

Guide to the History of Nursing in Southern Nevada Oral History Project Records

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Kendall, Margaret
Contributor:	Van Betten, Patricia T.
Contributor:	Matteson-Kane, Maureen
Title:	History of Nursing in Southern Nevada Oral History Project Records
ID:	MS-00784
Date [inclusive]:	1965-2014
Date [bulk]:	1995-2005
Physical Description:	1.3 Linear Feet (3 boxes)
Physical Description:	689 Digital Files (11.48 GB)
Physical Description:	0.985 Cubic Feet (3 boxes)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The History of Nursing in Southern Nevada Oral History Project Records (1965-2014) are comprised of material related to a volunteer project initiative at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Nursing to conduct oral history interviews with nurses who have practiced in Southern Nevada. The collection contains subject files related to the project, as well as audio, video, and transcript files for the interviews. The collection also includes general information on nursing in Southern Nevada such as research papers and documents from the Nevada Nurses Association.

Preferred Citation

History of Nursing in Southern Nevada Oral History Project Records, 1965-2014. MS-00784. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Historical Note

In 2004 faculty members from the School of Nursing at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas began an initiative to preserve the history of nursing and nurses in Southern Nevada. The project was primarily led by faculty member Dr. Margaret Louis with assistance from Maureen Matteson-Kane, Patricia Van Betten,

and other volunteers. Oral history interviews were conducted with nurses who have practiced in Southern Nevada. UNLV School of Nursing faculty members and former students were also interviewed.

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Scope and Content Note

The History of Nursing in Southern Nevada Oral History Project Records (1965-2014) are comprised of material related to a volunteer project initiative at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Nursing to conduct oral history interviews with nurses who have practiced in Southern Nevada. The collection contains subject files related to the project, as well as audio, video, and transcript files for the interviews. In addition, there are photographs, news clippings, event programs, and certificates from nurses in the region, many of whom were also interviewed. The collection also includes general information on nursing in Southern Nevada such as research papers and documents from the Nevada Nurses Association.

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Arrangement

Materials remain in original order.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research. Advance notice and arrangements are required for access to digital files; please contact Special Collections for more information. Oral histories in this collection have been assigned oral history collection numbers (OH-#####). If requesting access to oral history digital files, please provide the oral history collection number(s) to Special Collections and Archives staff.

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2015 by Maureen Matteson-Kane; accession number 2015-102.

Processing Note

Processing of the UNLV School of Nursing records was funded in part by the Zeta Kappa Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau.

Materials were processed by Karla Irwin in 2016 and in 2017. Analog audiovisual materials, including audiocassettes and digital videocassettes, were outsourced for digitization.

Transcriptions for oral history interviews without corresponding transcripts were transcribed and edited in UNLV Special Collections and Archives from July 2017 to June 2018.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

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

Patricia van Betten Healthcare and Nursing Papers, 1985-2009. MS-00098. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Nevada Nurses Association Records, 1945-1995. MS-00240. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

University of Nevada, Las Vegas School of Nursing Records, 1950-2015. UA-00011. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Nursing
- Public health -- Nevada -- Clark County
- Oral histories (document genres)
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas. School of Nursing

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Documentation	
<p>Processing Note: Access copies were created for born-digital files. Word document and PowerPoint files found on flash drives were converted to PDF/A. Duplicates were deleted. Video files found on DVDs were BUP, IFO, and VOB file formats. Because the BUP and IFO files did not contain significant interview content, only the VOB files were converted to MP4 for access. JVC digital videocassettes were digitized in 2018.</p>	
Oral history project planning documents, guidelines, research, 1994-2004	box 01
Evaluation of Distance Learning questionnaires, 1995	box 01
Correspondence from "Nurse Educator", 1993 November 04	box 01
Nursing paper research by Margaret Kendall, 1995, undated	box SH-041
<p>Access Note: Contents in this collection are closed for seventy-two years from the latest date found on an individual record to protect privacy and confidentiality. Access is restricted under provisions of state or federal law. This file is open for research use on January 1, 2067.</p>	box 01
"Organized Nursing in the Silver State: A History of the Nevada Nurses Association" by Ellen Suzanne Fried, 1991 May	box 01
"A History of the Associate Degree" article on nursing, 1985	box 01
"Using Oral Histories to Bring Nursing's Past to Life" and "Relationship of Nursing History to Career Commitment and Pride" articles, 1994, undated	box 01
"Nursing in Las Vegas 1940-1960" by Mary Fitzgerald, 1977 May 11	box 01
Nevada Nurses Association (NNA) news clipping, 2006	box 01
NNA correspondence and conference planning documents, 2006	box 01
NNA digital photographs, 2006 October 01	box 03
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 flash drive)	
Physical Description: 592 Digital Files (0.406 GB) JPG	
NNA powerpoint presentations, syllabus pieces, and fliers, 2006 October 01	box 03
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 flash drive)	
Physical Description: 28 Digital Files (0.0441 GB) PDF/A	
NNA conference programs, 2003-2004	box 01
NNA yearbooks, 2010-2012	box 01
NNA calendar, 1990	box 01
History of NNA and UNLV nursing notes and articles, 2005-2006	box 01
Nevada nursing history digital files, 2006, 2012	

Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 flash drive and 6 JVC digital video cassettes)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 11 Digital Files (3.14 GB) PDF/A, MP4	
Patricia Van Betten correspondence regarding oral history project, 2004 April 20	box 01
Oral history correspondence and planning documentation, 2003-2004	box 01
Interviewee list, undated	box 01
Sigma Theta Tau events: photographic slides, 1989 November-1990 January	box 01
Elder Project nursing research, 1987-1989	box 01
Bill signing to establish nursing program at UNLV: photographic print, 1971	box 01
Nurse and probation officer Helen Holly: ceremonial program and news clipping, 2009 March-April	box 01
Ethelda Thelan correspondence, 2001, 2004	box 01
Ethelda Thelan articles on nursing, 1981, 2002-2003	box 01
Beth Francis correspondence, news clipping, 1965-1990, undated (OH_02502)	box 01
Rosemary Witt interview notes, 2006 June	box 01
Mary Ann Michel interview notes, retirement party notice, obituary, 2005-2006, 2013	box 01
Jean Rambo appointment letter and certificate for the State Health Coordinating Council, 1981 October	box 01
Jean Rambo interview notes, obituary, 2005	box 01
Margaret Simon interview notes, 2005 June	box 01
Betty Neuman: photographic prints and news clippings, 1987, 2005	box 01
12th International Biennial Neuman Systems Model Symposium: program, 2009	box 01
Mary Jane Watson: photographic prints, obituary, 1999-2014	box 01
Mary Jane Watson outstanding teaching award from UNLV College of Health Sciences, 1987	box 02
Mary Jane Watson retirement party, 1997 June	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 DVD)	
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.988 GB) MP4	

Interviews

Processing Note: In 2016 access copies were created for born-digital files. Floppy disks contained multiple drafts of the same transcript. Files determined to be the final version were converted to PDF/A for access. Video files found on DVDs were BUP, IFO, and VOB file formats. Because the BUP and IFO files did not contain significant interview content, only the VOB files were converted to MP4 for access. Audiocassettes were digitized and MP3 files are provided for access. Microcassettes were assumed to be duplicates and were not digitized. JVC

digital videocassettes were also digitized. In July 2017 UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives began transcribing interviews without corresponding transcripts. This work concluded in June 2018.

Access Note: Oral histories in this collection have been assigned oral history collection numbers (OH-#####). If requesting access to oral history digital files, please provide the oral history collection number(s) to Special Collections and Archives staff. Transcripts with use agreement have been made available online and can be accessed at <http://d.library.unlv.edu/cdm/search/searchterm/History%20of%20Nursing%20in%20Southern%20Nevada%20Oral%20History%20Project/mode/exact>

Barbara Barrett oral history interview (OH-02495)		
Printed transcript, 1997 July 08 Physical Description: 2 Files		box 01
Digital transcript, 1997 July 08 Physical Description: 1 Floppy Disks Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000106 GB) PDF/A		digital file 00
Audio recording, 1997 July 08 Physical Description: 0.2 Linear Feet (4 audiocassettes, 2 microcassettes) Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.099 GB) MP3		digital file 00
Vonna Bajoneta oral history interview (OH-02496)		
Printed transcript, 1995 July		box 01
Digital transcript, 1995 July Physical Description: 2 Floppy Disks Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000096 GB) PDF/A		digital file 00
Audio recording, 1995 July Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes, 1 microcassette) Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.0625 GB) MP3		digital file 00
Andrea Chrestensen oral history interview (OH-02497)		
Digital transcript, 1995 July 11 Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000289 GB) PDF/A Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017.		digital file 00
Audio recording, 1995 July 11 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes) Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.0759 GB) MP3		digital file 00
Sylvia Elexpuru oral history interview (OH-02498)		
Printed transcript, 1995 July 11		box 01
Digital transcript, 1995 July 11 Physical Description: 2 Floppy Disks		digital file 00

Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.00011 GB) PDF/A	
Audio recording, 1995 July 11	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (3 audiocassettes, 1 microcassette)	
Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.0761 GB) MP3	
Pamela Gale oral history interview (OH-02499)	
Printed transcript, 1995 July 10	box 01
Digital transcript, 1995 July 10	digital file 00
Physical Description: 2 Floppy Disks	
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000084 GB) PDF/A	
Audio recording, 1995 July 10	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes, 1 microcassette)	
Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.048 GB) MP3	
Mary Fitzgerald oral history interview (OH-02500)	
Video recording, 2006 June 28	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 digital videocassettes)	
Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (1.26 GB) MP4	
Digital transcript, 2006 June 28	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000427 GB) PDF/A	
Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2018.	
Ethelda Thelan oral history interview (OH-02501)	
Printed transcript, 2004 August 20	box 01
Digital transcript, 2004 August 20	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 floppy disk, 1 DVD)	
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000255 GB) PDF/A	
Audio recording, 2004 August 20	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 audiocassette, 1 DVD)	
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.0615 GB) MP3	
Beth Francis oral history interview (OH-02502)	
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes)	
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.099 GB) MP3	
Audio recording, 2004 May 31	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes)	
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.099 GB) MP3	
Digital transcript, 2004 May 31	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000241 GB) PDF/A	

Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017.

Rosemary Witt oral history interview (OH-02503)	
Digital transcript, 2005 March 11 Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000279 GB) PDF/A Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Original audiocassette quality was too poor to transcribe. Video recordings were used for the transcription.	digital file 00
Video recording, 2005 March 11 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 digital videocassettes, 1 DVD) Physical Description: 6 Digital Files (0.907 GB) MP4	digital file 00
Audio recording, 2005 March 11 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes) Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.08 GB) MP3	digital file 00
Mary Ann Michel oral history interview (OH-02504)	
Video recording, 2005 March 16 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 digital videocassettes, 2 DVDs) Physical Description: 5 Digital Files (0.601 GB) MP4	digital file 00
Audio recording, 2005 March 16 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 audiocassette) Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.062 GB) MP3	digital file 00
Digital transcript, 2005 March 16 Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000216 GB) PDF/A Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Original audiocassette quality was too poor to transcribe. Video recordings were used for the transcription.	digital file 00
Jean Rambo oral history interview (OH-02505)	
Video recording, 2005 February 18 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 digital videocassettes, 2 DVDs) Physical Description: 8 Digital Files (2.08 GB) MP4	digital file 00
Audio recording, 2005 February 18 Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes) Physical Description: 4 Digital Files (0.134 GB) MP3	digital file 00
Digital transcript, 2005 February 18 Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000402 GB) PDF/A Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Audio quality	digital file 00

for part of the original audiocassette recordings was too poor to transcribe.
Video recordings were used to supplement audio for the transcription.

Margaret Simon oral history interview (OH-02506)	
Video recording, 2005 May 06	digital file 00
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 DVDs)	
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (1.14 GB) MP4	
Audio recording, 2005 May 06	
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (2 audiocassettes)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.0891 GB) MP3	
Digital transcript, 2005 May 06	
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000229 GB) PDF/A	digital file 00
Processing Note: Transcript was written and edited by Melissa Dean in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Original audiocassette quality was too poor to transcribe. Video recordings were used for the transcription.	
Helen Holly interview transcript (OH-02507), undated	box 01
Gladys Neville oral history interview (OH-02775)	
Printed transcript, 2004 June 02	box 01
Digital transcript, 2004 June 02	
Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (1 compact disc)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.000327 GB) PDF/A	