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Loudoun County Historical Society Records
1954 - 2012

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Thomas Balch Library
208 W. Market Street
Leesburg, VA 20176

USER INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1.75 cubic ft.

COLLECTION DATES: 1954 - 2012

PROVENANCE: Loudoun County Historical Society, Leesburg, VA and
Alexandra S. Gressitt, Purcellville, VA

ACCESS RESTRICTIONS: Collection open for research

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Thomas Balch Library, Leesburg, VA.

ALTERNATE FORMATS: Electronic media

OTHER FINDING AIDS: Past Perfect catalogue records

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS: Electronic media

RELATED HOLDINGS: Loudoun County Historical Society (Loudoun County, Va.). 2000. *The Bulletin of the Loudoun County Historical Society*. Leesburg, VA: Loudoun County Historical Society [V REF 975.528 LOU].
Phillips, John T. 1998. *The Bulletin of the Historical Society of Loudoun County, Virginia, 1957-1976*. Leesburg, VA: Goose Creek Productions [V REF 975.528 LOU]

ACCESSION NUMBERS: 2004. 0001, 2004.0023, 2004.0151, 2005.0099,
2012.0013, 2010.0029, 2017.0047

NOTES: Previously catalogued as NUCMC 66. Manuscript materials collected by the Loudoun County Historical Association have been processed as individual collections. See Scope and Content Note for a list of processed collections. The following issues / volumes of *The Bulletin of the Loudoun County Historical Society* have been cataloged as V REF 975.528 LOU: first series, volumes 1 – 5, second series, 1997, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008-2009, 2010 and 2011.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Loudoun Historical Society was established in 1956. Founding member, J. V. Nichols (1871-1970), stated that the mission of the Society should be a concerted effort to identify and preserve the historical records of Loudoun County. In addition, the founding members envisioned a Society that would sponsor educational programs for the public; publish and promote original historical research; and encourage donations of historical materials to ensure their availability for future generations.

The public response to the new organization was enthusiastic. In the first year, the Society attracted 235 members many who attended popular lectures and tours of historical interest. The Society produced a publication, *The Bulletin of the Loudoun County Historical Society* containing original research on subjects related to Loudoun County history. Volumes were published in the years 1957-1976, 1997, and 2001-2011. Historical Society Secretary John Lewis (1930-2013) who took charge of editing and marketing *The Bulletin*, also maintained an extensive correspondence on the subjects of genealogy and other historical topics with the many who wrote inquiries to the Society.

General membership meetings were discontinued in 1976, and the organization was on hiatus until 2001. In 2001 renewed interest in the organization lead to the resumption of the publication of *The Bulletin*. Occasional lectures were also offered to the general public after 2001. As of 2012, the Society remains inactive.

SOURCES

Loudoun County Historical Society Records, 1954 - 2008 (M 0111), Thomas Balch Library, Leesburg, VA.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of administrative records of the Loudoun County Historical Society. Included are the Society's original founding documents: the Constitution, Mission Statement and By-Laws as well as Minutes of Board of Directors and General Membership meetings 1956 to 1976. General Correspondence files covering both internal and external correspondence are arranged chronologically. Letters from prominent individuals such as Lady Bird Johnson (1912-2007) appear in these files. Additional correspondence files include the letters, memoranda, and marketing efforts specifically pertaining to

the publication of *The Bulletin*. Some original, published or unpublished, manuscripts submitted for *The Bulletin* are available. For preservation, newspaper clippings have been photocopied and originals discarded. Photographs of the Society's early officers are stored separately as VC 0071. VHS tapes have been digitized and are stored separately as AV 0012.

The Society collected manuscripts and other documents relating to Loudoun County history. Some of these materials were donated to Thomas Balch Library and have been processed as separate collections. Processed collections include: Loudoun Valley Academy Collection (SC 0037), Nichols/Moore Land Indenture (SC 0070), Elijah V. White's Ball's Bluff Address-1887 (SC 0023), Lincoln High School Collection, 1911-1941, (SC 0015), Norris and Sons Account Book (BV 005), Nichols/Moore Land Indenture, 1851 (SC 0070), Land Grant-Lord Fairfax to Richard Brown, 1741 (OM 009), Mediterranean Pass for Rising Sun, 1819-1924 (SC 0009), Alexander McIntyre/William Moore Land Indenture, 1840 (OM 0029), Leesburg Opera House Handbill (SC 0012) Miskel's Farm, 1863 (SC 0032), Yardley Taylor Surveying Notebook, 1832-1884 (M 036), William Moore Land Plat, 1851 (SC 0080), Springwood Select Home School for Young Ladies, 1866 (SC 0019), Waterford News (SC0014), Taylor Family Papers, 1817-1872 (SC 0097), Woman's Christian Temperance Union Collection (M 101), Moore/Gibson Land Indenture, 1853 (SC 0074).

CONTAINER LIST

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- Folder 1
 - vc_0171_001 Huntington Harris, Maria A. Copeland, W. Emory Plaster, Picture taken on tour by Loudoun County Historical Society to Longwood Gardens and Winterthur Garden, 19 June 1963.
 - vc_0171_0002 [Unidentified Man]
 - vc_0171_0003 [Postcard] "The Little Brown Church in the Vale, Nashua, Iowa"
 - vc_0171_0004 [Unidentified Woman]
 - vc_0171_0005 John G. Lewis, December 1971
 - vc_0171_0006 Loudoun County Historical Society Documents Committee, John G. Lewis, Mrs. Carruthers, Mr. Edward M. Chamberlin, Mr. Carl F. Greth

AV 0012 VHS Tapes

- Item 1 "Loudoun Historical Society: John Divine" 1 November 1996 [VHS Tape]
- Item 2 "Battle of Hamilton: Joe Rogers, Howard Rogers, Terry Shana, John Rowles" 28 October 2000 [VHS Tape]
- Item 3 "Dr. Charles Poland: Loudoun Post Civil War Era" 28 January 2001 [VHS Tape]