

Programming & Outreach

“Archives exist to be used.”

~Daniel A. Santamaria, Archivist

Nowhere is this more true than in a public library.

To raise awareness of the value of archives within the community, the PTPL Archives:

- creates displays
- hosts programs
- attends community events
- records *Live from the Archives* with Peters Township Community Television (PTCT)

The Archives also scans and shares digital copies of items from its holdings via Power Library's *PA Photos and Documents*:



**[ptlib.org/
papdcollections](http://ptlib.org/papdcollections)**



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OPENING BOOKS, DOORS AND MINDS

Archives



Albert John Froebe, circa 1898
MS 2020.014

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McMurray Lions Club broom sale participants, 1956
MS 2020.001

Why Archives?

"Every trip to a library/archive is a small detective story. The past flares to life like a match in the darkness."

~Erik Larson, Author

Archives record human experience, connecting current generations with those of the past.

Archival records help us understand the present and inform the future.

Collection Policy

The PTPL Archives acquires, preserves and makes available to the public original unpublished records documenting the history of Peters Township.



Clockwise from top left:
Samuel F. Lybarger, 1930, MS 2020.001
Thompsonville School, 1907, MS 2020.036
Laura Belle McMurray, 1902, MS 2020.024
Edwin "Dutch" School, 1940, MS 2024.004



Valentine School & Anna Vrhovsek, 1935
MS 2024.004.002

Donations

The Archives wouldn't exist without donations from current and former Peters Township residents, organizations and businesses.

If you have materials you would like to donate to the Archives, please contact the library archivist to arrange a meeting.