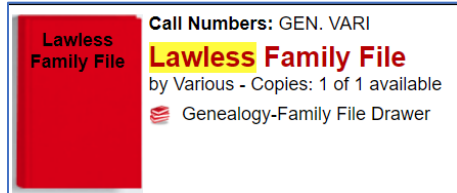


## Contribute your family history into collection of the Adair County Genealogy and History Center

The collections of the *Adair County Genealogy and History Center*, document the history of Adair County, its founders, history, and, more importantly, the families, and individuals, who made Adair County into what it is today. Our collections include hundreds of family folders, organized alphabetically by family name in our file cabinets. Most are families who have been here for several generations. We are looking for information from **newer families** who have come to live and work in Adair County in the last 25 years.



*Typical family record in the library catalog*

When we get “**newer family**” material, they will be placed into a manila folder, labeled, bar-coded, cataloged into our online catalog, then placed into the Family File cabinets. They will show up in the online catalog of the Adair County Public Library page labeled *Card Catalog/Opac* at the top of home page at <https://www.adaircountypubliclibrary.com/>

We are regularly visited by, or get queries from persons from all over the country, wanting to research their roots and their family history in Adair County. By adding your family story, you can help answer future questions and document your life in this area.

**Newer families:** we know that there are many persons and families, living in this community, who moved here in recent years; often for employment, and others by marriage, to live in Adair County. Their family stories are an important parts of area history as we look into the future.

If you or your family falls into the “**newer families**” category, we invite you to help us build a folder for your family. Below are some guidelines:

1. Your name, your spouse’s name, if married,
2. when you came here,
3. where you came from,
4. why you came here, for example, a job, to attended college, to teach: you may have married someone from here, or you may have returned to Adair County to retire after being gone for many years.

Tell us your family story in a narrative form. Include full names of you and your family, dates of birth (precise or more general, as you are comfortable, something about your family of origin and your parents. Build a narrative of how, when, where, and why you came here. If some of your family once had roots in Adair County, include that. If you have photographs, add those too, or we scan them into a document to go with your records. We have a public computer and a scanner that does photos, documents, slides, and negatives.

Questions, call us at 270-380-1024. Once you have created a document, drop it by or email it to us at [adairgenealogy@gmail.com](mailto:adairgenealogy@gmail.com). One future day, someone will come to our center, looking for something about you and your family; your contribution will help them find those answers. Thanks so much.!

The Staff of the Adair County History and Genealogy Center / March 10, 2024