

## RESOURCES AT THE LACEY MUSEUM

The Lacey Museum has a wealth of information, artifacts and photographs that we can make available for researchers. Although our main focus is on Lacey, we also have some items related to Olympia, Tumwater, South Bay and other areas of the South Sound region. We have approximately 80,000 photographs, 5,000 artifacts plus many books and documents.

Research Files: Contains documents and newspaper clippings related to various topics of Lacey area interest and history. Actively growing collection.

City of Lacey Historical Collection: Includes photographs, scrapbooks, plaques and memorabilia related to the City of Lacey and its various departments.

Historic Property Notebooks: contains historic property inventory forms and historic photos of properties in Lacey.

Ken Balsley's Lacey Leader Collection: Includes bound volumes of the entire run of Lacey's only newspaper, some loose newspapers plus negatives and contact prints. Images include items published in the newspaper and those not selected for publication.

Ken Balsley Collection: includes files, photographs, recordings, reporter notebooks, scripts and periodicals related to Ken's work in the community. Topics include KGY, Lacey Leader, reporting, Lacey Area Chamber of Commerce, and numerous community organizations.

Ken Balsley's MAD Fest Collection: Photographs and documents related to this family event in the 1970s and 1980s.

### Lacey Area Chamber of Commerce Collections

#### Ruddell Pioneer Cemetery Records

George Himes Diary: Scans and transcriptions from original settler George Himes from the age of 13 onward.

#### Dr. Ehlers Medical Collection

KGY Collection: Photographs and equipment related to KGY's history

#### Oral Histories

School Yearbooks, Quarterlies & Newspapers: Includes Olympia High School, North Thurston High School, Timberline High School, Chinook Middle School, Nisqually Middle School, St. Martin's, Woodland Elementary.

Lacey School Class photos: Notebooks contain images of numerous classes (1910-1962) with many classmates identified.

South Sound Center Collections: Photographs & documents related to the development of South Sound Shopping Center

Family Collections (this is just a selection)

Brown	Herman	Pattison
Bowker	Hicks	Porteous
Carkin	Homann	Ruddell
Elder	Huntamer	Southwick
Foy	Gallagher	Turner
Fleetwood	McKinney	Ulery

Resort & Lakes: artifacts, photographs and documents related to Lacey's resort era.

Photographs:

- Aerials of Lacey & Thurston County
- Houses, buildings, businesses, events in Lacey & surrounding area
- People & families
- Schools

Artifacts: We have artifacts related to the following topics (this is just a selection):

- Oregon Trail
- Lacey's Resort era
- Agriculture & Logging
- Household goods
- Clothing
- Lacey Fire District
- Lacey Police Department
- Lacey Schools
- Railroad
- KGY Radio

If you would like to access these or any other items in our collection, please contact the Lacey Museum at 360-438-0209 or [museum@ci.lacey.wa.us](mailto:museum@ci.lacey.wa.us).