

G. Edward "Gus" Budde Papers

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1970-1981

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Gus Budde

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1.5 linear feet

Biographical Note:

G. Edward "Gus" Budde was known to most long-time Lewis and Clark enthusiasts. He was a Lewis and Clark aficionado who published a quarterly Lewis and Clark newsletter entitled, "The Lewis and Clark Trail Newsletter." He began his publication in the early 1970s. Over the years he learned a great deal about Lewis and Clark and uncovered Lewis and Clark related material.

Budde served on the Missouri Lewis and Clark Committee starting in 1965 and served as its public relations advisor. Missouri State Committee members William Clark Adreon (a descendant of William Clark), Gus Budde, and Edwynne P. Murphy officially incorporated the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation in the state of Missouri on February 11, 1969. He served as the first secretary of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation (LCTHF) in 1970. He held the position again from 1972-1973. He was employed by the National Park Service in Washington, DC and at the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial in St. Louis.

He left LCTHF in 1974 when differences arose between him and many of his friends in the Foundation. He continued to publish his newsletter. Many LCTHF members continued to correspond with him and experience his extensive knowledge about the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the history of the American west.

Scope and Contents:

The Budde papers consist of materials accumulated during Gus Budde's term as publisher of the Lewis and Clark Trail Newsletter. The materials include correspondence, renewals of the newsletter, newspaper articles, photographs, and postcards.

Arrangement:

This collection is divided into four series. Series one is arranged chronologically and relates to the Lewis and Clark Trail Committee and Lewis and Clark Journal Newsletter. Series two is Renewals of the newsletter arranged alphabetically by state. Series three is photographs taken at annual conventions and tours. It is arranged chronologically. Series four is information relating to Lewis and Clark Campsites including a description and location of camps from 1804 to 1806 and a booklet.

Subject Terms:

Lewis and Clark Trail Committee
Lewis and Clark Trail Newsletter
Lewis and Clark Journal Newsletter
Lewis and Clark Expedition Campsites
Missouri Lewis and Clark Committee

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Acquisition Source:

Irene Seener, niece to Gus Budde and member of the Greater Metro St. Louis Chapter of the LCTHF, shipped his papers to the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation archives in Great Falls, Montana.

Related Materials:

Lewis and Clark Trail Commission records, 1962-1970. Montana State Historical Society Archives. Files kept by G. "Gus" Edward Budde.

Separated Materials:

Maps are housed in the map case drawer 7.

Bibliography

Lange, Robert E. "News Note." *We Proceeded On* 11, no. 2 (May 1985): 5.

Snyder, Gerald S. *In the Footsteps of Lewis and Clark*. National Geographic Society, 1970.

Lewis and Clark Trail Commission Records. William P. Sherman Library and Archives. RG003 LCTHF Records, Series 5 Trail Activities, Box 1 and 2.

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Box Listing:

Box 1:

- Series 1: Lewis and Clark Trail Committee (1970-1981)
 - Folder 1: Gus Budde Awards and Misc. Articles
 - Folder 2: Lewis and Clark Trail Newsletter Stationary
 - Folder 3: Lewis and Clark Journal Newsletter (1970-1973)
 - Folder 4: Lewis and Clark Trail Newsletter
 - Folder 5: Lewis and Clark Trail Committee of Missouri
 - Folder 6: Lewis and Clark Trail Committee of Missouri
 - Folder 7: Lewis and Clark Trail Committee of Missouri
 - Folder 8: Lewis and Clark Trail Tour
 - Folder 9: Bicentennial Wagon Trail Pilgrimage to Pennsylvania

Box 2:

- Folder 1: Lewis and Clark Expedition 1970
- Series 2: Renewals
 - Folder 2: Idaho
 - Folder 3: Illinois
 - Folder 4: Iowa
 - Folder 5: Kansas
 - Folder 6: Missouri
 - Folder 7: Montana
 - Folder 8: Nebraska

Box 3:

- Folder 1: North Dakota
- Folder 2: Oregon
- Folder 3: Pennsylvania
- Folder 4: South Dakota
- Folder 5: Washington
- Folder 6: Other States
- Folder 7: Saint Louis (City)
- Folder 8: Correspondence and Communications
- Series 3: Annual Meeting Photographs
 - Folder 9: Photographs
- Series 4: Lewis and Clark Campsites
 - Folder 10: Maps removed to Drawer 7 of map case
 - Folder 11: Lewis and Clark Campsites Booklet
 - Folder 12: Historical Signboards

Box 4:

- Series 5: The Lewis and Clark Journal
 - Folder 1: Lewis and Clark Journals
 - Folder 2: L&C Trail Newsletter, 1973-1982
 - Folder 3: L&C Journal 1970-1973

Series 6: Correspondence

Folder 4: Correspondence, 1971

Folder 5: Correspondence, 1972

Folder 6: Correspondence, 1973

Folder 7: Correspondence, 1975

Folder 8: Correspondence, 1976

Folder 9: Correspondence, 1977

Folder 10: Correspondence, 1979

Folder 11: Correspondence, 1980

Folder 12: Correspondence, 1981-1982