.Cos

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: March 17, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:55:00]

History /

Biographical:

Mary Jane "Jean" McDonald Cosgrove (nee ?) was born on April 9, 1892 at Langside near Lucknow, ON. Her family came to Manitoba in 1903, where they lived at Reston for five years before settling in Tilston. Jean attended school in both locations, then worked at the post office and as a telephone switchboard operator, then in Eaton's of Winnipeg before marriang Alexander Grant "AG" Cosgrove (1896-1965) on March 1, 1922 in Brandon. Together they had two sons, Douglas Grant and Kenneth. The Cosgrove's farmed at Lyleton for five years before returning to the Tilston farm. From 1929-1932 they operated a boarding house. In 1933, the couple purchased a British American (BA) Service Station and Tea Room in Oak Lake, where they were also agents for Greyhousnd Bus Lines. They retired and moved to Brandon in 1964, for health reasons. In Brandon, Jean lived at Princess Towers and then Central Park Lodge.

Jean was always active in the community. She was a Passt Noble Grand of the Rebekah's and received her Life Membership Certificate from Crocus Lodge No. 8, Virden. She enjoyed golfing, curling and bridge. After the Second World War, she was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Royal Canadian Legion in Oak Lake. She was a long time member of the United Church. Jean Cosgrove died on January 13, 1990 in Brandon, MB. She is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemtery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Mary Jane Cosgrove about pioneer stories from 1892. Interviewer is Marjorie Lange.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Cosgrove's obituary.  
Description by Christy Henry.

### Audio Tracks

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## Mary McIntosh interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14692>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH277.MacI

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 18, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:20:00]

History /

Biographical:

Mary Emma McIntosh (nee Graham) was born on April 21, 1906 on 36-12-15 SW. She attended Kennedy district school, Wellwood Consolidated School and Brandon Normal School. A teacher from 1927-1931, she married George Herbert "Herb" McIntosh (1909-1993) on October 4, 1929. They farmed in the Carberry area and together they had five children: Yvonne, Gwen, Linda, Muriel and Ian. Mary and Herb were both community minded. Mary ran for political office, was involved in the Manitoba Farmers Union, serving as Women's president, and sat on the Carberry/North Cypress library board. Mary McIntosh died on March 21, 1990 on the farm in the Harte district.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Mary McIntosh about her earlier life and experiences as a rural teacher. Interviewer is Isla Kennedy.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and the Carberry local history "People of the Big Plains." Description by Christy Henry.

### Audio Tracks



## Mary Milroy interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14693>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH300.Mil

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: May 13, 1982

Physical Description: 2 audio cassettes [1:30:00]

History /

Biographical:

Mary Milroy (nee?) was born on May 29, 1913 in Camboise, England. Her first husband died in England. Mary married George Smith Milroy (1914-2001) and in 1946, she and her daughter Betty from her first marriage, came to Elkhorn, MB, where George was from. Mary and George had four children together: Margaret, Lillian, George and Cynthia. Mary was a devoted homemaker, who spent some time working as a cook for railway gangs. She enjoyed serving in community and church organizations, including the Legion. Mary Milroy died on November 1, 1995 in Elkhorn, MB. She is buried at Elkhorn Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette recording containing an interview with Mary Milroy about her life in Elkhorn as a warbride from 1946. Interviewer is Rosalyn Sutley

Notes: History/bio information from the records and Milroy's obituary.  
Description by Christy Henry.

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## Mary Rauliuk interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14694>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH184.Rau

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: February 5, 1982

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [0:30:00]

History /

Biographical:

Mary Smigelsky Rauliuk (nee Birin) was born on April 4, 1901 at Oakburn, MB. She was the eldest daughter of John & Anna Birin (Bartoszewski), who came to Canada around 1899 from Austria. The Birin's were Polish speaking. The family moved to Brandon around 1901 and lived in the North End, where John bought and farmed land in the "flats."

Mary grew up in Brandon, attending St. Michael's Academy and Park School. She married Paul Smigelsky (1896-1966) around 1921, and together they had a daughter, Jean. For many years Mary was employed by A.E. McKenzie Seeds Ltd. She and her husband also operated Paul's Grocery store for over 25 years. Following the death of her first husband, Mary married Caister Nicholas Rauliuk (1904-1971). Mary was an active member of the Ukrainian Greek Orthodox Church. Mary Rauliuk died on April 27, 1990 in Brandon, MB. She is buried at Brandon Municipal Cemetery.

Custodial History:

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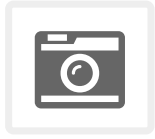
Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Mary Rauliuk about pioneers Mr. & Mrs. John Birin. Interviewer is Marjorie Lange.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and obituaries for Mary Rauliuk, Paul Smigelsky and John Birin. Description by Christy Henry.

### Audio Tracks

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## Mary, Virgin of the Rose

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/artworks846>

Title Variation:	Rose
Artist:	Milne, Courtney
Collection:	Visions of the Goddess
Date:	no date
Form:	photograph
Series:	13/50
Dimensions:	50.5 X 76 cm
Size Overall:	same as image
Medium:	color photograph
Condition:	good
Primary Support:	paper
Secondary Support:	none
Accession Number:	Ph/CM/313



## Mary E. Edwards interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14495>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection

Description Level: Item

Item Number: OH099.Edw

Accession Number: 35-1998

GMD: sound recordings

Date Range: June 22, 1981

Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [01:02:02]

### History /

#### Biographical:

Mary Elizabeth Edwards (nee Tweed) was born on April 19, 1897 at Riceville, ON. Within a year of her birth, she and her mother came to Manitoba, to join her father who had already moved west. Mary attended Burns School and then Winnipeg Normal School, graduating in 1917. Over the course of her career she taught at a number of schools, including Otter, Medora, Purple Hill, Thirlstone, Broomhill, Lake Max and Whitewater schools. On January 7, 1920, Mary married Kestle Henry Edwards (1894-1974) in Medora, MB and together the couple had four children: Harvey, Frank, Ralph and Ruth. The family lived on section 35-3-25. Mary was secretary-treasurer of both the Medora Methodist Sunday School and the Royal Templars, taught Sunday school and sang in the choir before her marriage. In 1920, she joined the Home Economics Society (later the Women's Institute). She was also a member of the WA. Following her husband's death, Mary left the farm and moved into Medora. Mary Edwards died in 1994. She is buried at Roselawn Cemetery.

#### Custodial History:

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#### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Mary Edwards about her life and pioneer settlement around Medora, MB. The interviewer is Mayme Warren.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the Medora local history "Glimpse through the years" and Edwards' obituary. Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

Conservation: Preservation copy made 2021 (R. Hess)

### Audio Tracks

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## Gladys Mary Sharpe interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14596>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: OH048.Sha  
Accession Number: 35-1998  
GMD: sound recordings  
Date Range: June 6, 1981  
Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:35:00]  
History /  
Biographical:

Gladys Mary Sharpe (nee Brown) was born on September 10, 1913 at Basswood, MB. She obtained her nurses training at Brandon and Winnipeg, and worked as an RN from 1938 to 1978. Gladys married Harvey Robert Sharpe (1910-2001) on November 23, 1939, and the couple lived on the Sharpe farm with Harvey's parents, Robert Thom Crawford (1881-1956) and Josie Madeline (nee Hardy) (1880-?). Gladys and Harvey had no children. Gladys Sharpe died on August 1, 2008 in Minnedosa, MB.

### Custodial History:

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### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Gladys Sharpe about hospitals in Minnedosa. Interviewer is Mae Johnson.

Notes: History/bio information from the records, the local history "Minnedosa Valley Views II," Ancestry.com, and the Find A Grave website.  
Description by Christy Henry.  
Language Note: English

## Audio Tracks



## Marie MacDonald interview

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14457>

Part Of: Westman Oral History collection  
Description Level: Item  
Item Number: OH163.MacD  
Accession Number: 35-1998  
GMD: sound recordings  
Date Range: May 12, 1982  
Physical Description: 1 audio cassette [00:14:50]



## History /

### Biographical:

Maude Marie MacDonald (nee Evans) was born on May 23, 1910 in Indian River, Ontario. In 1913, her family moved to Manitoba, settling in the Brookdale area. She attended school in Brookdale and at Brandon College, graduating with a BA in 1930. After graduating from Normal School in Saskatoon, she taught at Justice, Brookdale, Brandon, Kemnay, Ochre River and Carberry, before retiring in 1971. Marie married George MacDonald (1913-1989), who she met while teaching in Ochre River, in June 1937. The couple had three children: Janet, Karen and Donald. In 1951, Marie and George bought Maxhame, a farm near Brookdale. She continued to live on the farm after George died. Marie loved gardening and reading, and in her later years, she enjoyed travelling. Marie MacDonald died on January 25, 1996 in Winnipeg, MB and is buried in Carberry Plains Cemetery.

### Custodial History:

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### Scope and Content:

Item is an audiocassette tape containing an interview with Marie MacDonald about education in Manitoba, particularly her experiences as a teacher from 1931-1972. Interviewer is Dorothy P. Martin.

Notes: History/bio information from the records and MacDonald's obituary.  
Transcript by Victoria Newham (2020). Description by Christy Henry.

Language Note: English

## Audio Tracks

## Documents

MacDonald, Marie (1910-1996)

Westman Oral History Collection

Interview Date: 1982-05-12

Interviewer: Dorothy P. Martin

Location: MacDonald's home-Brookdale area-2007-12-18

Transcript: Victoria Newham

Date Transcribed: 2020-10-02

Recording Format: Cassette Tape


Length of Recording: 00:14:00


(Beginning of Tape/Slide A)

(00:00:12)

Today is May the 12th, 1981. The following is an interview with Marie MacDonald, a retired high school teacher who lives with her husband George on a farm in the Brookdale area. This interview is being taped for the Westman Oral History Association project "Tales of Westman" by Christy Martin of Winnipeg. Mrs. MacDonald taught almost 35 years in schools from Ochre River in the North to Kemnay in the North. Besides that, she taught a variety of other things in a home and was a teacher. When not teaching in a classroom, she was busy taking pupils. She will always be remembered for her wonderful teaching ability. She will always be remembered for her wonderful teaching ability. She will always be remembered for her experiences. You must have really liked your profession to stay with it all.

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