

Local History Resources

Our local history collection includes a variety of materials pertaining to all aspects of Akron and Summit County history, including books, the *Akron Beacon Journal* and other local newspapers, photographs, clippings, and archival collections. We are also the repository for the document and photograph collections of the Summit County Historical Society.



Summit Memory

Our Akron and Summit County digital collections website, Summit Memory (www.summitmemory.org), showcases historic photographs, documents, newspapers, artifacts, and audiovisual resources from our collections and those of area partner institutions.



Archives Catalog

This searchable online database, accessible from the database pages under the "Research" menu of the Library website, provides descriptions of thousands of individual historical documents stored in our division. To see these items, please ask at the reference desk.

Genealogy Resources

Our genealogy collection focuses on the eastern United States with an emphasis on Ohio, Summit County and surrounding counties. We also provide access to many online databases, some of which are available remotely.



Genealogy Classes & Programs

Special Collections offers several recurring genealogy classes to help you with your family research. All classes are free of charge and open to the general public. Registration is required. Class descriptions and our current schedule are available on our website.

Requests & Lookups

We are happy to take questions in person and by phone, postal mail, or email. While we cannot undertake extensive research, we will do our best to answer your question. Photocopies or digital copies of many of our materials are available at varying cost. Please see our website for complete guidelines.

Past Pursuits

Our quarterly newsletter *Past Pursuits* features articles about our community's history, tips for genealogy research, and upcoming events. Back issues are available on our website. Please contact us if you would like to receive the most current issue by email.



Information for Researchers

You will need a valid ASCPL library card to use our computers and scanners. If you do not have one, please ask at the reference desk. We offer microfilm reader/printers and scanners, a photocopier, and a document scanner. Bring change and dollar bills for photocopies and a flash drive to save scanned items. We have outlets and wireless internet access for those bringing laptops. Cameras and hand-held scanners are permitted. Food and beverages are not permitted. For up-to-date information on copy fees, parking and dining options, and more detailed information on requests and lookups, please see our website.

