

Guide to the Barbara and David Lowe oral history interview

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Summary Information

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by Claytee D. White on December 08, 2015 for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. David Lowe begins the interview by discussing his family history, how they came to own a hotel in Goodsprings, Nevada, and life in the town during the early twentieth century. Barbara Lowe then describes her upbringing in San Francisco, California before moving with her family to Hawthorne, Nevada. She also discusses race relations there and in other Nevada and California towns. David Lowe then talks about his mother, Celeste Lowe, who became a writer and was later hired by the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), where she worked in Special Collections at the James R. Dickinson Library. David continues, talking about his career in journalism, working at the Nevada Test Site, and the university hospital. They also discuss the controversy surrounding the UNLV mascot and the cultural differences between Northern and Southern

Nevada.

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- · Race relations
- Journalists
- Nevada National Security Site (Nev.)
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- James R. Dickinson Library