

# S. J. McKee Archives



# Brandon Folk, Music & Art Society, Inc. fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8761

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection Accession Number: 17-2008 19-2008

multiple media

GMD: 1981-2001 Date Range:

History / Biographical:

> The Brandon Folk, Music, and Art Society, Inc. has been in existence since 1985, when it was founded by a group of Westman people interested in providing an alternative art and music festival for the western Manitoba region. That group sponsored the first annual Brandon Folk, Music, and Art Festival in September of 1985 and established the community-based, nonprofit structure of the Society.

The Society's main goal is to provide musicians, artists and artisans with an opportunity to perform or display their talents on a professional level. The Society provides for its members and aspiring artists by sponsoring an annual Festival, coffeehouses, socials and other performances at local establishments, featuring local and touring performers.

The Society is governed by a volunteer board of directors from many sectors of the local community.

## Custodial History:

Recrods in accession 19-2008 were in the possession of the Brandon Folk, Music & Art Society prior to their donation to the archives in September 2008.

### Scope and Content:

Accession 17-2008 (12 cm, 1985-1988) consists of 10 files containing promotional materials, meeting minutes and planning documents for Society's annual music festival.

Accession 19-2008 (63 cm, 1981-2008) consists of: minutes, festival programs, publications, posters, financial records, correspondence; miscellaneous photographs.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from Society records. Description by

Donna Lowe and Christy Henry.

Further accruals expected Accruals:

2008 accessions Storage Range:



## 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



## Brandon Hills Busy Bees fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4712

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 36-2006

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1916-1988

Physical Description: 31 cm textual records

2 photographs

Physical Condition: Very good

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Hills Busy Bees was formed in 1916 by eighteen women. The aim of the group was to assist with the war effort during World War One. At the end of the war it was decided to carry on the club and do community and welfare work. The Busy Bees met twice a month and, during World War Two, one meeting a month was devoted to Red Cross work.

In 1969, the younger members of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees decided to form their own organization called the Brandon Hills Community Fireflies.

The remaining members of the Busy Bees continued in their work until they disbanded as a society on September 14, 1988. At their last meeting it was decided to donate their records to the McKee Archives (minutes September 14, 1988).

### Custodial History:

In the minutes for the September 14, 1988 meeting of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees, Mrs. Mollie Baker made a motion to donate the record books of the organization to the Archive at Brandon University, and for Mrs. Nell Baker and Mrs. Lillian Coate to take them there. The motion was seconced by Mrs. Jean Kreller. Prior to their donation to the McKee Archives in 1988 the records were in the possession of members of the Brandon Hills Busy Bees.

### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minute books with membership lists, accounts, newsclippings, correspondence, and reports, recipies (Treasurer's BK 1917-1919), treasurer's books, donation records, 2 photographs (1916 and ca. 1970s), a history of the Busy Bees 1916-1976 and calendars for the Womens' Auxiliary to the Grain Growers (Oakville, MB) for 1916-1918.

The mintue book for 1976-1981 also contains the minute book of The Red Cross Emergency Unit, Brandon Hills for December 1943-1947.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions

Related Material: Albert Angus Murray McPherson collection (21-2006)



# Brandon Square Dancing Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4909

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 12-2007

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1951

Physical Description: 44 photographs (4 x 6" b/w); 1 file

Physical Condition: Fair. The photos have some crackling on the surface. Some of them also

have what appears to be pencil marks on them.

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Square Dancing Club was started by E.J. "Curly" Tyler as part of his degree program at the University of Utah. Part of his obligation for his degree was to organize a recreation group, so he organized the Square Dancers. The club operated for two years under Tyler's direction, with the individuals he taught receiving certificates for proficiency. After he ceased to be its leader, the Brandon Square Dancing Club continued for a number of years. Much of the dancing took place at the Ag Extension Centre.

### Custodial History:

Photographs turned up somewhere in the old Original Building at the time of the renovations (mid 1990s) and were brought to the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of 44 black and white photographs of the Brandon Square Dancing Club. The majority of the photographs depict actual dancing. There is also one file with photocopies of the photographs. These photocopies identify individuals in the photographs.

Individuals in the photographs include: Edith Laycock; Bill Clement; Bea Lissaman; Reg Lissaman; Jean Hawley; Mrs. Murray Simmons; Murray Simmons; Dood Cristal; JoAnn Myers; Bob Myers; Jim Creighton; Muriel Cumming; Frank Cowan; Dean Finch; Birk Birkinshaw; Bill Baynton; Gil Wankling; Hugh Knowlton; Hilda Evanson; Archie Evanson; Gwen MacKay; Don (D.R.) MacKay; Burt Hurst; Ena Skafel; Einar Skafel; Marian Jones; Ray Jones; Joan Tyler; Curly Tyler; Bea Matheson; Murray Matheson; Bill Coleman; Gladys Wankling; Percy Finch; Lois Gibson; Ken Pratt; Jack Findlay; Phyl Harwood; Ozzie Pullow; Jean Pullow; Ann McDiarmid; Barb Brodie; Mal Brodie; Bud McDiarmid; Doris Boyd; Ethel Norrison; Dr. Arhurst; Mrs. Arhurst; Bob McPherson; Mary Gooden; Ron Godfrey; Elizabeth Godfrey; Gordon Cummings; George Gooden; Marg Purdy; Kay Findlay; Jack Coleman; Betty Coleman; Marion Unicume; Nels Unicume; Bob Hawley; Nan Coleman; Jack Purdy; Kay Birkinshaw; Lyal McGill; Norm Emerson; Shirley Emerson; Zana Hurst; Ethel Morrison; Leo Kennedy; Hazel Jones; Dr. R.C. Jones; Jim Blencowe; Betty Knowlton; Wesley Nelson; Marian Nelson; Pauline Tennant; Dave Dick; and Bob McMullan.

Notes: George Gooden provided the names on the photographs. Description by

Christy Henry.

Repro Restriction: Copyright restrictions apply

Conservation: Photographs have been removed from original matting.

Storage Location: 2007 accessions
Storage Range: 2007 accessions

## Arrangement:

Photograph number 40 is missing using the original numbering system. The numbers on the photographs have been adjusted accordingly (ex. old #43 is now #42). The numbers on the photocopies have also been adjusted to reflect the new numbering system.



## Brandon and District Labour Council (CLC) fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4840

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 23-2003, 22-2003, 13-2003, 25-1999, 26-1999

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1955-1985; predominant 1971-1985

Physical Description: 2.4 m textual records; c. 5 photographs; 1 minute book (measuring 1"x

9"x 14")

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Trades and Labour Council was established in 1906, as an affiliate of the Trades and Labour Congress of Canada. The original Council contained thirteen locals, including those of railway workers, sheet metal workers, plumbers and steam fitters, bricklayers, carpenters and joiners, cigar makers, printers, and barbers. By 1912, the Council contained twenty four locals. The Council's principal function was to advance the corporate interests of labour within the framework of a largely unregulated capitalism. After 1955, the Council was affiliated with the Canadian Labour Congress, which was created through a merger of the Trades and Labour Congress of Canada and the Canadian Congress of Labour.

Custodial History:

Fonds remained in possession of Brandon and District Labour Council prior to donation to the S.J. McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of financial and administrative records of the Brandon and District Labour Council. Records also include collective agreements, correspondence, publications of the Labour Council and affiliated unions, some union local minutes, newspaper clippings, petitions, and various miscellaneous files. Fonds also includes a minute book for the Council (1971-1985) and two union charters.

Notes: CAIN No. 202611

Subject Access: Canadian Labour Congress

Brandon and District Labour Council

organized labour working class labourism

Storage Location: 1999 and 2003 accessions
Storage Range: 1999 and 2003 accessions



## Brandon Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions7972

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 35-2007

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1970-1999

Physical Description: 30 cm textual records; artifacts

Physical Condition: Good.

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Sno-Goers Snowmobile Club was created in approximately 1970 and was disbanded in approximately 2002. During its lifetime, the Sno-Goers were an organization dedicated to the promotion of recreational snowmobiling. They were also a community service group, which raised funds for local charities, held many winter events and worked with E.M.O. services in the southwestern area of Manitoba. They were members of the provincial organization Sno-Man Inc (Snowmobilers of Manitoba Inc.).

#### Custodial History:

Records were donated to the McKee Archives on September 9, 2005 by Lloyd Shortridge, former president and Sno-Goers member from 1986-2002. The records were in Shortridge's residence prior to their donation.

### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes (annual meetings, general meetings, director's meetings, club meetings etc.), newsletters, financial records, member lists, correspondence, records related to various club activities, events, and charity fundraising. It also includes the Manitoba snowmobile operator's training manual, exam and answer key, information on snow trails and trail grooming and records for the 1989 Sno-Man convention and sled show hosted by the Brandon Sno-Goers. Fonds contains a number of artifacts, including: 3 pins, 2 badges and the Sno-Goers' flag.

Fundraising included: Heart & Stroke Foundation (Heart Fund Ride), Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada (Poker Derby), Canadian Liver Foundation, Ability Fund March of Dimes, City of Brandon, Canadian Cancer Society, Dreams for Kids.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry. All records related to Snopasses (except a

few annual reports) were culled, as were recipets and duplicates, Sno-

Man newsletters and Sno-Man meeting minutes.

Storage Location: 2007 accessions
Storage Range: 2007 accessions

Arrangement:

There are some financial records mixed in with the minutes in 1983-1985. There are some minutes for 1980 in the correspondence file.



## WARUCC fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4867

Other Title Info: Western Association of Registrars of the Universities and Colleges of

Canada

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 8-2006

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1973-2003

Physical Description: 73 cm textual records; approx. 70 photographs with negatives

History / Biographical:

The first conference of Western Canadian Registrars was held in January, 1952, at the University of Alberta. The four western Canadian Universities were represented by G.B. Taylor (Registrar, University of Alberta), C.B. Wood (Registrar, University of Saskatchewan) and A.D. Cairns (Assistant Registrar, University of Alberta). No attempt was made at this meeting to set up a formal organization or to plan regular meetings.

It was not until the University of Alberta and The University of British Columbia jointly hosted the "Second Triennial Conference of Registrars of Canadian Universities and Colleges" at the Banff School of Fine Arts in January 1962, that plans were made to establish a western regional organization of registrars of degree granting universities and colleges. Since the national group would meet every two years, it was agreed that the western group would meet in the intervening year.

The first official meeting of the Western Universities Registrars was held at the University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, in 1963. The Association was established as a regional component of the Association of Registrars of the Universities of Canada (ARUC). The second meeting was held in January, 1965 at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg.

Since the national group chose to forego its regular meeting in 1966 in order to hold it in Montreal during Expo 1967, the University of Calgary hosted the third western conference in June, 1966. This was the first conference to which delegates from non-degree granting colleges were invited.

The fourth western regional conference was hosted by the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, 1968; the fifth at the University of Saskatchewan, Regina Campus, 1970; and the sixth, hosted by the University of Alberta at Jasper, Alberta, 1972.

During the 1972 conference a steering committee was formed to develop a structure and constitution for a formal organization. The committee consisted of Barry Browning (Registrar, The University of Manitoba), Jerry Della Mattia (Director of Admissions, Douglas College, Vancouver), Len Semrau (Registrar, NAIT, Edmonton) and John Dorgan (Registrar, University of Saskatchewan).

The next meeting was held the following year in Brandon, Manitoba. At this time the constitution was approved and the name Western Canadian Association of Registrars of Institutions of Post-Secondary Education (WCARIPSE) was adopted for the newly formalized organization. Fred Bennett, Registrar of Camosun College, Victoria, BC was selected to serve as the first chair of WCARIPSE, serving a two year term.

Institutional membership was open to all provincial and federal institutions of post-secondary education located in the four western provinces of Canada. The 1973 membership roster consisted of 42 institutional members and 94 individual members.

The western association was originally established as a regional component of the Association of Registrars of the Universities of Canada (ARUC). However, a rather serious problem arose in 1966 when the western group agreed to include non-degree granting institutions in its membership even though ARUC membership was restricted to degree

granting institutions. The issue, and some other problems closely related to it, was not settled until the ARUC Conference of 1974. At that time, the motion to extend membership to include non-university registrars was moved, subsequently carried and ARUC became the Association of the Registrars of Universities and Colleges of Canada (ARUCC).

The University of Saskatchewan hosted the 1979 WARUCC conference in Saskatoon. In 1981, at the conference in Winnipeg, the four founding members, Alex Cairns, Douglas Chevrier, Norm Cram and Jack Parnall were presented with honorary memberships in WARUCC.

Vancouver was the site for the 1983 conference, at which time Doug Burns, Edith Allen and Alan Wallis were honored as life members of the association.

Subsequent meetings were held in Lethbridge, 1985, and in Regina, 1987. By 1987 membership had grown to 65 institutional members and 225 individual members. The constitution was amended to extend membership boundaries from the four western provinces to 88 degrees (W) longitude, providing for participation by Lakehead University and colleges of the Northwest Territories and Yukon.

The 1989 conference was hosted by The University of Manitoba in Winnipeg. In 1991 Capilano College hosted the conference at Whistler in British Columbia. In 1993 the University of Calgary hosted the conference in Calgary. In 1995 the University of Saskatchewan hosted the conference in Saskatoon. In 1997 The University of Manitoba hosted the conference in Winnipeg. In 1999 the University of Northern British Columbia hosted the conference in Prince George, British Columbia.

#### Custodial History:

Records had been in the possession of various secretaries of WARRUC until their donation to the McKee Archives in 2006.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes, financial records, membership records, photographs and miscellaneous documents.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the WARRUC website at:

http://www.brandonu.ca/emu/mcleod/warucc/web\_pages/history.htm (February 2006). Some processing completed. Financial records (ie bank statements, invoices) were culled from the records. Description by

Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions



## G.R. Rowe fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4799

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 60-1997

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1897-1984

Physical Description: 6 cm

History / Biographical:

Gabriel Richard Rowe was born in Coleman, P.E.I. in 1897. In 1918, he enlisted in the Canadian Army. After the Great War, he moved to Viscount, Saskatchewan were he was principal of a high school. In 1924, Rowe moved to Brandon where he served as principal for various schools until his retirement in 1964. G.R. Rowe attended the University of Manitoba graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in 1935, a Bachelor of Education 1952, and a Master of Education degree in 1957. Rowe also studied at the University of Minnesota, Harvard, and the University of British Columbia. Rowe served as President of the Manitoba Teachers' Scoiety from 1948 to 1949. He served as a member of the International School Master Association, the Brandon's Citizens' Committee of the Arts, and the Brandon General Hospital Board. He died in Brandon on January 6th, 1968.

## Custodial History:

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

### Scope and Content:

Fonds includes photographs, certificates and diplomas, career resumes, testimonials, draft obituaries, and correspondence, relating to G.R. Rowe's professional teaching career, and in small part to his personal life.

Notes: CAIN No. 202649

Subject Access: Brandon School Division

history of education

educational administration

Earl Oxford Junior High

Storage Location: 1997 accessions
Storage Range: 1997 accessions



## James Buckley fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4830

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 11-2004

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1906-1939; predominant 1918-1939

Physical Description: 3.5 cm textual records; one postcard; one key

History / Biographical:

James Buckley was born in Amprior, Ontario in 1877. He moved to Manitoba in 1904. In 1906, he settled in Brandon, Manitoba where he was employed as a Canadian Pacific Railway conductor for thirty-six years. In the same year he arrived in Brandon, Buckley married Helenea Stavenaw. Togerher they had two daughters Ruth and Margaret. James Buckley was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors and the Knights of Columbus. He passed away in Brandon, Manitoba on December 8, 1957.

#### Custodial History:

Fonds passed into the hands of Buckley's daughter Margaret following the death of Helenea (Stavenaw) Buckley in 1959. Following Margaret's death the fonds was retained by Lesley Liversidge who donated the fonds to the Daly House Museum in 2004. The Museum then donated the fonds to the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds includes Conductors' Local Passenger tariff No. C 6 Brandon to Moose Jaw in effect June 23, 1918; Constitution of Railway Conductors of America revised and adopted May 4, 1925; CPR Rules for Heating, Ventilating, Lighting and for operation of water rising system on passenger equipment, revised January 1924; Souvenir, Canada's Great Inland Port Fort William and Port Arthur [n.d.] 127 illustrations; poster The Spirit of 1918: Sticking To It, supplement to The Graphic, The Railway Conductor, July, 1939 Royal Visit Edition; Wonderland of Canada, The Rocky Mountains Specially Selected Views of the Canadian Rockies on the Canadian Pacific Line, photographs by WM Notman & Son. Valentine & Sons, Publishing Company, Montreal and Toronto[n.d.]; Over the Kettle Valley Route British Columbia published for Canadian Pacific Railway News Service 20 pp. [n.d.]; postcard with steam engine traveling through a flooded rail-line and CNR key.

Notes: CAIN No. 202582 Subject Access: James Buckley

Canadian Pacific Railway Company

railways

transportation

Storage Location: 2004 accessions
Storage Range: 2004 accessions



# Gerald McKinney fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4847

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 13-1999, 10-2000
GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1980-1987; predominant 1985

Physical Description: 30 cm textual records; 44 audio tapes; approx. 30 photographs

History / Biographical:

Gerald "Gerry" Allen McKinney was born in 1932, in Melita, Manitoba. In 1950, McKinney enlisted as a medical assistant with B Company, First Battalion, Royal Canadian Regiment. A participant in the Korean War, McKinney was captured and held as a prisoner of war for one year. McKinney remained in the Canadian Armed Forces until 1958. Subsequently, McKinney lived in Winnipeg where he was an advocate for workplace health and safety causes and tenant rights. He was also active in raising opposition to large water diversion schemes, such as the Garrison Diversion Project in North Dakota, the Rafferty-Alemada Dams Project in Saskatchewan, and the Pelican Lake-Pembina River Diversion Project in Manitoba. McKinney was awarded the Manitoba Order of the Buffalo Hunt in 1984, for his work against the Garrison Project. McKinney was also awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws degree from Brandon University in 1985.

#### Custodial History:

This fonds was donated to the McKee Archives by Professor Joe Dolecki in 1984.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists mainly of McKinney's correspondence and clippings from the Edmonton Journal dating from 1985; a folder of campaign pamphlets of various New Democratic Party candidates in Alberta in 1985 and newspaper clippings about the Alberta NDP. Fonds also contains a folder of newspaper clippings about various environmental issues and several booklets of articles collected by the Garrison Focus Office of Manitoba Natural Resources from 1987. Fonds contains an extensive collection of newspaper clippings about the 1985 Jim Keegstra trial in Red Deer, Alberta, and a folder of clippings about Alberta labor and strikes, as well as rally pamphlets. The fonds also includes a collection of speeches that McKinney gave from 1980-1984, and c. 30 pictures taken by McKinney of various places in Edmonton, Regina, and Ireland. Correspondence between McKinney and Professor Joe Dolecki of Brandon University and 44 audio tapes of interviews done with McKinney by Professor Dolecki in the mid-1980's are also included.

Notes: CAIN No. 202575

Subject Access: Don Braid

Gordon Wright
Randy Morse
Burke Barker
Jim Gurnett
Grant Notley
Jim Keegstra
Gerald McKinney

Peter Lougheed

New Democratic Party of Alberta

Garrison Diversion Project

Dandelion Political Action Committee

Province of Alberta

labor politics strikes

environmental issues

Storage Location: 1999 and 2000 accessions Storage Range: 1999 and 2000 accessions



## Anna Enns fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5081

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 16-2007

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: ca. 1922
Physical Description: 3.5 cm

Physical Condition: Mothergoose Primer is fragile

History / Biographical:

Biographical information on Anna B. Enns is currently unavailable.

Custodial History:

Donated to the McKee Archives in 2005 by Anne Eaton, a relative of Anna B. Enns.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a copy of the "Mothergoose Primer" and a handwork book (1922) from the Brandon Normal School. The latter contains samples of various kinds of art and craft work.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2007 accessions Storage Range: 2007 accessions

Related Material: Dorothy Frances Davidson fonds (33-2007).



## Frank Robb fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5133

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 22-2007

GMD: multiple media

Physical Description: 0.5 cm textual records; 155 slides

1956 - c.1965

History / Biographical:

Date Range:

Frank Robb was Assistant Secretary Treasurer for School District of Brandon No. 129 and Curator of the B.J. Hales Natural History Museum exhibition for Brandon's 75th Anniversary (1957). Robb left Brandon ca. 1969 and relocated to Minaki, Ontario.

Custodial History:

Frank Robb sent the slides to Fred McGuiness ca. 1986. McGuiness gave them to Eileen McFadden at the McKee Archives in April 1986.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of 155 slides taken by Frank Robb, an inventory for the slides prepared by Robb and a letter from Robb to Fred McGuiness regarding the slides and memories of Brandon ca. 1950s.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Name Access: Albert Hepinstall

John Bojarski Frank Robb

Doreen Walton (nee Rookes)

Lily Harrison

Subject Access: B.J. Hales Museum

Brandon 75th Anniversary
Brandon Camera Club
Royal Beardede Ballet

ladies' auxiliary
First United Church

School District of Brandon No. 129

flooding summer fair

T.A. Neelin High School Vincent Massey High School

dam

Experimental farm
Bedford Drive

Souris' swinging bridge Highway No. 1 by-pass

School Teacher night classes

18th Street

Storage Location: 2007 accessions Storage Range: 2007 accessions

Arrangement:

Original order and numbering system.



# J.C. Cousins fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions5137

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 26-2007

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: pre-1881settlement era - 1940s

Physical Description: 6 cm

Physical Condition: Generally good, but tattered in some places.

History / Biographical:

John C. Cousins was the son of Thomas Cousins (b. August 17, 1882 in Truro, Nova Scotia - d. March 5, 1914) and Mary Margaret Craig (b. April 14, 1824 - d. April 25, 1903). He married Eunice Eliza Nixon from London Township, County of Middlesex, Ontario. Together they had three children: Eunice M., Eric O. and Kathleen. J.C. Cousins was Reeve of the Rural Municipality of Daly from 1905 to 1910 and Assessor for the Town of Rivers from 1931-1938.

Custodial History:

Scope and Content:

Record was accessioned in 2007 by the McKee Archives. Prior custodial history unknown.

This document is a rambling memoir of John C. Cousins' recollections of life in the Rural Municipality of Daly from the settlement era in the early 1880s, through to the 1940s. He touches on various themes, including: his family history; the activities of the R.M. of Daly and his role as Reeve; the history of school districts in the municipality (lists names of first teachers and early students); the history of churches in the municipality; tragedies in the municipality; lists members of the Council of the municipality for the years 1885-1946; and the devastating impact of the Spanish Influenza on Aboriginal people in the municipality.

In addition, the memoir includes documentary records, such as minutes and copies of letters. There are also many photographs of both events and individuals (virtually all of the photographs are labelled and names are provided). The memoir goes beyond a simple recounting of facts. Cousins is discursive and thoughtful, often making references to developments happening in other parts of North America and Canada. There is also a link to the Maritimes, from which his family originated.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry and Tom Mitchell.

Subject Access: Pendennis

Rivers

Manitoba

Harrow school

Mayne School Distritct

Hunter School District No. 571

Poplar Hill school

Tarbolton School District

Wheatland School District

Westwood School District

Bradwardine School District

Ancrum or Wellwood School District

Spring Valley School District

Aetna School District

Robinville School District

Oakleigh school

Lothian School District

Rivers School District

Storage Location: 2007 accessions Storage Range: 2007 accessions



## Baker family fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8864

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 21-2008

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1884-1889; 1997; 2007

Physical Description: 200 letters

2 booklets

Material Details: A number of the letters are samples of "cross writing"

Physical Condition: Some of the letters are fragile, but generally the fonds is in good

condition.

Custodial History:

Ann Murdoch donated a copy of "My Dear Will" to the McKee Archives in February 2008. The formal donation of the Baker family letters occurred on September 27, 2008 at a reception in the Gathering Space at the John E. Robbins Library.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a collection of about 200 letters primarily written by William Baker (although letters written by other family members are also included), who left Liverpool and settled in Oak Lake, to his son William who remained in England. The letters offer insights on a wide range of subjects including the conditions of immigrants and the Riel "situation".

The fonds also contains a supplement to "My Dear Will: Reflections of Prairie Pioneer Life." This latter publication consists of transcribed copies of the letters in the Baker family fonds. The letters were originally transcribed by Ronald James Parsons and his wife Rita Olive Parsons (nee Blake) and published, along with some letters, photographs and other documents for family c. 1997. The booklet was updated in 2007 by Ronald and Rita's daughter, Ann Murdoch. The Supplement was prepared by Ann Murdock and her sister Dawn Powell.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Finding Aid: My Dear Will booklet

Storage Location: 2008 accessions. Booklets and family tree stored in Rare Books: RC

3399.B73Z495 2007 v.1 and v.2.

Storage Range: 2008 accessions



## Leslie Victor Robson fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4797

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 7-1998

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1926-1975 ; predominant 1930-1940

Physical Description: 31 cm textual records;

1 b&w photograph - approx. 50 x 20cm (torn in half);1 ribbon from the International Pool Conference of 1928

History / Biographical:

Leslie Victor Robson was born in Deleau, Manitoba in 1893. Following graduation from the Manitoba Agricultural College in 1915, he began a career in farming near Deleau, Manitoba. Robson married Edna Chapman in 1917. He was active in farm organizations, the cooperative movement and the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation. Robson focused his farming activities on raising purebread polled herefords. His stock was exhibited across Canada and the United States and sold in Great Britain, Japan and Czechoslovakia. In 1977, he was made a member of the Canadian Hereford Honour Roll. Leslie Victor Robson died in 1977.

## Custodial History:

This fonds was donated to the McKee Archives in 1995 by Clarke M. Robson of Deleau, Manitoba.

### Scope and Content:

This fonds contains booklets and issues of newspapers from the Canadian prairie provinces concerning the CCF, the Independant Labor Party, the UFM, the Canadian farming co-op movement, Manitoba Pool Elevators, and the early NDP. Also included are publications of the CCF including "The Commonwealth," the Canadian Department of Agriculture, the League for Social Reconstruction, the NDP, the UFM, and Manitoba Pool Elevators. The single photograph is a group picture of mostly men taken at the International Wheat Conference of 1926 in St. Paul, Minnesota. It includes Colin H. Burnell, Fawcett W. Ransom, and Dick Mahoney.

Notes: CAIN No. 202653
Subject Access: J. W. Noseworthy

V.S. Alanne Helen Watson

Tommy C. Douglas

Department of Agriculture

The Commonwealth

Canadian Cooperater

UFM CCF

Pool Elevators

Cooperative Consumer Independent Labor Party

Storage Location: 1998 accessions
Storage Range: 1998 accessions



## William J. Birtles fonds

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4813

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 7-2003

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: c. 1880; c. 1935-2001

Physical Description: 4 photographs;

2 biographical sketches

History / Biographical:

William Birtles was born in Alexander, Manitoba in 1930. He received his early education at Alexander School. In 1948, he completed grade 12 at St. John's College School in Winnipeg. He undertook formal training in art, beginning in 1949, at the Winnipeg School of Art. In 1952, he graduated from the Manitoba Provincial Normal School. After teaching school in Winnipeg for three years, Birtles completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts with a major in Sculpture in 1958. He obtained a Bachelor of Education from the University of Manitoba in 1970. Throughout his adult years, Birtles taught in various Manitoba communities, was active as an artist, showing his work and winning awards. He was also active in the Manitoba Society of Artists and associated provincial organizations. Birtles is retired and is a resident of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

## Custodial History:

All of the items in the fonds were in the possession of William Birtles until their donation to the McKee Archives in 2003.

### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of photographs of Ms. Sarah Birtles, Rt. Rev W.W.H. Thomas D.D, the Thomas Smith farmhouse located northwest of Alexander, and a postcard containing a photograph of Westminster Abbey. Fonds also contains two biographical sketches written by William Birtles: one of Ms. Sarah Birtles - three pages - and one of Rt. Rev. W.W. H. Thomas D.D - six pages. Also includes the program of the Composite Lodge No. 64 G.R.M., A.F. & A.M. sixty-fifth Anniversary (Alexander, MB 1961).

Notes: CAIN No. 202569

Subject Access: Sarah Birtles

Rt. Rev. W.W.H. Thomas D.D

Thomas Smith Alexander Manitoba farmhouse masonic lodge

Storage Location: 2003 accessions
Storage Range: 2003 accessions



## Prairie Horizons Toastmistress Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4716

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 37-2006

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1976-1984

Physical Description: 6 cm

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of minutes, the pages of the charter dinner guest book, "Go for the Gold" membership marathon instructions and poster, and a scrapbook containing photographs, momentos and a history (summary) of the Priarie Horizons Toastmistress Club 1976-1982.

Notes: Name tags and pins culled. Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions
Storage Range: 2006 accessions



## Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4857

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 2-1998; 3-2001

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1904-1993; predominant 1960-1970

Physical Description: 1.2 m

History / Biographical:

The Brandon Art Club was founded in November 1907, and operated in an art studio on the top floor of the Brandon College Women's Residence. The club appears to have been the creation of Miss. H. Hancock, who became the Director of the Department of Art at Brandon College c. 1907. The club moved to larger facilities made available at the First Methodist Church; the organization remained there until sometime during the Great War when the club relocated to St. Paul's Presbyterian Church and then in 1921, to the Prince Edward Hotel. The club's first public art exhibitions were held at the Prince Edward Hotel. Art classes were held for the first time in 1928. In 1968, the Brandon Art Club merged with the Allied Arts Center, which had been formed in 1959. The Allied Arts Center was located at 1036 Louise Avenue. In April 1984, the Allied Arts Center was moved to new facilities at the Arts Center of Western Manitoba located at 638 Princess Avenue. In 1989, it was renamed the Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba, and began to function as a "professional, regional art gallery." The Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba relocated to 2-710 Rosser Ave. c. 2001.

### Custodial History:

These records were created at different times between 1907 and 1993, and remained in the possession of the administration of the above mentioned organizations until May 2001, when they where donated to the McKee Archives.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains administrative records, minutes, personal files, correspondence, newsletters, photographs, summaries of collections and exhibits, scrapbooks, programs, submitted papers, and other miscellaneous records. All are a record of the growth and evolution of the Art Club, its administration, and of the art community in Brandon.

Notes: CAIN No. 202584
Subject Access: H. Hancock

Brandon Allied Arts Council

Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba

**Brandon College** 

Storage Location: 1998 accessions
Storage Range: 1998 accessions

Related Material: The A.E. McKenzie Company fonds (RG 3 MG 1, 1.3) located in the

McKee Archives contains some records, primarily correspondence and

minutes, relating to the Brandon Allied Arts Council.



## Westman Multi-Cultural Council fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4877

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 8-2004

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1975-2003; predominant 1997-2003

Physical Description: 2.5 m textual records; computer discs; VHS tapes

History / Biographical:

An administrative history for the Westman Multi-Cultural Council is currently unavailable.

#### **Custodial History:**

The Council continued until ca. 2001. It was disbanded because the Federal government ceased providing grants to the Council. The records remained in the custody of Arnis Kaulins, the Council's last president. He donated them to the Archives in 2004.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds contains records of various ethno-cultural associations affiliated with the Westman Multi-Cultural Council, as well as material relating to the history of the Council, its constitution, membership directories, grant applications, records concerning the administration of Council activities, meeting minutes and financial records.

Storage Location: 2004 accessions
Storage Range: 2004 accessions

### Arrangement:

Files numbered 44-49, 92-99 and 125-129 were not included in the original inventory from the West-Man Multicultural Council. To maintain original order they have also been excluded from the inventory below and the WMC filing system remains in place.

## Box 1 - Files:

- 1. Irish Association of Western Manitoba
- 2. Irish Association of Western Manitoba #2
- 3. Western MB Jewish Association
- 4. Welsh Society of Western MB
- 5. Immigrant Association of Western MB
- 6. Hartney Multicultural Association
- 7. Latvian Group
- 8. Laotion Society
- 9. Brandon Greek Cultural Association
- 10. Lukkenfest
- 11. Ethnic Organizations Rural West-Man
- 12. Folk Arts Council of Winnipeg
- 13. Canada-India Friendship Association
- 14. Polish Gymnastic Sokol Association
- 15. Rivers Ukrainian Society
- 16. West-Man Highland Dance Association
- 17. MB Multicultural Resources Centre
- 18. WMC Flay Display
- 19. WMC History
- 20. WMC Logo (Multicultural Folder)
- 21. Charitable Status
- 22. Constitution
- 23. Ad-hoc Constitution Committee
- 24. Multiculturalism Act
- 25. Immigration Act

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- 26. Multiculturalism Secretariat
- 27. Applications for Race-Relations Co-ordination
- 28. Applications
- 29. Secretary/Bookkeeper
- 30. Ad-hoc Nomination Committee
- 31. Personnel Policies
- 32. Legal
- 33. Corporation Act Forms
- 34. Incorporation Papers
- 35. Pamphlets, Songs etc.
- 36. Entrepreneurship Awards
- 37. Citation for Citizenship Award
- 38. Goal Aidon Scholarship Fund
- 39. Quote of Accounts
- 40. List of Schools
- 41. Membership Applications and Lists (\*RED BINDER\*)
- 42. Reports and Other Info (\*BLUE BINDER\*)

#### Box 2 - Files:

- 50. WMC Directory
- 51. 2004 Applications of Funds
- 52. Other Donations Grants
- 53. Brandon Neighbourhood Renewal Corporations
- 54. Brandon Area Community Foundation
- 55. Race-Relations 2001-02
- 56. Canadian Heritage
- 57. Ethno-cultural community Support Program
- 58. Multicultural Grants Advisory Council
- 59. Record of Employment Forms
- 60. T-4 and T-4A Forms 2001
- 61. GIFI Forms
- 62. Wages Income Tax
- 63. Wages Secretary/ Bookkeeper
- 64. Travel/Staff
- 65. Telephone/Fax/Internet
- 66. Rent
- 67. Postage
- 68. Photocopier
- 69. Office Supplies and Stationary
- 70. Office Equipment/Repairs
- 71. Miscellaneous
- 72. Meetings/General
- 73. Meetings/Annual
- 74. Insurance
- 75. Equipment Rental
- 76. Dues, membership, Subscription
- 77. Community Development
- 78. Cultural Programs
- 79. Bank Charges
- 80. Audit/Legal Fees
- 81. Advertising and Printing
- 82. GST
- 83. Miscellaneous
- 84. Accounts Receivable
- 85. Bank/Plan 24 Admin
- 86. Petty Cash

87. 1999 Account Book

88. 2002 Reports

### FLOPPY DISKS:

A – West-Man Logbook

B – Workbook for Community Planning

C - CHRC "20 Years" Logo

D - Annual General Meeting

E - Y2000 AGM

F - Constitution/1999 Membership List

G - Activity Report

H – WMC Budget 1999

I-AGM 1999

J – Documents

K - Documents

L - Documents

M - Documents

N - Documents

O-Documents

#### Box 3 - Files:

100. Meeting Minutes 1999-2000

101. AGM 1999

102. AGM 2000

103. Annual Report 2001

104. AGM 2002

105. AGM 2003

106. 2003/04 Annual Report

107. Annual Reports (copies)

## Box 4 - Files:

108. ESL Classes

109. Various Organizations

110. Travellers Day Parade

111. Rural Forum

112. Race-Relation Coordinator 2002

113. Race-Relations Coordinator 2003

114. Potluck Dinner

115. Newspaper Clippings

116. International Dinner

117. IDERD

118. Brandon West-man Regional Winter Festival

## Box 5 – Files:

119. Fair (Food Fair)

120. Ethnic Cooking Class 2002-03

121. Ethnic Cooking Class

122. Contact Reservations

123. Citizenship and Heritage Week

124. Meeting Minutes 2001-2003

VHS Tapes

CD-ROM Discs

Box 6 - Files:

131. Invoices 1999-2000

132. Invoices 2000-01

134. 2001-2002 Audit

136. 2003 Audit

Box 7

VHS Tapes CD-ROM Discs



# Westridge Senior Citizens Club fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4881

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 3-2006

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1981-2005

Physical Description: 5 cm textual records; 2 colour photographs

History / Biographical:

The Westridge Senior Citizens Club was established in 1981, in response to an invitation from the President of the Westridge Community Centre. The club was funded through a New Horizons grant. During its existence the club provided a variety of recreational and social opportunities to it members.

Custodial History:

The records were retained by the club's recording secretary, Miss. Myrtle W. Grieve, following the disbandment of the club. She donated the records to the S.J. McKee Archives in October 2005.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of membership lists, minutes and financial records of the Westridge Senior Citizens Club during the period of its existence from October 1981 to its disbandment in September 2005.

Notes: Description by Christy Henry.

Storage Location: 2006 accessions Storage Range: 2006 accessions