

Jeffrey M. LaLande regional politics and culture collection, 1982-2011

Overview of the Collection

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Title	Jeffrey M. LaLande regional politics and culture collection
Dates	1982-2011 (inclusive) 1990 2004
Quantity	2.5 linear feet, (5 boxes)
Collection Number	MSS.006
Summary	Jeffrey LaLande gathered or was given the items in this collection largely over the course of the past fifteen years. He collected the items because of his personal and academic interest in the subjects, especially far right, political and religious extremist movements, as well as other miscellaneous aspects of southwestern Oregon's very recent/current political and cultural history.
Repository	Southern Oregon University, Hannon Library Hannon Library, Special Collections 1250 Siskiyou Blvd Ashland, OR 97520 Telephone: 541-552-6841 libspec@sou.edu
Access Restrictions	The collection is open for research.
Languages	English

Historical Note

A 1969 graduate of Georgetown University, Jeffrey M. LaLande earned a master's degree in archaeology from Oregon State University and a Ph.D. in history from University of Oregon. He has authored numerous articles and several books. Jeff Lalande is knowledgeable about a wide range of Northwest history topics.

Jeff LaLande has been a longtime Hannon Library supporter and member of the Friends of Hannon Library board. He contributed content to Hannon Library's Southern Oregon Digital Archives. He has spoken in well-attended library lectures and is in demand as a speaker at conferences and other events throughout the region.

Content Description

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in the subjects, especially far right, political and religious extremist movements, as well as other miscellaneous aspects of southwestern Oregon's very recent/current political and cultural history.

The collection covers LaLande's work through the 1990s to 2004 and contains books, articles, reports, and other items published by LaLande, as well as his correspondence and research materials.

Use of the Collection

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

Jeffrey M. LaLande arranged the collection's materials. The arrangement divides individual items in the collection into nine topical sub-groups, labeled and summarized here as boxes 1-9.

Box one of this special collection contains materials of early 20th-century environmental movements in Oregon. According to Jeff most of the items in this sub-group fit into a grey area somewhere between government documents and local history. The items are primarily focused on Crater Lake.

Box two of this special collection contains materials on the Sagebrush Rebellion and War on the West from the 1990s as well as materials on Wise Use and County Home Rule movements. The box contains newspaper clippings and articles, as well as internal but non-confidential service correspondence and e-mails that relate to controversies over the use and control of federal (especially national forest system) lands. This material includes some items concerning threatened or actual violent/extra-legal actions taken against individual federal employees.

Box three contains clippings, posters, broadsides, and other publications dealing with the regional timber wars, the spotted owl controversy, and other local environmental issues. They range widely from an item or two from anonymous environmentalist groups threatening some form of direct action to mass rally protests organized by conservative rural residents in favor of continuing economic commodity uses of public land and public water.

Box four contains clippings, posters, announcements, pamphlets, and other items generated by various extreme anti-government groups. The groups' members may be local, regional and occasionally national. (The American Bulletin newsletters were written and published locally but distributed to a national readership, by the former American Bulletin associated bookstore on highway 99 in N. Medford.) Jeff obtained most of these items either from the American Bulletin bookstore or from a 1996 convention in Medford sponsored by the bookstore. The box includes a few U.S. forest service internal items that came out following the Oklahoma City bombing, as well as a running account (clippings)

about a Christian patriot squatter on BLM land in central Oregon. It also includes two national reports on militia-type groups by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Box five contains a sample of pamphlets and books written by Richard Landwehr (of Brookings, OR) and others. Landwehr writes and publishes a periodical called Siegrunen and apparently (based on telephone conversations from Jeff) has not only an avid interest in and a strong political fondness for 1930s-1940s Nazi and other fascist military actions; his catalog features Holocaust Denial, and the SS Were Patriots type publications.

Box six of this special collection contains information about Roy Masters and the New Age conservative guru in the Grants Pass area, 1990-2000s. Masters, a hypnotist that had a nationally syndicated emotional healing talk radio program, became a controversial political and economic presence in Southern Oregon. Some opponents called his loyal followers 'Roybots', considering them to have been programmed by Masters. Jeff received most of the clippings from Mrs. Judy Boling, a Grants Pass resident and former student of Jeff's.

Box seven contains a small sample of local, regional and some national ultra-conservative, fundamentalist, millennialist Christian tracts, posters, announcements, newspapers, etc. Several issues of the local Good News (distributes free through racks at gas stations and convenient stores) are included.

Box eight's consists entirely of newspaper clippings and articles from the 1990s that deal with scattered local episodes of prejudice, intolerance, violence arising from individual's ethnicity, religion, or sexual orientation. (This file is almost totally redundant with available back issues of local newspapers but could be of some assistance to researchers of this topic.)

Box nine consists of miscellaneous political and cultural items. Many of the items are newspaper articles and clippings or full newspapers. It also contains many flyers, pamphlets, brochures, newsletters, and publications. Its topics are widely diverse ranging from initiative and referendum campaigns and local candidates to other materials that illustrate miscellaneous aspects of Southern Oregon's current culture and society.

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Frontier and pioneer life

Personal Names :

Ogden, Peter Skene

Other Creators :

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