Guide to the Skeets Calvin Collection 2000.04

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Name and location of Repository

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Collection Summary

Dates	1910-1999
Bulk Dates	1941-1999
Level of description	Collection
Extent	15.4 cubic feet
Creator(s)	Millard “Skeets” Darwin Calvin

Administrative/Biographical History

Millard "Skeets" Darwin Calvin (1916-1999), life-long Greeley area resident. Raised on family farm near Kuner. Began photography career in Greeley at Gardner Studio about 1940. Joined U.S. Army Air Force (76th Bomber Squadron 1st Air Corps) March 11, 1942. Photographer for the Army Air Force during World War II serving in both Europe and the Pacific. Honorable discharge 1946. Post-war career: photo journalist for Greeley Tribune 1946-1950; Greeley Rodeo photographer 1950-1975; campus photographer for Colorado State College (CSC) 1956; photo journalist Greeley Journal 1968-1975; freelance photographer 1976-1999; photography show 1992. Married Juanita Goodwin-Cain 1948 and adopted Larry Cain about 1949. Unknown date of divorce. Married Loretta Ann Droesler 1956. Received GED 1952. Member of Greeley VFW Post 2121 1946-1999 and commander 1954-1965, 1984/85, and 1990/91. Member of several various outdoor clubs. Relevant other employment: Bartender at Dutch's 1971 and Swamper at Roasty's 1980-1999.

Carol Rein Shwayder (1931-2010), long-time resident of Greeley, Colorado. Produced multi-volume publication titled "Weld County Old and New" on the history and people/families of Weld County.

JoAnna Luth Stull (1955-), Weld County resident since 1981 and friend and fellow genealogist of Carol Rein Shwayder. She worked at Kersey as the Interim Town and Court Clerk in 1999. JoAnna worked as interpretive staff at the City of Greeley Museums from 1994-1996 and came on as regular staff in August of 1999. She became Registrar for the Museums in 2005.

Scope and Content

Photographs, negatives, slides and documents related to the photography career and personal photography pursuits of Skeets Calvin. Major topics include images taken during World War II while Calvin was oversees in Europe and the Pacific; buildings and events in Weld County or that affected Weld County, such as water projects in Larimer County; personal vacation trips; and portrait photography in various settings, weddings, businesses, homes, etc.

System of Arrangement	Folders were divided into broad topics of “Events,” “Places,” and “People.” Material types are kept together under these topics. Items alphabetized according to subtitle and then to the topical title of the folder. People’s names are alphabetized by last name when present. When known, creator’s titles for folders were utilized. 3-D objects have been removed and stored with other 3-D materials.
Conditions governing access	There are no restrictions on the access of this collection.
Conditions governing reproduction and use	Must credit Skeets Calvin Collection
Languages and scripts of the materials	English
Custodial History	Mary Lou Solomon, who cared for Skeets in his later years, was the estate executor and cared for the materials upon his death. She provided access to the collection to local historian, Carol Rein Shwayder, for her research.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Mary Lou Solomon on April 14, 2000 through a donation.

Related Archival Materials

City of Greeley Museums accession # 2012.94
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Materials held at the University of Northern Colorado Archives

Notes

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Names

Andersons
Behrmann, Bernie
Behrmann, Eleanor
Bohlander
Calvin, Anna Eliza Van Horn
Calvin, Betty
Calvin, Everett Monroe
Calvin, Juanita Goodwin
Calvin, Larry Allan Cain
Calvin, Lewis Monroe
Calvin, Loretta Ann Droesler
Calvin, Millard Darwin "Skeets", 1916-1999
Calvin, William Van
Cambell, Glen
Chamberlain, Gary D.
Conklin, Carol Lorene Hafkey
Cypers, Vince
Cypher
Daniels
Davis, Curt
Dunn, Phyllis Lenore Plumb
Enders, Dick
Erickson
Fraizers
Freeman, Barbara Jean DeHart
Fulkner
George
Goodman
Goodwin
Griffen, Chet
Gunder, Jackie Marie Kercher
Hancocks
Hansen
Hansen, Norman
Hartmans, Bill

Hause, J. Gilbert
Hayes, Dick
Hendman
Hobbs, Terry M.
Hotches
Johnson, Mae
Jones
Kingery, Margaret Elaine Zimmerman
Korman
Lakin, Frank Pierce
Langshaw, Melvin Scott
Leach, Dorothy Calvin
Lord
Lyons, Ruth
Mackey
Martin
Meeker
Meyer, Douglas
Moody
Munoz, Albert
Munoz, Helen
Munoz, Pat
Murrey, Ben Jr.
Nardin
Neents, Evelyn
Nigg, Herbert
Norcross
O'delle
O'Keefe
Oliver, Floyd
Porter
Price, Jana Dee Ragan
Rauchenstein, Patricia Elaine Ross
Reiff
Reiff, Guy Gene
Sanderson
Schneider
Stephens
Stone
Swisher, Clark
Tatman, Barbara
Trelton
Trembath, Cynthia Ann Sutherland
Tuyner, Hank
Vance
Vigel, Flora

Walker
Warren
Wood, Bill
Yeager, Chris
Zabka, Dorothy Martin

Places

Alva B. Adams Tunnel (Colo.)
Bald Mountain Pressure Tunnel (Colo.)
Berger & Company (LaSalle, Colo.)
Brush (Colo.)
Cache la Poudre River (Colo.)
Carter Lake Reservoir (Colo.)
Cheyenne (Wyo.)
Colorado State College (Greeley, Colo.)
Colorado State College of Education
Columbine Bowl (Greeley, Colo.)
Cranford Hall (Greeley, Colo.)
D & D Bean Company (Greeley, Colo.)
England
Estes Park (Colo.)
Europe
Evangelical Free Church (Greeley, Colo.)
F.W. Woolworth Company (Greeley, Colo.)
Farr Farms Company
Farr Feeders Inc. (Greeley, Colo.)
Flatiron Powerplant (Colo.)
Fort Collins (Colo.)
France
Galeton (Colo.)
Germany
Glenmere Park (Greeley, Colo.)
Great Western Sugar Company
Greeley (Colo.)
Greeley (Colo.). Police Department
Greeley Chamber of Commerce (Greeley, Colo.)
Greeley Community Building (Greeley, Colo.)
Greeley Daily Tribune (Colo.)
Greeley Gas Company
Greeley High School (Greeley, Colo.)
Greeley Mall (Greeley, Colo.)
Greeley Post Office (Greeley, Colo.)
Greeley Union Pacific Railroad Depot (Greeley, Colo.)
Grover (Colo.)
Home Lite & Power Co. (Greeley, Colo.)
Horsetooth Reservoir (Colo.)
Jackson Field (Greeley, Colo.)

Japan
Kersey (Colo.)
Kersey High School (Kersey, Colo.)
Kuner (Colo.)
La Salle (Colo.)
Lincoln Park (Greeley, Colo.)
Lucerne (Colo.)
Meeker Junior High School (Greeley, Colo.)
Murphy Lumber Co.
Olympus Tunnel (Colo.)
Orchard (Colo.)
Pawnee Buttes (Colo.)
Peters Pop Corn & Confections (Greeley, Colo.)
Ramada Inn (Greeley, Colo.)
Roasty's Steakhouse (Greeley, Colo.)
Rocky Mountain National Park (Colo.)
Seeley Lake (Colo.)
Sunrise Community Health Center (Greeley, Colo.)
Union Colony Civic Center
University of Northern Colorado
Warnoco Roller Rink
Weld County (Colo.)
Weld County Courthouse (Greeley, Colo.)
Weld County General Hospital (Greeley, Colo.)
Weld County Veterans Memorial (Greeley, Colo.)

Subjects

Buildings
Nature
Oil wells
Portrait photographs
Railroads
Rodeos
Vacations
Veterans' organizations
Water supply
Weather
World War, 1939-1945.

Document Forms

Documents
Negatives
Objects
Photographs
Photograph albums
Postcards
Slides
Yearbooks

Occupations Photographer

Contents

Series I: Events
Archival materials that are primarily significant for the occurrence or time period they came from such as images taken during World War II, parades, weddings, etc.

Subseries A: Colorado
Events known to take place in Colorado, but outside of Greeley

Subseries B: Greeley
Events known to take place in Greeley, Colorado

Subseries C: Greeley Water Supply
Images of project events that affect/provide Greeley's water supply

Subseries D: Holidays
Related to holiday celebrations

Subseries E: Life
Related to life events, such as birthdays and deaths

Subseries F: Nature
Related to major events caused by weather

Subseries G: Trips
Primarily composed of images, which Skeets took while on trips in Colorado and further afield

Subseries H: Unknown
From creator's original titles on the folders, images are known to be events, but location(s) are unknown

Subseries I: Weddings
Commissioned images taken by Skeets of weddings

Subseries J: WWII
Materials related to Skeets's service in World War II, including images that he took.

Series II: People
Archival materials that are primarily significant for the person or people being documented, which includes mainly portrait photography in various settings.

Subseries A: Family
Images related to family groups, excluding portrait photography

Subseries B: Groups
Images of groups of people, excluding families

Subseries C: Portrait
Portrait photography images taken by Skeets, primarily commissioned work

Series III: Places
Archival materials that are primarily significant for the location they document, which includes elements of nature, businesses, and towns.

Subseries A: Colorado
Images taken of locations in the state of Colorado, but outside of Greeley, Colorado.

Subseries B: Greeley
Images taken of location in Greeley, Colorado other than those focused on business locations

Subseries C: Greeley Businesses
Principal subject matter is of the locations of businesses that were located in Greeley, Colorado at the time the image was taken

Subseries D: Nature
Principal subject matter is related to various elements of the natural world

Subseries E: Outside Colorado
Locations are outside the state of Colorado

Subseries F: Transportation
Principal subject matter is related to modes of transportation

Subseries G: Unknown
Places with unknown locations

Container List

Series I: Events

Subseries A: Colorado

Box	Folder
8	1-9
13	134-201
14	1-19

Subseries B: Greeley

Box	Folder
8	10-34
9	1-39
14	20-176
15	1-17

Subseries C: Greeley Water Supply

Box	Folder
15	18-41

Subseries D: Holidays

Box	Folder
9	40-42
10	1-8
15	42-62

Subseries E: Life

Box	Folder
10	9-15
15	63-65

Subseries F: Nature

Box	Folder
10	16-18

Subseries G: Trips

Box	Folder
10	19-28
15	66-155

Subseries H: Unknown

Box	Folder
10	29-34
15	156-167

Subseries I: Weddings

Box	Folder
10	35-36
15	168-187
16	1-139

Subseries J: WWII

Box	Folder
11	1-38
19	5-7

Series II: People

Subseries A: Family

Box	**Folder**
1	1-54
2	1-11
16	140-141

Subseries B: Groups

Box	**Folder**
2	12-20
16	142-163
19	8

Subseries C: Portrait

Box	**Folder**
2	21-23
16	164-182
17	1-135

Series III: Places

Subseries A: Colorado

Box	**Folder**
3	1-24
12	1-103
18	1-6

Subseries B: Greeley

Box	**Folder**
3	25-30
4	1-35
12	104-162
18	7

Subseries C: Greeley Businesses

Box	**Folder**
4	36-50
12	163-201
13	1-10

Subseries D: Nature

Box	Folder
5	1-42
6	1-21
13	11-88
18	8-15
19	1

Subseries E: Outside Colorado

Box	Folder
6	22-33
13	89-102

Subseries F: Transportation

Box	Folder
7	1-8
19	2

Subseries G: Unknown

Box	Folder
7	9-30
13	103-133
19	3-4