



Guide to the Jean S. Childs oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Scope and Contents Note

Oral history interview with Jean Childs conducted by Claytee White on December 02, 2013 for the African Americans in Las Vegas: a Collaborative Oral History Project. Jean recalls the culture shock of segregation and racism her family encountered upon arriving in Las Vegas, Nevada from California in 1963. She talked about how her mother would demonstrate strength and fortitude as she enrolled her children in Rancho High School, where administrators wanted to hold them back

a year without cause. Jean spoke about how her mother was a role model for her, who carved a path of fighting for the underprivileged, growing the Head Start program in Las Vegas.

Jean talks about the community she encountered over the years in the Westside, at Berkley Square, while attending University of Nevada, Las Vegas, at local social services developments, near her father's bar business called the Penguin Club, and at the Equal Opportunity Board.

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