

S. J. McKee Archives



Audrey Silvius collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions4841

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 21-2000

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1959-1988; predominant 1963-1974

Physical Description: 19 cm textual records; 4 photographs; 1 drawing

History / Biographical:

Born on February 10, 1924, in Elgin, Manitoba, Audrey Ellen Silvius (nee Honeyman) was raised in Fairfax, Manitoba on the Honeyman homestead. In 1964, she received her Indian name, Blue Star. Silvius completed her high school education in Fairfax before moving to Winnipeg in 1943, to earn her Nursing degree from Grace Hospital. She later completed her post-graduate degree in Psychiatric Nursing at the Brandon Mental Health Centre. Married to Merritt W. Silvius, Audrey Silvius raised four children, David, Kay, Lorna (Downie) and Gail (Campos) while working in her chosen field. In addition to her family and her career, she was also involved with the Brandon Council of Women and the United Church in Brandon. Silvius was the first executive director of the Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre, a founding member of the local branches of the Marquis Project and Amnesty International and initiated a project called Tools for Peace. She was also involved in various other peace and human rights organizations. In 1987, she received the Order of the Buffalo Hunt from the Province of Manitoba in recognition of her work relating to women's issues. In 1992, she was awarded a Confederation medal for community service.

Custodial History:

The records found within the collection were collected by Audrey Silvius from a number of people, including Jean Halliday, Grace Godmaire and Norma Walmsley, involved in various projects with her throughout the years. Prior to their donation to the McKee Archives at Brandon University in October and November 2000, the records were stored at Mrs. Silvius' home.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of meeting minutes, agendas, speeches, correspondence, newsletters, brochures, written publications and newspaper clippings. Four photographs and one pencil drawing are also included within the collection.

The records deal with the creation, activities, and history of the Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre, as well as the activities of its Board of Directors. In addition, materials located within the collection can be divided into two areas: (1) those that relate to various organizations associated with the Friendship Centre itself, such as the Council of Christians and Jews and the Brandon Council of Women; (2) materials related to projects of important individuals involved with the Friendship Centre, such as the South Western Manitoba Recreation Council and the 4F Club of Minnedosa. Other records deal with general aboriginal issues in Canada during the time frame of the Audrey Silvius collection.

Notes: CAIN No. 202607. Description by Christy Henry (2000).

Subject Access: Council of Christians and Jews

Brandon Council of Women

4F Club

Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre

cross cultural relations

Aboriginal issues

community development

Storage Location: 2000 accessions Storage Range: 2000 accessions

Arrangement:

The collection is divided into ten (10) series:

- 1. The Brandon Indian-Metis Friendship Centre
- 2. The Scout Friendship Centre newsletter
- 3. The Brandon Council of Women
- 4. Council of Christians and Jews
- 5. Aboriginal Glee Club/Dancers
- 6. The South Western Manitoba Recreation Council
- 7. 4F Club of Minnedosa
- 8. Miscellaneous Publications related to Aboriginal Issues
- 9. Miscellaneous Newspaper Clippings related to Aboriginal Issues
- 10. Photographs and pencil drawing



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.



Bertha Leith (nee Clark) fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions3613

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Creator: Bertha Clark

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MG 2 2.31

Accession Number: 7-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1925-1929

Physical Description: 24 photographs (b/w)

History / Biographical:

Bertha Miriam Clark was born on Prince Edward Island but attended public and high school in Brandon, MB. She was a member of the Class of 1929 and served as Lady Stick in her final year at Brandon College.

Clark married J. Scott Leith, Brandon College Class of 1928. Scott and Bertha Leith's son James Clark Leith is in the Canadian Who's Who.

Custodial History:

Album was sent to Pat Britton, Brandon University Director of Alumni Relations, by Bertha Leith in April 1991. Britton then transferred it to the McKee Archives.

Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a small accordian style photograph album (7 x 10.5 x 3.5 cm) created by Bertha Clark during her years at Brandon College. The photographs, which measure 4" x 2.75", depict numerous people and events.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the 1928-1929 Sickle.

Name Access: Bertha Clark

Ruth Bingham

Professor Richards

Lil Bullman Clark Hall

Brandon College Building

Jean Hitchings Lloyd Bowler

Kay Underwood

Scott Leith

Denis Phillpots

Donald Ritchie

Harold Cairns

Andrew Clark

Isabel Hitchings

A. Foster

Rundle McLachlan

Carl Wickland

Doris Bingham

Doris Dowling

Ella Whitmore

Meta Mischpeter

Vera Ulinder

Josh Thompson

Doris Cochrane

Frank Kerr

Cyril Richards

Thomas Russell Wilkins

Flo Turnbull

Esther Magoon

Hilda Harrison

Doris Ireton

Mrs. Richards

W.L. Wright

Annie Evans Wright

Miss Hatch

Jennie Turnbull

Mrs. MacNeill

Mrs. C.G. Stone

Helen Duncan

Constance Lamontagne

Marian Bulloch

Mabel Craig

Subject Access: Class of 29'

Sports Day 1925

English Club

Graduation

Lake Percy

Arts 1929

CPR depot

Brandon College boys 1925-1927

al(I)-bums

"cat-chers"

Sykes

18th Street Hill

Class of 1928

Class of 1929

Class of 1930

Class of 1931

arts faculty outing

Storage Location: MG 2 Brandon College Students

2.31 Bertha Leith (nee Clark)

Related Material: Edward Lloyd Bowler collection (36-1999)