

THE MARIA ROGERS Oral History Program

NEWSLETTER

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New Interviews

Six 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. The new interviews listed here are filmed in digital video. Summaries and transcripts for our oral histories are available online at www.bplcarnegie.org/oralhistory.

OH 1211V A-B. Greg Harms, Director of the Boulder Shelter for the Homeless. See “Featured Interview.” By Doris Olsen. Filmed by Arthur Olsen.

OH 1213V A-B. Five employees of CATV (**Andrew Bergey, Tom Duffy, Pat Halsey, John LaBrie, and Jann Scott**) talk about the history, philosophy, facilities, classes for the public, funding, and future plans of Boulder’s public access television station. By Marvin Woolf.

OH 1214V. Byron Chrisman discusses real estate development in Boulder and his experiences working with the planning departments in Boulder and Louisville. By Marvin Woolf.

OH 1215V. Stan Johnson talks about his former job as Director of Civil Defense of Boulder County in the 1950s. By Marvin Woolf.

OH 1217V. Ann Hicks tells about the history of Niwot from the 1960s on. Interview includes discussion and photographs of downtown Niwot businesses. By Anne Dyni. Filmed by Rocky Thompson.

FEATURED INTERVIEW



Take a tour of the new Boulder Shelter for the Homeless with Director Greg Harms and learn about the history of the shelter in OH 1211V A-B.

OH 1235V A-B. Marty Durlin, manager of public radio station KGNU, relates the history of community radio in general, and KGNU in particular. Her interview includes discussion of programming, funding, citizen participation, philosophical underpinnings, locations, and future plans for the station. By Joyce Gordon.

Oral History News

Story. A story about the Maria Rogers Oral History Program, written by volunteer Anne Dyni, appeared in the September issue of *Colorado Magazine Online*. Although the magazine’s October issue is now posted on the web, you still can read Anne’s article by going to www.coloradomagazine.net, clicking on “Editorial Contents,” and scrolling down to “Oral History Collection” under “Colorado Places and History.”

Book publication. Congratulations to Beth Simmons on the publication of her book, “A Quick History of Idaho Springs.”

She’s back! Liz McCutcheon is back in town! Liz has moved back to Boulder and once again is available as a videographer for volunteers who want to concentrate all their attention on the interviewing end of things. Rocky Thompson also is available for videography.

**Next volunteer meeting
November 6
at 9:00 a.m.**

Who to interview. Looking for someone to interview? Barbara Dolder keeps files packed with names of potential interviewees and information about them. If you are wondering who to interview next, Barbara can probably point you to a good match.

Conference report. Susan Becker attended this year's Oral History Association Annual Meeting in Portland at the beginning of October. The conference schedule was packed with inspiring presentations about specific oral history projects, demonstrations of ways to make oral histories accessible to the public, and technical discussions of the newest programs and equipment to use. Susan will share some of what she learned at

the November Oral History Volunteer Meeting.

Fewer than three months left. It has already been a banner year for collecting oral histories and, judging by the interviewing plans reported by our volunteers at the last two meetings, there's no let-up in sight. Just a reminder, though for anyone hoping to snag a pie from Wendy in January: the tally for most interviews submitted runs through December 31.

Get better! Everyone was pleased that Roland and Jewel could join us at the October meeting. We send "get well soon" wishes to June Howard.

— Don't forget to vote! —

Brush Up on Your Oral History

Looking for a few pointers on doing oral history? Try visiting these informative internet sites:

- **Step By Step Guide to Doing Oral History:** http://www.dohistory.org/on_your_own/toolkit/oralHistory.html
- **Tips for Interviewers:** <http://bancroft.berkeley.edu/ROHO/resources/rohotips.html>
- **The One Minute Guide to Oral History:** <http://bancroft.berkeley.edu/ROHO/resources/1minute.html>

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