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Subject	timothy daley, librarian and curator of cleveland masonic library and museum
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Special Notes	of particular interest to those studying masonry, librarianship, preservation. Some nice quotes after minute 47

minutes:

- 1 introduction and background
- 2 role as an employee in the office of cleveland clerk of courts
- 3 family background
- 4 role at and history of masonic library
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- 6 archives and preservation, creating a library system, naming the institution
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- 8 organizational history of cleveland masonic temple and library as well as masonic individuals
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- 10 "there are jewels...that we are finding [in our collection]"
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- 12 relation to british masonic research lodge, masonic library association, northeastern ohio intermuseum council, early settlers association, academia
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- 18 early funding and educational programming
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- 20 transformation during World War I
- 21 post-war history of local masonry
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- 23 history since 1970s
- 24 recent funding and fundraising
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- 26 visiting speaker series
- 27 preservation
- 28 grants and endowments
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- 30 historical importance of the lodge, allowing greater access to library
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- 34 recent public relations aim to revive masonry in the face of radical societal change
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- 38 "we are going to make ourselves more available to the scholarly community...[while remaining] a library made by masons for masons]"
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highlights of the collection: replica of washington bible, lincoln memorabilia, rare
40 books, documents from local institutions, etc. ...
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44 original building plan had to be redesigned during WWI
variety of activities within the building (including the filming of a LeBron James-Nike
45 commercial)
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47 the importance of historical learning and preservation
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49 "if you can preserve [an artifact] and put it in someone's hands, it becomes alive"
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"I think we have a debt to our forefathers to preserve their legacy, if I can be a part of
51 that [I will be proud]..."
"[the library is] not just a bunch of books and pictures with no names... this is where
52 our history is."
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54 library as a legacy of masonry and as a touchstone for historical researchers
55 euclid avenue history and revitalization, closing comments
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