

The Filson Historical Society

**Louisville Science Center
Records, 1958-1985**

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Biographical Note

These records cover the period from when the museum was part of the public library at 4th and York to its new home on Main Street. The search for a new location and a new director are the main focus of these records.

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Scope and Content Note

A collection of files dealing with the movement of the Louisville Museum of Natural History from its site at Fifth and York to a new location. There are meeting minutes and other material as they consider a site near the Louisville Zoo before deciding upon the location on Main Street. The Filson Historical Society's proposal to take over the museum in the early 1980's is also found in the collection. Pamphlets and annual reports from many other similar museums in the United States are included in the collection.

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Folder List

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Folder 1: Museum Brochures from Dallas, Berea, Kansas, Health Museum, Wilderness Trail, Houston, Kansas, and Los Angeles.

Folder 2: Museum Brochures and magazines.

Folder 3: Museum brochures and pamphlets.

Folder 4: Museum Magazines and Newsletters mid 1960's.

Folder 5: Museum Magazines and newsletters early to mid 1960's.

Folder 6: Articles of Incorporation for the Louisville Museum of Natural History dated 1 September 1961, with copies of by-laws Evansville Museum of Arts and Sciences from 1953, the by-laws from Dayton Society of Natural History from 1961 and Constitution of the Cincinnati Society of Natural History from 1934.

Folder 7: Museum brochures – Dayton, Oregon.

Folder 8: Museum brochures from across the nation.

Folder 9: Correspondence and other material from museums in Cincinnati, Dayton, Evansville and Oregon.

Folder 10: Correspondence and photograph 1958.

Folder 11: Natural Food and Farming Magazine, February 1957.

Folder 12: Correspondence 1960-1965.

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Folder 15: Newspaper Clippings 1964-65.

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Folder 18: Louisville Museum of Natural History letterhead and envelopes with a 1966 cover letter from Catherine D. Strickler.

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Folder 24: Cover letter and card from the Kentucky Historical Society – 1969.

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Folder 28: Copies of letters supporting the Museum site near the Louisville Zoo, 1971-72.

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Folder 34: Correspondence and meeting minutes dealing with the choice of the site for the Natural History Museum in Louisville.

Folder 35: Newspaper clippings 1975.

Folder 36: Newspaper clippings, invitations and mailings from the opening of the museum on Main Street.

Folder 37: Death of E R Pohl of Horse Cave in 1976 and paper titled "Foraminiferal Evidence For Biostratigraphic Parallelism Between the Type Mississippian Region and Western Europe" dated 1975.

Folder 38: Newspaper clippings 1976-77.

Folder 39: Letters from 1977 about the donation of these papers to the Filson.

Folder 40: List of Fauna spotted near Bellarmine University/Collings Estate by Michael Ryan of the Audubon Society. Undated – circa 1970.

Folder 41: Correspondence, 1979-1981.

Folder 42: Newspaper Clippings 1985.

Folder 43: Newspaper clippings about the new director Gail R. Becker.

Folder 44: Director search minutes 1966.

Folder 45: Directorship application - Stephen Schmidt.

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Folder 61: Directorship application – Lawrence Thurman.

Folder 62: Directorship application – W Eugene Atkinson. Letter from Senator Robert P Griffin.

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Folder 65: Directorship application – Allen S Liss.

Folder 66: Directorship application – Thomas G Baker.

Folder 67: Correspondence and site plans for the Museum 1966-1973.

Folder 68: Articles of Incorporation, By-laws Friends of the Museum, Other correspondence, 1980-81.

Folder 69: Material dealing with the Friends of the Museum and the lease of space from the Museum on natural History and Science.

Folder 70: Slide show dealing with the natural history of the Falls of the Ohio River.

Folder 71: Certificates of membership to the American Association of Museums, 1968-1969.

Folder 72: Meeting minutes and suggested plans for the museum in 1982-1983.

Folder 73: 1982-1983 meeting notes and budget sheets for Friends of the Museum, Inc.

Folder 74: Binder with museum exhibit plans for 1982-1983 and letters proposing the Filson Club taking over the museum and running it as their new headquarters.

Folder 75: Audio tapes (cassettes and real-to-real tapes) of museum meetings/speakers.

Publications not associated with specific correspondence

Financing Solid Waste services, 1972

Solid Waste Management Handbook, 1971

Developing Local Solid Waste Service Systems, 1972

Rural Collection System Requirements

Sanitary Landfill Operations, 1971

Locating Sanitary Landfill Sites, 1972

Solid Waste Service System Administration, 1972

Industrial Solid Waste Management Program For Kentucky, 1971

Conservation Education Unlimited: The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, By William H. Carr, 1968

Liver Morphology, 1954.

The Desert Speaks, 1969

Acta Hepatologica, 1955

Functional Morphology of the Liver, 1953

Series of Anatomical and Pathological Transparencies: No. 5- The Adrenal Glands and Kidneys

Foreign Visitor Programs at Carnegie Museum

So You Want A Good Museum, 1957

Der Magen: ein Beitrag zur funktionellen Histologie Von Hans Elias, Professor der Anatomie an der Chicago Medical School.

Bulletin of the Jefferson County Medical Society, Jan. 1974
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Annual Report of the Dayton Museum of Natural History, 1961
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Museum Graphic, Summer 1969
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10 Years at Science Park 1951-1961: Museum of Science, Boston, Massachusetts
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Our Heritage: Kentucky's Land, Water, Forest, Mineral Resources, March 1967
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The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum: A Plan for Its Further Development, 1969
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Association of Science-Technology Centers Memorandum, 1974
Museum of Medical Science, Houston, Texas, Catalog of Exhibits.
Museum Graphic, Winter 1970
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Museum Graphic, Summer 1968
American Institute for Exploration, 1954