

THE MARIA ROGERS Oral History Program

NEWSLETTER

JULY – AUGUST 2004



Summer Schedule

Because there are so many vacations planned by both staff and volunteers toward the end of the summer, there will be no August oral history meeting. In addition, the September meeting will be on the second Saturday of the month, September 11, so that we do not conflict with Labor Day Weekend. Due to our reduced summer schedule, we are publishing a joint newsletter for July and August.

New Interviews

Eight new interviews are available for patrons to use. Stop by the Carnegie Library to listen to and/or view these interviews—or the more than 1,200 other interviews in the collection. All interviews listed here are filmed in digital video, unless otherwise noted. Summaries and transcripts for our oral histories are available online at www.bplcarnegie.org/oralhistory.

OH 1187V. Jean Mellblom, who was instrumental in organizing the mosaic mural on the side of the Lafayette Library building that pictures both miners and city founders Mary and Lafayette Miller, talks about the mural, the founding of Lafayette, and the life of Mary Miller. By Doris Olsen. Filmed by Arthur Olsen.

OH 1197V. Len Barron talks about Boulder in the 1960s, the character and culture of the town, the Clearing-house program that he began to facilitate students being able to volunteer in the community, his val-

FEATURED INTERVIEW



Boulder philosopher, community activist, and performance artist Len Barron talks about his life and times in Boulder in OH 1197V.

ues, and his involvement in performance art. By Nancy Nachman-Hunt. Filmed by Rocky Thompson.

OH 1199V A-B. Josie Heath talks about her thirty years of involvement in civic and philanthropic affairs, including eight years as a Boulder County Commissioner, campaigns for the state legislature and U.S. Senate, leadership of the community Foundation Serving Boulder County and the Millennium Trust, and more. She also dis-

cusses challenges experienced by women in politics. By Shirley Steele.

OH 1200. Berene Sullivan talks about the family's White Rocks farm, on which the Sullivan's have lived since 1930, including an extensive discussion of wildlife in the area. By Anne Dyni. (Audio only)

OH 1201V. John Hess, who grew up in Chautauqua Park and still lives in Cottage No. 10, talks about Chautauqua, then and now. Interview includes a tour of Cottage No. 10 and video of historic photos of the area. Online interview includes links to historic photos and other web sites about Chautauqua. By Jon Raese.

OH 1202V. Janet Roberts discusses her long career as a Boulder civic leader, including her work on the Planning Board and the City Council. She also dis-

Next volunteer meeting
2nd Saturday, September 11
at 9:00 a.m.

cusses challenges experienced by women in politics and contrasts local governmental issues of the 1950s, the 1970s, and today. By Shirley Steele.

OH 1204. A-B. Shirley Garcia, who managed hazardous waste at Rocky Flats and now works as environmental coordinator for Broomfield, discusses both of these jobs as well as the need for long-term monitoring of the Rocky Flats land and continuing education of the public about Rocky Flats. By Dorothy Ciarlo.

OH 1205VA-B. Soil scientist **Iggy Litaor** describes the work he did at Rocky Flats that led him to the conclusion that plutonium could migrate, and had migrated, in soil that is saturated with water. By Dorothy Ciarlo.

New microphones!

We are trying out a new microphone system, which allows both the interviewer and the interviewee to wear a microphone. We hope that this new arrangement will equalize the volume of both voices. Many thanks to Arthur Olsen for discovering this setup and demonstrating it to us. So far, we have bought one set of the microphones to test out. You can check them out, if available, in addition to the ones that are in each camera case. If they work well, we will buy a set for each camera. Let us know what you think!

**Many thanks to our volunteers
for the great work you do!**

Annual Oral History Conference:

**This year's Oral History Association meeting
will be held September 29 – October 3
in Portland, Oregon.**

The conference includes ninety-five panel discussions and presentations, in addition to other workshops, plenary talks, and tours. Cost is \$105 plus transportation, lodging, and meals. See http://www.dickinson.edu/oha/org_am_port04.html for more information. If interested in attending, pick up a registration form from the Oral History mail basket.

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