



## Guide to the Edwin "Tony" Wuehle 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>	Wuehle, Tony, 1925-2012
<b>Contributor:</b>	Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project
<b>Title:</b>	Edwin "Tony" Wuehle oral history interview
<b>ID:</b>	OH-02034
<b>Date:</b>	2006 December 21
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2 Digital Files (0.083 GB) MP3
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Edwin "Tony" Wuehle conducted by David Schwartz on December 21, 2006 for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. In this interview, Wuehle discusses his early life in Hettinger, North Dakota and his career as an educator. He recalls his first experiences playing poker, participating in home poker games while living in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and using a pseudonym as a player. Wuehle then talks about writing a book, founding the Gamblers Book Club Press in Las Vegas, Nevada, and writing for religious publications. Later, Wuehle explains the tension between participating in religion and playing poker. He describes Las Vegas poker rooms during the 1960s and 1970s and shares his thoughts on online poker. Lastly, Wuehle discusses why casinos use prop players and his efforts to organize a poker tournament to raise funds for Bay de Noc Community College in Michigan.

### Preferred Citation

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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 the Oral History Research Center (OHRC) which is part of the UNLV University Libraries Special Collections and Archives Division.

### Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2015 and 2019. Miguel Dominguez 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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## Related Materials

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### Related Collections

The following resource may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Tony Wuehle Collection, 1950-2007. MS-00522. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Poker
- Casinos
- Gambling