

Local History Services and Collections

Statement of Philosophy

The Library will provide convenient access to information documenting the history, people, and culture of Muncie and Delaware County.

Scope of Collections

Local History & Genealogy materials are defined as items that document the history of Delaware County, its towns, and cities. The Library will actively collect both primary and secondary resources. Migration patterns may influence and/or require that collections covering areas that extend beyond the borders of Muncie/Delaware County be purchased or acquired. Some effort will be made to preserve and purchase books that were part of the original collection up to 1910.

Donations will be accepted without restrictions. The Library will decide whether to retain items in its collections, how those items will be cataloged, displayed, and stored.

Discarding

Whenever the Library discards or decides not to retain an item, Ball State University Archives and Special Collections will be notified for first refusal.

Commitment

The Library commits to transferring local information to new formats in order to preserve information and access for future generations.