About the Archives

The Yolo County Archives is the official repository for Yolo County records, as well as donated materials relevant to the history of the county. The Archives was officially founded in 1985 thanks to the efforts of the Yolo County Historical Advisory Committee, former Yolo County Librarian Mary Stephens, and many community members.

The Friends of the Yolo County Archives was founded in 1986 as a non-profit organization whose purpose is to support the services and facilities of the Yolo County Archives.



Riverboat at the Knights Landing Bridge. Masters Photo. Photo YHM01024. Acc. #2022-005.

Archives staff will perform up to one hour of free research. Additional time is available, upon request, for a fee.

Staff-approved, digital or physical copies of non-fragile materials is allowed. There are fees associated with this service.

Patrons receive assistance to identify potentially useful collections or records.



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Public research by appointment only

HOURS:

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Thursday 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

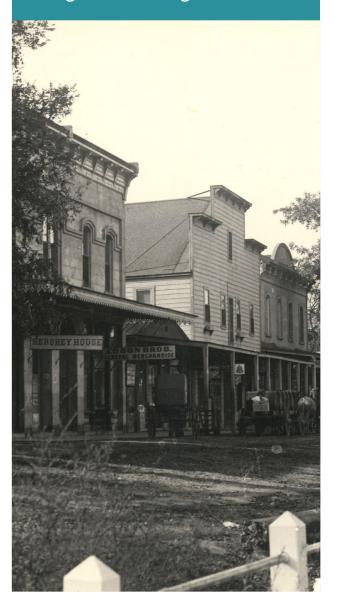
The Yolo County Archives is the main source for the history of the people, places and culture of Yolo County. It houses thousands of unique reference and research resources.

Image on cover: Front Street, Knights Landing. Ca. 1903. Masters Photo. Photo YHM03895. Acc. #2022-005.



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Knights Landing Collections



Collections

Subject & Research Collections: Knights Landing Shipley Walters Research Notes, River Garden Farms Shipley Walters Research Notes, Knights Landing Cemetery Subject Collection.

Government: Reclamation District Records, Knights Landing Fire Protection District, Knights Landing Library Records.

Property and Tax Records: Deeds, Official Records Tax Assessor Rolls and Lists, Tax Assessor Maps (ca. 1850s-1970s).

Maps and Plans: Sanborn Fire Insurance Map of Knights Landing (1921-1930), Knights Landing Butter & Cheese Factory, Drawings of Knights Landing Historic Downtown Structures.

Newspapers: Knights Landing News (1859-1864), available via California Revealed: https://californiarevealed.org/ partner/yolo-county-archives?f%5B0% 5D=search_block_series_title%3AKnight% 27s%20Landing%20News



7th and 8th grade students at Grafton School. 1940. Photo H13-021. Acc. #1994-004.



Map of Knights Landing. 1869. J. I. Underhill. Map No. R00014.

Schools and School Records: Teacher and Principal Reports (1865-1949), Report of the School Census Marshall (1867-1910).

River Garden Farms: Corporate records, correspondence, reports, contracts and leases, photographs (1912-1949).

Knights Landing Garden Club: Club minutes, membership lists, scrapbooks, and programs (1931-1981).

Veterans of Foreign Wars Elmer E. Van Lew Post No. 3237: Correspondence, minutes, membership lists (1936-1968).

Photo Collection: Images of people,

places, and activities from numerous sources. Many photographs have been digitized and can be viewed online through our database.



Reading Room

Select Titles:

Robinson, Gerrie Lee. Knights Landing Oral Histories: Capturing Stories for Future Generations. UC Davis, 2007.

Walters, Shipley. Knights Landing: The River, The Land, and The People. Yolo County Historical Society, 1988.

Materials from the Reading Room Collection do not circulate and must be viewed onsite at the Archives.

Online Access



View Archives collections through our Axiell database, Online Archive of California. California Revealed, and the Yolo County Library Cataloa. The Archives also has access to ancestry.com 5,000 and over diaital through newspapers Newspapers.com.



Fair Ranch (later River Garden Farms). Photo by W. N. Collom. Photo YHM01813. Acc. #2022-005.