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Summary information

Repository:	Trent University Archives
Title:	Lightbody family fonds
Reference code:	23-016
Date:	1960-2016 (creation)
Physical description:	96 cm of textual records ca. 470 photographs 1 disk
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	#File Listing##Box 10- 23-016/009(07): Bagnani original copies of documents (1990-2008)##Box 11- 23-016/011(01): Bagnani Trust (1995-2008)- 23-016/011(02): Bagnani- admin and minutes (2004-2006)- 23-016/011(03): Bagnani endowment minutes (2003-2010)- 23-016/011(04): Bagnani endowment notes, correspondence, minutes (2004-2006)- 23-016/011(05): Bagnani endowment trustees meeting minutes (2011)- 23-016/011(06): Vogrie (1987-2008)- 23-016/011(07): Bagnani-Traill project (2003-2007)- 23-016/011(08): Bagnani fund proposals (2003-2005)- 23-016/011(09): Bagnani endowment correspondence from recipients (2004-2005)- 23-016/011(10): Ian Begg (2003-2009)- 23-016/011(11): Bagnani symposium (2005)

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Robert “Lighty” Lightbody (1945-2017) was a lawyer, philanthropist and Trent Alumni. He was a part of the original class at Trent University (1964) and graduated with a degree in Economics and Mathematics. Bob and his wife, Margaret “Margie” Lightbody (1946-2022) were active alumni, engaging with various Trent University boards, committees, and associations. Robert was on the Board of Governors (1972-1983), the Planned Giving Committee, and an active member of the Trent University Alumni Association (TUAA), of which Robert was a founding member (1967).

Margaret “Margie” Lightbody (d. 2022) graduated from Trent University with a degree in French and Mathematics, also in the class of 1964. She was a high school math teacher at Adam Scott Collegiate Vocational Institute. She was also a proud and engaged Trent Alumni. She coordinated and organized many Trent Alumni events, including 30th and 50th anniversary events for the class of 1964, and represented TUAA at the Board of Governors Committee. She was also a great supporter of the Peterborough community and helped organized different events and fundraising campaigns.

The Lightbody’s philanthropy extended to Trent University where they engaged in many fundraising activities including the Robert Lightbody Prize (est. 1984), and supported the building of the Athletics Building and the Student Centre. The Lightbodies were active volunteers in the Trent community and both

were noted for their boundless energy when it came to supporting Trent University be it with their time or with fundraising efforts.

Scope and content

Fonds consists of records documenting Robert Lightbody's experiences with Trent University, as a student, lawyer, fundraiser, and active alumnus. Records include correspondence, meeting minutes, photographs, newspaper clippings, planning records, student records, pamphlets and other ephemera, course syllabi, and student governance records. Fonds also includes a speech and pamphlets from a talk given by Margaret Lightbody for the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW).

Fonds is organized into 11 series. Trent University student life; Student government and groups; Course materials; University development; Athletics building; Alumni Association and reunions; Trent properties, funds, and development; Bagnani Endowment; Photographs and alumni reunion; Newspaper clippings and images; Margie Lightbody CFUW speech.

Notes

Restrictions on access

Series 7 and 8 are restricted and require permission from the University Archivist to view. All other series are open.

Note [General]

A poster of a rowing boat with the caption "Canada's Small University" that was received with the fonds was relocated to Trent Cabinet number 7.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
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Access points

- Artwork (documentary form)
- Textual records (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Newspaper clippings (documentary form)
- Trent University (subject)

Series descriptions

Series 1: Trent University student life and records

Date: 1961-1974 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of Trent University and student records, including programs, invitations, list of visitors for Trent University's official opening ceremonies, course materials and information for students, various student records, convocation photos, student directories from Traill College and Eta Delta Sigma Fraternity, and registration cards. Also included are Trent University documents from Robert's student days, newspaper articles about Trent University, and documents regarding the first Trent Student Affairs seminar (September 12-14, 1966). Lastly, historical records pertaining to the history of the former occupants of 751 George Street, which include James Kendry, James R. Stratton, Richard Sheehy and family, who played a pivotal role in Peterborough's early development.

Physical description: 10 cm of textual records

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/001(01)	File - Trent University official opening ceremonies: program and list of visitors	1964	1 folder of textual records
23-006/001(02)	File - Trent: admissions, correspondence, invitations and other material	1964	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(03)	File - Trent University and other groups: invitations, correspondence and other materials	1967-1971	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(04)	File - Circular(?) on student decorum and life from McMaster, circulated by Dean Sadleir	1964	1 folder of textual records
23-0016/001(05)	File - Trent University: course material and information for students	1964	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(06)	File - Student records	1964-1970	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(07)	File - Student records	1964-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(08)	File - Invitations	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(09)	File - Trent University: various records	1966-1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(10)	File - Trent University: various student records	1966-1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(11)	File - Trent University: Robert's student days: various records	1966-1970	1 folder of textual records

23-016/001(12)	File - A short history of the former occupants of 751 George St. / P. Delaney	1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(13)	File - Photocopies of convocation photos [originals 1967]	1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(14)	File - Traill College student directory	ca. 1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/001(15)	File - Eta Delta Sigma Fraternity: directory	1961-1962	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(01)	File - Various programs and ephemera	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(02)	File - Trent University: various material	1970-1974	1 folder of textual records

Series 2: Student government and groups

Date: 1964-1967 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of records related to Trent University student governance, including the Canadian Union of Students (CUS), a union of 40 student councils across Canada. Material includes correspondence, meeting minutes, Robert's personal notes, and a mission statement. Also included are key student governance reports, titled "External Affairs: background paper for discussion at the first Trent seminar on 'student affairs.'" Also included is correspondence with Canadian Premier Life and the World University Service of Canada. Additionally, Peter Robinson College Committee and College Cabinet meeting minutes, Traill College meeting minutes, and correspondence regarding the trademark of Trent University colours and symbols.

Physical description: 10 cm of textual records

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/002(03)	File - Key student governance reports	1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(04)	File - World University Service of Canada	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(05)	File - Canadian Union of Students (CUS) (1 of 2)	1964-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(06)	File - Canadian Union of Students (CUS) (2 of 2)	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(07)	File - Canadian Union of Students (CUS) Bob Lightbody	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(08)	File - Canadian Unions of Students (CUS): Brief to Prime Minister Pearson on financing of higher education	1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(09)	File - Trent University Student Affairs Seminar September	1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/002(10)	File - "External Affairs": Background paper for discussion at the first Trent seminar on "student affairs"	1966	1 folder of textual records

23-016/002(11)	File - College Committee (Peter Robinson)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(01)	File - Peter Robinson College Committee minutes (1 of 2)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(02)	File - Peter Robinson College Committee minutes (2 of 2)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(03)	File - College Cabinet minutes (Peter Robinson)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(04)	File - Peter Robinson College: College Cabinet minutes	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(05)	File - Peter Robinson College Cabinet: various records	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(06)	File - Traill College committee minutes	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(07)	File - Colours and symbols [also speeches and addresses to students]	1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(08)	File - Canadian Premier Life	1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/003(09)	File - Organizing graduation photos correspondence	1967	1 folder of textual records

Series 3: Course materials

Date: 1964-1969 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of Trent University course materials, including materials from Trent University's Introductory Seminar such as program schedules, event organizing correspondence, and general correspondence. Additionally included are course lecture and seminar notes, and course Syllabi and information for Economics, English, Math, Physics and Psychology.

Physical description: 15 cm of textual records

Arrangement: Series is arranged in chronological order.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/004(01)	File - Trent University Introductory Seminar: descriptive supplement to the calendar	1969	1 folder of textual records
23-016/004(02)	File - Introductory Seminar, event organizing and other records	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/004(03)	File - Economics 10	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/004(04)	File - Economics: notes	1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/004(05)	File - Economics 20	1965-1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/004(06)	File - Economics 31 Bob Lightbody PRC	1966-1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/004(07)	File - Economics 30	1966-1967	1 folder of textual records

23-016/006(01)	File - Physics 10 (1 of 2)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(02)	File - Physics 10 (2 of 2)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(03)	File - Psychology 10	1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(04)	File - Psychology 22	1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(05)	File - Psychology 32	1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/005(01)	File - English 10 (1 of 2)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/005(02)	File - English 10 (2 of 2)	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/005(03)	File - Math 23 Bob Lightbody PRC	1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/005(04)	File - Math 22 Bob Lightbody	1966	1 folder of textual records
23-016/005(05)	File - Math 32 Bob Lightbody PRC	1966-1967	1 folder of textual records
23-016/005(06)	File - Mathematics 10	1965	1 folder of textual records

Series 4: University development

Date: 1963-2000 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of records related to Trent University development, including the final report on Trent University's founding fund, documents related to the Trent University development fund, a report to the Board of Governors at Trent University on the establishment of a development program, and correspondence and information records regarding the Trent University Foundation.

Physical description: 10 cm of textual records

Arrangement: Series is arranged in chronological order.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/006(06)	File - Final Report: Trent University Founding Fund	1963	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(07)	File - Trent University Development Fund	1969	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(08)	File - Report to the board of governors Trent University on the establishment of a development program	1974	1 folder of textual records
23-016/006(09)	File - Trent University Foundation	1999-2000	1 folder of textual records

Series 5: Athletics building

Date: 1968-1975 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of material related to the building and planning of Trent University's Athletics Building, including briefs to the Architect for the Physical Training building and Athletic facility, and correspondence about planning the proposed Athletic facility.

Physical description: 5 cm of textual records

Arrangement: Series is arranged in chronological order.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/007(01)	File - Brief to the Architect for the Physical Training Building	1968	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(02)	File - New Athletic building: planning	1973-1974	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(03)	File - Proposed Athletic facility: planning	1974-1975	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(04)	File - Brief to the Architect for the athletic facility	1975	1 folder of textual records

Series 6: Alumni Association and reunions

Date: 1967-2014 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of materials related to the Alumni Association at Trent University, including correspondence, the Alumni newsletter, meeting minutes and agendas, and letters from the Alumni letter-writing program. Also included are newspaper clippings about Trent University's first graduation class, correspondence about the 30th reunion class, and the 50th anniversary of Trent.

Physical description: 12 cm of textual records (13 folders)
1 disk

Arrangement: Series is arranged in chronological order.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/007(05)	File - Notice: meeting planned in Spring to form Alumni Association	1968	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(06)	File - PRC Alumni meeting	1969	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(07)	File - Alumni Association	1967-1974	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(08)	File - Trent University Alumni	1974-1975	1 folder of textual records
23-016/007(09)	File - Trent Alumni Association [includes disk]	1983-1992	1 folder of textual records1 disk
23-016/008(01)	File - Newspaper clippings about Trent's first graduation class	1967-2006	1 folder of textual records
23-016/008(02)	File - Trent reunion class of 1964	1994	1 folder of textual records
23-016/008(03)	File - Symons: A celebration, program and speech text	1994	1 folder of textual records
23-016/008(04)	File - Trent: Paul Delaney Tribute	2013	1 folder of textual records

23-016/008(05)	File - Storey Award	2013	1 folder of textual records
23-016/008(06)	File - Trent University 50th Anniversary	2011-2014	1 folder of textual records
23-016/009(01)	File - Trent 50th Anniversary	2014	1 folder of textual records
23-016/009(02)	File - Blue Rodeo ticket – 50th legacy fund	2014	1 folder of textual records

Series 7: Trent properties, funds and development

Date: 1979-1987 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of Property Committee minutes, correspondence, project proposals, maps, and property documents. Series also includes meeting minutes, correspondence, and reports of the Physical Planning and Development Committee.

Physical description: 11 cm of textual records

Restrictions on access: Series 7 is restricted. Requires permission of the University Archivist to view.

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/010(01)	File - Property Committee: proposals	1979-1981	1 folder of textual records
23-016/010(02)	File - Trent University: Re: Kinsmen Project 40411	1979-1980	1 folder of textual records
23-016/010(03)	File - Trent University: Rubidge Hall	1979-1980	1 folder of textual records
23-016/010(04)	File - Trent University: Re: Rubidge Hall Bowes offer	1980	1 folder of textual records
23-016/010(05)	File - Trent University RE: Physical Planning and Development Committee (1 of 2)	1985-1986	1 folder of textual records
23-016/010(06)	File - Trent University RE: Physical Planning and Development Committee (2 of 2)	1986-1987	1 folder of textual records
23-016/OS1(01)	File - Nassau Campus scale map	[197-]	1 map

Series 8: Bagnani Endowment

Date: 1987-2016 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of meeting minutes, correspondence, newspaper clippings, documents and project proposals to do with the administration of the Bagnani Endowment fund at Trent University. Robert was a trustee of the endowment from 2003-2016.

Physical description: 15 cm of textual records

Restrictions on access: Series 7 is restricted. Requires permission of the University Archivist to view.

Publication status:

Published			
File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
Box 10 & 11	Item - Bagnani Endowment	1987-2016	12 folders of textual records

Series 9: Photographs and alumni reunion

Date: 1960-2014 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of unidentified photographs taken of or submitted to Margie and Robert Lightbody. Most of the photographs appear to have been taken at a house party in 1989 and at an Alumni reunion organized by the Lightbody's in Fall 1994. Series also consists of a scrapbook of the 1994 reunion which contains letters from Trent alumni, photographs of alumni which were taken while they were at the reunion week as well as when they were students in the 1960's. There are also thank you notes addressed to the Lightbody's for their efforts organizing the reunion. Series also consists of some photographs of Margie and Robert Lightbody taken at Trent events or on the Symons Campus. Other photographs include early construction shots of Champlain College, and of Sadlier House and Peter Robinson College.

Physical description: 2 cm of textual records
ca. 470 photographs
17 negatives

Note [General]: 23-016/012(02) was transferred from Alumni House in September 2023.

Access points:

- Photographs (documentary form)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list			
Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/012(01)	File - 1 photograph of Robert and Margaret, Etobicoke Collegiate Camera Club	[196-?]	1 photograph
23-016/012(02)	File - Early Trent University site photographs taken by the Lightbody's	1965	ca. 40 photographs
23-016/012(03)	File - Photo album- ca. 40 photographs	1989	ca. 40 photographs
23-016/012(04)	File - ca. 50 Unidentified photographs and 3 negatives taken at a house party	1989	ca. 50 photographs 3 negatives
23-016/012(05)	File - ca. 75 Unidentified photographs 1 of 3	[1994]	ca. 75 photographs
23-016/012(06)	File - ca. 150 Unidentified photographs 2 of 3	[1994]	ca. 150 photographs

23-016/012(07)	File - ca. 25 Unidentified photographs 3 of 3	[1994]	ca. 25 photographs
23-016/012(08)	File - Scrapbook (contains letters and ca. 100 photographs)	1994	1 scrapbookca. 100 photographstextual records
23-016/012(09)	File - One news clipping and thank you cards and letters	1994	1 folder of textual records
23-016/012(10)	File - ca. 30 photographs and alumni lists	1990-2014	1 folder of textual recordsca. 30 photographs

Series 10: Newspaper clippings and images

Date: 1964-1967, 2014 (creation)

Scope and content: Series includes prints from David Lasenby titled “North Wing, Otonabee College” (no. 100/350); “Sadlier House, Peter Robinson College” (no. 140/350); “Master’s Lodge, Champlain College” (no. 195/350), the building is now called the Alumni House; “North Wing, Lady Eaton College” (no. 140/350), and “Scott House, Catharine Parr Traill College” (no. 160/350). Series also consists of newspaper issues and clippings from the Peterborough Examiner, Globe & Mail, Trent Trends, The Telegram, and After Four newspaper clippings to do with Trent University. Also includes one flyer announcing the reopening of Sadlier House (2004).

Physical description: 5 cm of textual records
5 prints

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/OS1(02)	File - Newspaper clippings about Trent University	n.d, 1967, 2004	1 folder of textual records
23-016/OS1(03)	File - Newspaper clippings (includes Sadlier House reopening announcement)	n.d, 1964, 2004	1 folder of textual records
23-016/OS1(04)	File - Peterborough Examiner article on Trent’s first hockey game, November 11, 1964	1964	1 folder of textual records
23-016/OS1(05)	File - Newspaper clippings	1964-1965	1 folder of textual records
23-016/OS1(06)	File - David Lasenby prints of Trent University buildings	n.d	1 folder of graphic materials

Series 11: Margie Lightbody's Canadian Federation of University Women Peterborough speech

Date: 2014-2015 (creation)

Scope and content: Series consists of a newsletter and pamphlet created by the Canadian Federation of University Women Peterborough (CFUW). They both have an advertisement of the speech Margie Lightbody gave at one of their programs to celebrate Trent’s 50th anniversary which was called “Memories of Trent University”. Series also includes the speech notes for Margie’s presentation.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Reference code	Title	Dates	Physical description
23-016/012(11)	File - Canadian Federation of University Women Peterborough	2014-2015	1 folder of textual records