



Guide to the History of Emergency Medical Services in Nevada Oral History Interviews

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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents Note

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gathered by individuals, groups, and sometimes generations of emergency medical personnel working in the state of Nevada. Every county in the state is represented in the interviews. Digital videos available; no transcripts available.

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Arrangement

Interviews are in alphabetical order.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2015 by Elwood L. Schmidt; accession number 2015-068.

Processing Note

In 2022, Sarah Jones ingested the digital files off optical discs and created access copies. Melise Leech and Celene Chavez wrote the finding aid in ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Related Collections

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

Schmidt, Elwood L., and John Kasinger. "Nevada EMS: A History of Emergency Medical Services in Nevada." Reno, Nevada, USA: NevadaEMSHistory.com, 2014. See call number: RA645.6.N3 S36 2014

Elwood Schmidt oral history interview, 2018 November 14. OH-03515. [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

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Medical personnel
- Hospitals -- Emergency services

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
<p>Bill Bauer oral history interview, 2013 January 21 (OH_02305)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.360 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Bill Bauer worked as in EMS for the Nevada Highway Patrol and as an EMT in Stateline, Douglas County, and Austin, Nevada from 1968 to 1980. He left the NHP in 1980 to work as an EMS training coordinator in the northwest region until 1993. He continued to work in ambulances until 2010.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Frank Baumeister (Humboldt County) oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02306)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.264 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Baumeister joined the Humboldt Volunteer Ambulance Corps in 1966 and received EMT training in 1975. He served in the Ambulance Corps for sixteen years.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Philis Beilfuss oral history interview, 2013 January 31 (OH_02307)</p>	

Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.188 GB) MP4	digital file 00
Scope and Contents: After receiving nursing and paramedic training in Chicago in 1973, Beilfuss moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1985 practiced emergency room services as Sunrise Hospital. She taught at Clark County Community College until 1996. She also served with the North Las Vegas Fire Department and the Southern Nevada Health Board, which included formulating EMS responses in Clark County.	
Frank Belger oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02308)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.262 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Belger, a native of Henderson, Nevada, served the Henderson Fire Department from 1974 to 2001.	
Frank Bell (Lander County) oral history interview, 2013 July 18 (OH_02309)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.312 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Bell, a native of Amargosa Valley, Nevada, first took an EMS course at Battle Mountain in 1987. He completed paramedic training in Winnemucca and Carson City in 1995. He became commander of the Battle Mountain ambulance service in 2012.	
Alene Bowler oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02310)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.259 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Bowler received EMT training in Las Vegas, Nevada, and rode with ambulances in the Las Vegas area until the 1990s.	
Carol Bustrum oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02312)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.161 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: The Walker Lake Fire and Ambulance Department was founded in 1972 and Bustrum was on the ambulance from 1978 to 1990.	
Larry Bounty oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02313)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.371 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Bounty joined the Boulder City Volunteer Department in Boulder City, Nevada in 1976 and became a professional fireman in 1979.	
Britt, Mary Ellen, Rory Chetelat, and Jane Shunney oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02314)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.253 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Britt is the Regional Trauma Coordinator for the Southern Nevada Health District. Chetelat is the EMS Manager for the SNHD. Shunney is the manager of the Office of Public Health Preparedness for the SNHD.	
Mike Brown oral history interview, 2013 February 28 (OH_02315)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.444 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Brown moved to Reno, Nevada in 1981 and became a medic. In 1986 he moved to Lake Tahoe and worked for the Fire Protection District, where he worked until 1999. In 2006 he became the chief of the North Lake Tahoe Fire Department.	

<p>Dennis Campton oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02316)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.224 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: After graduating from Ohio State Medical School, Campton moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1963 and worked at Southern Nevada Memorial Hospital. He worked at a private practice until 1970 before moving to Pahrump in 1980</p>	
<p>Tod Carlini oral history interview, 2013 February 15 (OH_02317)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.0936 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: A native of Yerington, Carlini received EMS training at Utah State before working for the Yerington Fire Department. He became chief in 1990. In 2000 he became chief of the East Fork Fire and Paramedic Districts.</p>	
<p>Kurt Carlson oral history interview, 2013 June 05 (OH_02318)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.233 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: Carlson graduated from Queens University Medical School in Kingston, Ontario in 1974. He established a practice in Fallon, Nevada in 1977. In the 1980s, Carlson pushed for advanced ER training for physicians in Nevada and ER services in rural hospitals.</p>	
<p>G. Norman Christensen, M.D. oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02319)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.280 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: After completing his residency at the University of New Mexico, Christensen moved to Ely, Nevada in 1968. In 1969, he began conducting training exercises for emergency situations. Christensen serves as medical director for the county system and for the Ely City fire and ambulance service.</p>	
<p>William "Bill" Clegg oral history interview, 2012 December 03 (OH_02320)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.320 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: Clegg moved to Fernely, Nevada in 1971 and worked for the volunteer fire department.</p>	
<p>Ken Curtis oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02321)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.238 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: Curtis serves as a member of the Professional Rescue Instructors of Nevada to train first responder groups in Nevada. Curtis moved to Virginia City, Nevada in 1958 and worked for the Silver City Fire Department and the Virginia City department.</p>	
<p>Donald Diede oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02324)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.200 GB) MP4</p>	
<p>Scope and Contents: A native of Yerington, Nevada, Diede joined the Hawthorne Volunteer Fire Department in 1969. He stopped working for the ambulance service in 1976.</p>	
<p>Ron Drake oral history interview, 2013 January 31 (OH_02325)</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.248 GB) MP4</p>	

Scope and Contents: Drake joined the Clark County Fire Department in 1966 and then again in 1971 after returning from military service. During the 1970s he helped establish the rescue test for the department. He retired in 1996.

Larry Dunton oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02326)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.410 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: A native of McGill, Nevada, Dunton began managing a group of physicians in 1962. In 1973, Dunton began EMT classes, and by 1982 had begun teaching the classes. He performed ambulance duties until 1993.	
Bob Elliott oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02327)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.177 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Elliott arrived in Tonopah in 1980 when he was assigned to a nearby Air Force site. He joined the ambulance service and received EMT training from the Air Force	
Dave England oral history interview, 2013 March 08 (OH_02328)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.295 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: England was interviewed by Elwood Schmidt for Schmidt's book "A History of Emergency Medical Services in Nevada Oral History Project."	
Donald Fabbi oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02329)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (1.47 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: A native of Tonopah, Nevada, Fabbi worked for the Nevada Power Company after graduating high school in 1953. In 1961, he was badly burned, and when he returned to work he became the safety director. In the late 1960s, he began teaching at Clark County Community College.	
Al Ferrell oral history interview, 2012 October 16 (OH_02330)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.199 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: A native of Hawthorne, Nevada, Ferrell joined the Mineral County Fire Department in 1977 and took EMT training in 1978. He worked for both the US Navy base in Hawthorne and the MCFD.	
Temple Fletcher oral history interview, 2013 January 25 (OH_02331)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.415 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Fletcher was interviewed by Elwood Schmidt for Schmidt's book "A History of Emergency Medical Services in Nevada Oral History Project."	
Dave Fogerson oral history interview, 2013 February 15 (OH_02332)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.0907 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Fogerson moved to Reno, Nevada in 1993 and worked at the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.	
B.J. Foster oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02333)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.121 GB) MP4	

Scope and Contents: Foster is chief of the Walker Lake Fire and Ambulance Department. He worked for the California State Fire Marshall's Office until 2010.

John Gillenwater oral history interview, 2012 December 27 (OH_02334)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.381 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: A native of Reno, Nevada, Gillenwater began working for the Truckee Meadows Fire Department starting in 1984.	
Marsha Giller oral history interview, 2013 October 24 (OH_02335)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.491 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: In 1960, Giller and her husband purchased the ambulance service in Reno, Nevada. Her company, AIDS Ambulance, was the main provider of ambulance services in Truckee Meadows until 1978. Due to competition between companies, Giller went to work for Mercy Ambulance. She spent over 50 years in the EMS field.	
Christian Giller oral history interview, 2013 December 18 (OH_02336)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.311 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Giller was raised in Reno, Nevada, where his family owned AIDS Ambulance. He worked as a dispatcher before earning his EMT certifications in the 1980s.	
Vern Gilliland oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02337)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.210 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Gilliland became an ambulance driver in 1985 before gaining EMT certifications. He served in Nye County for 25 years.	
Stacey Giomi oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02338)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.299 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Stacy moved to Carson City, Nevada, in 1977. In 1983 he was hired at the fire department as a dispatcher, and he later became a paramedic.	
Mike Gunter oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02339)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.161 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: After graduating from Bonanza High School in Las Vegas, Nevada, Gunter worked for Mercy Ambulance. He later worked as a paramedic at the Mercury Test Site, which helped pay for medical school at the University of Nevada.	
Moody-Nixon-Reuter Family (Hawthorne, Nev.) oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02341)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.694 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Lowell Moody was fire chief of the Hawthorne Volunteer Fire Department in the 1940s, and his family has continued service at the Hawthorne Valley Fire Department in the following decades. Steve Moody, Rick Reuter, Barbara Reuter, Mark Nixon, Craig Nixon, Kyle Reuter, and Lindsey Reuter were interviewed for Elwood Schmidt's book "A History of Emergency Medical Services in Nevada Oral History Project."	
Wayne Hardwick oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02342)	digital file 00

Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.288 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Hardwick moved to Reno, Nevada in the 1970s. He has served as medical director for REMSA, Care Flight, Truckee Meadows Community College paramedic program, Sparks Fire Department, Central Lyon County Fire Protection District, and Story County Medical Director.	
Mike Heidmann oral history interview, 2012 October 22 (OH_02343)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.249 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: In 1990 Heidemann joined the Lovelock Volunteer Fire Department. He currently works at the Hawthorne Army Depot, Hawthorne Fire Department, and works as a Chief Training Officer and EMS Coordinator. He is also an instructor for the State Fire Marshall.	
Mark Henderson oral history interview, 2013 March 13 (OH_02344)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.203 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Henderson has served for 34 years in ambulance service in Beatty, Nevada. He joined the Beatty Volunteer Fire Department in 1977.	
Allison Henderson oral history interview, 2013 March 13 (OH_02345)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.0842 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Henderson became an EMT in 1991 while working at a medical clinic in Beatty, Nevada.	
Rick Harrison oral history interview, 2013 July 18 (OH_02346)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.294 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: In 1981 Harrison returned to Winnemucca, Nevada and joined the Humboldt County Volunteer Ambulance Service in 1982.	
Danny Horn oral history interview, 2012 December 06 (OH_02347)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.375 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: A native of Fallon, Nevada, Horn became a member of the Gabbs Volunteer Fire Department in 1967.	
Marjorie Holland oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02348)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.225 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: A native of Las Vegas, Nevada, Holland began riding along with the fire department after 1970. She became the first woman to be licensed as an EMT after a course administered by the Clark County Health Department. She was also the first woman to finish the paramedic course at Clark County Community College.	
Edwin "Flip" Homansky oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02349)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.159 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Homansky moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1979 and worked in the emergency rooms of Valley and Desert Springs Hospitals. In 1986 he joined the Clark County Medical Advisory Board and has served two terms as chairman.	
Bernice Johnson interview photographs, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02350)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 32 Digital Files (0.029 GB) JPG	

Scope and Contents: After graduating from Tonopah High School in Tonopah, Nevada, Johnson helped with shelter management at the Civil Defense Authority. She was later part of the ambulance service in the area, a job she carried out for over 40 years.

Pat Irwin oral history interview, 2013 January 17 (OH_02351) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 2 Digital Files (0.687 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: Irwin served as a volunteer firefighter in Lovelock, Nevada. In 2010 Irwin took a state leadership position for EMS in Nevada.

Richard Jackson oral history interview, 2012 December 13 (OH_02352) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.289 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: Jackson joined the Fernley Volunteer Fire Department in 1971. He later became an EMT and received experience by working at both St. Mary's and Washoe Med hospitals.

Nancy Knighten, Rusty and Art Johnson, and Vicki Serfoss oral history interview, 2013 January 30 (OH_02353) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.199 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: These four people worked in EMS in Esmeralda County, Nevada. Art Johnson was a combat medic and became the Civil Defense Coordinator in 1977, and his wife Rusty accompanied him on ambulance runs. Knighten joined the ambulance service in Fish Lake Valley and became an EMT, and she has worked in the area for 20 years. Serfoss became an EMT after moving to Dyer, Nevada in 1979.

Lori Johnson oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02354) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.116 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: Johnson joined the volunteer EMT service in Mesquite, Nevada, after taking EMT classes there in 1995. She has continued to work for the department as it has professionalized.

Will Johnston oral history interview, 2013 July 18 (OH_02355) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.163 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: Johnston took his first EMT class in 1971 and began working on the ambulance service in Carlin, Nevada. He is currently the chief of the Carlin Volunteer Fire Department.

Allen Kightlinger oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02356) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.215 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: Kightlinger became a member of the Douglas County Fire and Ambulance Company in 1972. In 1989 he moved to Elko, Nevada, and worked with the Regional Fire Management Office. In 1997 he became deputy chief of the Elko Fire Department, then chief in 2000, and he retired from that post in 2011.

Connie Antone-Knoll oral history interview, 2013 February 12 (OH_02357) digital
file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.300 GB) MP4

Scope and Contents: Antone-Knoll received her MD from the University of Colorado in 1976. She moved to Fernley, Nevada, in 1981, where she began training the Fernley Fire Department members.

<p>Cheryl Kretschmer oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02358)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.321 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Kretschmer moved to Nevada in 1966 and got her EMT certification from Clark County Community College in 1970. She worked in the ambulance service in Pahrump, Nevada before moving to Tonopah, Nevada and working in the ambulance service there. She has been training EMT students in Nye, Lincoln, Esmeralda, and Mineral Counties for several decades.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>John Lambert oral history interview, 2012 November 30 (OH_02359)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.0264 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Lambert became a member of the Fernley, Nevada Volunteer Fire Department in 1977. He has also taught EMT classes.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Louie Lemaire oral history interview, 2013 July 18 (OH_02360)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.134 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Lemaire joined the Battle Mountain fire department in 1960. He served as chief of the department from 1975 to 1980. He then served as county commissioner.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Louis Lemaire oral history interview, 2013 February 09 (OH_02361)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.281 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Lemaire joined the Battle Mountain Volunteer Fire Department in 1977. He took basic EMT training while studying at the University of Nevada, Reno. He joined the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District in 1978 and worked there until his retirement in 2007.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Len Lafoom oral history interview, 2013 May 17 (OH_02362)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.299 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Lafoom moved to Pahrump, Nevada in 1964 and became a member of the Professional Rescue Instructors of Nevada. He was the director of the Amargosa Valley ambulance service from 1972 to 1983.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Dennis Larsen oral history interview, 2013 January 31 (OH_02363)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.564 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Larsen began working for Ernie Moore at Mercy Ambulance in Las Vegas, Nevada as a dispatcher in 1969. He joined the Las Vegas Police Department in 1971.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>William Lawrey oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02364)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.169 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Lawry joined the Fallon, Nevada Fire Department in 1968.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Charles and Susan Lawson oral history interview, 2012 December 17 (OH_02365)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.230 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: The Lawsons were part of the Professional Rescue Instructors of Nevada from around 1976 until 1988.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>

<p>John Lisle oral history interview, 2013 March 13 (OH_02366)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.194 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Lisle joined the Beatty, Nevada fire department in 1967 while still in college. He served in the ambulance service for seventeen years before retiring.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Rob Loveberg oral history interview, 2013 March 23 (OH_02367)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.213 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Loveberg currently serves as the Chief of the Smith Valley Fire District, which he joined in 2000 after moving from Douglas County.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Dave McCandless oral history interview, 2012 December 13 (OH_02368)</p> <p>Physical Description: 3 Digital Files (0.678 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: McCandless joined the Yerington, Nevada Volunteer Fire Department in 1979. He has made ambulance runs with the department as an EMT.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>John Mohler oral history interview, 2013 January 18 (OH_02369)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.270 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Mohler received a degree in biology from the University of Nevada, Reno. He began working for AIDS Ambulance at age 19. In 1977 he began teaching CPR classes, and in 1980 he became an EMT. He became an RN in 1985 and began flying for St. Mary's Hospital's Care Flight.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Steve McClintock oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02370)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.314 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: McClintock volunteered for the Cal-Nev-Ari, Nevada Fire Department in 1980. In 1990 he began working at the Clark County Fire Department, where he worked until his retirement in 2009.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Jane Miller oral history interview, 2013 February 14 (OH_02371)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.500 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: After managing an air ambulance service out of Denver, Colorado, Miller moved to Reno, Nevada to manage the new helicopter ambulance service that began in 1980.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Susan Moore oral history interview, 2012 December 07 (OH_02372)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.268 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: After working as a nurse in Hawaii, Moore helped start a paramedic service in Reno, Nevada in 1977. In 2000 Moore joined Care Flight and has been active with developing emergency standards for the Nevada State Board of Nursing.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Donna Miller oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02373)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.099 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Miller owns and operates the Flying ICU, an air ambulance service, which she started in 2002. She began working in the ICU at Valley Hospital in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1999.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Kathy Nelson oral history interview, 2013 February 07 (OH_02374)</p>	

Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.150 GB) MP4	digital file 00
Scope and Contents: Nelson started taking EMS classes in 1985 and became an ambulance operator in Las Vegas, Nevada.	
Norma Cleveland Morrison oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02375)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.232 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Morrison moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1953 and was employed as a nurse. She became a head nurse of the emergency departments of Memorial Hospital and Valley Hospital. In the 1970s she pursued certifications in CPR training and taught until her retirement in 1987.	
Mike Nevin oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02376)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.134 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Nevin joined the Virginia City, Nevada fire department when he was in high school. He was employed by the Nevada Division of Forestry for fire service from 1974 to 1998. He was trained as an EMT in 1976.	
Mitch Nowicki oral history interview, 2012 December 12 (OH_02377)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.319 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Nowicki began EMT training in 1978. He started working in pre-hospital medicine in Reno, Nevada in 1979.	
Marian O'Donnell oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02378)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.204 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: O'Donnell started in the medical field as a runner for a medical clinic in the early 1980s. She then took EMT classes and began working for the ambulance service in White Pine County.	
Jeff and Arnold Page oral history interview, 2012 December 21 (OH_02379)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.611 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Page joined the volunteer fire department in Yerington, Nevada in 1965 and received advanced first aid training.	
Burton Packard oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02380)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.127 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Packard became a firefighter trainee in 1980 in Hawthorne, Nevada. He joined the Mineral County Fire Department in 1987 and left the department in 1993.	
William "Bill" Park oral history interview, 2013 March 23 (OH_02381)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.255 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Park joined the Smith Valley Fire Department in 1966. Park became an EMT in 1972.	
Jim Perkins oral history interview, 2013 January 31 (OH_02382)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.212 GB) MP4	

Scope and Contents: Perkins joined the Alamo Fire Department before receiving EMT training. In 1973 he began working for the Clark County Fire Department and received paramedic training. He retired from the Alamo Volunteer Fire Department in 1998 and the Clark County Fire Department in 2003.

Gary Pierson oral history interview, 2012 November 24 (OH_02383)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.232 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Pierson joined the Gabbs, Nevada fire department in 1970. He received EMT training in Las Vegas around 1980.	
John Peters oral history interview, 2013 July 18 (OH_02384)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.140 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Peters has practiced medicine at the Battle Mountain General Hospital since 1991. He has trained military and paramilitary groups in pre-hospital care. He currently oversees the paramedic program in Battle Mountain.	
Chuck Rasco oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02385)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.116 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Rasco joined the volunteer fire department in Lovelock, Nevada in 1976 and was enlisted into the ambulance service. Later that year he started EMT classes. In 1994 he became chief of the department.	
Darrel Reche oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02386)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.195 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Reche joined the Fallon, Nevada fire department in 1964 and became active in the ambulance service in 1970.	
Rick Resnick oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02387)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.277 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Resnick worked for Mercy Ambulance in Las Vegas, Nevada before moving to Mesquite, Nevada in 2000.	
Linda Mathias Netski oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02388)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.165 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Netski began working as a nurse in Las Vegas, Nevada at Sunrise Hospital in 1969. She was enamored with the ambulance service after working in the emergency room, and in 1974 became the first female ambulance attendant. She quit riding in the ambulance full-time in 2000 but maintains a supervisory role.	
Ross Rivera oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02389)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.113 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Rivera joined the volunteer fire department in Ely after graduating from high school. He became a professional firefighter in 1991 and completed EMT training in 1999.	
John Robinson oral history interview, 2013 February 01 (OH_02390)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.212 GB) MP4	

<p>Scope and Contents: After serving as a medic in the Navy, Robison began work for Mercy Ambulance in Las Vegas, Nevada.</p>	
<p>Glen Rose oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02391)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.343 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Rose joined the Lovelock, Nevada Volunteer Fire Department in 1968. He operated an ambulance and took EMT courses.</p>	
<p>Bernard Sease oral history interview, 2013 June 17 (OH_02392)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.950 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Sease joined the Carson City Fire Department in 1964 and served until his retirement in 1990, when he was chief.</p>	
<p>Davette Jackson Shea oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02393)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.950 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: After working as a nurse in air ambulances in Denver, Colorado, Shea moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1981. Shea worked as a flight nurse from 1976 to 1988.</p>	
<p>Chris Sloman oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02394)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.214 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Sloman worked for an ambulance service in New Mexico until he became director of the Elko, Nevada ambulance service in 2010.</p>	
<p>Lynne Smith oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02395)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.233 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Smith joined the Fallon, Nevada ambulance service in 1986 as a basic EMT.</p>	
<p>Larry Wrangham oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02396)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.261 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Wrangham was a paramedic with the Las Vegas Fire Department from 1980 to 1997.</p>	
<p>William "Bill" Southard oral history interview, 2012 December 13 (OH_02397)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.235 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Southard worked as Yerington, Nevada's only paid firefighter starting in 1961. He was also a member of the Professional Rescue Instructors of Nevada.</p>	
<p>Ben Sharit oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02398)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.257 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Sharit is chief of the Tahoe-Douglas Fire Protection District. He became an EMT in 1981.</p>	
<p>Don Stangle oral history interview, 2013 March 02 (OH_02399)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.146 GB) MP4</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Scope and Contents: Stangle was a member of the Douglas Volunteer Fire Department from 1972 to 1996. He started driving the department's ambulance in 1972, and took EMT training throughout the 1970s.</p>	

<p>Dick Swinney oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02400)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.314 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Swinney served on the fire department faculty at Texas A&M from 1976 to 1978. He became a certified EMT in Nevada and trained with Professional Rescue Instructors of Nevada. He was coordinator of EMS in Nevada, owned an ambulance transfer service, and authored a program for emergency training.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Kerry Swinney oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02401)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.297 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Swinney took EMT basic training in 1980. Since then, Swinney has coordinated EMT and CPR training courses around Washoe County.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Brian Taylor oral history interview, 2012 November 29 (OH_02402)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.367 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Taylor took EMT basic classes at the University of Nevada in the early 1980s. He dropped out of college to pursue EMS work and has progressively increased his EMT credentials.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Alan Tinney oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02403)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.308 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Tinney joined Mercy Ambulance in Las Vegas, Nevada in 1974. In 1976 he finished EMT training at Clark County Community College. In 1986 he finished an engineering degree and retired from EMS.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Casey Snyder oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02404)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.515 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Snyder is the director of West Wendover ambulance service in West Wendover, Nevada. He is a certified EMT and paramedic.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Mike Sullivan oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02405)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.262 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Sullivan is the director of the Eureka County volunteer ambulance service, a post he has held since 2006. A native of Reno, Nevada, Sullivan received EMT training and worked as an ambulance operator in Tonopah and Pahrump before arriving in his current job.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Bobby Sullivan oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02406)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.225 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Bobbie joined the Pahrump, Nevada volunteer ambulance service in 1982 and got her EMT certification in 1984.</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>
<p>Ed Tomany oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02407)</p> <p>Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.230 GB) MP4</p> <p>Scope and Contents: Tomany received first aid training from the US Forest Service and the US Army in the 1960s. In 1968 he started running on Tonopah, Nevada's ambulance service. Though he had to stop running</p>	<p>digital file 00</p>

in the 1970s, he restarted his ambulance career in 1985 and received his EMT certification that year.

Don Vonarx oral history interview, 2013 July 26 (OH_02408)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.525 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Vonarx joined the Lovelock, Nevada volunteer fire department and began riding the ambulance in 1984. He finished EMT Basic in 1986.	
William Webb oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02409)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.166 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: After returning from the Vietnam War in 1973, Webb began taking EMT classes in Las Vegas, Nevada. Beginning in 1975, Webb served as a field representative in Humboldt, Lander, Eureka, Elko, and White Pine Counties in order to conduct EMT classes and tests, a job he did for the next nineteen years. After that, he served as the Elko ambulance service director until 2005.	
Rodney Wilcox oral history interview, 2013 June 29 (OH_02410)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.203 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Wilcox joined the Lovelock Volunteer Fire Department in 1974 and became an EMT later that decade.	
Dale Wilson oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02411)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.172 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Wilson moved to Elko, Nevada in 1988 after serving in the military as a field medic. He took the EMT training course to re-certify. Wilson worked in mine rescue in the Elko area as well.	
Bobby Wortgo oral history interview, 2013 February 15 (OH_02412)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.180 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Wartgow took EMT classes in Smith Valley, Nevada shortly after graduating high school in 1981. In 1982 he began volunteering with the ambulance service.	
Elizabeth "Liz" Wilkening oral history interview, 2013 August 26 (OH_02413)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.256 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: In 1991 Wilkening was recruited as the first female member of the Lovelock Volunteer Fire Department in Lovelock, Nevada. She took fire instruction in Fallon, Nevada, and EMT training in Lovelock.	
Parry Winters oral history interview, approximately 2012 to 2013 (OH_02414)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.275 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Winters took EMT training in 1986 in Tonopah, Nevada, and began running on the ambulance service. In 2005 she became an EMS trainer in Nye County.	
David Womack oral history interview, 2013 March 14 (OH_02415)	digital file 00
Physical Description: 1 Digital Files (0.121 GB) MP4	
Scope and Contents: Womack began his EMS training as a fireman trainee in Hawthorne, Nevada in 1981. He later joined the Mineral County Fire Department.	