

Guide to the Stella Champo Iaconis Papers

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Iaconis, Stella, 1910-1998
Title:	Stella Champo Iaconis Papers
ID:	MS-00122
Date [inclusive]:	1927-1928
Physical Description:	0.10 Linear Feet (1 folder (shared box))
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Stella Champo Iaconis Papers consist of a certificate for proficiency in Rapid Legible Business Writing from the Palmer Method of Business Writing given on May 11, 1927; a certificate of promotion to high school in Clark County, Nevada dated May 25, 1927; and an autograph book signed by classmates at Las Vegas High School in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1928.

Preferred Citation

Stella Champo Iaconis Papers, 1927-1928. MS00122. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Stella Champo was born in Moche, Italy on September 16, 1910. In 1912, the Champo family moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. The family first lived in downtown Las Vegas, before moving to a small ranch south of the city in 1917. Stella Champo received her grammar school education in Las Vegas, Nevada and matriculated to Las Vegas High School in 1927.

Following the death of her mother, Stella Champo left high school and began working as a waitress at the Union Hotel. She later worked at the Apache Hotel before moving to Los Angeles, California for a number of years. In 1953, Stella Champo married John Iaconis and the couple made their home in Las Vegas.

Stella Champo Iaconis worked as a waitress at a number of local bars and clubs including the Paradise Club, the Green Shack, the Sahara, and the Desert Inn. She was a member of the St. Jude's

Women's Auxiliary and the Italian American Club Auxiliary. She lived in downtown Las Vegas until her death on January 18, 1998.

Sources:

An Interview with Stella Champo Iaconis. Las Vegas Women Oral History Project, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2010.

"From waitress to humanitarian: 87-year resident Iaconis dies." *Las Vegas Sun*, January 22, 1998.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Arrangement

Materials remain in original order.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1976 by Stella Champo Iaconis; accession number 1976-207.

Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2016, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Angela Moor revised and enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

Iaconis, Stella. Interview. OH-00921. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Iaconis, Stella. Interview, 1976 February 02. OH-00920. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

An Interview with Stella Champo Iacnois. Las Vegas Women Oral History Project, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2010.

Stella Champo Iaconis Photograph Collection, 1933. PH-00190. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

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- Schools -- Nevada -- Clark County-- History
 - Italian Americans -- Nevada -- Las Vegas -- History
 - Las Vegas High School (Las Vegas, Nev.) -- History

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Autograph book signed by classmates at Las Vegas High School, 1928	

box
SH-009

Student Certificate for Proficiency in Rapid Legible Business Writing, 1927
May 11

box
SH-009

Certificate of Promotion to High School, 1927 May 25

box
SH-009