



## Guide to the John R. Bruckman Photographs of Nellis Air Force Base

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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>	Bruckman, John R.
<b>Title:</b>	John R. Bruckman Photographs of Nellis Air Force Base
<b>ID:</b>	PH-00215
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1951-1954
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.1 Linear Feet (1 hanging folder)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The John R. Bruckman Photographs of Nellis Air Force Base contain photographs of Nellis Air Force Base near Las Vegas, Nevada from 1951 to 1954. The collection includes photographs of the Nellis Air Force Base Baseball Team, base headquarters, buildings on the base, and soldiers outside of the Last Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas.

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## Historical Background

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The Las Vegas Army Airfield began official military operations in December 1941. It was renamed the Las Vegas Air Force Base in 1948, and finally named Nellis Air Force Base in 1950. The base is named after Lieutenant William Harrell Nellis, a native of Nevada and fighter pilot who died in 1944 during World War II while flying a mission in Luxembourg.

Sources:

"Lieutenant William Harrell Nellis," 99th Air Base Wing Public Affairs. July 12, 2012. <http://www.nellis.af.mil/library/factsheets/factsheet.asp?id=4095>

"Nellis Air Force Base," 99th Air Base Wing Public Affairs. October 28, 2014. <http://www.nellis.af.mil/library/factsheets/factsheet.asp?id=4096>

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain in original order.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access

The collection is open for research.

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1985 by John R. Bruckman; accession number 1985-070.

### Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2015, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Lindsay Oden wrote the collection description in compliance with current professional standards.

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## Related Materials

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

James Perkins, 1951-1952. MS-00564. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Erle A. Taylor Collection on Aviation, 1955-1976. MS-00186. Special Collections, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Names and Subjects

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- photographs
- Baseball
- Military life
- Nellis Air Force Base (Nev.)

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
All Southwest Air Force Division All-Star Baseball Team, 1951-1954 (0001) ( <a href="#">view online</a> )	folder 01
Nellis Air Force Base Baseball Team, 1951-1954 (0002) ( <a href="#">view online</a> )	folder 01
Nellis Air Force Base Baseball Team, 1951-1954 (0003) ( <a href="#">view online</a> )	folder 01
Nellis Air Force Base headquarters, 1951-1954 (0004) ( <a href="#">view online</a> )	folder 01
Nellis Air Force Base headquarters, 1951-1954 (0005) ( <a href="#">view online</a> )	folder 01
Nellis Air Force Base chapel, 1951-1954 (0006) ( <a href="#">view online</a> )	

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Nellis Air Force Base chapel, 1951-1954 (0007) ([view online](#))

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Officers' swimming pool, 1951-1954 (0008) ([view online](#))

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Movie theatre, 1951-1954 (0009) ([view online](#))

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Main entrance to the base gym, 1951-1954 (0010) ([view online](#))

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Base squadron, 1951 (0011) ([view online](#))

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Airmen's barracks, 1951 (0012) ([view online](#))

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Last Frontier Village at Last Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, 1952 (0013)  
([view online](#))

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Last Frontier Village at Last Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada, 1952 (0014)  
([view online](#))

folder  
01

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Enlisted airman John R. Bruckman at the Last Frontier Village, 1952 (0015)  
([view online](#))

folder  
01