

HARC Grant Focus in Springs Museum, 2022-2023

1. Miller Machine Works images from the early twentieth century of G. D. Miller's patented engines and inventions photographed and catalogued.
2. Five photograph albums dating to ca. 1910 researched and documented.
3. Kathy Bender Lindeman Collection
 - a. The Lindeman collection consists of over 3,300 images and letters relating to prominent families in southwest and central Pennsylvania including the Smiths, Johnstons, Benders, and Divelys. Catalogued independently before donation, these images and letters reflect the small-town life through street scenes, family gatherings, and business, recreation, and suffrage celebrations among other important events in daily life.
4. Ansel B. Miller collection
 - a. The natural environment was documented by Ansel B. Miller. Miller, having grown up Amish, became an ardent birder with camera in tow, journaling new birds into the area and the disappearance of others. His work inspired the local world champion bird carver, Gary Yoder. The collection will be researched, scanned, and put in preservation care.
5. The Springs Folk Festival Collection includes photographs and posters that will be documented and scanned.
6. William H. Welfley scrapbooks, author of *History of Bedford and Somerset Counties*. The collection was scattered to different organizations. The Museum is working with the Meyersdale Public Library to document and bring the collection to light via PAMPower Library.
7. Individual donations of letters, local advertising and postcards have been "found" throughout the Museum. Beth Page is cataloguing, scanning, and researching these fabulous items, including the Bird Brothers business documents.