# Dorothy Cox collection

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| Part Of: | RG 5 Western Manitoba Manuscript Collection |
| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 11-2012 |
| GMD: | multiple media |
| Date Range: | 1878-1970 |
| Physical Description: | 17 cm textual records<br>4 color photographs |
| Physical Condition: | Cover of Young School minute book is moderately damaged, but pages are in good condition with only minor water damage and a few ripped pages. |

History / Biographical:

Dorothy Cox (nee Frost) moved from Elm Creek to Justice in 1946 to work as a schoolteacher. In 1948, she married Laval Cox and together they had four children: Larry, Herd, Rosalie and Heather.

In 1949, Dorothy and Laval purchased Gibb Gillespie's PSV business and began hauling grain, cattle and agricultural equipment. Dorothy went back to teaching in 1959, first at Justice and then Elton Collegiate. After retiring from teaching in 1978, Dorothy started a greenhouse, which operated for 21 years.

All six members of the Cox family were active in community events and organizations. Dorothy was involved in establishing the baby band in 1951; her sons Larry and Herb were members. Along with Laval, Dorothy was a leader of the Cubs in 1955-1956 and again in 1958-1959. Laval was the leader of the local hockey club in 1958, and of a bible study group in 1960. Larry, Herb and Rosalie were avid skaters in 1960-64. Heather and Rosalie were enrolled in senior grades of Sunday school in 1970.

Custodial History:

Records were collected by Dorothy Cox, a resident of Justice, over a number of years. She donated them to the McKee Archives on April 4, 2012.

Scope and Content:

Collection consists of records related to the history of the Justice district. It includes a history of the Justice Church (1910-1970); minute and expense books for the Justice Hockey Club (1949-1966); a minute and expense book for Young Protestant School (1884-1898); a copy of the Justice 100th Anniversary community history (2009); and four color photographs of Justice Church.

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| Notes: | History/Bio information taken from the content of the collection.<br>Description by James Heaman (2012). |

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| Name Access: | Justice, MB |
| Subject Access: | churches |
| | local histories |
| | Hockey |
| Repro Restriction: | Church photos taken in 1970 are subject to Canadian copyright restrictions, which researchers are required to comply with. |
| Related Material: | Lawrence Stuckey fonds 1-2002 (photographs of Justice school, church, elevator and houses) |

## Margaret Menzies collection

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| Part Of: | MG 4 Brandon University Students |
| Description Level: | Collection |
| Accession Number: | 13-2012 |
| GMD: | multiple media |
| Date Range: | 1959-2007; predominant 1983-2001 |
| Physical Description: | 18 cm textual records |
| | 1 photograph |

History / Biographical:

Margaret Menzies was born on July 30th, 1920, at a family farm located in Oakburn, Manitoba. She grew up on the family farm and attended school in both Oakburn and Shoal Lake. She married Donald Menzies on June 4th, 1941. Together they had four children. In 1959, the family moved to Brandon, Manitoba, where they lived for the rest of their lives.

Margaret Menzies was a longtime and active member of the International Toastmistress Club (ITC), and was also involved in the Consumers Association of Canada, Seniors for Seniors, as well as being a member of the Liberal Party of Canada and the Central United Church. Menzies did not graduate from high school in her early years, but managed to continue her education and receive a bachelor of arts degree from Brandon University at the age of 70.

Margaret Menzies passed away on June 9th, 2012.

Custodial History:

Records in the collection were brought to the S.J McKee Archives on July 13, 2012, by Gerald Brown, on behalf of the family of Margaret Menzies.

Scope and Content:

Collection contains of two scrapbooks created by Margaret Menzies. The scrapbooks contain various cards, itinerary's, and other documents associated with Menzies' membership in the International Toastmistress Club. The items in the scrapbooks date from the mid 1980's to the late 1990's.

Also included in the collection are four local history books. The first is a 100 year history of the town of Oakburn, Manitoba, from 1870 to 1970, published during celebrations of Manitoba's centenniary in 1970. Next is a book about the history of the town of Shoal Lake, Manitoba, which was published in 1959 on the 50th anniversary of the founding of the town of Shoal Lake in 1909. The last two books are the first and second volumes of Ripples on the Lake, which cover the history of the Shoal Lake municipality from 1884. The first volume covers the first 100 years of the history of the Shoal Lake region, being published in 1984. The second volume was published in 2007, covering the history of Shoal Lake since 1984, as well as including new information that was not published in the 1984 version of the book.

Finally, the collection contains one photograph of Margaret Menzies receiving her bachelor of arts degree from Peter Hordern, dean of arts of Brandon University.

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| Notes: | Biographical information provided by obituary entry in the Brandon Sun, June 16, 2012. Description by Tyler Warren (October 2012). |
| Name Access: | Shoal Lake |
| | Oakburn |
| | International Toastmistress Club |
| | Urban Acres Toastmistress Club |
| Subject Access: | women's organizations |
| | public relations |
| | Leadership |
| | communication |
| | local histories |
| Storage Range: | 2012 accessions |
| Related Material: | International Toastmistress Club-Land O' Lakes Region fonds (15-2002) |