



## Guide to the Stella Champo Iaconis Papers

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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>	Iaconis, Stella, 1910-1998
<b>Title:</b>	Stella Champo Iaconis Papers
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00122
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1927 to 1928
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.10 Linear Feet (1 folder (shared box))
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Stella Champo Iaconis Papers consist of a certificate for proficiency in Rapid Legible Business Writing from the Palmer Method of Business Writing given on May 11, 1927; a certificate of promotion to high school in Clark County, Nevada dated May 25, 1927; and an autograph book signed by classmates at Las Vegas High School in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1928.

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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Stella Champo was born in Moche, Italy on September 16, 1910. In 1912, the Champo family moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. The family first lived in downtown Las Vegas, before moving to a small ranch south of the city in 1917. Stella Champo received her grammar school education in Las Vegas, Nevada and matriculated to Las Vegas High School in 1927.

Following the death of her mother, Stella Champo left high school and began working as a waitress at the Union Hotel. She later worked at the Apache Hotel before moving to Los Angeles, California for a number of years. In 1953, Stella Champo married John Iaconis and the couple made their home in Las Vegas.

Stella Champo Iaconis worked as a waitress at a number of local bars and clubs including the Paradise Club, the Green Shack, the Sahara, and the Desert Inn. She was a member of the St. Jude's

Women's Auxiliary and the Italian American Club Auxiliary. She lived in downtown Las Vegas until her death on January 18, 1998.

Sources:

An Interview with Stella Champo Iaconis. Las Vegas Women Oral History Project, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2010.

"From waitress to humanitarian: 87-year resident Iaconis dies." *Las Vegas Sun*, January 22, 1998.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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## Administrative Information

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## Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 1976 by Stella Champo Iaconis; accession number 1976-207.

## Processing Note

Materials were processed by Special Collections staff. In 2016, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Angela Moor revised and enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Collections

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

Stella Champo Iaconis Photograph Collection, approximately 1934-1940. PH-00190. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada. <http://n2t.net/ark:/62930/f1wd4t>

Stella Champo Iaconis oral history interviews, 1997 May 14, 1997 May 21, 1997 May 26, 1997 September 22. OH-02686. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Stella Champo Iaconis oral history interview, 1981 July 22-23. OH-00921. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Schools
- Italian Americans -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Las Vegas High School

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers
Autograph book signed by classmates at Las Vegas High School, 1928	box SH-009
Student Certificate for Proficiency in Rapid Legible Business Writing, 1927 May 11	box SH-009
Certificate of Promotion to High School, 1927 May 25	box SH-009