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[The Placentia Library History Room](#) [1]

*Welcome to the Placentia Library History Room! The History Room is open to the public and features books, photographs, videos, oral histories, maps, and other materials documenting the city's rich and colorful history. Boasting a collection of more than 5,000 photographs, books by local authors, historic orange crate labels and other memorabilia, the Placentia History Room is an invaluable custodian of Placentia's past. Donations of family photos, documents, and other local treasures from the past are always welcome.*

*To schedule a visit, during the Library's hours of operation, contact the History Room Librarian Michelle Meades at (714) 528-1906, ext. 224 or [mmeades@placentialibrary.org](mailto:mmeades@placentialibrary.org) [2].*

### ***Placentia Historical Video and Audio Collection***

*Visit the Placentia Library's YouTube page to view our collection of historical Placentia video and audio clips! Many of the items have been digitized through generous contributions from the [Placentia Community Foundation](#) [3] and the [Placentia Library Friends Foundation](#) [4] and can now be viewed on the Library's YouTube channel.*

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*The 2015-2016 Local History Lecture Series can be viewed on the [City of Placentia's YouTube channel](#) [6].*

### ***Placentia Oral Histories***

*Listen to Placentia's past directly from those who lived it through our collection of oral histories. All oral histories have been conducted by the Placentia Historical Committee. In 2015, these priceless items were digitized through a generous contributions from the [Placentia Community Foundation](#) [7] and the [Placentia Library Friends Foundation](#) [4].*

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### **Placentia Historical Photos**

*Visit the Placentia Library History Room to view our extensive collection of historical photographs. A selection of our local history photographs is also available online through Calisphere, the University of California's free public gateway to a world of primary sources.*

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### **Historical Snippets**

*Interested in learning more about Placentia's history? Check out these short articles featuring fun facts and information on Placentia's historic buildings, people and social groups.*

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### **The Placentia History Collection**

*The Purpose of the Placentia History Collection is the acquisition, organization, and preservation of both primary and secondary materials relevant to the history of Placentia and its vicinity.*

*As a resource center for the people of Placentia, this collection includes both historical and current information concerning the cultural, geographic, agricultural, economic, social, and political development of the Placentia area.*

## **Scope of the Placentia History Room Collection**

*The Placentia Library Local History Collection includes audio, digital, photograph, print and video materials that reflect Placentia's rich history, such as:*

- *Family Memorabilia and Records*
- *Books and Pamphlets*
- *Newspapers and Periodicals*
- *Government Documents*
- *Directories and Telephone Books*
- *Manuscripts*
- *Oral Histories*
- *Photographs and Postcards*
- *Maps*
- *Posters*
- *Audio-visual Productions*

*Other Items of historical interest may be referred to the Placentia Historical Committee by calling the City Administrator's Office, Placentia City Hall, [\(714\) 993-8117](tel:7149938117)[11].*

## **How to Donate Historical Resources**

*Persons with historical materials may donate them to the Placentia History Room by contacting Michelle Meades, History Room Librarian, at [\(714\) 528-1906, ext. 224](tel:7145281906) [12] or [mmeades@placentialibrary.org](mailto:mmeades@placentialibrary.org) [2].*

*You may donate by:*

- *An outright gift of the materials*
- *A loan for reproduction and return*

*Responsibility for accepting any offer of donations belongs to the History Room Librarian and, ultimately, to the Library Director. To donate materials please contact:*

*Michelle Meades, History Room Librarian  
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