

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Cordova Women's Institute fonds

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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.

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| Subject Access:   | <p>Joyce Cameron</p> <p>Doreen Jenner</p> <p>Merle Guyer</p> <p>Margaret Wilson</p> <p>Allison Ellis</p> <p>Margaret Anstett</p> <p>Lois Cameron</p> <p>Dorothy Curle</p> <p>Astrid Treloar</p> <p>Lillian Ritchie</p> <p>Eleanor Robinson</p> <p>Alice Cameron</p> <p>Shirley Davidson</p> <p>Cordova Women's Institute</p> <p>Village of Cordova</p> <p>Manitoba Women's Institute</p> <p>rural women</p> <p>women's organization</p> |
| Storage Location: | 2002 accessions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Storage Range:    | 2002 accessions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Related Material: | <p>Related women's institute collections in the McKee Archives include:</p> <p>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</p>                                                                   |



## Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club fonds

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| 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 Display and Tea, held on May 29, 1976.

### Notes:

CAIN No. 202581

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| Subject Access:   | Julie Johnson<br>Louise Card<br>Effie Macdonald<br>Mary Macdonald<br>Marion McCormick<br>Gladys Thompson<br>Town of Minnedosa<br>Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club<br>Canadian Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs<br>Manitoba Provincial Organization of Business and Professional Women's Clubs<br>Flin Flon Business and Professional Women's Club<br>Dauphin Business and Professional Women's Club<br>Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club<br>International Peace Gardens<br>women's clubs<br>women's issues<br>status of women<br>scrapbooks<br>newspaper clippings |
| Storage Location: | 2002 accessions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Storage Range:    | 2002 accessions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Related Material: | Brandon Business and Professional Women's Club (10-2002);<br>Minnedosa Business and Professional Women's Club (11-2002);<br>Neepawa Business and Professional Women's Club (12-2002); Trillium<br>Business and Professional Women's Club (2-2006).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |