

# S. J. McKee Archives



### Marionne Scott fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions8854

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series
Series Number: MG 2 2.29

Accession Number: 23-2008, 3-2009

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1926-1934; 1941

Physical Description: 1 photograph album

1 graduate's book

Physical Condition: Very good

History / Biographical:

Marion (Marionne) Louise Scott was born January 13, 1913 at Ste. S, Parkview Block, Brandon, MB to Annie Louisa Lawson and David Henry (Harry) Scott. She attended St. Michael's Academy and Brandon College (Arts, Class of 1933), graduating with a teching certificate. At some point following her graduation she moved to Toronto, living with her Aunt and Uncle Olive and Keith Murphy, while working for Massey Harris. Eventually Marionne became Private Secretary to the president James Duncan. She also worked with E.P. Taylor and Colonel Phillips during her duration with the company.

Marionne met her husband Robert (Roy) Warden Jamieson through friends at the Parkdale Canoe Club, which is now the Boulevard Club on Lakeshore Avenue in Toronto. They were married on December 26, 1944. Following their retirement, Marionne and Roy spent their winters in Florida.

Marionne Scott Jamieson died on July 20, 1990 in Mississauga Ontario. Both she and her husband are buried in Park Lawn Cemetery at Bloor Street and Prince Edward Drive in west Toronto.

A number of the individuals identified in the photographs are members of Marionne's extended family or friends. Basic biographical information for both side of her family are below. Additional biographical information on the Lawson and Scott families is available at the McKee Archives.

#### Maternal relatives:

William Lawson was born c. 1849 in Markham Township, Ontario where his parents had settled from England. In September 1875 he married Alice Brunskill (born c. 1854) in Buttonville, Ontario. The couple settled on a farm at Aurora, Ontario before come west in 1892. Lawson and his family settled in the Hayfield district south of Brandon where he farmed until c. 1916. During his farming years, Lawson made a number of trips to Scotland and Ireland for the Manitoba government to secure immigrants. After retiring from farming, Lawson became an agent for the Manufaturers' Life Insurance Company. Lawson's brother, Reverend Thomas Lawson, organized the first Methodist congregation in Brandon.

William Lawson and Alice Brunskill had seven children:

William Ernest (married Maragret Louise Conling 23/11/1904 in Souris, MB) Clarkson Brunskill (married Florence?)

Annie Louisa (married David Henry (Harry) Scott 29/06/1910 in Brandon, MB)

Alice May (married Arthur Ferrier Valens 27/06/1912 in Winnipeg, MB)

Fred J. (married Lottie C. Gibb 18/04/1906 in Selkirk, MB)

Frank Hill (married Cora Ethel Cunningham 11/03/1914 in Oakland)

Olive Gertrude (married William Keith Murphy 25/12/1923 in Brandon, MB)

#### Paternal relatives:

David Hunter Scott was born in 1851 in Brampton, Ontario. After completing his education he became a telegraph operator and then deputy postmaster for his hometown. In 1873, he moved to Manitoba, settling at Meadow Lea, where he took up a homestead. After fifteen years engaged in farming, Scott moved on to become a representitive for an implement manufacturing company. In 1892, he moved to Brandon to become manager of the Brandon Times newspaper. Four years later he founded D.H. Scott and Son, a real estate and insurance business he operated with his son David Henry until his death in September 1943.

David Hunter Scott married Anne Jane Lipsett (born 1854) of Meadow Lea, MB on May 24, 1876. Together they had ten children:

John Frederick

Robert Wesley

David Henry (Harry) (married Annie Louise Lawson 26/06/1910 in Brandon, MB)

William James

Caroline (married Christopher Russell Heise)

Annie Louise (married Alexander Ferguson (died 1927), married Nettleton Whitby Kerr)

Mary Emaline (married David Gordon Bawtinheimer)

Lillian Georgina (died August 9, 1931)

Josiah Aikens (died during World War I)

Reginald Jacob (married Norma May Hughes 16/08/1915 (Reginald died during World War I))

#### Custodial History:

The photograph album and graduate's book were sent to Alumni Relations by Ruth L. Murphy on March 31, 2004. Both items had been in the possession of Marionne Scott, passing to her husband Robert Jamieson upon her death. When Jamieson died the items came into the possession of Ruth Murphy, whose husband was Marionne's first cousin. Carla Eisler, Alumni Relations, transfered the photograph album to the Archives on January 15, 2008, and the graduate book on January 8, 2009.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of a photograph album created by Marionne Scott. The majority of the photographs cover the period 1926-1933, and are of family members, friends, and classmates at both St. Michael's Academy and Brandon College. They were taken in Brandon and at a number of other locations that Marionne visited. There are three loose photographs, taken by R.M. Coleman, that were taken at the wedding of Vivian Eva? and Reginald Stanley Stark, June 7th, 1941 at St. Matthews Cathedral and the Prince Edward Hotel.

The graduate's book consists of notes, signatures, newsclippings, photographs, programs, convocation documents, graduation cards, reunion descriptions and the 1932 general information booklet for Brandon College.

Notes: History/Bio information taken from the Brandon Daily Sun, the 1901 and

1911 Canadian Census, the Manitoba Vital Statistics website, and the Brandon Cemetery website. Additional biographical information provided

by Ruth Murphy. Description by Christy Henry.

Name Access: Esther Magdalene Moore

Brandon College

St. Michael's Academy

Windsor Golf course

Eleanor Wrye

Katherine Harvey

Marg Harvey

Betty Harvey

Helen Jamieson

Marionne Scott

Dot McArdle

Teddy McArdle

Parkview Steps

Leta Valens

David Henry (Harry) Scott

Brandon CNR depot

Genevieve Carey

Vivian Muldoon

Olive Murphy

Brandon College tennis courts

Winnipeg Beach

Lake Clementi

G. Finnegan

Barbara Yeagar

**Boundary Park** 

Noxage

Gimili Beach

Gimili boats

Gimili lighthouse

Fred Lawson

Keith Murphy

Evelyn Lawson?

Marg Paterson

Madeleine Donaldson

Kentucky Home

Sister Raymond

Reverend Mother Sister Madeleine

Sister Louise

Doug Hughes

Curly Ross

Charles Wilcox

Bill Fletcher

**Dud Crawford** 

George MacGregor

Gordon MacDougal

Amy Gainer

Charles Campbell

Lake Percy

Ruth Bingham

Marie Evans

Jean Hitchings

Mary Anne Maltman (Mickey)

Thelma Stoodley

Lois Gainer

Helen Isobel Duncan?

Kay Underwood

Monte Gilchrist

Ethel Rolston

Jack Ellis

Gordon Watson

**Bob Rolston** 

Ruth Tully

Alberta Griggs

Tom Dunlop

Mary Coutts

Elleda Levitt

Aud Rolston

Mitchell fence

Marg Buchanan

Margaret Draper

Brandon College rink

Sydney Pechet

George Duncan Wilkie

John Odin

Erik Runehjelm?

Robert McNeil

Lonesome Little Dolls

Alys Hunter

Marg Sutton

Alixe Ferguson

Annie Louise Scott

Hugh Kennedy

Cecil Ryder

Dot Pritchard

Alma Cadieux

Watrous

Helen Hilton

Pearl Gainer

Manitou beach

Anne Bacon

Anne Lunam

Norma James

Edna Graham

Peggy Bunting

Gil Watson

Nan Wilkinson

Waldo Wheten

Anne Sunam?

Marion Champlin

Bob Wheten

Kermit Jones

Bea Nicholson

Lake Minnedosa

Ev Ross

Jean Bennest

(Cordelia) Del Dunkin

Lucille Mann

Kay Fitzpatrick

Ken Hall

Jean Sutherland

Archie McLachlan

Herbert Watson McDowell (Waddie)

Guelph memorial building

Cayuga

**Brocks monument** 

Laura Secord monument

**Burrell Hecock monument** 

Clarke Lawson

**Dundern Castle** 

William Lawson

Luva Lewis' cottage

Indianola beach

McMaster University campus

Wasaga beach

Fred Murphy

York Downs Golf Club

Ruth Thornton

Mayme Matthews

Kay Robertson

Amy Edwards

Gigolettes

Grace Armstrong

Grace Hopkins

Dorreene McGuinness Eleanor McKinnon Viola Olmstead Florence Simpson

Charles Vernon Myers Christina Molberg

Paul Bugg Vivian Stark

Ruth Wade

Reginald Stanley Stark

Subject Access: Cappy Ricks Education

elephant walk

nuns

dance revue costumes student activities class of 1933 Class of 1930 lit chorus

y steps

Storage Location: MG 2 Brandon College Students

2.29 Marionne Scott



### Maureen Johnson collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9012

Part Of: RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection

Description Level: Collection

Accession Number: 10-2009, 14-2009
GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1908-c.1965; predominant 1915-1921

Physical Description: 32 photographs

1 sound recording

2 cm textual records

Material Details: 17 photographs are digital records

History / Biographical:

Maureen Johnson (nee Sills) was born in Brandon, MB in 1936 and grew up in western Manitoba. She spent three years in Ethiopia (1958-1961) and two years in Houston, Texas before taking up permanent residence in Winnipeg, MB. She attended Brandon College in 1953-1954, living in the Tower Room of Clark Hall.

From 1960-1979, Johnson raised her family, volunteered in the St. Vital community and was Secretary to the Manitoba Schools Science Symposium (1973-1977). She worked in the Office of the President at the University of Manitoba from 1980 to 1996.

Johnson is a visual artist and photographer, and is a member of the Winnipeg Sketch Club, Manitoba Society of Artists and Winnipeg South Photo Club. Her work is on permanent display at Medea Gallery (www.medeagallery.ca) where she has been a member since 1985. She also has work in the Rental Program at the Winnipeg Art Gallery.

For biographical information on Sarah Persis Darrach see RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence.

#### Custodial History:

The original photographs in accession 10-2009 are in the custody of Maureen Johnson in Winnipeg, MB. Copies were digitally scanned by Johnson and sent to the Archives in March 2009. The 1921 photographs of Brandon College students were given to Johnson by Eileen McKenzie, her aunt, who attended Brandon College at that time. The photos of Sarah Persis Darrach (Johnson's great-aunt and maternal grandmother's sister) are from her family albums.

All of the records in accession 14-2009, except for the 1920 Quill and the Clark Hall Rules 1912, were collected by Johnson during her time at Brandon College. The Quill issue belonged to Johnson's aunt Eileen McKenzie, a student at Brandon College in the early 1920s. The records were in Johnson's possession at her home until their donation to the McKee Archives in May 2009.

#### Scope and Content:

Accession 10-2009 consists of seventeen digital photographs. Seven photographs are of Sarah Persis Darrach (nee Johnson), taken primarily during her time as a nursing sister during World War I. Two photographs are of Eileen McKenzie. The remaining photographs depict students and student activities at Brandon College in the early 1920s.

Accession 14-2009 consists of a copy of the sound recording and program for Mr. College Spirit, a musical comedy presented by the Brandon College Literary Board and written by James Struthers and Kenneth Gunning. Accession also includes fifteen photographs from 1953-1954, when Johnson attended Brandon College. Subjects include: Freshie King and Queen; Graduation Banquets (1955, 1956); senior and lady sticks; Jim Casey Trophy; Grand March 1954; Capettes basketball team 1954; Glee Club 1953; Variety Night - Men's Chorus; Caps Football Team; Caps Hockey Team 1954; Cheerleaders 1954; Caps Basketball 1954; and Touques.

Textual records include graduation banquet and commencement programs, news clippings, programs for Variety Night and Be Your Age, a list of football cheers and a copy of the Fall Number of the 1920 Quill. Textual records also include two color photocopies: Clark Hall Rules 1912 and Johnson's Arts and Science Departments, Brandon College Registration card.

Notes:

History/Bio information and Custodial History provided by Maureen Johnson (April 2009). A review of the play, written by Kay Rowe, appeared in the March 6, 1953 issue of the Quill.

Name Access: Sarah Persis Darrach

Eileen McKenzie Brandon College

Brandon General Hospital

Subject Access: World War I

First World War student activities snowshoeing

Location Original: Maureen Johnson (Winnipeg)

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

Related Material: RG 1 Brandon College fonds, Series 9: Clark Hall women's residence

MG 1 1.9 Sarah Persis Darrach fonds

MG 2 2.4 James Struthers fonds



# Snowshoe party

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9020

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 10-2009
Item Number: 10-2009.8
Accession Number: 10-2009
GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1920

Physical Description: 1200 x 815 (219 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Candid photograph of various Brandon College students wearing snowshoes standing around a barrel sunk in the snow.

Subject Access: student activities

winter sports

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

### **Images**





# Snowshoe party

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9021

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 10-2009
Item Number: 10-2009.9
Accession Number: 10-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: c. 1920

Physical Description: 1200 x 804 (367 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial  $\,$ 

history.

Scope and Content:

Group photograph of various Brandon College students during a snowshoeing party.

Subject Access: student activities

winter sports

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

### **Images**





## Snowshoe party

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions9022

Part Of: Maureen Johnson collection

Description Level: Item

Series Number: 10-2009

Item Number: 10-2009.10

Accession Number: 10-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: c. 1920

Physical Description: 1076 x 716 (196 KB)

Material Details: JPEG

Custodial History:

See collection level description of the Maureen Johnson collection (10-2009) for custodial

history.

Scope and Content:

Group photograph of various Brandon College students during a snowshoeing party taken in front of some kind of building in a wooded area.

Subject Access: student activities

winter sports

Storage Location: T:\Library\Archives\Shared.02\photos\2009 Accessions

### **Images**





# Literary shield program costumes

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10095

Part Of: Ruth and Archie MacLachlan fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: MG 2 2.33
Item Number: 23-2009.2
Accession Number: 23-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1932-1933

Physical Description: 2.25" x 3.5" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of (L to R): Dorothy Webb (?), Dorreene McGuinness and Ruth Wade in costume for the Class of 1933's program in the Literary Shield competition.

Name Access: Dorothy Flora Webb

Dorreene Louise McGuinness

Ruth Alverda Wade

Literary Shield

Class of 1933

Subject Access: student activities

drama

costumes

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

23-2009

Arrangement:

Photograph is from page three of Ruth MacLachlan's scrapbook.

### **Images**





## Literary shield program costumes

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10096

Part Of: Ruth and Archie MacLachlan fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: MG 2 2.33

Item Number: 23-2009.7

Accession Number: 23-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1932-1933

Physical Description: 2.5" x 3.25" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of (L to R): Marionne Scott (?), Agnes Lund and Ruth Thornton in costume for the Class of 1933's program in the Literary Shield competition.

Name Access: Marionne Scott

Agnes Merle Lund Ruth Thornton Literary Shield

Class of 1933

Subject Access: student activities

drama costumes

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Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

23-2009

Related Material: Marionne Scott fonds (MG 2 2.29)

Arrangement:

Photograph is from page five of Ruth MacLachlan's scrapbook.

### **Images**



# Class of 1933 girls in costume for the literary shield

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10098

Part Of: Ruth and Archie MacLachlan fonds

Description Level: Item



Series Number: MG 2 2.33

Item Number: 23-2003.5

Accession Number: 23-2009

GMD: graphic

Date Range: 1932-1933

Physical Description: 2.25" x 3.5" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the girls from the Class of 1933 in costume for their program in the Literary Shield competition. Back Row (L to R): Viola Olmstead or Margaret Strachan, Marionne Scott (?), Agnes Lund, Dorothy Webb (?), Ruth Wade, Elenanor McKinnon (?), ? and Dorreene McGuinness. Front Row (L to R): Ruth Thornton, Grace Armstrong, ?, Grace Hopkins and Florence Simpson.

Name Access: Edith Louise Batho

Dorothy Flora Webb

Dorreene Louise McGuinness

Ruth Alverda Wade Viola Olmstead

Margaret Evelyn Strachan

Agnes Merle Lund

Eleanor Madeleine McKinnon

Ruth Thornton

Grace Armstrong

**Grace Darling Hopkins** 

Florence Simpson

Literary Shield

Class of 1933

Subject Access: student activities

drama

costumes

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

23-2009

Arrangement:

Photograph is from page five of Ruth MacLachlan's scrapbook.

### **Images**





# Class of 1933 girls in costume for the literary shield

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10099

Part Of: Ruth and Archie MacLachlan fonds

Description Level: Item

Series Number: MG 2 2.33
Item Number: 23-2009.6
Accession Number: 23-2009
GMD: graphic
Date Range: 1932-1933

Physical Description: 2.25" x 3.5" (b/w)

Custodial History:

See fonds level description for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the girls from the Class of 1933 in costume for their program in the Literary Shield competition.

Name Access: Literary Shield

Class of 1933

Subject Access: student activities

drama

costumes

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

23-2009

Arrangement:

Photograph is from page five of Ruth MacLachlan's scrapbook.

### **Images**





### Cast of The Swan

### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10102

Part Of: Ruth and Archie MacLachlan fonds

Description Level: Item

 Series Number:
 MG 2 2.33

 Item Number:
 23-2009.10

 Accession Number:
 23-2009

 GMD:
 graphic

 Date Range:
 1933-1934

 Physical Description:
 3.5" x 2.5" (b/w)

History / Biographical:

The Swan is a three-act comedy written by Ferene Molnar. The production was staged during the 1933-1934 academic year and directed by Miss Marjorie B. McKenzie. For additional information about the production see page 32 of the 1934 Sickle.

Custodial History:

See fonds level description for custodial history.

Scope and Content:

Photograph of the cast of The Swan. Front Row, second from the left: Archie MacLachlan as Father Hyacinth. Front Row, second from the right: Ruth Wade as Princes Maria Dominica.

Name Access: The Swan

Marjorie McKenzie

Subject Access: student activities

drama

Storage Location: RG 5 photograph storage drawer

23-2009

Arrangement:

Photograph is from page seven of Ruth MacLachlan's scrapbook.

#### **Images**





# Gordon Lindsay collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions10247

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series

Series Number: MG 2 2.36 Accession Number: 7-2010

GMD: textual records

Date Range: 1943-1946

Physical Description: 2.5 cm

Physical Condition: Generally good. Some tears. Issues located first and last in the folders

Lindsay stored them in are missing sections where the page stuck to the

folder.

History / Biographical:

James Gordon Lindsay was born June 16, 1925 in Minneapolis, Minnesota where his father, James Lindsay, a Brandon pioneer from Northern Ireland, had been working for the Coca Cola Bottling Company. In November 1925, the Lindsay family moved back to Brandon where they lived at 547 16th Street.

Lindsay attended Park School, Earl Oxford Junior High School and Brandon Collegiate. In September 1943, he entered 2nd Year at Brandon College, joining the Class of 1946. Due to past experience in publishing the BCI yearbook, he was drafted into The Board of Publications and named Co-editor of the Quill along with third year student Genevieve Fuloski. Lindsay and Fuloski held their positions for two years. Because of the war, money and supplies were in short supply and the Quill at one point was reduced to mimeographed pages. While Editor Lindsay wrote The eggshell-Slightly Cracked column.

Lindsay was named Senior Stick in 1945 and graduated from Brandon College with a B.Sc. in 1946. He obtained both his MSc (1948) and PhD (1951) in Physical Chemistry from McMaster University.

During his time in Hamilton, Lindsay met Shirley Woolmer and the couple married on September 2, 1950. They moved to Arvida, Quebec in 1951 where Lindsay accepted an offer from Aluminium Laboratories Limited, the research arm of Alcan Aluminium Ltd. The couple remained in Arvida for twenty-two years, during which time they had four children: Sharon, Heather, Geoffrey and David.

In 1973, Lindsay was transferred to Alcan's head office in Montreal where he spent the next three years co-ordinating alumina research in Alcan plants around the world. In 1976, he accepted a transfer to Alcan Jamaica as Chief Technical Officer and Manager of Technical Development. He and Shirley spent nearly eight years in Jamaica before returning to Canada in 1984. After a yaer at Alcan's Research Centre in Kingston, ON Lindsay took early retirement.

During their years in Jamaica Lindsay had been introduced to Rotary and he continued his association with the organization in Kingston where for fifteen years he was Bulletin editor of the Kingston-Frontenac Rotary Club. In addition to Rotary, Lindsay (along with his wife) took up genealogy in his retirement and after fifteen years of extensive travel and research he became his Lindsay family's historian and author of The Lindsays of Dundonald.

For three years in the late 1980s Lindsay served as a representative on the Brandon University Alumni Executive for Eastern Canada. Along with his wife he attended two class reunions at Brandon University including his 50th Re-convocation in 1996.

At present (June 2010) Gordon Lindsay continues to live in Kingston, ON with his wife.

Custodial History:

Materials remained in Gordon Lindsay's possession from time of creation until he donated them to the Archives on September 4, 2009.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of copies of the Quill, including:

1942-1943: No. 11 (January 26, 1943)

1943-1944: Nos. 2, 12, 14 (October 20, 1943, February 2, 1944, February 16, 1944)

1944-1945: Nos. 1-5 and 7-12

1945-1946: Nos. 1-10 (11 issues as there are two labelled No. 4)

Notes: History/Bio information provided by Gordon Lindsay. Description by

Christy Henry.

Subject Access: newspapers

student activities

Storage Location: Encorporated into RG 6 Brandon University fonds

14.5.3.1 The Quill editions



## Robert Troy Blair fonds

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions13300

Part Of: RG 1 Brandon College fonds

Description Level: Sub-series
Accession Number: 18-2013

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: September 1950 - June 1954

Physical Description: 2 scrapbooks (7.5 cm)

Physical Condition: Excellent

History / Biographical:

Robert (Bob) Troy Blair was born on March 11, 1930 in Brandon, MB. His first six years were spent in Alexander, MB, where his father and uncle operated a grocery store. In 1936, his family moved to Souris, MB, where his father ran a grocery store. Blair received his primary and high school education, with the exception of Grade 12, in Souris.

Blair remembers his school years in Souris as mainly happy years. He was involved with both piano and organ music lessons. he was never interested in physical sports with the exception of golf. World War II broke out in September of 1939. Souris became the site of #17 SFTS and home base for the British Commonwealth Air Training Plan. Many of the service men came from England, Australia and New Zealand. Blair's mother always entertained at least two for dinner every Sunday. Rationing of sugar, tea and coffee, butter and meat became a way of life. Blair had the job every Saturday of pasting the ration coupons into booklets. It was also when he was in Grade 6, that Blair realized he was more attracted to boys than to girls. Perhaps it was because so many attractive airmen surrounded him!

In November of 1947, the Blair family relocated to Alexander where Bob Blair finished his Grade 11. This was not a good year due to bullying. In September of 1948, Blair moved to Winnipeg to attend United College for his Grade 12. Upon completion of Grade 12, Blair remained in Winnipeg until June 1950. he worked at a number of businesses - Gestetner, Eaton's Mail Order shoe department, Maple Leaf Milling, and the drug store in the Medical Arts Building. In September 1950, he entered Brandon College. Blair was very active in extracurricular affairs while at Brandon College; particularly drama. Following his B.A. he enrolled in the Education Faculty, having decided to become a teacher.

Blair's teaching career spanned 34 years. All but one year was spent in the Brandon School Division. On his first day of teaching in the Division he met the man with whom he would spend the next 46 years. He was primarily a teacher of English and Music. A highlight of his career was exchange teaching in Sacramento, California in 1961. Orientation for exchange took place in August in Washington, D.C., where Blair had the opportunity to meet President J.F. Kennedy. He vividly recals the morning that JFK was assassinated on November 22, 1963. In September 1965, Blair assumed the principalship of Park School and in September of 1969, the same position at George Fitton School where re remained until his retirement in 1989. He was a member of the Brandon Picnipals' Association, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, and servedas President of the Brandon Teachers' Association. Among his major accomplishments during his time as principal were the introduction of a centralized school library in both Park and George Fitton Schools and the integration of special needs students into regular classroom situations wherever possible. He was made a Life Member of the Manitoba Teachers' Society (Brandon) in June 1990. Following his retirement Blair worked as a Library Automation Consultant (1989-1993).

Blair also had numerous community involvements during his time in Brandon. he was active in the Brandon Little Theatre (Best Actor Award, Manitoba Drama Festival for One Act Plays in 1963), the Brandon Festival of the Arts, the Eckhardt-Gramatte National Music Competition, and Arm Industries to name a few.

Following the death of his partner in 2001, Blair moved to Saskatoon to live with a younger gay couple. He has been active in volunteerism: as an Ambassador for the Saskatoon Airport Authority, assistant with the Saskatoon Health Region's Immunization Clinics, information clerk for the Festival of Trees, data entry clerk for the Saskatoon Music Festival, on the Board of the Saskatoon Jazz Society, and Hospitality Coordinator for the Saskatoon Jazz Festival.

As of October 2013, Bob Blair continues to live in Saskatoon, SK.

#### Custodial History:

Records were in Blair's possession until he donated them to the Mckee Archives on Homecoming weekend October 2013.

#### Scope and Content:

Fonds consists of two scrapbooks containing 145 photographs and ephemera (play and graduation programs, tickets, pins, newspaper clippings) documenting Bob Blair's days at Brandon College. Social events and extra-curricular activities are heavily featured in the two scrapbooks. Also included are graduation portraits for the Classes of 1951, 1952 and 1953. Of the 145 photographs all are black and white except for two photos of the Class of '53 reconvocation (May 1993), and one from the Class of '53 reunion (2003).

Notes: History/Bio provided by Bob Blair (October 2013).

Name Access: Brandon College

Angus Jackson Pat Magnacca Freshie Week Senior Stick

Harvest Cabaret

Sigma Mu Glee Club Bob Blair

Lady Stick

Jack Yeomans

Walter Dinsdale

Don Cronk

Bob McPherson Lorne Watson Marg Sanderson

Hazel Turnbull

Claudia Dickey

Gordon Bradley

Terry Prysiazniuk

Diane Lissaman

Joan Garnett

Doris Penstock

Dianne Macdonald

Ivey Graham

Joyce Pickard

Cathy Crawford

Roberta Wilkie

Marie Kullberg

Isabel Lyon

Shirley Pryce

J.R.C. Evans

Marjorie Kyles

Jo Thordarson

Ross George

**Edward Perry** 

Ernest Birkinshaw

**Barney Thordarson** 

Fall Formal

Variety Night

Installation Night

Paul McKinnon

The Saga of Brandon

Bill White

Ron Bell

Jerry Jerret

Rosa Ziolkowski

Murray Smith

Class of 1951

Harold Moffat

Bill Sutherland

Murray Coulthard

Frank Adamski

John McLean

Jack Medd

Jack Muir

Bill Fraser

Ken Morrison

Clifford Kitson

Ray Brown

Mike Doig

Ernie Shaw

Jack Scott

Doreen Dennison

Lois Kennedy

Lorna Prokaska

Ferne Henderson

Doreen Fedoruk

Marg Leckie

Freshie Parade

Helen Batho

Fred Calverly

Jim Crawford

Verda Peden

Olga Evasko

Betty Finch

Fred Schwarok

Jim Struthers

Muriel Bedford

John Brown

Freshie Royalty

**Booster Night** 

Mary Jane Sexton

Marilyn Rust

Mildred McMurray

Mary-Jane MacLachlan

George Leask

George Jakubowski

Jack Purvis

My Sister Eileen

Edith Laycock

Ivey Robbins

Ken Campbell

Mac Andrews

Marion Simmons

Arnold Minish

Madeline Irving

Ernie Criddle

Don Dillistone

Gordon Hunter

Cathy Nelson

Jim Kelleher

Anne Kelleher

Neil McKellar

Ron Doupe

Bruce Watson

Neil MacKay

Peter Prokaska

Roger Ramsden

Bill Bridgett

Graham Hunt

John Muirhead

David Brodie

Murray MacDonald

Dr. Kidd

Cam Finlay

Blair MacRae

Donna McPhail

Louise Hoey

Agnes Nicholson

Jean Allan

Joan Urie

Royce Richardson

Don Rousell

Bill Black

Ken McNeeley

Rosalie Prokopchuk

Jean Morrison

Jacice Forrest

Fuzz Fedoruk

**Brian Davison** 

Joan MacLachlan

First International Relations Club Conference

Minot Teachers' College

International Peace Gardens

Bruce McIlroy

Jean Shingfield

Campaign Week

Sigma Mu Dance

Arnold Wawruch

Jack Meyers

Jack Hilton

**Bev Francis** 

Bert Gogol

Dick McDonald

Frank McKinnon

Stuart Craig

John Blackwood

Norman Hedison

**Bob Hilton** 

John Minions

Kay Oliver

Mary Jane MacLachlan

Ben Ward

Ken Gunning

Trevor McNeely

Hilton Stewart

Jerry Graham

Bette Mitchell

Joan Curlock

Faye Myers

Jean Hannah

Mary Babuick

Mr. College Spirit

John Augustus McGee

Don Dillstone

Flora Johnson

Del Gusdal

Color Night

**Don Burrows** 

Jim Casey Trophy

Marj Kyles

Prince Edward Hotel

Class Day

Dahl Harvey

Shirley Mitchell

Al Burton

Irving Bateman

Joyce Marie Thordarson

Eileen McFadden

Patricia Pope

Louise Astle

Ariel Genik

Western Canada Student Teacher Conference

Brandon College Glee Club

Be Your Age

lke Prokaska

Joan Hilton

Fred Lynch

Garth Kidd

lvy Robbins

Joyce Dunham

Shirley Popple

Grand March

Westley Wong

Stewart Perdue

H.V. Kidd

J.E.M. Young

Adelene Bailey

Mrs. Evans

Dennis Anderson

Stanley Knowles

Edward Schreyer

Lou Visentin

Subject Access: Student government

initiations

student activities

dances basketball talent shows

drama productions major productions

Hockey
graduations
programs
parades
dorm rooms
student housing
literary "B's"
college letters
class flags
banquets

Storage Location: 2013 accessions



# Dilys Collier collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14286

Part Of: MG 2 Brandon College students

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 14-2016

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1954-1959, 1983

Physical Description: 14 cm textual records

1 artifact

Physical Condition: Some pages in the scrapbooks have fallen out and some of the glued

pieces are no longer attached to pages

History / Biographical:

Dilys Collier (nee Pearce) was born 4 December 1937, in the Rural Municipality of Daly near Rivers, MB. Before studying at Brandon College, Collier was educated in Bradwardine, MB. Collier graduated from Brandon College with a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Pedagogy in 1958 and 1959 respectively. In 1961, Collier married a Brandon College classmate, Clare Coburn. She spent much of the next two decades working as a homemaker and mother to her three children.

After she and her husband separated in 1979, Collier decided to go back to school. In the next ten years, Collier completed a Bachelor of Education degree (1980), a Bachelor of Social Work from the University of Regina (1982) and a Master of Education degree from the University of Saskatchewan (1987). Across her working career, Collier held many posistions including public school teacher, adult educator, social worker, researcher and personal counselor. Along with her work, Collier volunteered extensively with the Knox United Church and the Brandon Cooperative Nursing School. Through the years, she worked for a variety of organizations, including The Saskatoon Family Service Bureau and the REgina John Howard Society. Collier has lived and worked in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia and Swansea, Wales.

Currently (January 2017), Collier is retired and lives in Mission, BC with her husband of thirty-four years, Kenneth Collier.

#### Custodial History:

The records were created and collected by Dilys Collier during her years as a student and alumna of Brandon College/University. The records were stored in her home huntil they were donated to the McKee Archives in 2013.

#### Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records created and collected by Dilys Collier as a means to document her life as a Brandon College student in the 1950s.

Included are three scrapbooks and two folders containing: newspapers and newspaper clippings from The Brandon Sun and The Quill, dealing primarily with Brandon College students, faculty and events; Brandon College administrative records such as the Clark Hall Rules, Collier's proof of registration records, her Brandon College acceptance letter, class schedules and exam timetables; photographs and programmes that cover events such as Freshie Week, dances and other student functions on campus; records documenting campus student activities, including the words to Hail Our College and various College Yells performed after student dances and other functions; decorations from fall proms and Valentine's Day dances, as well as Convocation (1958); programmes from various College convocation ceremonies; various cards Collier received, including those for her birthday and Valentine's Day; election advertisements, primarily for those students running for Student Administration "Stick" positions.

The collection also contains a green taffeta, net and rhinestone gown purchased by Collier to wear to some of the formal dances held at Brandon's Prince Edward Hotel.

Notes: History/Bio information was provided by the donor in late 2016/early

2017. Information on the green gown can be found on prairiehistory.ca.

Description by Brian Erixon (October 2016) and Christy Henry.

Name Access: Dilys Collier

Dilys Pearce

The Quill

Brandon Student fund Hail Our College

Subject Access: student life

college athletics

student productions

college music

student activities

student elections

Storage Location: 2016 accessions

Related Material: Verda McDonald collection (16-2016)

Bob Blair collection (18-2013)

Clare Coburn collection (6-2010 & 5-2014)

Arrangement:

One scrapbook for each academic year



## Verda McDonald collection

http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14293

Part Of: MG 2 Brandon College students

Description Level: Collection
Accession Number: 16-2016

GMD: multiple media
Date Range: 1951-2005

Physical Description: 10.5 cm textual records

18 loose photographs

Physical Condition: Some of the pages and photographs in the scrapbooks have become

loose

History / Biographical:

Verda Joan McDonald (nee Peden) was born in Brandon, MB on May 2, 1934. She was the middle daughter of Bill, a school principal, and Phyllis Peden. McDonald attended school at King George, Alexandra (now Betty Gibson), Earl Oxford and Brandon Collegiate Institute.

In 1951, McDonald enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts program at Brandon College. A fellowship program from the local YMCA enabled her to teach gym and swim programs after school and on Saturday for a small salary, which enabled her and some other students to finance their education. She graduated in 1955 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. During her graduating year, McDonald served as Lady Stick for Brandon College; the title of Lady Stick was an elected position and an honour, and gave McDonald and the person elected Senior Stick, Frank McKinnon, the responsibility of leading the student council for that year. In 1956, McDonald obtained her Bachelor of Pedagogy degree, also from Brandon College, which allowed her to teach grades 1 to 12 in Manitoba.

Verda married her college sweetheart, Dick McDonald, on August 25, 1956, and the couple moved to Dauphin to teach at the Dauphin Collegiate and Technical Institute for two years. They returned to Brandon in September 1958, and Verda proceeded to teach at Brandon Collegiate, Neelin High School and Vincent Massey until December 1960.

When Dick finished his degree at Brandon College and started teaching, Verda stayed at home to raise their three sons, Rick, Paul and Daren. During this time she began her many years of volunteering within the community. She served seven years on each of the following three boards: The Brandon Schools Instrumental Music Association; The Brandon University Alumni Board; and The Board of Fairview Nursing Home. She became President of each board during her term.

McDonald supported her husband throughouet his teaching and financial career, as well as his strong involvement in the Artillery Reserve Army with the 26th Field Regiment where he served as Commander and later Honorary Colonel. Both McDonald and her husband maintained strong ties with Brandon University and have contributed generously to funding campaign and scholarships. The Sports Wall of Fame in the Health Living Centre on the Brandon University campus is named in their honour.

In addition to their involvement with Brandon University, the McDonald's were members of the Kinsmen, K40 service club, gold and bridge clubs and enjoyed many years together in Brandon. They enjoyed going on cruise ship holidays and visited many countries together.

Since Dick's death in September 2015, Verda has tried to maintain her involvment in university activities. She continues to reside in Brandon, MB.

#### Custodial History:

Records were created and collected by Verda McDonald during her years as a student and alumna of Brandon College/Brandon University. The records were stored in her home until their donation to the McKee Archives in 2015.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records dealing with Verda McDonald's experiences as a student and alumna at Brandon College/University. The majority of the collection contains records from the early 1950s during McDonald's college years (1951-1955). These records, which cover the social and athletic aspects of Brandon College in the 1950s, provide a detailed look at college student life during this time period. The collection also contains a small number of records (1955-2005), documenting McDonald's experiences as an alumna of Brandon College/University.

The collection consists of four scrapbooks, which contain photographs, newspaper clippings, graduation cards, lyrics for class songs, and programs for graduation banquets, school dances, graduation ceremonies and drama productions. The scrapbooks also contain ephemera such as sports emblems, table decorations, election paraphernalia. It also includes McDonald's oath of office from when she was sworn in as Lady Stick, as well as her acceptance speech from the same ceremony.

The three file folders in the collection include: a list written by Frank McKinnon, a classmate of McDonald's, outlining his reasons for coming to Brandon College and his recollections of being a student at Brandon College; the rules of Clark Hall residence hall; and pamphlets for various celebrations and events at Brandon University (Homecoming 2009, Homecoming 2006, Reunion Weekend 2005, Reunion Weekend 2004, Homecoming 1995 and 1995 Reconovocation program, Homecoming 1980, 1975 Open House).

Finally, the collection contains 18 loose photographs. A number of the photos document important reunions for the Class of 1955 (40th Anniversary in 1995, 50th Anniversary in 2005), while others were taken at alumni events over the years (1988-1997). There is one postcard of Brandon University buildings (Original Building and Clark Hall, McMaster Hall and the Queen Elizabeth II School of Music building). Some of the 1995 reunion photos include images of the Brandon College Building and Clark Hall under renovation. Also included are a composite portrait of the Class of 1955 and class portraits Arts and Science for the Class of 1960.

Notes: History/Bio information provided by Verda McDonald. Description by Emily Bate (October 2016) and Christy Henry.

Name Access: Verda McDonald

Dick McDonald

Brandon University Alumni Association

Henry Champ

Joan Garnett

Eileen McFadden

Norma Walmsley

Ernie Criddle

Jean Wilkie

Jean Brown

Frank McKinnon

Hilt Stewart

Lou Visentin

**Edward Schreyer** 

Doug Adams

Carla Eisler

Shawna English

Cindy Yacyshen

Jim Minions

Walter Huculak

Ben Ward

Elaine Cameron

Elaine McCrorie

Barrie McLeod

Gord Williams

Harvey Young

George Strang

Gerald Graham

Helen Batho

Helen Mitchell

Allan Hattie

Trevor McNeely

Russ Roney

Harold Woods

George Gooden

Harold Stewart

Jack Meyers

Ron McMurray

Ken Adams

Bill Keller

Lorne Day

Don Dillistone

Subject Access: student life

student activities

graduations

convocations

homecomings

reunions chancellors

student productions

residences

college athletics college initiation

Student government

Lady stick

Storage Location: 2016 accessions

Related Material: Dilys Collier collection

Bob Blair collection
Brandon College fonds
Brandon University fonds

### Arrangement:

Two of the scrapbooks are in chronological order. The third scrapbook contains miscellaneous materials from the 1950s until 2005.



## Class of 1922 flag

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14752

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Creator: Photograph by: Trinity Nylen

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16
Item Number: 16.1.1
Accession Number: 1-2024

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1922 Physical Description: 68" x 53"

Physical Condition: There are some holes and torn fabric. The flag also has some small

stains.

Scope and Content:

Item was created by the Brandon College class of 1922 as part of their commencement activities. The flag, which is made of a cotton based material, features the class colours of yellow and black, as well as the class motto "Virtus in Arduis" ("Courage in difficulties"). The flag has a pocket for hanging.

Notes: Loose translations for the class mottos were provided by Dr. Rosanne

Gasse (Latin) and Dr. Steve Robinson (Greek), as well as from googling the mottos in October 2006. Description by Trinity Nylen/Jessica Old

(February 2024) and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: class flags

flags and banners

artifacts artefacts

commencement

Graduation

student activities

Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

16.1 Artifacts - flags and banners

Box 1

### **Images**





## Class of 1923 flag

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14753

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Creator: Photograph by: Trinity Nylen

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16
Item Number: 16.1.2
Accession Number: 1-2024

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1923
Physical Description: 53" x 65"

Physical Condition: Some fraying and possible mouse holes. Staining on canvas.

Scope and Content:

Item was created by the Brandon College class of 1923 as part of their commencement activities. The flag, which is made of wool and canvas, features the class colours of green and gold, as well as the class motto "Vincit qui patitur" ("The one who is patient wins"). The flag has a pocket for hanging.

Notes: Loose translations for the class mottos were provided by Dr. Rosanne

Gasse (Latin) and Dr. Steve Robinson (Greek), as well as from googling the mottos in October 2006. Description by Trinity Nylen/Jessica Old

(February 2024) and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: class flags

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Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

16.1 Artifacts - flags and banners

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#### **Images**





## Class of 1924 flag

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14754

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Creator: Photograph by: Trinity Nylen

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16
Item Number: 16.1.3
Accession Number: 1-2024

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1924
Physical Description: 52" x 69"

Physical Condition: Minor holes and fraying.

Scope and Content:

Item was created by the Brandon College class of 1924 as part of their commencement activities. The flag, which is made of wool, features the class colours of green and white, as well as the class motto "Vincit qui patitur" ("The one who is patient wins"). The flag has no method for hanging.

Notes: Loose translations for the class mottos were provided by Dr. Rosanne

Gasse (Latin) and Dr. Steve Robinson (Greek), as well as from googling the mottos in October 2006. Description by Trinity Nylen/Jessica Old

(February 2024) and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: class flags

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Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

16.1 Artifacts - flags and banners

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## Class of 1925 flag

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14755

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Creator: Photograph by: Trinity Nylen

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16
Item Number: 16.1.4
Accession Number: 1-2024

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1925
Physical Description: 54" x 85"

Physical Condition: Minor deterioration along the edge.

Scope and Content:

Item was created by the Brandon College class of 1925 as part of their commencement activities. The flag, which is made of wool and canvas, features the class colours of burgundy and grey, as well as the class motto "Ministrare est Vincere" ("To serve is to conquer"). The flag has a pocket for hanging.

Notes: Loose translations for the class mottos were provided by Dr. Rosanne

Gasse (Latin) and Dr. Steve Robinson (Greek), as well as from googling the mottos in October 2006. Description by Trinity Nylen/Jessica Old

(February 2024) and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: class flags

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Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

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## Class of 1926 flag

## http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14756

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Creator: Photograph by: Trinity Nylen

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16
Item Number: 16.1.5
Accession Number: 1-2024

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1926 Physical Description: 52" x 7'

Physical Condition: Holes from mice. Staining on some letters.

Scope and Content:

Item was created by the Brandon College class of 1926 as part of their commencement activities. The flag, which is made of wool, features the class colours of green and orange, as well as the class motto "Non nobis solum" ("Not only for us" or "Not only for ourselves"). The flag has a pocket for hanging.

Notes: Loose translations for the class mottos were provided by Dr. Rosanne

Gasse (Latin) and Dr. Steve Robinson (Greek), as well as from googling the mottos in October 2006. Description by Trinity Nylen/Jessica Old

(February 2024) and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: class flags

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Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

16.1 Artifacts - flags and banners

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#### **Images**



# Class of 1927 flag



### http://archives.brandonu.ca/en/permalink/descriptions14757

Part Of: RG 6 Brandon University fonds
Creator: Photograph by: Trinity Nylen

Description Level: Item
Series Number: 16
Item Number: 16.1.6
Accession Number: 1-2024

GMD: multiple media

Date Range: 1927 Physical Description: 55" x 5'

Physical Condition: Discolouration/bleaching in the centre, mild tearing in the corner, missing

fabric on some letters.

Scope and Content:

Item was created by the Brandon College class of 1927 as part of their commencement activities. The flag, which is made of wool, features the class colours of black and orange, as well as the class motto "In omnia paratus" ("Prepared for everything"). The flag has a pocket for hanging.

Notes: Loose translations for the class mottos were provided by Dr. Rosanne

Gasse (Latin) and Dr. Steve Robinson (Greek), as well as from googling the mottos in October 2006. Description by Trinity Nylen/Jessica Old

(February 2024) and Christy Henry.

Subject Access: class flags

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Storage Location: RG 6 Brandon University fonds

Series16: Brandon University/College artifacts

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