

THE MARIA ROGERS Oral History Program

NEWSLETTER

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OH 1291V. Nancy Bachus talks about her life in Boulder, including being a student at the University of Colorado in the 1940s, the stone home built by her husband in the 1950s, and her involvement in the pro-life movement. By Marvin Woolf. Available at Carnegie Library only.

OH 1292V. Ralph Bachus talks about his many years as a science teacher and stone mason and his involvement in outdoor activities such as bicycling, rafting and backpacking. Also includes family photos. By Marvin Woolf. Available at Carnegie Library only.

OH 1256V. Caron Balkany co-author of the book, *The Ambushed Grand Jury*, talks about the Rocky Flats Grand Jury and the process of researching and writing a book about the alleged cover-up of environmental illegalities at Rocky Flats. By Dorothy Ciarlo. Transcribed by Sandy Adler.

OH 1298V. Marjorie Cinnamon & Maxine Harkalis detail their families' histories in Noland and Lyons, including discussion of quarries in the area. Includes video of eleven photographs. Interviewed by

FEATURED INTERVIEW



John Sackett, CEO of Avista Hospital, discusses hospital history, operations, and innovations. See OH1294V for details.

about the history of Boulder County hospitals. He also details Avista Hospital's corporate structure, philosophy of care, and design; innovative aspects of its health care; its role in the community; the economics of building and running the hospital; its connection to the Seventh Day Adventist faith; and his role as CEO. By Marvin Woolf. Transcribed by Joan Podgorski.

OH 1286V A-B. Alice and Ron Brace discuss their work with the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Rocky Flats Fire Department, beginning in 1993, including the design of fire fighting systems for Rocky Flats, descriptions of buildings on the site, and challenges presented by the cleanup of the site. By Hannah Nordhaus. Transcribed by Sandy Adler.

OH 1270V A-B. Don Bingman, who worked in the accounting, salary, and benefits departments at Rocky Flats from the early 1950s to 1975, talks about Dow Chemical's management style, safety procedures at

and transcribed by Anne Dyni.
Filmed by Liz McCutcheon.

OH 1315V A-B. Ken Galkins discusses his work as a chemical engineer and building superintendent at Rocky Flats from 1955-1989. Includes discussion of plutonium processing and recovery, safety at Rocky Flats and the 1969 fire. By Hannah Nordhaus. Transcribed by Sandy Adler.

OH 1294V. John Sackett, CEO of Avista Adventist Hospital, talks

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the plant, and the challenges of integrating women into production jobs. By Hannah Nordhaus.

OH 1299V. Lucia Baker describes Boulder in the 1950s, including businesses, Chautauqua, the Hill neighborhood, and transportation. She also talks about her sister, author Aileen Fisher, and living in Sunshine Canyon. By Shirley Steele.

1283VA-B. Bob Cadieux, a participant in the Boulder Shelter for the Homeless Transition Program, relates his life story with great candor and thoughtfulness. Available at Carnegie Library only. By Doris Olsen. Filmed by Arthur Olsen. Transcribed by Dee Baron.

OH 1257A-B. Jack Weaver discusses his work at the Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant, where he worked his way up from chemical operator to deputy assistant general manager between 1961 to 1996 and was a consultant to Rocky Flats from 1996 to 2002. He discusses Building 771 and Building 371 in detail. Also discussed are radioactive plutonium

contamination, safety at the plant, the FBI raid, and integrating women into production jobs in the 1970s. By Dorothy Ciarlo. Transcribed by Sandy Adler.

OH 1293VA-B. Bill Suitts talks about his involvement with the development of the Martin Acres subdivision in 1955. He has been the owner of the Colorado Mortgage Company since 1958, and he discusses the many areas in south Boulder that he helped develop through his company. By Marvin Woolf.

OH 1303V. Ben Chidlaw talks about rock climbers Baker Armstrong and Leighton Kor. He describes his former law partner Phil Danielson, who was influential in the Democratic Party until his early death in 1968. By Marvin Woolf.

OH 1304V. Gale Chidlaw describes Vetsville, CU's housing for returning WWII veterans. She also discusses groups to which she belonged, such as The Westerners and The Happy Hazels, as well as recreational activities and Chidlaw family history. By Marvin Woolf.

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