Beecher Medlin Artifact Collection

1973-2004
Descriptive Summary
Title: Beecher Medlin Artifact Collection
Dates: 1973-2004
Collection Number: Consult library
Creator/Collector: Medlin, Beecher
Extent: 3 linear feet
Repository: Ontario City Library, Robert E. Ellingwood Model Colony History Room
Abstract: The Beecher Medlin Artifact Collection consists of 2 record boxes of 3-dimensional objects belonging to the late Ontario City Councilmember Beecher Medlin.
Language of Material: English
Access
Collection is available during the posted operating hours of the Robert E. Ellingwood Model Colony History Room or by appointment. Please contact the history room in advance for access.
Publication Rights
Collection is open for research.
Preferred Citation
Beecher Medlin Artifact Collection. Ontario City Library, Robert E. Ellingwood Model Colony History Room
Acquisition Information
The majority of the items were acquired by purchase at an estate sale on March 12, 2010 by a library staff member from Michael and Frances Medlin. Additional items were donated directly by Beecher Medlin’s son, Michael Medlin.
Biography/Administrative History
Beecher Medlin was born in Gainesboro, Tennessee in 1932. In 1960 he moved to Pomona with his wife and children and worked for General Dynamics for a year. He decided that he wanted to work more closely with the public so he accepted a job with Texaco and eventually obtained his own service station located at Fourth and Mountain in Ontario. He and his family moved to Ontario in 1964. Mr. Medlin decided to run for city council at the suggestion of friends and customers. Mr. Medlin was elected in 1976 and served on the Ontario City Council from 1976-1990. He ran for a county supervisor seat in 1990 but lost to incumbent Larry Walker; he retired from public office after this election. Mr. Medlin passed away August 13, 2006.
Scope and Content of Collection
Some of the items in this collection are 2-dimensional ephemera items which may be housed in 3-dimensional frames. The majority of the collection consists of certificates and plaques, given to Mr. Medlin in appreciation by various local organizations.
Indexing Terms
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