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Summary information

Repository: University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections

Title: Marion Meadmore fonds

Date: 1966-2011 (date of creation)

Physical description: 1.86m of textual records. -- 163 photographs. -- 2 VHS tapes. -- 1 board game.

**Dates of creation,
revision and deletion:**

Note [generalNote]:

The records destroyed contained private information of individuals. Records from Box 1, Folder 20 and 21 containing information about tenants and tenant visits of Kinew Housing Inc. were destroyed. A record from Box 4, Folder 14 containing information of a University of Manitoba award voucher was destroyed. Several rare books were included as part of the donation. A listing of these titles are found in the Donor File. Please contact an archival staff for a listing.

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Marion Meadmore (nee Ironquill) grew up on a farm located on Pepeeekesis, Saskatchewan. Meadmore is a member of the Cree nation from Saskatchewan and a Residential School Survivor. She later moved to Winnipeg once she got accepted into a pre-medicine course at the University of Manitoba. Meadmore later became an activist, dedicating herself to build a number of local and national organizations that assisted the Indigenous community in a variety of ways.

On June 1958, the Indian and Métis Conference, sponsored by the Community Welfare Planning Council of Greater Winnipeg, made a resolution to establish a referral service for Indian and Métis people. The referral service was to provide guidance and counselling on matters of employment, housing, education, health and other community services. Grants to establish the organization came from three sources: The Winnipeg Foundation, the Manitoba Government, and the Canadian Citizenship Branch of the federal Department of Citizenship and Immigration in Ottawa. Meadmore became part of the Planning Committee that led to the creation of the Indian and Métis Friendship Centre in 1958, located on 376 Donald Street, Winnipeg. Meadmore became the first Aboriginal President of the Board of Directors in 1968 after serving as a Board member for 10 years.

The National Indian Council was formed in 1954 and it became the official organization for both status and non-status Indians in 1961. Meadmore helped organize the conference of the National Indian Council, held in Winnipeg in 1961. The National Indian Council was dissolved in 1968 and replaced with two new national organizations: National Indian Brotherhood and National Métis Union in 1969 and

1970, respectively. The National Indian Brotherhood later became the Assembly of First Nations with Meadmore as the commissioner. The function of the Assembly of First Nations was to represent First Nations and their citizens.

In 1970, Meadmore helped create Kinew Housing, the first non-profit company established under the provisions of the Manitoba Companies Act. Kinew Housing purchased old homes throughout Winnipeg to provide housing for individuals of Aboriginal ancestry to ease the transition of living from rural to urban areas.

Meadmore was the sole founder of Arrowfax Canada Inc. on November 1988. The main purpose of Arrowfax was to create a Native American Directory to create a network of all the Aboriginal people of North, Central and South America. The network was designed to create a bigger market for Aboriginal products and services. Arrowfax was later dissolved on 2004.

Meadmore married Winnipeg Blue Bombers lineman Ron Meadmore and raised three boys. She left Kinew Housing to attend the University of Manitoba Law School. Meadmore became the first Indigenous lawyer in Canada when she graduated in 1977. After law school, Meadmore opened the first all-female law firm in Winnipeg and practiced law for 10 years. Meadmore received numerous awards for her contributions to society. She was presented with the Order of Canada in 1984, the Golden Jubilee Medal, and the Diamond Jubilee Medal. She also received the Distinguished Alumni Award, Lifetime Achievement awarded by the University of Manitoba in 2015.

Custodial history

Fonds received from Marion Meadmore in 2013.

Scope and content

The fonds primarily consists of reports, minutes, notes, letters, and finances in relation to the numerous organizations Meadmore was involved with. While the majority of the records were created in Winnipeg, the series 'Assembly of First Nations' contains records created throughout Canada. The fonds also includes photographs of an event organized by Kinew Housing Incorporated, "Let`s Rap About A.I.D.S.: Putting the Puzzle Together" board game, and two VHS.

The fonds is divided into sixteen series: Arrowfax Canada Inc.; Kinew Housing Incorporated; Winnipeg Native Club; The Assembly of First Nations; Indian and Métis Friendship Centre; National Indian Brotherhood; Pacemakers' Courts; Federation of Saskatchewan Indians; Research Materials; Workshops and Conferences; Newspaper Clippings; Photographs; Moving Images; Board Game; Books. The Assembly of First Nations series is further divided into four subseries: Restructure and Renewal Reports; Renewal Commission Hearing Transcripts; Renewal Commission Focus Group; and Other.

Notes

Title notes

Arrangement

Meadmore has stated that the records for the Assembly of First Nations were not arranged in any particular order. The archivist has arranged the Assembly of First Nations records into four subseries. The materials under the series 'Books' are located in the Rare Book Room at Archives & Special Collections.

Restrictions on access

Some records under restriction will be redacted for users. Box 3, Folder 9, 15, 19; Box 4, Folder 34.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
- **Status description:** Final

Access points

- Multiple media (documentary form)
- Universities and colleges (subject)
- Law (subject)
- Winnipeg (place)
- Winnipeg (place)

Series descriptions

Arrowfax Canada Inc.

Physical location: A2013-097, Box 0001

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
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	File - Documents, Notes, Recipes	1996-1999	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0001
	File - Arrowfax Manitoba	1989	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0002
	File - Manitoba Aboriginal Directory	1990	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0003
	File - Manitoba Aboriginal Directory	1992	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0004
	File - Manitoba Aboriginal Directory	1993	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0005
	File - Manitoba Aboriginal Directory	1995	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0006
	File - Ontario Aboriginal Directory	1993	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0007
	File - National Aboriginal Directory (Alphabetical Listing to Saskatchewan)	1990	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0008
	File - National Aboriginal Directory (Manitoba to North)	1990	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0009
	File - National Aboriginal Directory	1991	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0010
	File - National Aboriginal Directory	1994	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0011
	File - National Aboriginal Directory	1999	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0012
	File - First Nations Tribal Directory	1994	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0013
	File - First Nations Tribal Directory	1997	A2013-097, Box 0001

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		A2013-097, File 0014
	File - Prairie Region Aboriginal Directory 1996	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0015
	File - North American Tribal Gaming Directory 1993	A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0016

Kinew Housing Incorporated

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Finances, Reports, and Notes	1970-1973		A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0017
	File - Correspondence and Reports	1971-1973		A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0018
	File - Outgoing Correspondence	1972		A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0019
	File - Tenant Visits	1972-1973		A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0020
	File - Tenant Sessions	1973		A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0021
	File - Purchase Documents (Houses)	1973		A2013-097, Box 0001 A2013-097, File 0022
	File - Indian Business Development Group 'Go for the Gold' Banquet	1985		A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0001
	File - Billy Mills Pamphlet			A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0002
	File - Residential Schools	2005		A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0003

Winnipeg Native Club

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Constitution, Expenditures, Winnipeg Badminton Club Ltd.	1971		
The Assembly of First Nations				
File / item list				
Restructure and Renewal Reports				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - 1981, 1983, 1987, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1996, 1997			A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0005
	File - 1998, 1999, 2002, 2003			A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0006
	File - 2004 (Part 1)			A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0007
	File - 2004 (Part 2)			A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0008
	File - 2004-2005			A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0009
Renewal Commission Hearing Transcripts				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Vancouver	March 9, 2004		A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0010
	File - Winnipeg	May 5, 2004		A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0011
	File - Saskatoon	May 17, 2004		A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0012

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	File - Calgary	May 25, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0013
	File - Sudbury	June 1, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0014
	File - Yorkton	June 9, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0015
	File - The Pas, Inuvik	June 15, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0016
	File - Yellowknife	June 17, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0017
	File - Halifax	July 5 & 6, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0018
	File - Long Plain	July 14, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0019
	File - Charlottetown	July 21, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0020
	File - Prince George	August 4, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0021
	File - Kamloops	August 25 & 26, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0022
	File - Whitehorse	September 14, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0023
	File - Fort Qu'Appelle	September 15, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0002 A2013-097, File 0024
	File - Edmonton and Toronto	October 5, 2004	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0001
	File - Ottawa – Executive Hearing	January 11, 2005	A2013-097, Box 0003

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				A2013-097, File 0002
	File - Ottawa –Public Hearing	January 11, 2005		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0003
Renewal Commission Focus Group				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Ontario	April 12, 2005		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0004
	File - Ottawa	April 14, 2005		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0005
Others				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Notes, Reports, Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations	1982, 1999, 2004		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0006
	File - Treaty Implementation	2002		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0007
	File - Hands Across the Border	2003		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0008
	File - Correspondence, Notes	2004	Contains some restricted materials.	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0009
	File - Written Submissions	2004		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0010
	File - Discussion Papers	2005		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0011
	File - Reports of Recommendation: Rolling Draft #6	June 14, 2005		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0012

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	File - Correspondence, Notes, Reports	2005		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0013
	File - Conference Notes, Reports, Agenda	2007		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0014
Indian and Metis Friendship Centre				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Receipt, Newsletter, Reports, Constitution	1874, 1966-1967, 1969	Contains some restricted materials.	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0015
	File - Operation Reports, Minutes, United Way	1966		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0016
	File - Operation Reports, Minutes, Finances	1976		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0017
	File - Annual Report, Expenditures, Memorandum	1964- 1967		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0018
	File - Minutes, Incoming Correspondence, Expenditure	1968	Contains some restricted materials.	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0019
	File - Minutes, Newsletter, Notes	1968		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0020
	File - Minutes, Expenditures, Program Information, United Way	1969		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0021
	File - Minutes, Program Information, Pamphlet	1969		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0022
	File - Reports, Correspondences, Expenditures, Notes	1970		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0023
	File - Expenditures, Proposal, Notes	1961, 1968, 1971		A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0024

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	File - Minutes, Expenditures, Correspondence	1966, 1970-1971	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0025
	File - Magazine, WAD Stories, Miscellaneous	1983	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0026
	File - Native Women & Economic Development: Task Force Report	1985	A2013-097, Box 0003 A2013-097, File 0027

National Indian Brotherhood

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Background Report	1977		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0001
	File - Annual Report, Notes	1978		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0002
	File - Agenda, Incoming Correspondence, Pre-Registration Form	1979		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0004
	File - National Fisheries Conference	1980		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0004

World Assembly of First Nations

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Pamphlet, Proposal, Agenda	1981		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0005

Pacemakers' Courts

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Minutes, Notes, Records	1975-1976		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0006

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	File - Information Package, Model Code			A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0007
Federation of Saskatchewan Indians				
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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Development Strategies Report	1979		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0008
	File - Indian Government and the Canadian Confederation Journal, Memorandum	1980, 1985		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0009
	File - Act Respecting the First Nations University of Canada	2010		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0010
Research Materials				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Miscellaneous	1967, 1968, 1975, 2004		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0011
	File - Education	1971, 1973		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0012
	File - Manitoba Metis Federation Report	1972		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0013
	File - Calder Case	1973, 1974		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0014
	File - Reports, Invoice	1973-1975, 1978		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0015
	File - Native People and the Law, Proposals, Reports	1974-1975		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0016
	File - United States Indian Tribal Courts	1976		A2013-097, Box 0004

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	File - Miscellaneous	1978, 1981, 1982, 2001, 2010	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0018
	File - 'To Have What is One's Own' Report	1979	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0019
	File - Sub-Committee on Indian Self-Government Reports, Native Women's Association of Canada Newsletter	1982	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0020
	File - Pathways to Healthy Active Living Guide Book	1994, 1998, 1999	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0021
	File - Backfoot Confederacy Memo	1998	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0022
	File - Pimicikamak Cree Nation Law and Cases	1999-2000	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0023
	File - Sharing Canada's Prosperity- A Hand Up, Not a Handout	2007	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0024
	File - Directory of Residential Schools in Canada	2007	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0025
	File - Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP	2010	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0026
	File - 2010 National Aboriginal Achievement Awards	2010	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0027
	File - Miscellaneous, Folklorama Guide	2011	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0028
	File - Nunavut- Children's Education Materials - n.d.		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0029
	File - A Proposal from The Indian Business Development Group to Canada Employment and Immigration Commission for an Adult Learning Centre		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0030

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	File - The Unique Constitutional Position of the Canadian Indian – Article [1967?]			A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0031
Workshops and Conferences				
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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Conference on Indians and the City	1966		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0032
	File - Poverty	1969, 1972, 1974		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0033
	File - Canadian Federation of University Women, Native Women's International Women's Year Seminar	1970, 1975	Contains some restricted materials.	A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0034
	File - National Council of Welfare, Native Women's I.W.Y. Seminar, Aboriginal Blueprint on Health	1971, 1975, 2005		A2013-097, Box 0004 A2013-097, File 0035
	File - World Council of Indigenous Peoples	1977-1981		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0001
	File - Canadian Indian Lawyers Association	1982		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0002
	File - Prevention of Type II Diabetes in Children	1998		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0003
	File - Winnipeg Aboriginal Seniors	2000		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0004
	File - Canada's Consultations: UN World Conference Against Racism - 2000 (Attended by Randy Gage)	2000		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0005
	File - Aboriginal End-Of-Life and Palliative Care Coordinating Group	2000, 2002, 2005		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0006
	File - A Community Plan on Homelessness & Housing in Winnipeg	2001		A2013-097, Box 0005 A2013-097, File 0007

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	File - Diabetes Education Network Workshop	2002		A2013-097, Box 0005, A2013-097, File 0008
	File - National Aboriginal Health Organization	2004, 2010, 2011		A2013-097, Box 0005, A2013-097, File 0009

Newspaper Clippings

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Newspaper, Newsletter	1971-1974		A2013-097, Box 0005, A2013-097, File 0010

Photographs

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Arrowfax Inc., Prevention of Type II Diabetes in Children	[1996?], 1998		A2013-097, Box 0005, A2013-097, File 0011

Kinew Housing Incorporated

Date: [197-?] (date of creation)

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Moving Image

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	Item - Healthy Active Living	1999		A2013-097, Box 0005
	Item - Have Fun N' Be Healthy	1999		A2013-097, Box 0005

Artifact

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	Item - "Let`s Rap About A.I.D.S.: Putting the Puzzle Together" board game	1998		A2013-097, Box 0005

Books

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