

Stewart Bell Jr. Archives
Handley Regional Library & Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society

Annual Report of Newly Available Archival & Manuscript Accessions
January to December 2025

JANUARY

Adam Douglass Collection, 70 THL, 1 item

Leather fire bucket once owned by Winchester resident Adam Douglass. Date estimated as 1800. Transferred from Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number: 2024.076 THL)

John Handley High School Collection, 145 WFCHS THL. 5 items

Materials documenting activities of the school's 100th anniversary committee. Acquired by staff.
(Accession Number: 2025.007 THL)

John Handley High School Collection, 145 WFCHS THL, 2 items

Handley Pride: A History of John Handley Football, 1919-1924, and Handley Basketball: A Complete History, both published by Sam McCall in 2024. Gift of Sam McCall.
(Accession Number: 2025.008 THL)

Mrs. Rodney T. Taylor Scrapbook, 2064 WFCHS MMF. 1 item.

Scrapbook with newspaper clippings, photographs, and ephemera about opening of John Handley High School and the Apple Blossom Festival, dated 1922 – 1924. Gift of Mrs. Rodney T. Taylor.
(Accession Number: 2023.018 WFCHS)

John Handley High School Collection, 145 WFCHS THL. 26 volumes

Issues of the Trail Blazer dating from 1921 to 1925. Gift of Mrs. Rodney T. Taylor.
(Accession Number: 2023.018 WFCHS)

Miscellaneous Manuscript Files,

Correspondence, Alice James and Sylvester Benton Shimp, 1937-1938, 2066 THL MMF. 1 folder

Letter from Alice V. James of Martinsburg, WV to a cousin concerning family news. Gift of Janet Glasgow Mulshine.
(Accession Number: 2025.010 THL)

E. J. Barrow and Sister Collection, 1894-1914, 2036 THL MMF. 12 items
Postal cards, mostly preprinted, from various businesses to E. J. Barrow & Sister, a general merchandise store in Tulip, Virginia near Stephens City colloquially known as “Barrow’s Store.” Received from Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number: 2024.029 THL)

Family Records Collection

Swisher, John. Family Record, 1307-306 THL. 1 folder
Shimp, John and Mary Speck. Family Record, 1307-307 THL. 1 folder
Kline, Adam and Catherine M. Bucher. Family Record, 1307-308 THL. 1 folder
Gift of Janet Glasgow Mulshine
(Accession Number: 2025.010 THL)

Wood, Alexander and Benjamin, Genealogy Research, compiled by Marty Hiatt, 1995, 1307-309 THL. 1 folder
Stonebridge, John and Mary (Henshaw/Hancher) Genealogy Research, compiled by Marty Hiatt, 1999, 1307-310 THL. 1 folder
Gift of Marty Hiatt
(Accession Number: 2025.009 THL)

Rinker (Ringger) Genealogy Chart, 1307-314 THL. 1 folder, oversize
Gift of Jane S. Cunningham
(Accession Number: 2025.011 THL)

FEBRUARY

Sherry Brumback Jenkins Collection, 1240 WFCHS, 0.84 linear feet
Personal and business papers of the Brumback and allied families (Long, Hollar, Snapp), photographs, records and yearbooks of Stephens City High School and Middletown High School.
(Accession Number: 2023.005 WFCHS)

Miscellaneous Manuscript Files

Miller Drug Store Record of Alcohol Sales, 1917-1920, 2049 THL MMF, 1 volume
a record book of alcohol sales maintained by Miller Drug Store of Winchester between May 1917 and January 1920 in accordance with the Mapp Act of 1916. Received from Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number 2024.052 THL)

Furnace Church Subscriber List, 1840-1842, 2050 THL MMF, 1 folder

List of members of the Furnace Church who pledged money to pay for the pastoral services of the Reverend Lewis Eichelberger over a two-year period commencing August 1, 1840. Gift of Sally Coates.

(Accession Number: 2023.009 THL)

Mary Catherine Yeakley, Autograph Book, 1879-1887, 2041 THL MMF, 1 folder

Book kept by Mary Catherine Yeakley (1866-1932), known as "Mollie." Photocopies. Gift of James Yeakley Brown.

(Accession Number: 2024.039 THL)

Segreti, Stillwell and Hasselman Architectural Plans for "Clevenger," 2051 WFCHS MMF, 1 folder

Architectural plans for a house near Stephenson in Frederick County historically known as High Banks, but also known as the Helm-Clevenger house and later as the Burkett/Stillwell residence. Received from Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society Collections.

(Accession Number: 2023.004 WFCHS)

Letter, George Hartman to Daniel Kable, November 5, 1825, 2018 WFCHS MMF, 1

folder

Received from Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society Collections

(Accession Number: 2024.007 WFCHS)

Letter, J. D. Starry to George W. Ward, September 21, 1861, 2024 WFCHS MMF, 1

folder

Letter concerns court martial of two soldiers implicated in the death of their commanding officer. Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society Collections.

(Accession Number: 2024.013 WFCHS)

Newspaper and Periodical Collection

Leslie's Illustrated Weekly Newspaper, Saturday December 6, 1919. 1 volume

Features article about Winchester. Received from Handley Library Collections.

(Accession Number: 2024.014 THL)

MARCH

Madeline Preston Harper Collection, 512 THL, 1 folder

Research concerning Mary Elizabeth Pidgeon (1890-1979). Gift of Madeline Preston Harper.

(Accession Number: 2025.016 THL)

Hazel Evans Foreman Scrapbook, 1920-1968, 4 WFCHS. 1 volume
Scrapbook documenting work of nursing staff at Winchester Memorial Hospital. Gift of Michael M. Foreman.
(Accession Number: 2025.002 WFCHS)

Miscellaneous Manuscript Files

Diana Patterson Autobiographical Sketch, 2072 THL MMF.1 folder.
Short autobiography of Diana Patterson of Winchester, Virginia. Gift of Diana Patterson.
(Accession Number: 2025.017 THL)

Letter, R. V. Pierce to F. G. Kerns, September 1, 1898, 2077 THL MMF. 1 folder
Concerns medical treatment. Gift of Dr. C. Steve and Jean Vinson.
(Accession Number: 2025.018 THL)

Newspaper and Periodical Collection

Bulletin, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia vol. L, No. 3 (Spring 1953), features “Over a Century of Service to Virginia” concerning role of Dr. Hunter Holmes Maquire in founding of college. Gift of Michael M. Foreman
(Accession Number: 2025.004 WFCHS)

First United Methodist Church Records, 1461 WFCHS THL, 1 item
Program, 140th Anniversary, 2010. Gift of Michael M. Foreman.
(Accession Number: 2025.004 WFCHS)

Winchester Rotary Club Records, 113 WFCHS, 1 item
Yearbook 2009-2010. Gift of Michael M. Foreman.
(Accession Number: 2025.004 WFCHS)

Winchester Medical Center Records, 1626 WFCHS, 2 folders
Southern Hospitals, vol. 30, no. 2 (February 1962), contains article by hospital administrator Carl S. Napps, “Winchester Memorial Fulfills Designation as Area Hospital,” pp. 27-30.
Documents concerning “Week of the Nurse,” 1982. Gift of Michael M. Foreman.
(Accession Number: 2025.008 WFCHS)

Michael M. Foreman Collection, 78 WFCHS, 1 folder
Resolution honoring Michael M. Foreman upon his retirement as Clerk of the Circuit Court of the City of Winchester, November 21, 2003. Gift of Michael M. Foreman.
(Accession Number: 2025.007 WFCHS)

John Handley High School Collection, 145 WFCHS. 1 item

Catalog, John Handley High School, 1918. Gift of Michael M. Foreman.
(Accession Number: 2025.006 WFCHS)

United Brethren Charge, Reliance, Virginia, 2074 WFCHS MMF. 1 item

Yearbook, 1929, with information about history and membership of the congregation. Gift of Michael M. Foreman
(Accession Number: 2025.006 WFCHS)

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church Collection, 724 WFCHS. 1 item

The Messenger, May 5, 1929. Gift of Michael M. Foreman
(Accession Number: 2025.006 WFCHS)

First Baptist Church, Winchester, Virginia, Collection, 1683 WFCHS THL. 2 items

Program for Dedicatory Services, February 26, 1928 and Schedule of Services, February 24, 1929. Gift of Michael M. Foreman
(Accession Number: 2025.006 WFCHS)

First Baptist Church, Winchester, Virginia, Collection, 1683 WFCHS THL. 1 item

Directory, circa 1970. Gift of Jenny Powers.
(Accession Number: 2022.003 THL)

United Brethren Charge, Winchester, Virginia, 2075 WFCHS THL. 1 item

Directory, 1937, with history of the church and membership. Gift of Michael M. Foreman
(Accession Number: 2025.006 WFCHS)

Algernon Sydney Sullivan Collection, 231 THL. 1 item

Plaster relief, possibly of Mary Mildred Sullivan. Transferred from Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number: 2025.019 THL)

Stonewall Cemetery Records, 500 THL WFCHS. 1 item

Mississippi Confederate Soldiers Buried in Stonewall Cemetery, Winchester, Virginia, compiled by Dr. Winston Cameron. Gift of Dr. Winston Cameron.
(Accession Number: 2025.020 THL)

Civil War Pamphlets and Ephemera Collection, 1828 WFCHS THL. 1 item

Centennial Commemoration of the Battle of New Market, Va. Fought May 15, 1864. Gift of Ben Ritter.
(Accession Number: 2025.009 WFCHS)

Map Collection, 1 item

Frederick County Citizen Identification System, A Ruritan Public Service Project, prepared by

Dowell J. Howard Vocational Center, June 1979. Gift of Ben Ritter.
(Accession Number: 2025.009 WFCHS)

Ben Ritter Collection, 12 WFCHS. 1 item

Negative, Friendship Fire Hall, circa 1950. Gift of Ben Ritter.
(Accession Number: 2025.009 WFCHS)

United Daughters of the Confederacy, Turner Ashby Chapter #184 Collection, 1325 WFCHS. I volume.

Burial Register, Stonewall Cemetery, compiled in the 1890s by Miss Lucy W. Russell and Mrs Marshall Willis. Gift of Ben Ritter.
(Accession Number: 2025.009 WFCHS)

Brucetown United Methodist Church Records, 1505 THL. 1 item

Photograph, Frank J Best and Mrs. Carsy Tanquary Swimley outside Brucetown Methodist Church, June 18, 1950. Gift of Frances Dorsey.
(Accession Number: 2025.021 THL)

Family Records Collection, 1307-326 THL. 1 folder

Wilson Family History, compiled by Marty Hiatt, est. 1997. Gift of Marty Hiatt.
(Accession Number: 2025.009 THL)

Robert Clark Nail Collection, 284 THL. 1 folder

Records concerning John Perry Nail. Gift of Robert Clark Nail.
(Accession Number: 2025.032 THL)

Artwork, Prints, and Posters Collection, 1200 WFCHS THL. 2 items

Prints of George Washington from *National Portrait Gallery of Distinguished Americans*. Gift of Ophelia T. Payne.
(Accession Number: 2023.062 THL)

Artwork, Prints, and Posters Collection, 1200 WFCHS THL. 1 item

Print of Daniel Morgan from *National Portrait Gallery of Distinguished Americans*. Gift of Judy Basso.
(Accession Number: 2025.029 THL)

BPO Elks, Winchester Lodge No. 867 Records, 973 WFCHS. 3 folders

Manual for lodges, photo of Elks apple, inter-club baseball league rules. Gift of Rebecca Ebert.
(Accession Number: 2025.011 WFCHS)

Philip Williams Family Papers, 172 WFCHS THL. 1 item

Calling card of the Misses Williams. Gift of Mark Merton.

(Accession Number: 2025.031 THL)

Olde Time Apple Growers Collection, 239 WFCHS. 1 folder

Correspondence, information about apple growing in Frederick County. Received from Old Time Apple Growers.

(Accession Number: 2025.010 WFCHS)

Virginia Department of Historic Resources Collection, 1547 THL. 1 item

Resource information sheet for the Clowser House, Frederick County, VA. Source undocumented.

(Accession Number: 2025.027 THL)

Douglas Alumni Association Collection, 555 THL. 1 volume

Panorama, 1955. Gift of Robin Williams Lowry.

(Accession Number: 2025.026 THL)

Douglas Alumni Association Collection, 555 THL. 2 folders

Newspaper articles, obituaries, and funeral programs for alumni. Gift of Sharon Harris.

(Accession Number: 2025.025 THL)

National Cemetery Collection, 1502 THL. 1 item.

Statement of the Disposition of Some of the Bodies of Deceased Union Soldiers... Book extract, photocopy. Gift of Ben Ritter.

(Accession Number: 2023.006 THL)

National Cemetery Collection, 1502 THL. 5 items

Programs, Memorial Services. Received from Handley Library Collections.

(Accession Number: 2025.034 THL)

APRIL

Cemetery Records Collection, 812 THL. 3 folders

Information about Frederick County Cemeteries: Pitman-Keller Graveyard, Mount Pleasant Quaker Cemetery, Winter Hill Graveyard, compiled by Mary Hawkins. Received from Donna Leight.

(Accession Number: 2025.012 THL)

MAY

Apple Blossom Festival Collection, 46 WFCHS THL. 2 items

Brochures from the 1955 Apple Blossom Festival. Gift of Silver Spring Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2025.040 THL)

Lewis Robert Snyder Collection, 160 THL. 3 items

Postcards commemorating Charles Broadway Rouss, art by Rick Geary. Gift of Bob Snyder.
(Accession Number: 2025.041 THL)

Handley Regional Library Records, 138 THL WFCHS. 1 item

Promotional T-Shirt for How To Day 2024. Transferred from Library Staff.
(Accession Number: 2025.038 THL)

Rotary Club of Winchester, Virginia, Records, 113 THL. 0.21 linear feet

Press releases for speakers and programs, 1994-1995, and song book “Songs for the Rotary Club,” 1957. Gift of Gene Schultz.
(Accession Number: 2025.043 THL)

JUNE

Family Records Collection, 1307-328 THL, 1 item

Supplement to Frederick Jackson’s Ancestors. Gift of Edith Hankins.
(Accession Number: 2025.049 THL)

Union Bank of Winchester Records, 2076 THL MMF, 1 item

Money bag. Received from the Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number: 2025.046 THL)

Union Bank of Winchester Records, 2076 THL MMF, 1 folder

Counter checks, Shawnee Building and Loan Association, 1934-1941. Received from the estate of James Randolph Lerrick.
(Accession Number: 2025.045 THL)

Tidball Family Papers, 1567 WFCHS, 3.34 linear feet

Personal papers of members of the Tidball family and William Alexander, including accounts, correspondence, and legal preparation. Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 1989.003 WFCHS)

Lois Marbert Collection, 990 WFCHS THL, 1.5 linear feet

Genealogical materials concerning families of Frederick County and other areas of the Lower

Shenandoah Valley. Gift of Lois Marbert.
(Accession Number: 2024.016 WFCHS)

JULY

John Handley High School Collection, #145. 1 item
JHS pin, metal with safety chain, from 1936. Gift of Suzan Bly.
(Accession Number 2025.055 THL)

SEPTEMBER

Subject Files, 0.5 linear feet
Various articles on topics pertinent to the history of Winchester, Frederick County and the Lower Shenandoah Valley. Gift of Patrick Farris.
(Accession Number: 2025.051 THL)

Ephemera, Handley Regional Library Collection, #39, 2 items
Jewelry boxes from E. Bruce Capper, 11 W. Water Street, Winchester, Va. Gift of Suzan Bly.
(Accession Number: 2025.055 THL)

Artwork, Prints, and Posters Collection, #1200. 2 items
Lithograph. *Old Time Winchester, Va. 1754 to 1854* by Keith Williams, 1969;
print, *Winchester VA Apple Capital*, by Bob Woods, 1973. Gift of Suzan Bly.
(Accession Number 2025.055 THL)

Miscellaneous Manuscript Files

Letter, Ariana Washington to Samuel Brown, February 10, 1834, 2022 MMF. 1 item. Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2024.011 WFCHS)

Letter, Charles J. Faulkner to John F. Hinkle, January 21, 1876, 2023 MMF. 1 item.
Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2024.012 WFCHS)

OCTOBER - DECEMBER

Miscellaneous Manuscript Files

Cather-Lupton Winchester Property Records, 1864-1935, #2097. 1 folder
Records of a property purchase. Loan to scan. Gift of James Reardon.
(Accession Number: 2025.065 THL)

Maxwell Lacy Postcard Collection, #2095. 1 folder

Gift of Maxwell Lacy.

(Accession Number: 2025.071 THL)

Cedar Creek Presbyterian Church Records, #2045. 1 volume

Gift of Donna Leight

(Accession Number: 2025.073 THL)

Thomas Blackburn Baylis Day Book, #2096. 1 volume

Loaned to scan by Donna Leight

(Accession Number: 2025.073 THL)

Norris & Beatty, Letter to Messrs. Barton & Williams, December 19, 1857, #2098.

1 folder.

Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.

(Accession Number: 2024.009 WFCHS)

John Greenwood, Letter to David Greenwood, March 21, 1819, #2099, 1 folder

Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.

(Accession Number: 2024.010 WFCHS)

Frank Stine, Indemnity bond securing payment of damages on behalf of J. Vance

Bell, September 29, 1871, #2101. 1 folder

Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.

(Accession Number: 2025.021 WFCHS)

Lichliter, D H L and George Ward, \$1000 bond, June 29, 1892, #2100. 1 folder

Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.

(Accession Number: 2025.017 WFCHS)

Corydon S. Booth Correspondence, 1861-1862, #2078. 1 folder

Three letters written by Corydon S. Booth concerning personal matters and Civil War.

Purchased at auction.

(Accession Number: 2025.058 THL)

John M. Brome, Correspondence, 1824, #2037. 1 folder

Two letters addressed to John M. Brome, a merchant doing business in Winchester, VA.

Transfer from the Louisa County Historical Society.

(Accession Number: 2025.050 THL)

Joseph (aka, José) Borras, Bond upon his appointment as U.S. consul for the Port of Barcelona in Spain, March 1835, #2105. 1 folder
Received from the Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number: 2025.076 THL)

Account of Vacation Tour of the Shenandoah Valley, July 1931. #2108. 1 folder
Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2025.022 WFCHS)

Philip Sherer, Letter to Barnet Cushwa, November 19, 1850, #2032. 1 folder
Sherer was a wagon maker in Winchester. Acquired as a purchase.
(Accession Number: 2025.064 THL)

Mary Casey Newman, Letter to Mother, Brother, and Sisters, April 14, 1857, #2033.
1 folder.
Mary Casey Newman was a teacher at Winchester Female Seminary. Gift of Carl M. Volz.
(Accession Number: 2025.018 WFCHS)

Godfrey S. Miller and John A. Bell, Articles of Agreement, May 1, 1868, #2109. 1 folder
Gift of Jenny Powers.
(Accession Number: 2025.079 THL)

Alfred H. Powell's Defense of his Wife against accusation of lying about preacher, February 5, 1823, #2123. 1 folder
Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2025.024 WFCHS)

Miss A. L. Letter to Mrs. Carter, #2124. 1 folder
Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2025.025 WFCHS)

R. V. Pierce (Dr.) to F. G. Kerns, September 1, 1898, #2077. 1 folder
Gift of Dr. C. Steve and Jean Vinson
(Accession Number: 2025.018 THL)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Frederick County, Virginia Collection, #2047. 1 folder. Received from Joan Wood
(Accession Number: 2024.048 THL)

Mary Louise Swimley Bragg Reminiscences, #2046. 1 album
Gift of Kenneth P. Bragg
(Accession Number: 2024.047 THL)

Cemetery Records Collection, #812. 2 items
DVDs (2), *Harpers Ferry Cemeteries, Hidden in Plain Sight- Revealing the Concealed*, produced by Rabbit Hole History Productions, 2000
(Accession Number: 2025.069 THL)

Benjamin Ashby Collection, #175. 0.21 linear feet
Material concerning lineage and Revolutionary War service of Benjamin Ashby (1747-1823).
Gift of Kathy Rust Trotter.
(Accession Number: 2025.060 THL)

Fort Loudoun Chapter, NSDAR, Records, #479. 0.21 linear feet
Minutes of meetings, June 2022 to May 2025. Received from Secretary, Fort Loudoun Chapter, NSDAR.
(Accession Number: 2025.072 THL)

Apple Blossom Festival Collection, #46. 0.21 linear feet
Photographs and ephemera, 1929-1948. Gift of Melody Harmon.
(Accession Number: 2025.062 THL)

Ephemera, Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society Collection, #149-0016. 1 folder
Jonah and the Whale, verse, handwritten. Undated. Received from the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society.
(Accession Number: 2025.020 WFCHS)

Veterans History Collection, #1841. 1 folder
Certificate of Award issued to Isaac F. Allamong, July 9, 1918. Gift of Bill Dalton.
(Accession Number: 2025.077 THL)

Veterans History Collection, #1841. 1 folder
World War I memoir of Shadrick F. Easter. Gift of Danny Easter.
(Accession Number: 2025.054 THL)

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Winchester and Frederick County Scrapbook, #6. 1 volume
Diana Tate compiled this scrapbook to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Winchester's Big Brothers. Big Sisters organization. Gift of John Lamanna.
(Accession Number: 2025.015 THL)

Family Records Collection

Samuel Selby Santmyer, Ancestry and photograph, #1307-329. Gift of John Hart,

American Pomeroy's.

(Accession Number: 2025.052 THL)

Bailey Brothers Records, #783. 1 item

Promotional fan. Gift of Joan Everhart.

(Accession Number: 2025.085 THL)

John Barton Guard Family Collection, #1834. 0.42 linear feet plus 3 dolls and doll tea set.

Civil War diary, correspondence, photographs, poetry, various published materials, etc. Gift of M. Leslie Graber.

(Accession Number: 2024.061 THL)

Cooper Family Papers, #130. 0.21 linear feet

Gift of Katherine Cooper Hoffman.

(Accession Number: 2024.062 THL)

Veterans History Collection, #1841. 2 folders

The Mess Kit, Vol. 1, No. 1, France, June 1919. Published for the Soldiers of the A.E.F.;

Veterans Fun and Facts, Vol. 1, No. 11, 1922. Gift of Joan Everhart.

(Accession Number: 2025.085 THL)

William Byrd Papers, #8. 0.42 linear feet

Correspondence to William Byrd Jr. (1879-1965) from c. 1913-1921. Gift of Mary Ward.

(Accession Number: 2025.091 THL)

Hott-Streit Family Papers, #22. 0.66 linear feet

Financial records, estate and land records, correspondence, certificates, family records, ephemera, notes and notebooks, and some photographs relating to the Hott, Streit, and Hogshead family in the Frederick County area. Transfer from the Augusta County Historical Society.

(Accession Number: 2025.075 THL)

Shoop-Cather Family Papers, #54. 0.21 linear feet

Materials primarily related to Georgia Catherine Shoop (1903-1991), and her husband Morris Edward Cather (1901-1955).

(Accession Number: 2025.087 THL)

Patrick Mulvey Collection, #226. 0.42 linear feet

Materials pertaining to the local Winchester businesses, The Oxford Shop and Mulvey's

Haberdashery. Gift of Patrick Mulvey
(Accession Number: 2024.066 THL)

Mary G. Caldwell Papers, #1829. 0.21 linear feet
Additional correspondence to Mary G. Caldwell of Fredericksburg and Frederick County,
Virginia received from the Handley Library Collections.
(Accession Number: 2023.043 THL)