

LJHA Scan Day

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Got History? Join us for Digital Scan Day! Do you have photos of City of Lake Jackson's people, places, events, buildings, in family photo albums? Do you have Letters, memoirs, posters or artwork? Or do you have souvenirs or other artifacts related to the history of Lake Jackson?

Cultural heritage isn't found only in libraries and museums. It is found in homes where family mementos are preserved and photos are cherished. Do you have photos of City events like marching in a July 4th parade? Help capture this vitally important part of our community's heritage and preserve it for future generations.

Everyone is invited to bring in pictures and information about businesses, residents and events of the past.

We are looking for anything historical that pertains to the area families, businesses or events. Examples are photographs of people, buildings and things; documents (land, marriage, etc.); or letters about life here or history like the wars.

Bring as much information on the items as you can. Preparing an inventory, description, or notes of the items before the event will save staff a lot of time. Try to answer these questions for each item brought to Scan Day: Who? What? When? Where?

Here are some examples for photographs to give you an idea:

Who? Who is in the photograph? Who is the subject? Include full names (avoid things like "Mom" or "Grandpa")

What? What is going on in the photograph? What is the context? Why was the photograph taken?

When? Try to date the photograph even an estimation, like "between 1925-1932" or "late 1940s" is better than nothing

Where? Where was the photograph taken? Where was the photograph published?

Items that are generally discouraged include: newspapers or newspaper clippings, copyrighted materials (unless permission is obtained from the copyright holder), and anything that contains private information. As a general rule of thumb, do not bring anything to Scan Day that you would not be comfortable having displayed online.

There is a size limit of 11-inches by 17-inches that can be scanned. Bring your own flash drive to save your scanned memories.