

MS-665: Bill Garlow Photographic Negatives Collection

Collection Number: MS-665

Title: Bill Garlow Photographic Negatives Collection

Dates: 1967-1995

Creator: Garlow, William David (Bill)

Summary/Abstract:

Bill Garlow was an award-winning staff photographer for the *Dayton Journal-Herald* and later *Dayton Daily News* for over 40 years, from the mid-1960s to mid-2000s. The collection consists of thousands of film negatives (mostly 35mm), spanning a wide variety of topics, people, places, and events. The materials are arranged chronologically.

Quantity/Physical Description: 18 linear feet

Language(s): English

Repository:

Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, Wright State University, Dayton, OH 45435-0001, (937) 775-2092, library-archives@wright.edu

Restrictions on Access: There are no restrictions on accessing material in this collection.

Restrictions on Use:

As a photographer for the *Dayton Journal-Herald* and later *Dayton Daily News*, Garlow retained the rights to his photographs. At the time of donating his collection of negatives to Wright State University, *Garlow dedicated the intellectual property rights to the public, with attribution.*

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Acquisition:

The collection was donated to Wright State University Libraries' Special Collections and Archives by Bill Garlow in September 2019.

Existence and Location of Copies:

Many of Garlow's photographs can also be found in MS-458: Dayton Daily News Archive.

Other Finding Aid:

The finding aid is available on the Special Collections & Archives, Wright State University Libraries web site at <https://www.libraries.wright.edu/special/collectionguides/files/ms665.pdf>. It is also available in the OhioLINK Finding Aid Repository at <http://ead.ohiolink.edu/xtf-ead/>.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:

A lightbox, digital scanner, and/or magnifying glass will be helpful when reviewing the collection, as it is composed almost entirely of 35mm film negatives.

Related Material:

MS-458: Dayton Daily News Archive

The Ohio News Photographers Association Collection (SPEC.CGA.ONPA) at Ohio State University Libraries also includes several original photographic prints of Garlow's award-winning work: <https://library.osu.edu/finding-aids/rarebooks/ONPA.pdf>

Processing Information:

In order to expedite access to researchers, this collection has been minimally rehoused and described. Approximately 2 linear feet of loose negatives and paper items remain unprocessed (May 2021). At this time the collection, the collection can only be searched chronologically (i.e., one must know the date of the event), though a topical index (in electronic form) is anticipated in the future.

Processed by:

Finding aid written according to DACS standards by Lisa Rickey, May 2021, following physical processing by Delaney Dawson, student assistant.

Arrangement:

The collection is arranged in two series:

- Series I: Negatives, 1967-1995
 - Subseries I-A: Sleeved Cans, 1967-1980
 - Subseries I-B: Envelopes, 1970-1995
- Series II: Documents (unprocessed)

Biographical/Historical Note:

William David Garlow was born about 1945 in Morgantown, West Virginia, but moved to the Dayton area at the age of 3. He attended Vandalia Butler Schools, Kent State University, Sinclair College, and Wright State University.

Garlow joined the Dayton *Journal Herald* as a staff photographer in 1964. Prior to that time, he worked for the Kent State University Public Information Service while attending Kent State University. After the *Journal Herald* / *Daily News* merger in the mid-1980s, Garlow continued working for the Dayton *Daily News*. He retired about 2006 after more than 40 years as a news photographer in Dayton.

Garlow has won top awards for his photographs from such organizations as the National Press Photographers, Ohio News Photographers Association, Associated Press, and Freedom Foundation. He has served as president of the Miami Valley Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, as well as the Dayton Daily News Employees Association.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists of thousands of film negatives documenting a wide variety of topics, people, places, and events in the history of the Miami Valley and (to a lesser extent) throughout the region and state. Most of the negatives are 35mm black and white, though some later ones are in color; a few 120mm negatives are also present in the collection. Garlow captured the images for the Dayton *Journal-Herald* and Dayton *Daily News*, but in addition to the photographs featured in the newspapers, the collection also includes shots that were not published. The materials are arranged chronologically.

Series I, Negatives, consists of film negatives dating from 1967-1995. This series is divided into two subseries, based upon their physical housing:

Subseries I-A, Sleeved Cans, consists of film negatives received still coiled up in their original metal film cans. The negatives were carefully unwound, split into strips, and stored in archival quality polyethylene sleeve pages, then placed within three-ring binder boxes. Most of the cans were identified by month and year, and so each “file” in this subseries corresponds to a month and year only. This series currently has very little description available in any form for the individual images. However, the processor indicated that common themes observed during rehousing were speeches/meetings, basketball, football, hockey, accidents and fires, and headshots. Occasionally, additional information/description was also written on the can, and these notes have been included in the description field (e.g., “includes Contest 70”) if present. Most appear to refer to contests, probably images submitted to press photography contests, in which Garlow had much success. One can also referred to “Pres. Ford, Kennedy, and Mondale,” which upon closer inspection included images of Gerald Ford, Ted Kennedy, Walter Mondale, as well as Jimmy Carter and Ronald Reagan. An item of interest noticed in this subseries would be the Kent State University protests (May 1970), though there are no doubt countless others. The negatives in Subseries I-A date from 1967 to 1980, though the bulk date between 1967 and 1972.

Subseries I-B, Envelopes, consists of film negatives received in individually labeled No. 10 envelopes or original Dayton *Daily News* photo envelopes (also No. 10 size). The negatives remain in these original envelopes, which are usually dated (typically on the flap) with the specific date on which the photographs were taken, which might differ, sometimes significantly, from the date that the photo(s) ran in the newspaper. Some envelopes include both a date and a description of the contents. Though these descriptions have not yet been indexed in the finding aid, they aid greatly in the browsability of this subseries. Items of interest that were noticed by include Blizzard of 1978 (January) and the Lucasville prison riot (April 1993), though again, there are no doubt thousands of notable events documented here. Most if not all of the negatives are 35mm, both black and white and later in color. The negatives in Subseries I-B date from January 1970 to February 1995, with the bulk dating from 1973 to 1994.

Series II, Documents, contains a small amount of paper documents mainly relating to Garlow's work as a newspaper photographer at the Dayton *Journal-Herald* and Dayton *Daily News*. For instance, this series includes a few original staff photographer assignment sheets. This series is unprocessed.

Subject Terms

Persons/Families

Garlow, William David (Bill)

Organizations/Corporate Names

Dayton daily news

Dayton journal herald

Places

Dayton (Ohio) -- History

Dayton (Ohio) -- Pictorial works

Montgomery County (Ohio) -- History

Subjects (General)

Journalism, Pictorial

Material Types

Film negatives

Negatives

Occupations

Photojournalists -- United States -- Ohio

Collection Inventory

Box	File	Description	Date
		Series I: Negatives	1967-1995
		Sub-series I-A: Sleeved Cans	1967-1980 (bulk 1967-1972)
1	1	Negatives	1967
1	2	Negatives	1967 Dec
2	2	Negatives	1968 Jan
2	2	Negatives	1968 Feb-Mar
2	3	Negatives	1968 Mar
3	1	Negatives	1968 Mar-Apr
3	2	Negatives	1968 Apr
4	1	Negatives	1968 May 1-20
4	2	Negatives	1968 July
5	1	Negatives	1968 Aug 1-20
5	2	Negatives	1968 Aug 20-30
5	3	Negatives	1968 Oct
6	1	Negatives	1968 Nov
6	2	Negatives	1968 Dec
6	3	Negatives	1968
7	1	Negatives	1969 Jan
7	2	Negatives	1969 Feb
7	3	Negatives	1969 Mar
8	1	Negatives (including 120mm)	1969 Apr
8	2	Negatives	1969 May
9	1	Negatives	1969 June
9	2	Negatives	1969 July
9	3	Negatives	1969 Aug
10	1	Negatives	1969 Oct
10	2	Negatives	1969 Nov
10	3	Negatives	1969 Dec
10	4	Negatives	1969
10	5	Negatives	1970 Jan
11	1	Negatives	1970 Jan-Feb 3
11	2	Negatives	1970 Mar
11	3	Negatives	1970 Apr 1-20
12	1	Negatives	1970 Apr 20-30
12	2	Negatives (includes Kent State)	1970 May
12	3	Negatives	1970 June
13	1	Negatives	1970 July
13	2	Negatives	1970 Aug

Box	File	Description	Date
13	3	Negatives	1970 Sept
14	1	Negatives	1970 Oct
14	2	Negatives	1970 Nov
14	3	Negatives	1970 Dec
14	4	Negatives (includes "Rich's Wedding, Contest 70")	1970
15	1	Negatives (includes "Contest 70")	1970
15	2	Negatives	1971 Feb
15	3	Negatives	1971 Mar
16	1	Negatives	1971 Apr
16	2	Negatives	1971 May
16	3	Negatives	1971 June
16	4	Negatives	1971 July
17	1	Negatives	1971 Aug
17	2	Negatives	1971 Sept
17	3	Negatives	1971 Oct-Nov 3
17	4	Negatives	1971 Nov
18	1	Negatives	1971 Dec-1972 Jan?
18	2	Negatives (includes "KSU 71")	1971
18	3	Negatives (includes "Contest 71")	1971
18	4	Negatives	1972 Jan
19	1	Negatives	1972 Feb
19	2	Negatives	1972 Mar
19	3	Negatives	1972 Apr
19	4	Negatives	1972 May
20	1	Negatives	1972 May-June
20	2	Negatives (includes "Contest 72")	1972
20	3	Negatives	1980 May-June
20	4	Negatives	1980 Oct-Nov
20	5	Negatives	Feb
21	1	Negatives	May
21	2	Negatives	June
21	3	Negatives	Sept
22	1	Negatives	Sept-Oct 5
22	2	Negatives (includes Gerald Ford, Ted Kennedy, Walter Mondale, Jimmy Carter, Ronald Reagan, and others)	Undated
22	3	Negatives (includes "cops")	Undated
22	4	Negatives	Undated
22	5	Negatives	Undated
22	6	Negatives	Undated

Box	File	Description	Date
22	7	Negatives	Undated
23	1	Negatives	Undated
23	2	Negatives	Undated
23	3	Negatives	Undated
23	4	Negatives	Undated
23	5	Negatives	Undated
23	6	Negatives	Undated
		Sub-series I-B: Envelopes	1970-1995 (bulk 1973-1995)
24		Negatives	1970 Jan 01-1973 Dec 31
25		Negatives	1973 Jan 03-1974 Mar 31
26		Negatives	1974 Apr 01-1975 Nov 21
27		Negatives	1975 Dec 01-1977 May 31
28		Negatives (includes Blizzard of 1978)	1977 Jun 01-1978 Jun 30
29		Negatives	1978 Jul 03-1979 Aug 31
30		Negatives	1979 Sep 03-1980 Aug 29
31		Negatives	1980 Sep 02-1981 Apr 30
32		Negatives	1981 May 01-1982 Jan 31
33		Negatives	1982 Feb 01-1982 Sep 30
34		Negatives	1982 Oct 01-1983 Apr 29
35		Negatives	1983 May 03-1984 Feb 29
36		Negatives	1984 Mar 01-1985 May 04
37		Negatives	1985 May 09-1986 Aug 29
38		Negatives	1986 Sep 04-1988 Jan 31
39		Negatives	1988 Feb 02-1988 Nov 30
40		Negatives	1988 Dec 01-1989 Jul 31
41		Negatives	1989 Aug 03-1990 Apr 30
42		Negatives	1990 May 02-1991 Mar 26
43		Negatives	1991 Apr 02-1991 Nov 30
44		Negatives	1991 Dec 01-1992 Jul 26
45		Negatives	1992 Aug 01-1993 Feb 26
46		Negatives (includes Lucasville prison riot)	1993 Mar 01-1993 Aug 27
47		Negatives	1993 Sep 07-1995 Feb 14
48		Negatives	undated