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Finding Aid to the Nancy Pearson's Lawrence Welk Photograph Collection

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OVERVIEW

Access: The collection is open under the rules and regulations of the Institute.

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BIOGRAPHY

Nancy Pearson, a resident of Minot, N.D., collection these Lawrence Welk related photographs, no doubt from a variety of sources. The provenance of individual items is not known.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

Nancy Pearson's **Lawrence Welk Photograph Collection** includes a wide variety of images that document Lawrence Welk's career, members of his musical family, his wife Fern and a number of honors he received.

The **Lawrence Welk Series** includes a variety of portraits of Welk including a series of six color images taken by Scherlings Studio of Fargo. There are also a number of Welk posed with an accordion and of him and his wife Fern. Others include a caricature of Welk riding a bicycle powered by 'bubble power,' and Welk standing beside a number of automobiles, standing beside a statue of himself, and a nice group shot of him and the North Dakota congressional delegation and Gov. Bill Guy and wife Jean, taken in the U.S. Senate dining room in 1972.

The **Welk Orchestra and Performers Series** includes individual portraits of several of performers on the television program. A number also include Lawrence Welk. There are two images of the entire orchestra, as well as Welk with a number of children on the stage, of the Christmas show and a taping session.

The **Topical Series** includes a small number of prints of Welk with several awards or the award itself, Welk in an automobile as the grand marshal of the Rose Bowl Parade, and of a Rose Bowl Parade float with Welk, Alice Lon and the Lennon Sisters on the float, and beside it are two young men walking, holding a banner with 'President's Trophy' label. There is also a reproduction of the Ludwig Welk family (Lawrence's parents) seated outside their farm home at rural Strasburg, N.D.

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