In order to improve access to more of the existing holdings of Western Archives copies of a number of preliminary finding aids are being made available. These preliminary finding aids, some of which were prepared many years ago, vary in degrees of completeness, detail and accuracy. Some provide only basic box listings of the contents of a fonds or a collection, while others provide additional background material. All are intended to be the starting point for access to the records and they should not be considered a definitive source of information on the full nature and contents of the fonds or collection. Questions about the information provided in the preliminary finding aids should be directed to archives.services@uwo.ca

BROUGHDALE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ARCHIVES

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INTRODUCTION

Broughdale - This neighbourhood takes its name from the Venerable Archdeacon Charles Crosbie Brough. A native of Ireland, Parson Brough lived in this part of London Township while Rector of St. John’s Anglican Church, Arva from 1841 to 1873. Originally known as "Brough’s Bridge", the community was officially named "Broughdale" in 1906 and was annexed to the City of London in 1961. A plaque was erected on Smith-Graham Big V Drugstore by the Broughdale Community Association in 1982. The above remarks in italics appear on the plaque mounted on Big-V on Richmond St. by the University gates.

This North London community is a closely-knit, residential area with a long tradition of community and history as shown in the 1981 book, BROUGHDALE - Looking for its Past by A.J. Shawyer for the Broughdale Community Association. The Broughdale History Committee researched all aspects of the community’s history and had extensive photographs taken by Dr. Bruce Shawyer.

The area described extends from the north side of Huron Street on the south to the Thames River on the north and to King’s College and St. Peter’s Seminary’s land on the east and to the fringes of the University of Western Ontario on the west. Over the years the original area has been extended as the useful maps in the book and in the Display Mounts show. The original gates at Huron and Richmond Streets were moved to Springbank Park as its entrance gates.

The community began to grow after 1869 when the Anglican Diocese of Huron began a subdivision plan on its clergy reserve land. A sense of "being neighbours" developed and this has continued and centred around the Broughdale Public School and its Playground, the Broughdale Branch Library as well as St. Luke’s Anglican Church, the shopping section on Richmond Street and the Broughdale Park (C.J.F. Ross Park at the bridge). Events, such as the July picnic in the park and the February pot-luck supper, have held the community together under the leadership of the Broughdale Community Association.
As far back as 1972 residents of Broughdale began to work together when problems relating to the Burston green house development, the school and the Broughdale Lands at the bridge arose in this quiet, residential community. Mrs. Carol Holsworth was the moving spirit along with Maureen Leonard and Mrs. Margery Cartwright, in creating an informal organization of concerned citizens. Annexation (January 1, 1961) had brought threats and changes to "the noiseless tenor" of its way which the community had to face. The pleasant, little enclave of well-kept homes and grounds, shops, school and church, were threatened by an expanding and growing movement. So the Broughdale Community Association was formed in 1973 as stated in the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Sept. 19, 1977. In Sept. 1973 some 157 members supported the Association. The B.C.A. has a "fluid" membership which never fails to support its present concerns and projects. The organization is an affiliate of the Urban League of London, an umbrella for community groups in London.

The aims of the Association are namely:

1. To establish and represent the interests of the members of Broughdale.

2. To encourage and maintain positive aspects of community life through the organization and promotion of events of community interests (A.G.M.(6th), Oct. 20, 1980).

Attached is The Broughdale Community - its Needs and Common Interests. A leaflet, the Broughdale Community Association (blue) is on file in the black binder's file on the History Project. The 1973-74 problems and successful solutions are described briefly.
CONSTITUTION

AIMS OF THE ASSOCIATION to represent the common interests of residents in the Broughdale area before various public bodies, to study and promote the well-being of the residents living in the area and encourage residents to participate, and become informed of, civic affairs which may concern them.

GOVERNMENT the executive body of the association will consist of a chairman, vice-chairman, secretary and treasurer (membership) and a number of persons with the position of 'executive-at-large'.

MEETINGS: The chairman will call a minimum of 2 general meetings each year; one fall and one spring. The spring meeting will be the annual general meeting when elections will be held and membership renewed.

FEES Family membership will be $2.00.

THE BROUGHTHALE COMMUNITY ITS NEEDS AND COMMON INTERESTS

1. Broughdale is a residential area of mixed age and income levels, and varied housing stock. Area residents value and appreciate the variety and vitality this mixture brings to the neighbourhood. In 1974, many long time Broughdale residents remain in the area, giving a fairly high proportion of retired and elderly persons. The village character, although threatened and diluted somewhat, still exists and is valued.

2. The community is concerned that the present single family zoning of the area remain that way in actuality and spirit. We realize that in order to increase the number of families in the area, new housing of a type somewhat different from existing styles may have to be accepted, and may prove to be beneficial. We wish to be informed and consulted on any change contemplated for the area well in advance of firm plans being made by a city department of committee. At present, it is felt that further increase of rental developments would be to the detriment of community life.

3. We support the concept that presently owned public lands and buildings remain in the public domain, even if their use should change. Again, we wish to be included in the early stages of any plans.

4. We understand the following represent some of the 'needs' of the area:

1. A safe and secure environment for all residents, particularly young children.
2. Adequate recreational opportunities, both active and passive for all ages.
3. Special consideration for those whose choices are more limited for example, young children, mothers of pre-schoolers, the elderly, the handicapped. Planning should always include convenient transportation, a reasonable amount of neighbourhood commercial services (banks, shops, dry-cleaning, etc.) leisure and education amenities geared for a variety of ages and life-styles.
4. We accept the assets, and liabilities, of the University as neighbour. We welcome students, and benefit from their presence. We believe however that residents should not have to endure disturbance and inconvenience beyond normal tolerance.
5. We are interested in the concerns of other Londoners in other parts of London, and care about the future of the city as a whole.
VALUE OF THE ARCHIVES

These deposits consisting of documents (files and binders), photographs and mounted display panels are and will continue to be of interest and of use to the Executive and members of the B.C.A. for its history and activities, past and present. The files also will serve the research interests of individuals and students into long-established communities in London, community development and planning, zoning, public lands - needs and use, libraries, schools, parks and playgrounds as well as housing and traffic problems in London.

Such matters are of vital concern to planners, geographers, local historians, educators and graduate students. These archives may be the most comprehensive and detailed ones for London’s neighbourhoods. Such material often fails to be retained as the organization may not have a proper "home" for keeping its records intact and secure such as that offered by the Regional Collection of the D.B. Weldon Library at U.W.O.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE, 1974-1991

The B.C.A. archives consists of a variety of materials, namely: photographs (people, places and events in Broughdale); vertical file folders relating to the B.C.A., its interests, concerns and projects, including by-laws, constitution, clippings, correspondence, membership lists, minutes, etc.; binders (scrapbooks, including material like above vertical file folders); display mounts of photographs and photocopies for display on Broughdale area and offset negatives for the "BROUGHDALE" book.

Size of collection: 8 cubic foot boxes, 3 oversize storage boxes


Note: This inventory is only for the most recent delivery of 2 cubic foot boxes and display mounts; plus existing photos box, Shawyer files and offset negatives already in Regional Collection

See also: B5308-5311
FINDING AID 1 - PHOTOGRAPHS

Dates covered: ca.1914 - 1978-80
Arrangement: Alphabetical by subject heading

A series of black and white photographs with a few colour photographs in the later time period. The photographs are concerning Broughdale, the History Project and related interests of the Broughdale Community which Dr. and Mrs. Bruce Shawyer used in the book "BROUGHDALE - Looking for its past", 1981. The majority of the prints were taken by Dr. Shawyer, members of the project and friends also contributed negatives of older photographs.

The photographs are filed in file folders by subject, namely:

1. Apartment Buildings
2. Army Camp - World War I
3. Brough, Rev. C.C. and family
   See also: Houses, London, Ont.
   Portraits
4. Broughdale - Aerial views
5. Broughdale - Name and Postal mark
6. Broughdale Bridge and Thames River
7. Broughdale Dam and Thames River
   Broughdale Lands and Broughdale Park
   See: Ross Park
8. Broughdale Picnic, 1978
9. Broughdale Public School
10. Commercial Buildings - Shopping area on Richmond Street
11. The Flood, 1937
12. Hellmuth Ladies’ College/Mount St. Joseph
13. History Project - Display and celebration
14. Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, London, Ont.
15. Houses - London, Ont. (by address)
   a) A - L
   b) M - Z
   c) Interiors (Mitcheltree house)
      See also: Streets - Scenes

16. King's College

17. Maps

18. Martins' Farm

19. Medway Creek and Embankment

20. The Mill

21. Miscellaneous (not identified)
    See: "BROUGHDALE" by A.J. Shawyer

22. Mitcheltree Family

   Mount St. Joseph
   See: Hellmuth Ladies' College

23. Portraits
   a) A - L (by surname)
   b) M - Z
   c) Children
   d) Miscellaneous groups
      See also: Broughdale Public School
               Miscellaneous
               Mitcheltree Family
               St. Luke's Church

   Richmond St. re: automobiles and London Street Railway cars
   See: Transportation

24. Robinson Memorial United Church

25. Ross Park (Broughdale Lands/Broughdale Park)

26. Sports

27. St. John's Church, Arva, Ont.
FINDING AID 1 (cont’d)

   a) Exterior
   b) Interior
   c) Clergy
   d) Events, including picnic, etc.
      See also: Portraits a) A - L, b) M - Z

29. St. Peter’s Seminary

30. Streets - Scenes (by address)

31. Transportation

32. Trinity Church, Brant, Ont.

33. University of Western Ontario
Dates covered: 1973-1992
Arrangement: by subject

This series is divided into a number of files concerning the Broughdale Community Association, clippings, correspondence, minutes, newsletters, membership lists, questionnaires, reports and surveys. The files are arranged by subject and chronologically where possible.

2.1 a) Constitution; aims; government; meetings; fees. The Broughdale Community - its needs and common interests, undated.
   What you can Do. (Christian Science Monitor, Feb. 1974)

b) Chronology, 1973-1992

2.2 Annual General Meetings, 1975-1990 (1991 missing)

2.3 a) Executive Committee Minutes, 1974-1989 (1976, 1983-1986 missing)

b) Executive Committee members

c) Notes for Broughdale Nominating Committee, 1974-1975


b) Treasurer’s Report, Oct. 1, 1977

2.5 Broughdale News, 1974-1992, Spring/Summer 1993

2.6 Nominal/Membership Lists (families and owners), 1975-1977

2.7 Questionnaire and Petitions

a) Broughdale Community, 1975

b) Handy Helper Register

c) King’s College expansion, 1991

d) Petition, re: Meadowdown and Mayfair Streets

e) King’s College parking lot

2.8 Canada Trust, University Branch - Expansion
   Clippings, correspondence, 1980
2.9 Huron Street Extension, 1975
   a) Findings of the Huron Street Survey (2 copies)
   b) Public Meetings, Sept. 8 and Nov. 18, 1975
   c) Report on Meeting of Nov. 18, 1975

2.10 King's College - Correspondence re: new residence, parking and expansion of
   King's College, 1988-1989 (See also Black Binder #2)

2.11 Miscellaneous Items
   b) Lottery, Sept. 3, 1985
   c) Pot-Luck Suppers - Notice (2 copies), undated

2.12 Pedestrian Safety
   a) Richmond Street North between Windermere Road and Broughdale Park -
      Correspondence and Study, 1977-1978
   b) Epworth/King's Corner

2.13 Student Housing
   a) City of London's Task Force on Student Housing
   b) Hassle Free Housing, 1986

2.14 Broughdale Public School
   a) Broughdale School Association meetings, 1974-76
   b) Briefs (2) to London Board of Education
   c) Preliminary Draft for School accommodation guidelines, Sept. 6, 1974
   d) Extra clippings
2.14 Broughdale Public School

   See also: Yellow binder (Broughdale School Closure/Impact, 1976-77)
   Playground and School, 1979-80

2.15 Broughdale

a) "Broughdale maintains its Heritage" by Don Murray. London Free Press, undated.
   (2 copies)

b) Map of Broughdale streets (2 photocopies)

c) A Walk through Broughdale, London Township in 1910 (2 copies)

2.16 Child’s Play Co-op Nursery, Newsletter, Sept. 1983

2.17 City of London - Planning

a) By-law - re: parking areas; the Planning Act

b) By-law to regulate land use, 1978

c) Submission to Committee of Adjustment, Oct. 17, 1979, re: 475 Huron Street


e) Official Plan - Amendment, 1971

f) " - Amendments

g) "An evening with Mark Dorman", Official Plan concerns, 1988

   for lodging houses and maximum parking regulations

i) Single Family residential zone

j) Site plan control. By-law and policies, 1986


2.19 The Urban League of London

a) By-law, no. 1, 1974
FINDING AID 2 (Cont'd)

2.19  The Urban League of London


2.20  Working with the Broughdale Community Association by Beth Durham, 1975

2.21  The Saga of Epworth Place by Martha Davis, 1975. (Student report, includes maps, 1972-1975)

2.22  Broughdale Branch Library Closure, London Free Press, March 1992


2.25  Broughdale: Looking for its past – publicity/promotion 2 copies of flyer promoting 1994 edition (see also X2130 for negatives and plates)

2.26  The history of Broughdale – exhibit April 11th, 1978 - Handout
FINDING AID 3 - BINDERS

Arrangement: Subject as listed below

A series of coloured Binders re: various aspects of the Broughdale Community Association including announcements, briefs, clippings, correspondence, leaflets, lists, minutes, notices, recommendations, reports, submissions.

B4801

3.1 **Green Binder** - Correspondence, 1974-1991: includes announcements, minutes of meetings and notices

3.2 **Black Binder** (with green circle) - various sections

a) Clippings (undated)

b) History Project: Wintario application; publication party

c) Letter (Nov. 21, 1983) re: deposit of reproduction photographs in Regional Collection, UWO

d) Minutes of meetings, 1977

e) Leaflets, re: project and exhibition

f) Sale of Broughdale book

g) King’s College - correspondence, 1979-1980, 1986-1987, 1989 (missing 1988) and Ad Hoc Campus Development Committee minutes, 1983


k) Zoning: Map of Broughdale Avenue and Richmond Street
FINDING AID 3 (cont'd)

B4801

3.3 **Blue Binder** - 1972-1977. Earliest "Minutes" compiled by original Co-Chairmen, Mrs. Carol Holsworth and Mrs. Marjorie Cartwright. Also contains: Planning Board reports and Communications especially re: Epworth Place (Burston Property) and Paul Skinner development (1972-1976), "Architectural Design for the 20 unit Townhouse concept" (at back of volume), "The Saga of Epworth Place" (1972-1976), Broughdale Ratepayers Association 1972; Announcements, correspondence, clippings (pasted), scrapbook, reports re: Broughdale Park, playground, community life, school, housing, land control, planning and development, land use, zoning; BCA Meeting minutes Oct. 18, 1973; Broughdale News, Fall 1972, 1974, 1977

B4802

3.4 **Black Binder** - Broughdale Community, Library, School, Housing, UWO, 1972-1973 includes briefs, clippings, correspondence, recommendations

3.5 **Rose Binder** - Broughdale Park, 1972-1976 includes announcements, briefs, clippings, correspondence and recommendations re: Broughdale lands at bridge
   See also Black Binder (with green circle) 3.2-j) Ross Park

3.6 **Black Binder** - Broughdale Public School, 1970-1973, re: Educational facilities in city and school closure, includes briefs, clippings, correspondence, recommendations, reports and submissions


3.8 **Yellow Binder** - Broughdale School Playground, 1976-1978 includes clippings, correspondence, notices, plans, policies (Board of Education), reports, and surveys. Additional envelope of signatures re: retention of school playground as recreational space
   See also Black Binder (with green circle)

3.9 **Rose Binder** - Citizens Advisory Group, Central London District (North Study Area) 1975-1977 includes clippings, correspondence, minutes, recommendations and reports. Envelope re: Planning Board Official Plan - By-law no. C.P. 472 (bs) - submissions re: Draft Central London District Plan (North London Study Area)
3.10 **Green Binder** - Steele Street Development, 1977 includes correspondence, plans, surveys and replies re: Peter Sergautis' proposal; Concept Plan (18 single family homes), conceptual site plan for 23 family homes, Jan. 1977; Committee of Adjustment application drawings. File folder includes additional loose material and envelope of replies.

3.11 **Orange Binder** - Brough House Re-zoning (1132 Richmond St.) Minutes of Meetings Nov. 20/84 - Dec. 10/84; also includes presentation notes; correspondence; news releases; photographs of house and area; maps of area; list of project captains; envelope petitions; receipts and flyers sent; and envelope of miscellaneous material.
FINDING AID 4 - DISPLAY MOUNTS

Dates covered: ca. 1841-1980
Arrangement: by subject of image

A series of Display Mounts on black or red boards which the Broughdale History Project made for its functions and publicity concerning the book "Broughdale: Looking for its Past", 1981. Photographs and photocopies of historical material are included. The 100 mounts are labelled 1-100 (in two oversize boxes) and are arranged by broad subjects, namely Broughdale - history, origin of name; Broughdale History Project; Broughdale Avenue; Maps by dates and periods, 1853, 1854, 1869, 1881, 1885, 1899, 1905-1910, 1914, 1920, 1930, 1940, 1950, 1960, 1977, 1980; Picnics (old and new); Parson Brough and Brough Family; Mitcheltree Family; Anthony Steels; Park Villa lots; Robinson United Church; Thames River; Broughdale Bridge; The Mill; 1937 Flood; Streets - Bernard and Broughdale Avenue; Broughdale Lands 1916; Broughdale Park (C.J.F. Ross Park); Streets - Broughdale Avenue, Huron Street, Proof Line Road, Richmond Street; Broughdale Public School - History and Closure; Broughdale playground - Plan.

A file of titles of the Display Mounts (photographs and photocopies) with descriptive notes is included on yellow cards. These are stored at this time in X2127. To find the correct Display Mounts use the titles listed and then go to the correct mount from the number indicated on the yellow card. The mounts are 32" in width and 22" in length.

FINDING AID 5 - BROUGHDALE BOOK

Dates covered: 1981
Arrangement: as below

A file of offset negatives for the book, “BROUGHDALE: Looking for it’s Past” in the form of flats which can be used to reproduce the book (The metal plates have been destroyed). The sheets are numbered but are out of numerical order. They were deposited by Dr. and Mrs. Shawyer before they left London. No other negatives on file.

See also Finding Aid 2; file 2.33 for copy of Broughdale: Looking for its past, 1981

Publicity for Broughdale Book – X2130
Yellow Flyer sponsored by Canada Trust, November 1994
3 negatives, 1 printing plate,
Circle outline for photograph
1 copy of flyer (see also Finding Aid 2, file 2.24 for copies of flyer)
FINDING AID 6 - SHAWYER FILES

Dates covered: ca. 1960's - 1984
Arrangement: Subjects as indicated

These are a series of file folders kept by the Shawyers' which had been deposited previous to the deposit of March 12, 1992. These earlier files overlap somewhat with Mrs. Margery Cartwright's and Ray Bryson's file folders and binders. See Finding Aid 2 and 3 for comparison. No doubt some duplication exists. We, however decided not to resort or re-file the Shawyers' deposits. Careful consultation of the finding aids is recommended. Finding Aid 6 is not "broken down" into detailed entries as in Finding Aid 2 and 3.

6.1 Financial Records

6.2 "Broughdale News", and other publications, etc., 1973-1984

6.3 Miscellaneous printed leaflets re: History Project and Broughdale Park (coloured folder)

6.4 Miscellaneous leaflets, correspondence etc., re: Broughdale, 1975-1977

6.5 History Project - miscellaneous re: publication of book

6.6 Financial Records
   See also: 6.1

6.7 Membership Lists

6.8 237 Bernard Avenue

6.9 Brough House

6.10 Unveiling of plaque, 1983

6.11 Miscellaneous Visitors Books
   a) School Carnival June 10, 1977
   b) St. Luke's Church Exhibition of Broughdale history, April 11, 1978
   c) St. Luke's Church Exhibition of Broughdale history, April 11, 1978 (2nd book)

6.12 Library Closure

6.13 Newsletters, clippings, 1984
6.14 School Closure
6.15 Epworth Place
6.16 Zoning
6.18 Huron Street
6.19 Library, 1948-1972
6.20 Steele St. Development, 1977
6.21 Park 1950s (extensive photocopying on Broughdale Lands)
6.22 Clippings, 1978-1983
6.23 Park, 1960s, 1970s
   See also: 5.21
23 – Housing – 1994-1995 (plus), Stanny Flats
22 – Broughdale Library Branch Closure, Opening of Jasonville Branch (LPL)
13 - Student Housing (1994 – 1995 +), Behaviour, Neighbourhood Problems
10 – King’s College Adopt at Student New Library (Cardinal G.E. Carter)
New Envelope – Richmond Street Widening (1994), Ernie Taylor
17 – City Planning Vision, 1996, Transportation
Broughdale Community Association Inventory, B4801, 1972 – 1973
(Received April 29th, 1991, Brought in by Bethy Spicer)

Blue bender deposited by Susan Bentley after February 1993 meeting. It may have come from former president Ray Bryson.
Contains:
- Municipal by-law items, 1972 (re: planning etc.)
- Notes re Burston Property
- Architectural design for the 20 unit townhouse concept
- “The Saga of Epworth Place” 1972-1976
- And additional reports on project
- Broughdale Rate payers Association, 1972
- Announcements
- Clippings pasted on sheets
- Miscellaneous correspondence Broughdale Park
- Reports, Scrapbooks
- Playground, community life, school, housing and control, planning development of Broughdale, zoning, land use, (via Carol Holsworth and Marjorie Cartwright, Co Chairmen, B.C.A.)
- Minutes of B.C.A meetings, October 18th 1973-1974 (may be the earliest minutes), Mrs. Holsworth, originator of B.C.A. – 1972-1973
- Broughdale News, Fall 1974
Broughdale Community Association Inventory, 1996-1995: Envelopes

1. Housing 1996-1997
   a. Committee of Adjustment, Hearings – Audrey & Broughdale Avenues, O.M.B
   b. Lodging Houses
   c. Planning Department Correspondence

2. Miscellaneous Topics – Clippings
   a. Celebrate the Thames, 1996-1997
   c. Residents – Mrs. Pocock, Dorothy and Ken Sample
   d. New North, Old North, 1997-1998
   e. Local Dike, 1998
   f. Flood File, 1998 (copy of video with S. Bentley)
   g. King’s College Library – the best design of, 1997

   a. Clippings – L.F.P/Western News
   b. B.C.A. Opposition - Documents, Correspondence, etc.