Special Collections

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Reference

The Library has available specialized informational materials used to answer specific needs. These materials are open to the public. The collection is library use only and does not check out. Patrons may make a total of ten (10) copies per day free of charge from Reference materials.

Minnie C. Winder Room (for Genealogy and Local History)

Genealogical collection contains materials dealing with family histories from Ashland, Boyd County, and surrounding areas. Local History collections contain materials dealing with the history of the area.

Materials are accessible in several different formats print, microform, and electronic via online. Some materials in this room may not be photocopied. Most of these materials are open to the public. The collections are library use only and do not check out.

Microfilm and Microfiche

A collection of back issues of local and area newspapers, genealogical information, and periodicals are available and open to the public. Printing from the microform machine is available and the charges are posted. The collections are library use only and do not check out.

Closed Stacks and Storage

The Library maintains an archival collection of local history and genealogical materials. These materials, both on and offsite, are not open to the public. The collections are available for use on a restricted basis and do not check out.

Arnold Hanners Photograph Collection

The Hanners collection contains vintage photographs and newspaper items of Arnold Hanners covering much of the Boyd County area with emphasis on Ashland. These materials are available through the library's website. The actual items of the collection are available for use on a restricted basis and do not check out.

Kentuckiana

This collection of materials deals with Kentucky history, government, travel, and other areas of interest about the Commonwealth. The collections can be found in Reference, Winder Room, and the Non-Fiction departments. Items in the Non-Fiction collection are available to check out.

Equipment and Tech Lab

Boyd County Public Library provides limited use of some equipment. In addition, the library has a hands-on technology lab for limited use. All equipment is library use only and may not be removed from any library building.