

# S. J. McKee Archives



## Fred McGuinness at Christmas Tree Farm

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13895>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.206

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1980s

Physical Description: 4.75" x 3.25" (b/w)

### Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness planting trees at Christmas Tree Farm, Section 17.

Name Access: Fred McGuinness

Christmas Tree Farm

Subject Access: farming

trees

forestry

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

### Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #1

## Images





## Fred McGuinness weighing beehive at Christmas Tree Farm

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13896>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 20-2009.207

Accession Number: 20-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1980s

Physical Description: 4.75" x 3.25" (b/w)

Scope and Content:

Photograph shows Fred McGuinness weighing a beehive at Christmas Tree Farm, Section 17.

Notes: Writing on back of photograph reads: McG weighing a hive during a research program

Name Access: Fred McGuinness  
Christmas Tree Farm

Subject Access: farming  
beehives  
apiaries

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

From 20-2009 #4 plastic envelope #1

### Images

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## Christmas Tree Farm negative set 3, frames 1A to 13A

<http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14190>

Part Of: Fred McGuinness collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: McG 9

Item Number: 1-2015.259

Accession Number: 1-2015

GMD: graphic

Date Range: [1980s]  
Physical Description: 1.5 " x 1.5" (b/w)  
Material Details: negatives

History /

Biographical:

Fred McGuinness is popularly known for his work as the prairie essayist for CBC Radio's Morningside with Peter Gzowski, a position he held for 17 years. Many of McGuinness' Morningside essays were autobiographical in nature. He often reported about life on Christmas Tree Farm, a section of land where he and his wife, Christine, built their dream home in the late 1970s. The couple planted a Christmas tree farm on the property and Christine maintained an extensive kitchen garden, while Fred tended honey bees. Life on the farm made its way into radiobroadcasts, Neighborly News columns, and the book "Letters from Section 17: A Collection of Morningside Essays" (Winnipeg: Great Plains Publishing, 1999).

Scope and Content:

Set consists of 13 negatives showing work being conducted on the McGuinness property, Christmas Tree Farm, Section 17. The first 12 negatives show the McGuinness family planting with their tractor and the last negative shows a woman working on a swimming pool liner.

Notes: McGuinness drafted a manuscript, titled "Hole in the Ground," about the family pool on Section 17. It was one manuscript McGuinness was re-tooling before he passed away in 2011.

Name Access: Section 17  
Christmas Tree Farm

Subject Access: Horticulture  
farming  
Tractors

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer 2 (hanging photos)

Arrangement:

Cigar boxes

## Images

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