

# A Guide to the Lewis Leigh Collection2007-2008

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## Descriptive Summary

**Collection number**

M 019

**Language**

English

**Abstract**

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**Creator**

Lewis Leigh, Jr., Leesburg, VA.

**Repository**

Thomas Balch Library

## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

Collection open for research.

**Use Restrictions**

No physical characteristics affect use of this material.

**Acquisition Information**

Lewis Leigh, Jr., Leesburg, VA.

**Processing Information**

Stephanie Adams Hunter, 7 April 2011

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## Alternative Form Available

None

## Adjunct Descriptive Data

## Related Material

None

## Bibliography

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## Other Finding Aid

None

## Technical Requirements

None

## Biographical Information

Lewis Leigh, Jr. was born in Fairfax County, Virginia to W. Lewis (1908-1993) and Frances (1912-1989) Leigh Sr. He is now a resident of Leesburg, Virginia. He has been a philatelist for many years, focusing on postmarks from towns in Northern Virginia.

As a collector and hobbyist, Leigh has engaged in a number of activities. When Loudoun County, Virginia celebrated its 250th anniversary in 2007, he worked with county officials and the U.S. Postal Service to create a special postmark to commemorate the occasion. It was used from mid-April through June of 2007 at the Dulles Processing and Distribution Center. In 2008, he established Leighfield Local Post at his home. An individual may create his own stamp and cancellation to create a unique collectible called a hobbyist local post; genuine postage is required for the mail to be delivered by the U.S. Postal Service. Also in 2008 Leigh helped Harmony United Methodist Church commemorate its 150th anniversary with a cachet, a special design stamped on postcards. A total of 51 postcards were cacheted and mailed at the church's anniversary celebration.

## Scope and Content

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## Arrangement

Folder

## Contents List

**Folder 1: Postcard, Harmony United Methodist Church 175th anniversary cachet 19 October 2008**

**Folder 2: Postcard, "First Day" usage of Loudoun County's first "local post" 11 August 2008**

**Folder 3: Wooden medallion, Loudoun County 250th Anniversary 19 May 2007**

**Folder 4: Postcards, Loudoun County 250th Anniversary cancellation 19 May 2007**

**Folder 5: Stamped postcard, Loudoun County 250th Anniversary cancellation 19 May 2007**

**Folder 6: Loudoun County 250th Anniversary official cancellation stamp 2007**