
Guide to the Edwin Ehrhardt Photograph Collection

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Edwin Ehrhardt Photograph Collection, 1951-1990

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Edwin Ehrhardt Photograph Collection

Date: 1951-1990

Collection Number: MS85

Location: Erickson Vault

Extent: 2 linear feet

Contributing Institution: San Joaquin County Historical Society and Museum

11793 North Micke Grove Road

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Language of Material: Records written in English

Abstract: The Edwin Ehrhardt Photograph Collection consists of photographic prints and negatives taken or collected by Edwin Ehrhardt (1915-1996), a Lodi, California, policeman, who off duty owned and operated Ehrhardt's Photo Shop with his wife, Winifred Wood Ehrhardt (1920-2009). The images feature men, women, children, families, and other groups posing at weddings, engagements, anniversaries, birthdays, and other occasions, as well as for passports, advertisements, and licenses. Also included is a wide range of family heirloom photographs evidently entrusted to Ehrhardt for copying. The collection affords visual insights into individuals and families from a cross-section of society; clothing fashions; and wedding practices in and around Lodi, California, during the last half of the twentieth century.

Access Information

Collection is open for research by appointment.

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Historical Sketch

A native of Kansas, Edwin Ehrhardt (1915-1996) moved to Lodi, California, as a youth. Graduating from Galt High School, he worked briefly at a local tire manufacturer then joined the Lodi Fire Department. In 1948, he became an officer in the Lodi Police Department and soon afterward won appointment as the Department's identification officer, a position he held until his retirement two decades later. Ehrhardt subsequently attributed his hiring to his longstanding interest in photography. Several years after joining the Lodi Police Department, he acquired the business (and possibly the stock) of Howard W. Rode, a local photographer, and opened Ehrhardt's Photo Shop with his wife. The Ehrhardts' business is known to have taken official photographs at more than fourteen hundred local weddings during its forty years in existence, many of which are included in this collection. Ehrhard also photographed a variety of other events, took passport photos, and, among other services, prepared copies of heirloom photographs for customers.

Scope and Content

The Edwin Ehrhardt Photograph Collection consists of two boxes of color and black-and-white prints and negatives featuring men, women, children, families, and other groups posing for weddings, anniversaries, reunions, confirmations, and other occasions. The subjects in each image are identified by name. The collection has been divided into four series: 1. Manuscripts, 2. Wedding Photographs, 3. Assorted Prints and Negatives, and (4.) Unsorted Prints and Negatives. Metadata for all images can be searched in the San Joaquin County Historical Museum's catalog.

Names and Subjects

Ehrhardt, Edwin (1915-1996)
Ehrhardt, Winifred Wood (1920-2009)
Lodi (Calif.)--History
Lodi (Calif.)--Social life and customs--Pictorial works
Photographs--1950-2010

Series 1 **Manuscripts 1964-1976**

Scope and Content Note

Correspondence and orders for photographic services.

Box 1, Folder 1
Box 1, Folder 2

Correspondence 1964-1976

Orders for Photographic Services 1968-1971

Series 2 **Wedding Photographs 1951-1990**

Scope and Content Note

Color prints of married couples at weddings. Arranged chronologically.

Box 1, Folder 3

Wedding Photographs 1951-1957

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00001-2009.012.00025

Box 1, Folder 4

Wedding Photographs 1960-1961

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00026-2009.012.00103

Box 1, Folder 5

Wedding Photographs 1962

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00104-2009.012.00149

Box 1, Folder 6

Wedding Photographs 1963

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00150-2009.012.00197

Box 1, Folder 7

Wedding Photographs 1964

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00198-2009.012.00267

Box 1, Folder 8

Wedding Photographs 1965

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00268-2009.012.00345

Box 1, Folder 9

Wedding Photographs 1966

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00346-2009.012.00411

Box 1, Folder 10

Wedding Photographs 1967

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00412-2009.012.00520

Box 1, Folder 11

Wedding Photographs 1968

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00521-2009.012.00613

Box 1, Folder 12

Wedding Photographs 1969

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00614-2009.012.00747

Box 1, Folder 13

Wedding Photographs 1970

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00728-2009.012.00824

Box 1, Folder 14

Wedding Photographs 1971

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00825-2009.012.00924

Box 1, Folder 15

Wedding Photographs 1972

Accession numbers: 2009.012.00925-2009.012.01033

Box 1, Folder 16

Wedding Photographs 1973

Accession numbers: 2009.012.01034-2009.012.01132

Box 1, Folder 17	Wedding Photographs 1974 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01135-2009.012.01203
Box 2, Folder 18	Wedding Photographs 1975 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01204-2009.012.01251
Box 2, Folder 19	Wedding Photographs 1976 Accession numbers: 2009.012.0252-2009.012.01293
Box 2, Folder 20	Wedding Photographs 1977 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01294-2009.012.01338
Box 2, Folder 21	Wedding Photographs 1978 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01339-2009.012.01368
Box 2, Folder 22	Wedding Photographs 1979 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01369-2009.012.01388
Box 2, Folder 23	Wedding Photographs 1980 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01389-2009.012.01408
Box 2, Folder 24	Wedding Photographs 1981 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01409-2009.012.01424
Box 2, Folder 25	Wedding Photographs 1982 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01425-2009.012.01435
Box 2, Folder 26	Wedding Photographs 1983 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01436-2009.012.01439
Box 2, Folder 27	Wedding Photographs 1984 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01440-2009.012.01446
Box 2, Folder 28	Wedding Photographs 1985-1990 Accession numbers: 2009.012.01447-2009.012.01455

Series 3 **Assorted Prints and Negatives 1965-1990**

Scope and Content Note

Color and black and white prints and negatives of weddings, engagements, and anniversaries; identifications for licenses; family portraits; and advertisements. Arranged by alphabetically by name of subject.

Box 2, Folder 29	Alexander-Bamesberger Accession numbers: 2009.012.01456-2009.012.01573
Box 2, Folder 30	Beale-Brunell Accession numbers: 2009.012.01574-2009.012.01718
Box 2, Folder 31	Brusa-Cornell Accession numbers: 2009.012.01719-2009.012.01833
Box 2, Folder 32	Caron-Fandrich, E. Accession numbers: 2009.012.01834-2009.012.02008
Box 2, Folder 33	Fandrich, M.-Gruebele Accession numbers: 2009.012.02009-2009.012.02224
Box 2, Folder 34	Gshweng-Hoff, J. Accession numbers: 2009.012.02225-2009.012.02404
Box 2, Folder 35	Hoff, P.-Kroeger Accession numbers: 2009.012.02405-2009.012.02578
Box 2, Folder 36	Kroll-Mayer, E. Accession numbers: 2009.012.02579-2009.012.02810
Box 2, Folder 37	Mayer, R.-Mills, A. Accession numbers: 2009.012.02811-2009.012.02906
Box 2, Folder 38	Mills, M.-Pike, N. Accession numbers: 2009.012.02907-2009.012.03120
Box 2, Folder 39	Pike, N.-Rickenbacker Accession numbers: 2009.012.03121-2009.012.03253

Box 2, Folder 40	Rieger-Schimpf Accession numbers: 2009.012.03255-2009.012.03401
Box 2, Folder 41	Schlabs-Standefer Accession numbers: 2009.012.03402-2009.012.03560
Box 2, Folder 42	Stapleton-Taves Accession numbers: 2009.012.03561-2009.012.03626
Box 2, Folder 43	Taylor-Vaughan Accession numbers: 2009.012.03627-2009.012.03720
Box 2, Folder 44	Vaughn-Wetter Accession numbers: 2009.012.03721-2009.012.03804
Box 2, Folder 45	Wetter-Wright Accession numbers: 2009.012.03805-2009.012.03892
Box 2, Folder 46	Woehl-Zieman Accession numbers: 2009.012.03893-2009.012.03935

Series 4 **Unsorted Prints and Negatives Undated**

Scope and Content Note

Color and black and white prints and negatives of various people and events. Arranged by accession number.

Box 2, Folder 47	Accession numbers: 2009.012.03936-2009.012.03967
Box 2, Folder 48	Accession numbers: 2009.012.03768-2009.012.03985
Box 2, Folder 49	Accession numbers: 2009.012.03986-2009.012.04070
Box 2, Folder 50	Accession numbers: 2009.012.04071-2009.012.04125
Box 2, Folder 51	Accession numbers: 2009.012.04126-2009.012.04166
Box 2, Folder 52	Accession numbers: 2009.012.04167-2009.012.04204