

## **Guide to the Mary Eaton oral history interview**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Eaton, Mary, 1908-2009
<b>Contributor:</b>	Boulder City Library Oral History Project
<b>Title:</b>	Mary Eaton oral history interview
<b>ID:</b>	OH-00515
<b>Date:</b>	1986 November 15
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 Digital Files (0.064 GB) MP3
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Mary Eaton conducted by Dennis McBride on November 15, 1986 for the Boulder City Library Oral History Project. Eaton joined her husband Bruce in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1932, soon after he found work at the Hoover Dam building site. Within months of her arrival, the couple welcomed their first child and moved to Boulder City, Nevada. In this interview, Eaton recalls the early community formed by the wives of the dam workers, the establishment of the Grace Community Church and the death of the church's first pastor, "Parson Tom" Stevenson. She discusses the beginning of the school system in Boulder City and her career as an educator, as well as her involvement in numerous community projects and groups including the hospital and the Rainbow Club for young women.

### Preferred Citation

Mary Eaton oral interview, 1986 November 15. OH-00515. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Note

This interview was conducted by Dennis McBride. Materials from this oral history project were donated to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives on an ongoing basis ending in 2016.

### Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2015. Melise Leech wrote the collection description. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by an external vendor into a digital format. MP3 files of the audio are available for research use. The audio has been minimally reviewed and all readily available information has been included in the description.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
  - Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.) -- Design and construction
  - Boulder City (Nev.)
  - Education and state -- Nevada
  - Public health
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The interview begins mid-sentence; responses to collector's questions are occasionally muffled.

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