What do we have? See below. If it is not easily found, we might have an item in storage. Ask Library staff for assistance.

Alumni Records 1884 – Present

Atlases, Plat Books and Road Indexes – 1873 – present

Barry County Historical Society Records

Cemetery Records

Collection of works of Barry County Photographers

Directories: Polk, Bresser and miscellaneous phone directories

Family histories

HHS Fortnights and Yearbooks

Historical articles that ran in various Barry County newspapers:

- Out of the Attic,
- Backward Glances
- Turn Back the Pages,
- From Time to Time,
- · Memories of the Past,
- Years Gone By

Local Newspapers on microfilm, digitized, and hard copies:

- Banner (Hastings: 1856-present);
- Hastings Herald Journal (1896, 1904-1905, 1913);
- Lakewood News (Lake Odessa & Woodland: 1997 present);
- Maple Valley News (Nashville: 1976-1980, 1985 present);
- Sun & News (Middleville: 1981 present);
- Reminder (Barry County: 1981 present)

Old Postcards and photographs

Records for:

- Barry County Historical Society
- Friends of the Library
- HPL in the News
- County Board of Supervisors
- Hastings Fire Department
- City of Hastings
- Miscellaneous

Rural Schools Notebooks for 16 Townships, City of Hastings and Barry County Normal **Scrapbooks**:

- Bull
- Merrick
- Ken Black
- Joyce Weinbrecht
- Upjohns
- miscellaneous

Veteran records: Civil War, Spanish American War, World War I, World War II, Korea and some Vietnam **Vital Records**: Birth, death, and marriage records [these were not mandated until 1860 in Michigan]

We have a few books and some articles on various places in Michigan, but our collection focuses on Barry County history, the major villages in Barry County (Delton, Freeport, Middleville, Nashville, Woodland), and Hastings.

