



Guide to the Anna Jennings Welsh oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Welsh, Anna Jennings, 1941-
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Title:	Anna Jennings Welsh oral history interview
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Physical Description:	2 Digital Files (0.121 GB) MP3
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Anna Jennings Welsh conducted by Judith Siu on July 05, 1975 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Welsh begins by describing her family's history in Las Vegas, Nevada, beginning in 1911 with her grandmother. She discusses her grandmother's life and her collection of artifacts, which would later become part of the Southern Nevada Museum by the Henderson, Nevada Chamber of Commerce (now the Clark County Museum). Welsh continues talking about her own life, including her education, hobbies, family, friends, and living in Las Vegas. She also discusses nuclear weapons testing, the history of casinos in Las Vegas, her father's work constructing Hoover Dam (Boulder Dam), and how Las Vegas has changed.

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents Note

Oral history interview with Anna Jennings Welsh conducted by Judith Siu on July 05, 1975 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Welsh begins by describing her family's history in Las Vegas, Nevada, starting with her grandmother, Anna Roberts Parks, who moved

there in 1911 and worked as a mortician, later opening the Palm Funeral Home. She discusses her grandmother's life, her death, and how she was an avid collector of various things, including dolls, rocks, and other artifacts that she would keep in barracks she acquired from Nellis Air Force Base. This collection would later become part of the Southern Nevada Museum by the Henderson, Nevada Chamber of Commerce after Parks' death (now the Clark County Museum). Welsh continues, talking about her own life, including her education, hobbies, family friends, and living in Las Vegas. Welsh also discusses nuclear weapons testing, the history of casinos in Las Vegas, her father's work constructing Hoover Dam (Boulder Dam), and how Las Vegas has changed. Digital audio available; no transcript available.

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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 2018 and 2019. 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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