

Guide to the Mary Stafford oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Stafford, Mary Elizabeth, 1932-2003
Contributor :	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
Title:	Mary Stafford oral history interview
ID:	OH-01753
Date:	1977 March 05
Physical Description:	2 Digital Files (0.079 GB) MP3
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Mary Stafford conducted by Gale Robinson on March 05, 1977 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. In this interview, Stafford discusses her personal history and the history of Henderson, Nevada. Stafford describes living in Henderson during the 1950s and the importance of the Basic Magnesium Plant during World War II. She then talks about how Henderson has grown and the different chemical plants that opened in the town. Stafford goes on to discuss her career working for the local newspaper, <i>Henderson</i> <i>Home News</i> , and later becoming a reporter for the publication. Stafford also discusses other newspapers in Nevada, prominent figures she has met, and flash floods.

Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Note

University of Nevada, Las Vegas History Professor Ralph Roske donated materials for this oral history project to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in the 1980s.

Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Kyle Gagnon 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

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Henderson (Nev.)

- Cities and towns -- Growth
- Newspapers
- World War, 1939-1945
- Journalists
- Basic Magnesium, Inc.