

# S. J. McKee Archives



# Crocus Women's Institute fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4800

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 5-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1946-1984

Physical Description: 18 cm

History / Biographical:

The Women's Institute was founded in 1897 in Stoney Creek, Ontario, by Adelaide Hoodless. By 1913, institutes had been established in every Canadian province. In 1919, provincial representatives met in Winnipeg to form the Federated Women's Institute of Canada. The Women's Institute was designed to promote quality of life in rural Canada and to foster the advancement of rural women. The first Women's Institute in Manitoba was organized in 1910, in Morris, Manitoba. The Crocus Women's Institute was created in the fall of 1946. The charter for the group was issued on November 25, 1946. One of the first projects of the group included sending food parcels to Britain until war rationing was discontinued. The main focus of the Institute was the local school: the Institute sponsored essay contests and provided furniture for the school. The Institute also sponsored a garden club and held a garden show for many years. Finally, the group had an annual Christmas Cheer project. The Crocus WI disbanded in 1984.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains member lists in the form of roll calls from 1946-1984. There are also Women's Institute Programs from the years 1946-1984. Fonds also includes the organization's minutes, financial records and annual reports from 1946-84, a scrapbook for the years 1946-1984, and the Certificate of Organization for the Crocus Women's Institute, dated September 5, 1950.

Notes: CAIN No. 202645

Subject Access: Edith Mitchell

Margaret Erven
Evelyn Firby
Edna Allen
M. Johnston
Irene Erven

Florence Wilmot

Dawn Erven

E. Crawley

Miss Frances Isabel McKay Mrs. Evelyn Luella Ames Crocus Women's Institute Manitoba Women's Institute

rural women

women's organizations

scrapbooks

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material: Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's

Institute



# Rathwell Women's Institute fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4863

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 6-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1939-1966

Physical Description: 6.5 cm

History / Biographical:

The Rathwell Women's Institute was formed in December 1939. Little is known about the group and it seems that it disbanded in 1966. Mrs. Thelma Forbes, the first female Speaker of the Legislative Assembly in Manitoba was a member of the Rathwell Women's Institute.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

This is a small fonds, consisting of the minutes of the group's meetings, including member lists and financial records, from 1939-1966. There is also a pamphlet called "The Story of the Women's Institutes of Manitoba 1910-1934," written by Mrs. H.M. Speechley "in loving and honoured memory of Mrs. David Watt." The fonds also includes a book by Cicely McCall called "Women's Institutes." The inscription in the book reads, "To the members of the Rathwell Women's Institute with all good wishes from the members at Amberley, Sussex, Christmas 1943."

Notes: CAIN No. 202648. Description by Robyn Mitchell.

Subject Access: Mrs. Thelma Forbes

Village of Rathwell

Rathwell Women's Institute Manitoba Women's Institute women's organizations

rural women

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material: Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's

Institute



# Clanwilliam Women's Institute fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4839

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 3-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1947-1977

Physical Description: 13 cm

History / Biographical:

The Women's Institute was founded in 1897 in Stoney Creek, Ontario, by Adelaide Hoodless. By 1913, institutes were established in all the provinces. In 1919, provincial representatives met in Winnipeg to form the Federated Women's Institute of Canada. The Women's Institute was designed to promote quality of life in rural Canada and to foster the advancement of rural women. The first Women's Institute in Manitoba was organized in 1910, in Morris, Manitoba. The Clanwilliam Women's Institute was created on March 24, 1947. The first president of the Institute was Mrs. Margaret Erven. The construction of a community hall was the initial project of the Institute, but it also made contributions to the maintenance of the local rink and to local charitable causes. The Institute continues to operate as of 2002.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds includes the minutes of the meetings of the Institute from 1947-1977. Included in the minutes are member lists from the various years. The Certificate of Organization for the Clanwilliam Women's Institute, dated September 5,1947 is included as well. There is also a handwritten copy of the history of the Clanwilliam Women's Institute. Finally, the fonds includes the Institute's Annual Reports from 1949-1952 and from 1963-1965.

Notes: CAIN No. 202619. Description by Robyn Mitchell.

Subject Access: Mrs. Margaret Erven

Mrs. Margery Shaw
Mrs. Ellen Wilkinson
Mrs. Doris McQuarrie
Mrs. Anna Hagglund
Mrs. Joyce Crewsen
Mrs. Ruby McFarlane

Mrs. Lillian Pollon Mrs. Sadie Hutton Mrs. Alice Mead Mrs. Connie Moad

Mrs. Rita McPherson Mrs. Janet Josland

Wild. Dariet Dosialia

Clanwilliam Women's Institute

Village of Clanwilliam

Manitoba Women's Institute

Women's Institute

rural women

women's organization

citizenship

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material:

Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's Institute



# Strathclair Women's Institute fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4817

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 7-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1942-1981

Physical Description: 19 cm

History / Biographical:

The Strathclair Women's Institute was formed in 1925. The group's meetings had many interesting speakers over the years such as agricultural representatives, ministers, reeves and lawyers. The group arranged picnics, concerts, pot luck suppers and parties. The group also held learning sessions in various areas such as law. The Strathclair Women's Institute no longer exists. The closest Women's Institute to Strathclair is the Newdale Raven's Glen Women's Institute.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains annual reports from 1942-1981, minutes from 1962-1964, standing committee reports c. 1962-1977 and resolutions c. 1960-80. A large part of the fonds includes information on Tweedsmuir competitions. Finally, the fonds includes correspondence, newspaper clippings and miscellaneous papers and pamphlets.

Notes: CAIN No. 202654. Description by Robyn Mitchell.

Subject Access: Verna Gamey

Strathclair Women's Institute Manitoba Women's Institute

Town of Strathclair

rural women

women's organizations
Tweedsmuir competitions
newspaper clippings

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material: Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's

Institute

# 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).



# Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4811

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 11-2002

GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1953-1965
Physical Description: 10 cm

History / Biographical:

The Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club was organized on May 14, 1959. The group received its charter on September 15, 1959 at a ceremony that included guests from Minnedosa, Neepawa, Dauphin, Brandon, and Portage La Prairie. The first president of the club was Mrs. Julie Johnson. In September 1959 the club had 15 members. The Minnedosa Club became the thirteenth Business and Professional Women's Club chartered in Manitoba. The purpose of the club was to train and educate women in business and the professions and to promote women's participation in local, provincial, and national affairs. The club included many committees such as the Public Relations, Membership, Survey and Archives, Programme and Projects, Social and Courtesy, International Affairs, Budget and Finance, Federation Promotion, Personal Development, Public Affairs, and Resolutions, Legislation and Employment Committees. The Minnedosa Club held exhibitions, hosted guest speakers, observed Business Women's Week, and held workshops for all of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs in Manitoba on a few occasions. Over the years the club made many donations to the Minnedosa Museum, the Minnedosa Centennial Committee, and charities such as UNICEF, Ramallah Fund, Children's Aid, and United Way. The Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club was very concerned with the status of women in Canada and around the world. The Minnedosa Club disbanded in May 1980. After the disbanding of the club, the women who were involved in the club formed the Just For Fun Club.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds is comprised mainly of four scrapbooks, which run from 1959-1979, 1959-1963, 1959-1964, and 1977-1979. The scrapbooks contain photos, newspaper clippings, Christmas cards, correspondence and programs. The clippings relate to Business and Professional Women's Clubs from around Manitoba, while focusing on the Minnedosa Club. Many of the clippings also focus on the status of women in Canada and the rest of the world.

Fonds also contains financial records and minutes from the years 1959-1980. There is also a copy of the club's bylaws, as well as monthly membership reports from 1976-1980. The fonds also includes a brief typed history of the Minnedosa Club, as well as other loose newspaper clippings, programs, songbooks, and correspondence. Finally, there are three guestbooks included in the collection. The first runs from 1959-1978. The second guestbook is from the Art and Ceramic Display and Tea, held on May 27, 1972. The third guestbook is from the Art and Ceramic Dispay and Tea, held on May 29, 1976.

Notes: CAIN No. 202581

Subject Access: Julie Johnson

Louise Card

Effie Macdonald

Mary Macdonald

Marion McCormick

Gladys Thompson

Town of Minnedosa

Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club

Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs

Manitoba Provincial Organization of Business and Professional Women's

Clubs

Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club Dauphin Business and Professional Women's Club Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club

International Peace Gardens

women's clubs women's issues status of women scrapbooks

newspaper clippings

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).



# Manitoba Women's Institute collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4860

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 8-2002

GMD: textual records
Date Range: c. 1935-1980's

Physical Description: 64 cm

History / Biographical:

The first Women's Institute in Canada was created by Mrs. Adelaide Hunter Hoodless in Stoney Creek, Ontario, on February 19, 1897. The Women's Institute was created to unite rural women with the hopes that this would help women improve their homes and communities. The motto of the Women's Institute became, "a nation could not rise above the level of its homes." The group was to be non-partisan and non-sectarian to allow for maximum participation. The Women's Institute became one of the very few ways for rural women to meet and share ideas and problems with others. The Women's Institute spread throughout Canada and reached Manitoba in 1910, when Morris and Valley River, Manitoba, formed Women's Institute branches. The Women's Institute branches in Manitoba were known as Home Economics Societies until 1919, when they became branches of the Manitoba Women's Institute. The Home Economics Societies specialized in community service work. At first, the groups concentrated on home management and child care, and eventually they became involved with social and political issues. In addition to community work, the Women's Institute branches also invited many guest speakers to their meetings and promoted education and the dissemination of information to rural women on subjects such as canning, growing fruits and vegetables, dental hygiene and rural electrification. The Manitoba Women's Institute continues its work today.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

This collection has been artificially created and consists of miscellaneous newspaper and magazine clippings, handbooks, newsletters, photos and song sheets collected by various unknown Manitoba Women's Institute branches. Some newletters included in the collection are "Institute News" from the Manitoba Women's Institute, "National Farm Forum Guide", "Federated News" from the Federated Women's Institute of Canada and "The Country Woman" from Associated Women of the World. The newspaper clippings in the collection relate to Women's Institute branches around Manitoba and the rest of Canada.

Notes: CAIN No. 202660. Description by Robyn Mitchell.

Subject Access: Reverand M.L. Goodman

Manitoba Provincial Council of Women
National Council of Women in Canada

Manitoba Women's Institute

National Farm Forum

Federated Women's Institute of Canada` Associated Country Women of the World

women's organizations

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rural women song sheets credit unions farm magazines newsletters

women's magazines

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material:

Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's Institute



# Brandon Council of Women fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4823

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 34-1998

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1952-1973

Physical Description: 66 cm textual records;

6 photographs

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Council of Women (BCW) was active between 1895 and 1927, when it disbanded. Principally through the efforts of Mrs. Kaye Rowe of Brandon, the BCW was officially restablished in 1952. The Brandon Council of Women remained active until c. 1973. It brought together fifty-two women's organizations in Brandon, representing 2600 women.

Custodial History:

The Brandon Council of Women fonds was transferred to the McKee Archives during the 1970s. It was accessioned in 1998.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of papers and photographs of the International Council of Women (ICW), the National Council of Women of Canada (NCWC), the Manitoba Council of Women (MCW), and the Brandon Council of Women (BCW). The ICW papers include meeting minutes. The NCWC papers include meeting minutes, resolution lists, pamphlets, newsletters, correspondence, financial records, yearbooks, and copies of Acts pertaining to women. The MCW papers contain copies of the MCW constitution, meeting minutes, resolution lists, correspondence, and committee reports. The BCW materials comprise the largest part of the fonds, and include meeting minutes, committee reports, financial records, correspondence, short course agendas, posters, pamphlets, memos, resolution lists, newspaper clippings, manuscripts, photographs, and scrapbooks.

Notes: CAIN No. 202626 Subject Access: Mrs. Kaye Rowe

> Brandon Manitoba

National Council of Women of Canada

Manitoba Council of Women
International Council of Women

Feminism

Women's organizations

Storage Location: 1998 accessions
Storage Range: 1998 accessions



# Cordova Women's Institute fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4861

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 4-2002

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1961-1978

Physical Description: 13 cm

History / Biographical:

The Women's Institute was founded in 1897, in Stoney Creek, Ontario by Adelaide Hoodless. By 1913, institutes were established in every Canadian province. In 1919, provincial representatives met in Winnipeg to form the Federated Women's Institute of Canada. The Women's Institute was designed to promote quality of life in rural Canada and to foster the advancement of rural women. The first Women's Institute in Manitoba was organized in 1910, in Morris, Manitoba. The Cordova Women's Institute was formed on April 28, 1961. The group met in member's homes until 1966, when it began to meet in the recently closed school. The Institute raised money for scholarships and charities by holding teas, bake sales and raffles. The group also held courses for its members to learn about various subjects of interest to rural women. The Cordova Women's Institute disbanded in 1978.

#### Custodial History:

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

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains the Cordova Women's Institute's Annual Reports from 1961-1978. It also contains the minutes from the group's meetings from 1961-1978. The financial records of the Institute from 1961-1978 are included in the fonds.

Notes: CAIN No. 202636. Description by Robyn Mitchell.

Subject Access: Joyce Cameron

Doreen Jenner Merle Guyer Margaret Wilson

Allison Ellis
Margaret Anstett
Lois Cameron
Dorothy Curle
Astrid Treloar
Lillian Ritchie
Eleanor Robinson

Eleanor Robinson Alice Cameron Shirley Davidson

Cordova Women's Institute

Village of Cordova

Manitoba Women's Institute

rural women

women's organization

Storage Location: 2002 accessions
Storage Range: 2002 accessions

Related Material:

Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's Institute



# Minnedosa Odd Fellows fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4836

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 4-2000

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1884-1991

Physical Description: 60 cm

History / Biographical:

The Odd Fellow Lodge in Minnedosa was created in 1884. Membership was open to white males over the age of 21, who were in good health and had good moral character. The organization was established as a mutual friendly association to provide social and financial support to its members. According to its Constitution, OddFellow members have five duties: to visit the sick, to relieve the distressed, to bury the dead, to educate the orphan, and to aid the widow. The organization existed until 1991.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 2000. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes from Minnedosa Odd Fellow meetings from 1884-1991. There is also one book kept by the Sick Committee from 1924-1949, in which the committee kept track of sickness and injuries among members and what each sick or injured man received in wages lost from the lodge. The fonds also includes a roll call book from 1884-1920. There is also a member and visitor register for the years 1972-1980, and an envelope of approximately 40 completed application forms from the 1940's and 1950's. Finally, the fonds includes a minute book of the Patriarch Militant IOOF of Brandon, Manitoba, which covers the years 1909 to 1922.

Notes: CAIN No. 202635

Subject Access: Minnedosa OddFellows

Minnedosa Manitoba

Patriarch Militant IOOF

Brandon

fraternal organizations mutual aid societies

Storage Location: 2000 accessions
Storage Range: 2000 accessions

Related Material: The Basswood Odd Fellows Collection is also located in the McKee

Archives.



# Binscarth Women's Institute fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4862

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 12-1997

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1928-1988; predominant 1928-1967

Physical Description: 13 cm

History / Biographical:

The Binscarth Women's Institute began in 1928, as a division of the Manitoba Women's Institute. It was organized for rural women to come together in a social setting. The members of the Institute participated in fund raising for community projects initiated by the Institute. The Institute also undertook to organize community events. The last meeting of the Binscarth Women's Institute took place in 1967. The organization was never formally dissolved.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned in 1997 by the McKee Archives. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

Fonds contains minutes, financial records, and other material created by the Binscarth Women's Institute from its creation in 1928, to its final gathering in 1967. Aside from minutes and financial records, the fonds contains records of the Canadian Centennial celebrations of 1967, planned by the Institute.

Notes: CAIN No. 202583. Description by Robyn Mitchell.

Subject Access: W.C. Honey

Ethel Burnett YWCA

Manitoba Department of Agriculture

Rural women Centennial

Storage Location: 1997 accessions
Storage Range: 1997 accessions

Related Material: Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:

Manitoba Women's Institute; Minnedosa Women's Institute; Cordova Women's Institute; Clanwilliam Women's Institute; Rathwell Women's Institute; Strathclair Women's Institute; Crocus Women's Institute; Southwest A Region - Manitoba Women's Institute; Douglas Women's

Institute



# RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4722

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Fonds

Fonds Number: RG 5

GMD: multiple media

History / Biographical:

This record group was artifically created in January 2007 by Tom Mitchell and Christy Henry of the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

The record group consists of various fonds and collections concerned with the political, cultural, social, and educational life of western Manitoba. See the Subject Access field for a list of titles.

Notes: Description written by Christy Henry (2007).

Subject Access: Joseph H. Hughes

Canadian Federation of University Women

Verna Gamey

Brandon Cinema Club

Birtle Indian Residential School

Brandon Assisted Passage Association

Binscarth Women's Institute
Griswold School District

Manitoba School Trustees Regional Association

Riverbank/Berbank Red Cross

A.C. Miller

C.J. Barnes

David Sommerville Charleson

Southwest A Region Manitoba Women's Institute

Berbank Ladies Aid

Berbank Church

Blyth Protestant School District #471

Crown Protestant School District #184

Ward Watson

Laurie V. Smith

Marion Doig

Elm Creek/Wingham Branch United Farmers of Manitoba

Roseland Church

Fairfax United Church

Humesville & Forrest Women's Missionary Society

Chater Protestant School District

William Wallace

**United Grain Growers** 

G.R. Rowe

Cecil Herbert Edward Johnston

Western Manitoba Centennial Auditorium

Brandon Art Club

James Duncan McGregor

Stephan Adolph Magnacca

Harry "Hap" Fraser

Leslie Victor Robson

Bertha School District #861

Manitoba Genealogical Society

Brandon Golf & Country Club

Keystone Centre Development and Construction

Manitoba Elevator Company

B.J. Hales

**Brandon Council of Women** 

Westman Oral History

Mildred (Mollie) Kellet

Gerald McKinney

Janet Donnelly

Minnedosa OddFellows

Basswood OddFellows

Archibald E. Wilson

Audrey Silvius

Western Manitoba Philharmonic Choir

Lawrence Stuckey

Minnedosa Women's Institute

Clanwilliam Women's Institute

Cordova Women's Institute

Crocus Women's Institute

Rathwell Women's Institute

Strathclair Women's Institute

Manitoba Women's Institute

Brandon Business & Professional Women's Club

Minnedosa Business & Professional Women's Club

Neepawa Business & Professional Women's Club

Brandon Women's Musical Club

International Toastmistress Club - Land O'Lakes Region

Fred McGuinness

Reg Forbes

Jack Stothard

Janet Louisa May More

William J. Birtles

Ruby Miles

Manitoba Action Committee on the Status of Women

Canadian Union of Public Employees

Brandon & District Labour Council (CLC)

Westman Multi-Cultural Council

Westman Coalition on Equality Rights

Martin Kavanagh

James Buckley

James Douglas Wall

Brandon Women's Institute

Trilliam Business & Professional Women's Club

Westridge Senior Citizens

Kodaly in Manitoba

WARUCC - Western Association of Registrars of the Universities and

Colleges of Canada

Margaret Laurence Endowment

Douglas Women's Institute

Albert Angus Murray McPherson

**Edward Walker** 

Alexander MacPhail

Inventory of Archival Material in Western Manitoba Project

Greenway Fair

Brandon Hills Busy Bees

Prairie Horizons Toastmistress Club

Grand Valley School District #206

Douglas Brolund

Norma Laird

Brandon Square Dancing Club

Tully McKenzie

**Basswood School District** 

Anna Enns

Frank Robb

Bankburn School District

John Crawford

J.C. Cousins

William Ridley Sheridan Wade

Mary Schwalm

Robert (Bert) Lane

Ross Hume

Quincy H. Martinson

Helen Dutka

Dorothy Frances Davidson

Brandon Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club

Brandon Folk, Music & Art Society, Inc.

Baker family

Brandon Daily Sun microfilm

Western Manitoba Home Economic Association

**Hubert Weidenhamer** 

Len Evans

Henry Hlady

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Westman Recycling Council

Herbert Goodland

Storage Location: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection
Storage Range: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

#### Arrangement:

The fonds and collections in RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript collection have been arranged primarily by accession number.



# Humesville & Forrest Women's Missionary Society fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4835

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 43-1997

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1885-1943

Physical Description: 18 cm textual records; 4 b/w photographs

History / Biographical:

The Humesville Women's Missionary Society began in 1885, in Humesville, Manitoba. Originally named the Humesville Women's Foreign Missionary Society, it was formed in connection with the Brandon Presbyterial Society as an auxiliary group. The reference to "Foreign" was later dropped from the organization's name. The HWMS was a non-profit group that raised money and gathered goods for the needy in the local area, Canada and around the world. The Forrest Women's Missionary Society was involved in much of the same work as the Humesville group. The membership of the two organizations was drawn from women residents in the Forrest/Humesville area.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of financial records, newspaper clippings, and attendance lists for the Humesville and Forrest Women's Missionary Societies. Minutes for the Humesville Society cover the years 1885-1907; 1920-1940. The minutes of the Forrest Society cover the years 1928-1943. The attendance lists cover the years 1892 to 1904, 1906, 1907 and 1939 (Humesville) and 1928 to 1934, 1938 to 1941 (Forrest). Fonds also contains minutes of the Young Peoples' Society of Humesville 1910-1914, Forrest United Church Women's Association 1930-1946, and a pamphlet detailing the history of the Humesville/Forrest United Church.

Notes: CAIN No. 202639

Subject Access: rural women

missionary work

S.S. Warkworth

Storage Location: 1997 accessions Storage Range: 1997 accessions



# Berbank Women's Aid fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4806

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 27-1997

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1919-1965

Physical Description: 6 cm

History / Biographical:

Berbank Women's Aid was founded in 1919. It was, in large part, the Berbank Red Cross under a new name. The principal project of the original Berbank Ladies Aid was the construction of the Berbank Church, which was accomplished in 1919. In 1962, the organization was renamed the Berbank United Church Women. With the closing of the Berbank church in 1966, the Berbank United Church Women were dissolved.

Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

Scope and Content:

This fonds consists of various minute books of the Berbank Ladies Aid, and its successor organization, dating from 1919 to 1965.

Notes: CAIN No. 202613

Subject Access: Red Cross

United Church of Canada Rural Municipality of Oakland

Riverbank
Bertha
Rural women

religion in western Canada

Storage Location: 1997 accessions Storage Range: 1997 accessions

Related Material: 18-1997 Riverbank/Berbank Red Cross fonds; 28-1997 Berbank Church

fonds; and 8-1998 Bertha Scool District fonds are all located in the

McKee Archives.



# Canadian Federation of University Women (Brandon University) fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4804

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 4-1997, 1-2004, 5-2004

GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1948-2003

Physical Description: 24 cm

History / Biographical:

The Canadian Federation of University Women was founded in 1919 under the leadership of Margaret McWilliams of Winnipeg to promote the interests of women with higher education at local, national and international levels. It is a voluntary, non-profit, self-funded organization with a membership of over 10,000 university-educated women and 122 local clubs. The CFUW promotes high standards of public education; encourages advanced study and research by women university graduates; encourages active participation in public affairs by qualified women; works to safeguard and improve human rights and the economic, legal and professional status of women in Canada; and participates in the work of the International Federation of University Women. The Brandon University chapter of the Canadian Federation of University Women was established in 1948. It continues to be active.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee Archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains correspondence with other branches of the CFUW, minutes and programs from meetings and seminars held throughout Canada, as well as administrative records and minutes of the Brandon branch. Most administrative records concern the problems of maintaining membership levels and recruiting younger members. Fonds also contains various issues of the "Chronicle," a CFUW publication. Fonds also includes CFUW Brandon minutes, miscellaneous projects, annual reports and member lists, as well as a number of documents relating to the provincial, national and international activities of the CFUW.

Notes: CAIN No. 202621

Subject Access: Ellen Clark

Margaret Strongiham
Theodora Carroll Foster

Patrick Boyer

CFUW IFUW UNESCO

Canadian Advisory Council

Disarmament
Status of Women
Equality rights
Enrollment

Storage Location: 1997 accessions
Storage Range: 1997 accessions



# 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



# Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4832

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 12-2002

GMD: textual records
Date Range: 1955-1959

Physical Description: 2 cm

History / Biographical:

It appears that the Neepawa Business and Profession of Women's Club was established in 1955. The president of the club in 1955, was Nora Day. The objectives of the club were to enhance the status of professional and business women and to promote contact between women in business and the professions. The club had seven committees, including: the United Nations, Newsletter, Emblem, Social, Programme, Publicity, and Membership Committees. The Neepawa Club attended provincial conferences of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs and observed Business Women's Week. The club also hosted conferences, as well as local luncheons and picnics.

Custodial History:

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

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of one scrapbook made by the club, which covers the years 1955-1959. The scrapbook includes newspaper clippings, programs, invitations, and lists of club officers from around the province. The scrapbook also includes the bylaws of the Neepawa Club. Many of the newspaper clippings relate to the status of women in Canada and around the world.

Notes: CAIN No. 202586

Subject Access: Effie Macdonald

Mary Macdonald Louise Card Nora Day

Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club
Manitoba Business and Professional Women's Club
Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club
Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club
Portage Business and Professional Women's Club
Selkirk Business and Professional Women's Club
St. James Business and Professional Women's Club
Winnipeg Business and Professional Women's Club

International Peace Gardens

women's clubs status of women scrapbooks

newspaper clippings

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).



# James Douglas Wall collection

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4845

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 12-2004

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1900-1904

Physical Description: 35 photographs; 1 map (measuring 1.5 m x 1.5 m)

History / Biographical:

James Douglas Wall was born in Brandon, Manitoba on March 22, 1933, the only son of James Jesse Wall and Audrey May Simm. James Wall grew up in Brandon, attending public schools in the city and graduating from Brandon Collegiate Institute. At an early age, he became a member of the 82nd Squadron Royal Canadian Air Cadets. In the summer of 1950, he earned his pilot's wings through the Air Cadets Scholarship Program. Wall has been employed with the Brandon Flying Club and has earned a commercial pilot's licence and an aircraft maintenance engineer's licence. In 1957, he became manager of Maple Leaf Aviation Limited. Wall is a long time member of the South West branch of the Manitoba Genealogical Society, Inc. of which he has served as president for several terms. Wall has been married to his wife Elizabeth since 1957. They have one son, David. James Douglas Wall died in Brandon, Manitoba on February 11, 2011.

#### Custodial History:

These items were acquired by Wall in his capacity as President of the Southwest Branch of the Manitoba Genealogical Society. Custodial history prior to their acquisition by Wall and his donation of them to the S.J. McKee Archives is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection contains 35 photographs of Baldur, Manitoba taken ca. 1900. These photographs contain images of buildings, street scenes, and residents (individuals and groups) of Baldur, Manitoba. Collection also includes a copy of Christie's Map of the City of Brandon ca. 1900.

Subject Access: rural images

Baldur, MB

Storage Location: 2004 accessions; map is rolled and leaning against the wall in the back

room with the oversized oversize photographs



# C. J. Barnes fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4808

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 20-1997

GMD: textual records

Date Range: ca. 1962 Physical Description: 2 cm

History / Biographical:

C. J. Barnes was born in Brandon, Manitoba in February 1884. His parents were native Nova Scotians who arrived in Brandon in the early 1880s. In 1884, the family settled on a homestead near the present town of Lauder. This homestead was sold in 1899, and the family moved to farm in the district of Medora. C. J. Barnes took over the operation of this farm in the early 1900s. He farmed until 1924. Barnes was educated in schools in the Truro School District and the village of Lauder. He was active in the original Territorial Grain Growers' Association.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was accessioned by the McKee archives in 1997. Prior custodial history is unknown.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains a pamphlet written and published by C.J. Barnes titled Seventy Years in Southwestern Manitoba. The pamphlet contains an account of life in rural southwestern Manitoba from the 1880s through to the 1940s. The pamphlet is based on a variety of sources including diaries written by Mr. Barnes' father. Fonds also includes some hand-drawn maps not included in the published version of the pamphlet, as well as four letters c.1962, between C.J. Barnes and Rev. Robert Harvey in his capacity as a columnist for the Brandon Sun.

Notes: CAIN No. 202605
Subject Access: Rev. Robert Harvey

Lauder Medora Deloraine

Southwestern Manitoba

Agriculture

**Boundary Commission Trails** 

Storage Location: 1997 accessions Storage Range: 1997 accessions



# Basswood OddFellows fonds

# http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4850

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 5-2000

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1910-1954

Physical Description: 12 cm

History / Biographical:

The OddFellows has a long international history as a mutual assistance society for men. OddFellow Lodges were open to white males over the age of 21, who were in good health and possessed good moral character. Upon joining an OddFellow's Lodge, a member received social and financial benefits. The Constitution of the Subordinate Lodges in Manitoba, 1899, notes that OddFellows Lodges were obliged to teach the importance of fraternity. Under the organization's constitution, lodge members assumed five obligations: to visit the sick, to relieve the distressed, to bury the dead, to educate the orphan, and to aid the widow. The Progress Lodge of the Basswood OddFellows was created in 1910; it continued as a group until early 1955, when it amalgamated with the Minnedosa OddFellows. The Progress Lodge of the Basswood OddFellows included men of many different occupations and social classes including, farmers, merchants, ministers, teachers, agents, carpenters, grain buyers, clerks, and laborers.

#### Custodial History:

The records of the Basswood Oddfellows Lodge were in the possession of Donald McNabb, who for many years was an active member of the Minnedosa Oddfellows. He donated the records to the McKee Archives in June 2000.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of five books. The first book is a membership list from 1910-1948. The list includes the members' names and occupations, the date that they joined the lodge, and their status within the hierarchy of the lodge. The other four books consist of minutes for the years 1910-16, 1916-25, 1935-44, and 1945-54.

Notes: CAIN No. 202644

Subject Access: Basswood OddFellows

Progress Lodge

Basswood Manitoba

International Order of OddFellows

Minnedosa

fraternal associations

mutual aid societies

Storage Location: 2000 accessions
Storage Range: 2000 accessions

Related Material: The Minnedosa OddFellows fonds is also located in the McKee Archives.