

Loudoun County Pathfinder



Thomas Balch Library focuses primarily on the history and genealogy of Leesburg, Loudoun County, and immediately adjacent counties. Our Pathfinders are designed to introduce users to a selection of materials relating to specific research topics. This Pathfinder introduces users to the resources

we have available on Loudoun County. We have a special focus on the history of Loudoun and its seat, Leesburg. The materials compiled here focus on the history and people of Loudoun County, Virginia. There are more materials on Loudoun County available our library, particularly in the 975.528 call number section. This Pathfinder is not a comprehensive guide to all the materials we hold. Materials identified span a variety of library's holding and include reference works, monographs, journals, and special collections materials, such as manuscripts, visual collections, and oral histories. For additional resources, researchers are encouraged to consult the library's online catalog (<http://library.loudoun.gov/>), which it shares with the Loudoun County Public Libraries, Collection Guides for Archives and Manuscripts (www.leesburgva.gov/library/archives), and online indices to visual collections, maps, and newspapers.

Major Call Number Range(s) for browsing at Thomas Balch Library

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| 975.528 | History of North America – Virginia – Loudon County |
| 929.375528 | Genealogy, names, insignia – Genealogical Sources – Loudoun County |

Books

Architecture in Loudoun

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| 975.528 BIE | Bienenfeld, Paula et. al. <i>An Archaeological Survey of the Loudoun County Courthouse Square, Town of Leesburg, Virginia: Final Report.</i> 1997 |
| 975.528 MOO | Moody, Rachel et. al. <i>The Architecture of Loudoun County.</i> 1995. |
| 975.528 SCH | Scheel, Eugene M. <i>The Guide to Loudoun: A Survey of the Architecture and History of a Virginia County: With Maps and 13 Walking Tours of Towns and Villages.</i> 1975 |

African-American History

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| 323.1196 EXL | Exline, Matthew. <i>We have been Waiting too Long: Civil Rights and the Death of Segregation in Loudon County, VA.</i> 2010. |
| 929. 50975528 KOE | Koenig, Jim. <i>They were a Community of African-Americans in Leesburg, VA, 1870-1990.</i> 2011 |
| 973.049 SCH | Scheel, Eugene M. <i>Important Events in the History of African Americans in Loudoun County: A Chronology.</i> 2005. |
| 975.528 ESS | Black History Committee of Friends of the Thomas Balch Library. <i>The Essence of a People: Portraits of African-Americans Who Made a Difference in Loudoun County, Virginia.</i> 2001 |

- 975.528 JOU Black History Committee of Friends of the Thomas Balch Library. *Journey Through Time: Events Affecting African Americans in Loudoun County, Virginia*. 2006.
- 975.528 LOU Black History Committee of Friends of the Thomas Balch Library. *Loudoun County's African American Communities: A Tour Map and Guide*. 2004.

General History

- 289.6755 WAT Waterford Foundation. *With Much Decorum: The Society of Friends in Loudoun County, Virginia*. 1996
- 385.97 HAR Harwood, Herbert H., Jr. *Rails to the Blue Ridge: The Washington & Old Dominion Railroad 1847-1968*. 2000.
- 387.7362 LOU Loudoun County, VA, Dept. of Economic Development. *Dulles International Airport Industrial Sites in Loudoun County, Virginia*. 1970.
- 796.357 BAR Barrett, John Kelly. *A History of Loudoun County Baseball 1869 to 1987*. 2010
- 929.50975528 LOU Loudoun County office of Public Information. *Loudoun County's History through its Citizen's Contributions: Discover how they Lived and Where they are Buried*. 2007.
- 975.528 FIS Fishback, Mary. *Loudoun County: People and Places*. 2000
- 975.528 GRO Grove, Noel and Charles P. Poland. *The Lure of Loudoun: Centuries of Change in Virginia's Emerald County*. 2007.
- 975.528 HEA Head, James William. *History and Comprehensive Description of Loudoun, County, Virginia*. 1908.
- 975.528 JOH Johnson, Julie. *Loudoun: Blending Tradition with Innovation*. 2000.
- 975.528 PHI Phillips, John T., II. *The Historian's Guide to Loudoun County, Virginia: Volume I: Colonial Laws of Virginia and County Court Orders, 1757-1766*. 1996.
- 975.528 POL Poland, Charles P., Jr. *From Frontier To Suburbia: Loudoun County, Virginia: One Of America's Fastest Growing Counties*. 2005.
- 975.528 STO Harrison, William H., Carol S. McComb and George A. Miller. *The Story of Loudoun's Dairy Industry*. 2006.

Early History

- 921 CAMPBELL Foard, Douglas. *The Imperious Laird: John Campbell, Fourth Earl of Loudoun*. 2007.
- 929.375528 LOU Presgraves, Jim. *Loudoun County, Virginia, Families and History: A Collection of Out-of-Print Materials about the County*. 1999
- 929.375528 SAF Saafer, Wayne C. *Original Land Grants and Ownership Records*. 2007.
- 930.1 RUS Rust, William F., III. *Loudoun County Prehistory*. 1986.
- 973.345528 OCO O'Connell, Christy M. *Revolutionary War Militia Commissions of Loudoun County, Virginia*. 2006.
- 973.73 MES Meserve, Stevan F. *The Civil War in Loudoun County, Virginia: A History of Hard Times*. 2008.
- 975.528 NIC Nichols, Joseph Van Devauter. *Legends of Loudoun Valley*. 1961.

- 975.528 SCH Scheel, Eugene M. *Loudoun Discovered: Communities, Corners and Crossroads*. 5 volumes. 2002.
- 975.528 WIL Williams, Harrison. *Legends of Loudoun: An Account of the History and Homes of a Border County of Virginia's Northern Neck*. 1938.

Diaries, Letters and Memoirs

- 929.2 CALDWELL Caldwell, Samuel B.T. *Diary of Samuel B.T. Caldwell: August 1811 to December 1820*.
- 975.528 BIR Birkby, Samuel. *Samuel Birkby's Commoplace Book*. 1974.
- 975.528 JAN Janney Asa Moore and Werner Janney. *The Composition Book: Stories From The Old Days In Lincoln, Virginia*. 1973.
- 975.528 ROC Kincannon, L. Claire, ed. *Rockin' with Porch Memories*. 2005.
- 929.1 RUS Rust, Ida Lee. *Copy of diary of Mrs. Armistead T. M. Rust (Ida Lee): From February 15, 1916 to August 20, 1920*. 19??

Government and Organizational Records

- MICROFILM Loudoun County Board of Supervisors Minute Books 1870 - February 2005.
- MICROFORM Loudon County Militia Records, Poll Book, Roster of Confederate Soldiers, Minute Book. 198?

Newspapers and Periodicals

- 975.528 LOU *Historical Society of Loudoun County, Virginia. Bulletin of the Loudoun County Historical Society, Inc.*
- Janney Room *Élan: celebrating the good life in Northern Virginia.*
- Janney Room *Loudoun Art : a magazine of art, people, and community*
- Janney Room *Loudoun magazine.*
- Microfilm *Blue Ridge Herald (1934-1957)*
- Microfilm *Democratic Mirror (1857-1861)*
- Microfilm *Genius of Liberty (1817-1820)*
- Microfilm *Loudoun Mirror (1908-1931)*
- Microfilm *Loudoun Telephone (1881-1896)*
- Microfilm *Loudoun Times (1917-1922)*
- Microfilm *Loudoun Whig (1848-1849)*
- Microfilm *The Mirror (1865-1902)*
- Microfilm *Washingtonian (1810-1811, 1829-1907)*
- Microfilm *Washingtonian Mirror (1903-1907)*
- Microfilm & Rust Archive *Loudoun Times-Mirror (1925-2009)*
- Rust Archive *Blue Ridge Leader (2007-2009)*
- Rust Archive *Blue Ridge News (1908-1916)*
- Rust Archive *Leesburg Today (1989-current)*
- Rust Archive *Loudoun Easterner (1975-2007)*

Rust Archive *Loudoun Extra (Washington Post)*

Audio - Visual

- 975.528 ON Channel 3 Loudoun TV. *On This Ground*. Programs on Colonial Loudoun, History of Loudoun Agriculture and Loudoun in the 1920's. 2000.
- 975.528 TWO *The 250th Anniversary Lecture Series: Loudoun 1757: On the Border of Mayhem*. 2008.
- 975.528 UPD Updegrove, Bob. *Loudoun History: Featuring Interviews with John Divine and Charles Poland for the Thomas Balch Library*. 1991.
- VIDEO 975.528 LOU Loudoun County, Department of Economic Development. *Loudoun County*. 1989.

Manuscripts and Archives

Please consult the appropriate *Collection Guide* and submit a *Collection Request Form* to request an item.

- BV 007 Cosmelia Janney Hughes Sketchbook
- M 011 Loudoun County Architectural Surveys Supplement, 2003
- M 012 Black History Committee Oral History Project
- M 013 African American Architectural Surveys in Loudoun County, VA, 2004
- M 014 Thomas Balch Library Oral History Project
- M 015 Loudoun County Military Records Circa 1779-1861
- M 022 Lewis/Edwards Architectural Surveys Of Loudoun County, 1971-2007
- M 026 Loudoun County Oral History Project
- M 027 Sesame Club Records, 1932-
- M 036 Yardley Taylor Surveying Notebook, 1832-1884
- M 038 Chichester Collection, ca. 1809; 1840
- M 058 Nancy Graham Rogers Collection, 1910-1975
- M 068 Preservation Society of Loudoun County Collection, 1973-2006
- M 072 Asa Jackson Collection, 1860-1866
- M 076 Cooper Fry Scott Family Papers, 1816-1950
- M 077 Home Interest Club Records, 1903-2005
- M 034 Catoctin Farmers' Club Records, 1868-1983
- SC 0037 Loudoun Valley Academy Collection
- SC 0040 Christian Nisewarner Diary, 1861-1877
- SC 0089 Jane Chinn Sween Research Collection, 1850-1917
- SC 0097 Taylor Family Papers, 1817-1872
- OM 009 Land Grant – Lord Fairfax to Richard Brown, 1741

Maps

Map Drawer 2, Folder 1	Hardesty, H.H. <i>Loudoun County Map of 1883.</i>
Map Drawer 2, Folder 1	Phillips, J.T. and W. Snyder. <i>Loudoun County Virginia, of 1757.</i>
Map Drawer 2, Folder 3	Scheel, Eugene. <i>Loudoun County, Commonwealth of Virginia.</i> 1972.
Map Drawer 2, Folder 3	Scheel, Eugene. <i>Times Mirror Map of Loudoun County, Virginia.</i>
Map Drawer 2, Folder 3	Taylor, Yardley. <i>Map of Loudoun County, Virginia from Actual Surveys.</i> 1853
Map Drawer 3, Folder 2	Brown, S. Howell, Lt. <i>1864 Map of Loudoun County, West Va. and Maryland.</i>
Map Drawer 3, Folder 2	Scheel, Eugene. <i>Map of Loudoun County, Virginia.</i>

Vertical Files

See the online Index for subject headings that accompany the Vertical Files File to be obtained. This is just a sampling of the files we have on Loudoun County, see the online Index for more files of interest.

Biographical Files	<i>See Index – Drawers 1/2</i>
Church Files	<i>See Index – Drawers 1/2</i>
Ephemera	<i>See Index – Drawers 3/4</i>
Unpublished Papers	<i>See Index – Drawers 5/6</i>
Drawer 1	Loudoun History 18 th Century
Drawer 1	Loudoun History 19 th Century
Drawer 1	Loudoun History 20 th Century
Drawer 1	Elected Officials of Loudoun County
Drawer 2	Miscellaneous Loudoun County Revolutionary War Information

Visual Collections

Please consult the appropriate *Collection Guide* and submit a *Collection Request Form* to request an item.

VC 0003	Winslow Williams Photograph Collection, ca. 1945-1970
VC 0004	Historical Postcards
VC 0008	Russell Gregg Photograph Collection, ca. 1930-1945
VC 0014	Audrey Windsor Berger Research Collection

Electronic Resources

<http://www.loudoun.gov/>

Loudoun County government website

<http://inter1.loudoun.gov/webpds/>

Loudoun County Real Estate Tax, Assessment & Parcel Database

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Suggested Library of Congress Subject Headings for further Searching

Loudoun County (Va.) – History

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