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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** Northeast Archives of Folklore and Oral History

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Physical 68 items

**Description:** 

Language of the

Material:

**Details:** 

English.

**Material Specific** Audio files are the primary source material. Transcriptions are

the transcriber's best effort to convert audio to text, but should

be considered secondary to the audio.

### **Preferred Citation**

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## **Scope and Contents**

The Maine Women Veterans Oral History Project collected oral interviews with women veterans through a collaborative effort of the Maine commission on women veterans, the Maine Studies program at UMaine, and the Women Studies program at UMaine. Includes WWII, Vietnam, and Desert Storm.

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- Military
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Digital Object: Photograph, p14492

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| Title/Description   | Instances      |  |
| Photograph, p05384, 1940-1945   | Text MF        |  |
| Digital Object: Photograph, p05384  | 144            |  |
| Photo Description: Black and white photograph featuring the Spencer Twins, Irene and Madelene, of Bangor and Brewer, Maine. Irene Alice Spencer and Madelene Avis Spencer were born in Bangor, Maine, November 23, 1909, the daughters of James R. and Ula (Adams) Spencer. According to a 1996 interview, they traveled to Boston to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps because the local recruiter refused to take them seriously. This promotional recruiting photograph of the twins in uniform, saluting, was part of the War Bond drive show, "Direct Hit," that featured representatives from four branches of the military including boxing champion Jack Dempsey, who was a Coast Guard officer, cowboy star Gene Autry, and comedian Frank Fontaine. The show toured all the New England states. Madelene Spencer died July 27, 2001. Irene died December 15, 2003. Source: Rita Breton. |                |  |
| Photograph, p14491, 1944 <u>Digital Object: Photograph, p14491</u>  | Text MF<br>144 |  |
| Abstract: Color photograph of two women in uniform, ca. 1944. Back matter: (1) Beth Leet Hawkes, 1st Lieutenant. (r) Ruby Leet Maliszewski, Cadet Nurse. Greenville, Maine. Elizabeth Leet Hawkes was born in Greenville Junction, July 8, 1919 and died October 21, 2001. She served as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army Nurses Corps for three and a half years, serving in the Italian and African Theaters of World War II. Ruby Geneva Leet Maliszewski was born in Greenville, Maine, October 16, 1923 and died October 6, 2008.  |                |  |
| Photograph, p14492, 1944  | Text MF        |  |
| Digital Object: Photograph, p14492  | 144            |  |

Photo Description: Color photograph of two women in uniform, ca. 1944. Back matter: (1) Beth Leet Hawkes, 1st Lieutenant. (r) Ruby Leet Maliszewski, Cadet Nurse. Greenville, Maine. Elizabeth Leet Hawkes was born in Greenville Junction, July 8, 1919, and died October 21, 2001. She served as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army Nurses Corps for three and a half years, serving in the Italian and African Theaters of World War II. Ruby Geneva Leet Maliszewski was born in Greenville, Maine, October 16, 1923, and died October 6, 2008.

Photograph, p14494, 1940-1945

Digital Object: Photograph, p14494

Photo Description: Color photograph featuring the Spencer Twins, Irene and Madelene, of Bangor and Brewer, Maine. Irene Alice Spencer and Madelene Avis Spencer were born in Bangor, Maine, November 23, 1909, the daughters of James R. and Ula (Adams) Spencer. According to a 1996 interview, they traveled to Boston to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps because the local recruiter refused to take them seriously. This promotional recruiting photograph of the twins in uniform, saluting, was part of the War Bond drive show, "Direct Hit," that featured representatives from four branches of the military including boxing champion Jack Dempsey, who was a Coast Guard officer, cowboy star Gene Autry, and comedian Frank Fontaine. The show toured all the New England states. Madelene Spencer died July 27, 2001. Irene died December 15, 2003.

Text MF 144

Photograph, p14495, 1940-1945

Digital Object: Photograph, p14495

Photo Description: Color photograph featuring the Spencer Twins, Irene and Madelene, of Bangor and Brewer, Maine. Irene Alice Spencer and Madelene Avis Spencer were born in Bangor, Maine, November 23, 1909, the daughters of James R. and Ula (Adams) Spencer. According to a 1996 interview, they traveled to Boston to enlist in the U.S. Marine Corps because the local recruiter refused to take them seriously. This promotional recruiting photograph of the twins in uniform, saluting, was part of the War Bond drive show, "Direct Hit," that featured representatives from four branches of the military including boxing champion Jack Dempsey, who was a Coast Guard officer, cowboy star Gene Autry, and comedian Frank Fontaine. The show toured all the New England states. Madelene Spencer died July 27, 2001. Irene died December 15, 2003.

Text MF 144

Photograph, p14496, 1945

Digital Object: Photograph, p14496

<u>Photo Description</u>: Black and white portraits of brother and sister George Ermentrout and Christine Ermentrout, circa 1945. Christine "Teeny" Ermentrout Dipompo was Text MF 144 born April 5, 1921, in South Hampton, Pennsylvania and died November 25, 2009, in Bangor, Maine. She was the daughter of Charles Benton Ermentrout and Mary Elizabeth (Bard) Ermentrout, served as a Technical Sergeant in the Women's Auxiliary Army (WAA) and Women's Army Corps (WACs) during World War II and became an elementary school teacher in Palmyra and Corinna, Maine following the war. George Ermentrout was born November 15, 1923, in South Hampton, Pennsylvania, and died February 26, 2012, in Newtown, Pennsylvania. He served in Germany during World War II and received the Bronze Star and Combat Infantry Badge after being wounded.

Photograph, p14497, 1945

Digital Object: Photograph, p14497

Photo Description: Black and white portrait Christine Ermentrout in uniform, circa 1945. Christine "Teeny" Ermentrout Dipompo was born April 5, 1921, in South Hampton, Pennsylvania and died November 25, 2009, in Bangor, Maine. She was the daughter of Charles Benton Ermentrout and Mary Elizabeth (Bard) Ermentrout, served as a Technical Sergeant in the Women's Auxiliary Army (WAA) and Women's Army Corps (WACs) during World War II and became an elementary school teacher in Palmyra and Corinna, Maine following the war. Detail of p14496.

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Photograph, p14526, 1944

Digital Object: Photograph, p14526

Photo Description: Color photograph of two women in uniform, ca. 1944. Back matter: (l) Beth Leet Hawkes, 1st Lieutenant. (r) Ruby Leet Maliszewski, Cadet Nurse. Greenville, Maine. Elizabeth Leet Hawkes was born in Greenville Junction, July 8, 1919, and died October 21, 2001. She served as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army Nurses Corps for three and a half years, serving in the Italian and African Theaters of World War II. Ruby Geneva Leet Maliszewski was born in Greenville, Maine, October 16, 1923, and died October 6, 2008.

Text MF 144

Photograph, p14527, 1943-1946

Digital Object: Photograph, p14527

Photo Description: Sepia portrait of Lieutenant Mildred Wooster, U.S. Army Corps, 1943-1946, in uniform. Typed caption reads: "Lt. Mildred Wooster, US Army Corps, 1943-1946." Mildred "Midi" (Wooster) Roberts was born July 29, 1923, and enlisted in the Women's Army Corps on September 29, 1943, and served for three years in the Army Medical Corps as a physical therapist working with returning soldiers wounded in Europe. She was the eldest daughter of Old Town druggist, Harry Macomber and Sarah (Poole) Wooster. She married Ernest A. Roberts in Boston on June 11, 1949. Midi attended the University

Text MF 144 of Maine as a member of the Class of 1944 and lead the campaign that financed construction of the Class of 1944 Hall.

Photograph, p14528, 1943-1946

Digital Object: Photograph, p14528

Photo Description: Sepia portrait of Lieutenant Mildred Wooster, U.S. Army Corps, 1943-1946, in uniform. Mildred "Midi" (Wooster) Roberts was born July 29, 1923 and enlisted in the Womens Army Corps on September 29, 1943 and served for three years in the Army Medical Corps as a physical therapist working with returning soldiers wounded in Europe. She was the eldest daughter of Old Town druggist, Harry Macomber and Sarah (Poole)

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## Beth Parks and Colonel Mary Cady, interviewed by Devida Kellogg

Source: Parks, Beth

Source: Cady, Mary, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.)

Creator: Kellogg, Davida

Abstract: NA3085 Beth Parks and Colonel Mary Cady, interviewed by Devida Kellogg, August 25, 2002. Parks and Cady, on the Veterans Panel, speak of their experiences in the military during the Vietnam War era; reasons for enlisting in the military; society's reactions to the Vietnam War; propaganda, including "The Green Beret" by Robert Moore and "The Ballad of the Green Beret" by Staff Sergeant Barry Saddler; Beth's experiences in a MASH (Mobile Army Surgical Hospital); Beth's participation in constructing an evacuation hospital; MK's education and participation in the Army at the University of Kansas; the College Army Nurse and WAC Student Officer Programs; MK's training at Fort Mclellan, Alabama, and Fort Ben Harrison, Indiana; MK's employment at Fort Riley, Kansas, and Fort Devins, Massachusetts; MK's enlistment in the Army Reserves; MK's retirement in April of 1990; their experiences as women in the military; sexism in the military; the G.I. Bill; Mr. Branneth, a Canadian Vietnam Veteran; opinions on women in combat; and education at the University of Maine. Text: no transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3085\_c2129\_01 (C 2129). Time: 00:47:08. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Parks, Beth
- Cady, Mary, Lieutenant Colonel (Ret.)

| Title/Description               | Instances        |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| NA 3085, audio, August 25, 2002 | Audio NA<br>3085 |

Digital Object: NA 3085, audio

NA 3085, photograph, p14552, 2004

Digital Object: NA 3085, photograph, p14552

Photo Description: Color photograph of an original oil painting by James Davis Nelson entitled: "12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN, 1966-1970. The image depicts the 12th Evacuation Hospital operating room with a wounded Vietnam soldier laying on the operating table surrounded by the surgical team. The painting is in a wooden frame carved with the lettering: "To Conserve Fighting Strength. Skilled and Resolute. 12th Evacuation Hospital (SMBL)." The image of the painting is printed on a computerprinted on a sheet of 8-1/2" x 11" paper folded to 8-1/2" x 5-1/2" note card. 2004. The back of the card reads: "12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN 1966-1970. Oil Painting by James Davis Nelson. Original oil painting, unveiled November 2004 and displayed at the U.S. Army Medical Department Museum (AMEDD) at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. On loan to the New York State Military Museum, Saratoga Springs, 2005-2006. Painting dimensions: 33" x 48" Artist Jim Nelson of Jewell, Kansas, acclaimed for his work as a Vietnam combat artist and portraitist, served with the 25th Infantry Division at Cu Chi, Vietnam. during 1967-68. Hand-routed wood frame by Mike Cheney of Lincoln, Kansas, features designs that include the 12th Evacuation Hospital crest and motto. Frame dimensions: 38" x 53". Project was commissioned by Richard C. Harder, MSC, then LTC, XO and CO of the 12th Evac, 1970 Battle dress is depicted because the 12th Evac was subject to frequent mortar and rocket attacks at Cu Chi during 1966-68. Models (composite from period photos): Back Row, L-R: 1LT Beth Parks, ANC, OR nurse, 1966-67; SPS Bob Hall, OR tech, 1969-70; CPT Charlie Campbell, ANC, nurse anesthetist, 1967 Center Arc, L-R: 2LT Ann Cunningham, ANC, OR nurse, 1967-68; CPT Fred Kurrus, MC, surgeon, 1967-68; MAJ Jeriel Beard, MC, surgeon, 1970; SPS Scott Worley, OR tech, 1968-69 Patient: One of over 37,000 treated at the 12th Evac

Audio NA 3085

NA 3085, photograph, p14553, 2004

Digital Object: NA 3085, photograph, p14553

between 1966-70. Card design by Beth Parks, Ed.D."

Photo Description: Color photograph of the James Davis Nelson original oil painting entitled: "12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN, 1966-1970. The image was taken by Beth Parks, 2004. The painting depicts the 12th Evacuation Hospital operating room with a wounded Vietnam soldier laying on the operating table surrounded by the surgical team. Image does not include the custom-engraved frame. Back matter: "12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN 1966-1970. Beth Parks Photo, 2004."

Audio NA 3085

NA 3085, photograph, p14554, 2004

#### Digital Object: NA 3085, photograph, p14554

Photo Description: Color photograph of the James Davis Nelson original oil painting entitled: "12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN, 1966-1970. The image was taken by Beth Parks, 2004. The painting depicts the 12th Evacuation Hospital operating room with a wounded Vietnam soldier laying on the operating table surrounded by the surgical team. Hand-routed wood frame by Mike Cheney of Lincoln, Kansas, features designs that include the 12th Evacuation Hospital crest and motto. Back matter: "12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN 1966-1970. Beth Parks Photo, 2004."

Audio NA 3085

NA 3085, photograph, p14555, 2004

Digital Object: NA 3085, photograph, p14555

Photo Description: Color photograph of the James Davis Nelson, Sharon (Mrs. James D.) Nelson, and Richard C. Harder posing with J.D. Nelson's original oil painting entitled: 12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN, 1966-1970. The image was taken by Beth Parks, 2004. The painting depicts the 12th Evacuation Hospital operating room with a wounded Vietnam soldier laying on the operating table surrounded by the surgical team and was commissioned by Richard C. Harder, MSC, then LTC, XO and CO of the 12th Evac. Beth Parks Photo, 2004.

Audio NA 3085

NA 3085, photograph, p14556, 2003

Digital Object: NA 3085, photograph, p14556

Photo Description: Color photograph detailing the figure entitled, "The Exhausted One" that is part of the Vietnam Women's Memorial by sculptor Glenna Goodacre. The figure is shown with three white roses. The Vietnam Women's Memorial was dedicated on Veteran's Day, 1993. The bronze is a tribute to the 265,000 women who served during the Vietnam era. Beth Parks photo, 2003.

Audio NA 3085

NA 3085, photograph, p14557, 2003

Digital Object: NA 3085, photograph, p14557

Photo Description: Color photograph detailing two figures from the Vietnam Women's Memorial by sculptor Glenna Goodacre. The photograph captures the look of concern and empathy on the face of a nurse cradling the body of a wounded male soldier who eyes are covered with a bandage. A spray of red, white, and yellow roses is laid on the soldier's chest. The Vietnam Women's Memorial was dedicated on Veteran's Day, 1993. The bronze is a tribute to the 265,000 women who served during the Vietnam era. Lettering in the lower right corner reads: "La VN

Audio NA 3085 Rose. Beth Parks. 2003." Back matter: Beth Parks photo, 2003.

# Agatha (Schiller) Guthrie and Mary Schulze, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough

Source: Guthrie, Agatha M. "Aggie", 1922-2017

Source: Schulze, Mary Ellen, 1923-2019

<u>Creator</u>: Hough, Mazie <u>Creator</u>: Toner, Carol

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3200 Agatha (Schiller) Guthrie and Mary Schulze, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough, February 16, 2001. Guthrie talks about enlisting in the Army Nurse Corps on February 2, 1944, completing her training at Camp Coy, WI; being stationed in England and Germany. Schutze talks about completing her training at Fort Devens; being stationed in Manila and later Germany; talking about serving in WWII in the Army Nurse Corps. Text: 31 pp. transcript. Recording: C 2300 (missing). Time: undetermined. Photographs: p14502, detail p14503; p14504, detail p14505; p14524, detail p14525. RESTRICTED. No release.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Guthrie, Agatha M. "Aggie", 1922-2017
- Schulze, Mary Ellen, 1923-2019
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3200, photograph, p14502, February 16, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3200, photograph, p14502  | Audio NA<br>3200 |
| Photo Description: Color photograph of Agatha (Schiller) Guthrie who served in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. She met William Guthrie in England and married in Germany after the war. Agatha was born June 7, 1922 in Chicago, Illinois and died May 12, 2017 in Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken February 16, 2001. |                  |
| NA 3200, photograph, p14503, February 16, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3200, photograph, p14503  | Audio NA<br>3200 |

Photo Description: Color photograph of Agatha (Schiller) Guthrie who served in the Army Nurse Corps during World War II. She met William Guthrie in England and married in Germany after the war. Agatha was born June 7, 1922 in Chicago, Illinois and died May 12, 2017 in

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Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken February 16, 2001. Detail of p14502.

| NA 3200, photograph, p14504, February 16, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3200, photograph, p14504  | Audio NA<br>3200 |
|---|------------------|
| Photo Description: Color photograph Mary Ellen (Abbott) Schulze, born March 14, 1923 in Bangor, Maine, and joined the Army Nurse Corps in June 1945 becoming a 1st Lieutenant. She died June 10, 2019 in Troy, New York. Photograph was taken February 16, 2001.  |                  |
| NA 3200, photograph, p14505, February 16, 2001  | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3200, photograph, p14505   | 3200             |
| Photo Description: Color photograph Mary Ellen (Abbott) Schulze, born March 14, 1923 in Bangor, Maine, and joined the Army Nurse Corps in June 1945 becoming a 1st Lieutenant. She died June 10, 2019 in Troy, New York. Photograph was taken February 16, 2001. Detail of p14504.  |                  |
| NA 3200, photograph, p14524, circa 1944   | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3200, photograph, p14524   | 3200             |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Black and white photograph of Mary Ellen (Abbott) Schulze, circa 1944.   |                  |
| NA 3200, photograph, p14525, circa 1944   | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3200, photograph, p14525   | 3200             |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Black and white photograph of Mary Ellen (Abbott) Schulze, circa 1944.   |                  |
| NA 3200, photograph, p14530, circa 1944   | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3200, photograph, p14530   | 3200             |
| Photo Description: Sepia portrait of two women in uniform. Caption reads: "(left) Mary Ellen Abbot Schulze (right) Margaret Burte." Mary Ellen (Abbott) Schulze, born March 14, 1923 in Bangor, Maine, the daughter of John P. and Winifred (Luosey) Abbott, and joined the Army Nurse Corps in June 1945 becoming a 1st Lieutenant and |                  |

serving as an Army Nurse in the Philippines during World War II. She died June 10, 2019 in Troy, New York.

# Dolores "Del" Hainer, interviewed by Rebecca Pelletier and Elizabeth Fowler

Source: Hainer, Dolores Florence

<u>Creator</u>: Pelletier, Rebecca <u>Creator</u>: Fowler, Elizabeth

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<u>Abstract</u>: NA3201 Delores "Del" Hainer, interviewed by Rebecca Pelletier and Elizabeth Fowler, November 10, 2000, Hampden, Maine. Hainer talks about joining the army after WWII; her basic training in Camply, VA; and being stationed in San Antonio, TX. Text: 34 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3201\_c2301\_01, mfc\_na3201\_c2301\_02 (C 2301, C 2302, CD 1047, 1048). Time: 1 hour 17 minutes. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Hainer, Dolores Florence

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
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| NA 3201, transcript, November 10, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3201, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3201 |
| NA 3201, audio, part 1, November 10, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3201, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3201 |
| NA 3201, audio, part 2, November 10, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3201, audio, part 2               | Audio NA<br>3201 |

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## Helen Burns, interviewed by Lacey Stone and Ellen Geraghty

Source: Burns, Helen
Creator: Stone, Lacey
Creator: Geraghty, Ellen

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3202 Helen Burns, interviewed by Lacey Stone and Ellen Geraghty, November 9, 2000, Bangor, Maine. Helen talks about joining the Army Nurses Corps in May of 1945; serving in Camp Lee, VA, Frederick, MD, Phoenixville, PA, San Francisco, CA and Yokohama, Japan. Text: 12 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3202\_c2303\_01 (C 2303). Time: 00:34:36. Photographs: p14533, p14534. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Burns, Helen
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description                     | Instances |  |
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| NA 3202, transcript, November 9, 2000 | Audio NA  |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3202, transcript   | 3202      |  |

NA 3202, audio, November 9, 2000

Digital Object: NA 3202, audio

Audio NA 3202

NA 3202, photograph, p14533, November 9, 2000

Digital Object: NA 3202, photograph, p14533

Audio NA 3202

Photo Description: Color photograph of Helen Burns (right) seated beside interviewer Lacey Stone or Ellen Geraghty, in her home on November 9, 2000. Helen Mae (Saurman) Burns was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania on December 30, 1922, the daughter of Frank and Hellen (Mick) Saurman. She joined Army Nurse Corps, May 1945 and was deployed to the South Pacific aboard the U.S. Army Hospital ship Comfort, 1944-1945, earning two battle stars for her service in the Pacific Theatre. She married Warren T. Burns in 1952. Her nursing career included 10 years of service at the University of Maine's Cutler Health Center. She died June 15, 2005, in Bangor, Maine.

NA 3202, photograph, p14534, November 9, 2000

Digital Object: NA 3202, photograph, p14534

Photo Description: Color photograph of Helen Burns in her home on November 9, 2000. Helen Mae (Saurman) Burns was born in Allentown, Pennsylvania on December 30, 1922, the daughter of Frank and Hellen (Mick) Saurman. She joined Army Nurse Corps, May 1945 and was deployed to the South Pacific aboard the U.S. Army Hospital ship Comfort, 1944-1945, earning two battle stars for her service in the Pacific Theatre. She married Warren T. Burns in 1952. Her nursing career included 10 years of service at the University of Maine's Cutler Health Center. She died June 15, 2005, in Bangor, Maine. Detail of p14533.

Audio NA 3202

## Barbara Beal, interviewed by Laura Wheaton

<u>Source</u>: Beal, Barbara <u>Creator</u>: Wheaton, Laura

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3203 Barbara Beal, interviewed by Laura Wheaton, November 14, 2001, in her home in Ellsworth, Maine. Beal talks about joining the Army Nurses Corps in 1970; being stationed in Hawaii; being sent to Vietnam where she served until 1972; her rank of Lieutenant. Text: 15 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc na3203 c2304 01, mfc na3203 c2304 02 (C 2304). Time: 01:06:45. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women

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• Veterans -- Maine

• Beal, Barbara

• United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3203, transcript, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3203, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3203 |  |
| NA 3203, audio, part 1, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3203, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3203 |  |
| NA 3203, audio, part 2, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3203, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3203 |  |

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## Cathy Parsons, interviewed by Laura Wheaton

Source: Parsons, Cathy, Master Sergeant

Creator: Wheaton, Laura

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3204 Cathy Parsons, interviewed by Laura Wheaton, November 15, 2001, Bangor Maine. Parsons talks about joining the Army National Guard in 1990; being sent to Desert Storm and so joining the active U. S. Army; being stationed for a time in Schwabisch Hall, Germany; her rank of Master Sergeant (upon leaving). Text: 15 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3204\_c2305\_01 (C 2305). Time: 00:35:12. Photographs: p14522, p14523. RESTRICTED. No release.

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Persian Gulf War, 1991 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Parsons, Cathy, Master Sergeant
- Maine, National Guard

| Title/Description  | Instances        |
|--|------------------|
| NA 3204, transcript, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3204, transcript</u>  | Audio NA<br>3204 |
| NA 3204, audio, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3204, audio</u>  | Audio NA<br>3204 |
| NA 3204, photograph, p14522, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3204, photograph, p14522   | Audio NA<br>3204 |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Cathy Parsons,<br>November 15, 2001, in Bangor, Maine. Parsons served as<br>a Master Sergeant in the Army National Guard. |                  |
| NA 3204, photograph, p14523, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3204, photograph, p14523   | Audio NA<br>3204 |

<u>Photo Description</u>: Color photograph of Cathy Parsons, November 15, 2001, in Bangor, Maine. Parsons served as a Master Sergeant in the Army National Guard. Detail of p14522.

## Deborah R. "Debbie" Kelley, interviewed by Jennifer LaPlante

Source: Kelley, Deborah R. "Debbie"

Creator: LaPlante, Jennifer

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3205 Deborah R. "Debbie" Kelley, interviewed by Jennifer LaPlante, November 17, 2001. Kelley talks about being in the Maine Air National Guard for 12 years (at the time of interview); her basic training in Knoxville TN; attending navigational (NAV) school in Sacramento, CA. Text: 19 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc na3205 c2306 01, mfc na3205 c2306 02 (C 2306). Time: 01:02:40. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Kelley, Deborah R. "Debbie"
- Maine. National Guard

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3205, text, November 17, 2001  | Audio NA<br>3205 |
| NA 3205, transcript, November 17, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3205, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3205 |
| NA 3205, audio, part 1, November 17, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3205, audio, part 1        | Audio NA<br>3205 |
| NA 3205, audio, part 2, November 17, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3205, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3205 |

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## Margaret E. Puckett, interviewed by Melissa A St. Peter

<u>Source</u>: Puckett, Margaret E. Creator: St. Peter, Melissa

Abstract: NA3206 Margaret E. Puckett, interviewed by Melissa A St. Peter, November 2, 2001, at Margaret's home in Bangor, Maine. Margaret talks about her entering the military, Women's Army Corps, in 1973; being stationed in Fort Bragg, NC, where she was a Second Lieutenant; ending her career as a Captain; being part of and helping with the desegregation of the army; issues with male respect toward female officers; the "growing pains" they all went through; the monitorship of younger women by the older; serving 1973 - 1993. Text: 22 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3206\_c2307\_01. mfc\_na3206\_c2307\_02 (C 2307). Time: 01:37:18. Photographs: p14537, p14538. Restrictions: None.

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#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Puckett, Margaret E.

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3206, transcript, November 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3206, transcript</u>  | Audio NA<br>3206 |
| NA 3206, audio, part 1, November 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3206, audio, part 1</u>  | Audio NA<br>3206 |
| NA 3206, audio, part 2, November 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3206, audio, part 2</u>  | Audio NA<br>3206 |
| NA 3206, photograph, p14537, November 2, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3206, photograph, p14537  Photo Description: Color photograph of Margaret E. Puckett in her Bangor, Maine home on November 2, 2001. Puckett was born in 1951 in Manchester, New Hampshire. Puckett entered the Women's Army Corps in 1973, eventually earned the rank of Captain. Photograph taken by Melissa A. St. Peter.                   | Audio NA<br>3206 |
| NA 3206, photograph, p14538, November 2, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3206, photograph, p14538  Photo Description: Color photograph of Margaret E. Puckett in her Bangor, Maine home on November 2, 2001. Puckett was born in 1951 in Manchester, New Hampshire. Puckett entered the Women's Army Corps in 1973, eventually earned the rank of Captain. Photograph taken by Melissa A. St. Peter. Detail of p14537. | Audio NA<br>3206 |

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## Donna Loring, interviewed by Mazie Hough and Carol Toner

<u>Source</u>: Loring, Donna <u>Creator</u>: Hough, Mazie <u>Creator</u>: Toner, Carol

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3207 Donna Loring, interviewed by Mazie Hough and Carol Toner, June 19, 2001, at the CATS Library in Augusta, Maine. Donna talks about enlisting in 1966; training in California and going to Vietnam; serving in the military occupational specialty signals corps and as a soldier of the Women's Army Corps. Text: 9 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3207\_c2308\_01, mfc\_na3207\_c2308\_02 (C 2308, CD 1057, CD 1058). Time: 01:20:59. RESTRICTED pending TK review by the Penobscot Historic Preservation Committee.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

Oral history

- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- Loring, Donna
- United States. Army. Signal Corps

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## Angel Maria Tyler, interviewed by Tiffany Jones

<u>Source</u>: Tyler, Angel Maria <u>Creator</u>: Jones, Tiffany

Abstract: NA3208 Angel Maria Tyler, interviewed by Tiffany Jones, November 5, 2001, Bangor, Maine. Tyler talks about Angel's birth date and birthplace; her parents; her upbringing; her reasons for joining the military; Air Force basic training; service from 1987 to 1992; her reaction to cutting her hair; places she was stationed; her service in Minot, North Dakota and Germany; ranks she attained during her service, being an administrative specialist; being a marksman; experiences as a woman in the military; what she has learned from her military experience; her opinions on rape in the military and rape at academic institutes; how she feels about her military service. Text: 49 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3208\_c2309\_01&02, mfc\_na3208\_c2310\_01&02 (CD 1059, CD 1060, C 2309, 2310). Time: 01:42:07. Photographs: p14544-p14548. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Tyler, Angel Maria

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3208, transcript, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, transcript</u>  | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, audio, part 1, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, audio, part 1</u>  | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, audio, part 2, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, audio, part 2</u>  | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, audio, part 3, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, audio, part 3</u>  | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, audio, part 4, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, audio, part 4</u>  | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, photograph, p14544, November 5, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3208, photograph, p14544  Photo Description: Color photograph of Gulf War Air Force veteran Angel Tyler in her Bangor, Maine home on May 5, 2003. | Audio NA<br>3208 |

NA 3208, photograph, p14545, November 5, 2001

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| <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, photograph, p14545</u> <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Gulf War Air Force veteran Angel Tyler in her Bangor, Maine home on May 5, 2003. Detail of p14544.                             | Audio NA<br>3208 |
|--|------------------|
| NA 3208, photograph, p14546, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, photograph, p14546</u> <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Gulf War Air Force veteran Angel Tyler in her Bangor, Maine home on May 5, 2003. | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, photograph, p14547, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3208, photograph, p14547</u> <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Gulf War Air Force veteran Angel Tyler in her Bangor, Maine home on May 5, 2003. | Audio NA<br>3208 |
| NA 3208, photograph, p14548, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3208, photograph, p14548 <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Gulf War Air  Force veteran Angel Tyler in her Bangor, Maine home on May 5, 2003.       | Audio NA<br>3208 |

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## Elizabeth "Beth" Carlson, interviewed by Melissa St. Peter

Source: Carlson, Elizabeth "Beth"

Creator: St. Peter, Melissa

Abstract: NA3209 Elizabeth "Beth" Carlson, interviewed by Melissa St. Peter, November 3, 2001, at Ms. Carlson's home in Bangor, Maine. Carlson talks about Elizabeth's birthplace; her parents; reasons for joining the military; basic training; her assignment as a weather equipment specialist; her service from 1977 to 1981 in the Air Force; her assignment to funeral detail; marriage and becoming a parent in the service; stationed in Chanute, Illinois; her views on women in combat; her views on the draft; what she did after she left the military; her family's reactions to her enlistment; her opinions of politics and the military. Also, 2-page journal of interview with Carlson. Text: 25 pp. transcript, 2 pp. interview journal. Recording: mfc\_na3209\_c2311\_01, mfc\_na3209\_c2311\_02 (C 2311, CD 1061). Time: 57 minutes. Photographs: p14539, p14540. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Carlson, Elizabeth "Beth"

| Title/Description                     | Instances        |  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--|
| NA 3209, transcript, November 3, 2001 | Audio NA<br>3209 |  |

Digital Object: NA 3209, transcript

| NA 3209, audio, part 1, November 3, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3209, audio, part 1</u>   | Audio NA<br>3209 |
|--|------------------|
| NA 3209, audio, part 2, November 3, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3209, audio, part 2</u>   | Audio NA<br>3209 |
| NA 3209, photograph, p14539, November 3, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3209, photograph, p14539</u>   | Audio NA<br>3209 |
| Photo Description: Color photograph of Elizabeth "Beth" Carlson, November 3, 2001 in Carlson's Bangor, Maine, home. Carlson was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on April 6, 1959, the daughter of Frederick and Violet (Swanson) Mason, Beth (Mason) Carlson joined the Air Force in September 1977. Photograph by Melissa St. Peter. |                  |
| NA 3209, photograph, p14540, November 3, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3209, photograph, p14540   | Audio NA<br>3209 |
| Photo Description: Color photograph of Elizabeth "Beth" Carlson, November 3, 2001 in Carlson's Bangor, Maine, home. Carlson was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on April 6, 1959, the daughter of Frederick and Violet (Swanson) Mason, Beth (Mason) Carlson joined the Air Force in September 1977. Photograph by Melissa St.        |                  |

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Peter. Detail of p14539.

## Deena Sole, interviewed by Joelle Quartarone

Source: Sole, Deena

Creator: Quartarone, Joelle

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3210 Deena Sole, interviewed by Joelle Quartarone, November 3, 2001. Sole talks about joining the Navy in 1985; completing her basic training in Orlando, FL; being stationed in Agrigento Sicily as a seamen recruit; being in an MAS unit in Jacksonville, FL during the Gulf War. Text: 10 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3210\_c2312\_01, mfc\_na3210\_c2312\_02 (C 2312). Time: 01:06:27. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991 -- Personal narratives
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Sole, Deena

| Title/Description                     | Instances        |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| NA 3210, transcript, November 3, 2001 | Audio NA<br>3210 |

Digital Object: NA 3210, transcript

| NA 3210, audio, part 1, November 3, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3210, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3210 |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3210, audio, part 2, November 3, 2001   | Audio NA         |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3210, audio, part 2   | 3210             |  |

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## Kim Lander, interviewed by Jennifer LaPlante

Source: Lander, Kim

Creator: LaPlante, Jennifer

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3211 Kim Lander, interviewed by Jennifer LaPlante, November 15, 2001, at her home in Newport Maine. Lander talks about joining the Maine Air National Guard; completing her training in San Antonio Texas; attending tech- school in Pease New Hampshire; serving in the Strategic Air Command during the Gulf War; being a crew chief at the time of the interview. Text: 21 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3211\_c2313\_01, mfc\_na3211\_c2313\_02 (C 2313). Time: 00:51:42. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Persian Gulf War, 1991 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Lander, Kim
- Maine. National Guard

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3211, transcript, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3211, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3211 |
| NA 3211, audio, part 1, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3211, audio, part 1        | Audio NA<br>3211 |
| NA 3211, audio, part 2, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3211, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3211 |

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## Bessie Fleetwood, interviewed by Elizabeth LaPierre

<u>Source</u>: Fleetwood, Bessie <u>Creator</u>: LaPierre, Elizabeth

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3212 Bessie Fleetwood, interviewed by Elizabeth LaPierre, December 9, 2001, Kennebunkport Maine. Fleetwood talks about completing her basic training in Cedar Falls, Iowa; serving as a Yeoman First

Class in the Vietnam War; being stationed in Endicott Rhode Island. Text: 18 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3212\_c2314\_01, mfc\_na3212\_c2314\_02 (C 2314). Time: 00:57:45. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Fleetwood, Bessie

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA3212, transcript, December 9, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA3212, transcript</u>         | Audio NA<br>3212 |  |
| NA 3212, audio, part 1, December 9, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3212, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3212 |  |
| NA 3212, audio, part 2, December 9, 2001<br>Digital Object: NA 3212, audio, part 2     | Audio NA<br>3212 |  |

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## Irene (Walker) Infererra, interviewed by John Dunham

Source: (Walker) Inferrera, Irene Blanche, 1918-2005

Creator: Dunham, John

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3213 Irene Walker Infererra, interviewed by John Dunham, November 26, 2000. Walker talks about training as a nurse in Belfast, Maine; entering the Army Nurses Corps in April 1943; serving in Camp Edwards, MA and England during World War II. Text: 11 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3213\_c2315\_01, mfc\_na3213\_c2315\_02 (C 2315). Time: 01:03:46. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- (Walker) Inferrera, Irene Blanche, 1918-2005
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3213, transcript, November 26, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3213, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3213 |  |
| NA 3213, audio, part 1, November 26, 2000<br>Digital Object: NA 3213, audio, part 1       | Audio NA<br>3213 |  |
| NA 3213, audio, part 2, November 26, 2000   | Audio NA<br>3213 |  |

Digital Object: NA 3213, audio, part 2

## Marguerite McNeil, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough

Source: McNeil, Marguerite Dow, 1916-2005

<u>Creator</u>: Toner, Carol <u>Creator</u>: Hough, Mazie

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3214 Marguerite McNeil, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough, February 5, 2001. McNeil talks about joining the military when she was 26 years old during World War II; serving as an acting Sergeant and teacher (drilling and math skills) in Daytona Beach, FL and North Carolina; being sent to Lackey, Philippines where she served until contracting a fungal infection, was hospitalized and eventually discharged. Text: 23 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3214\_c2316\_01&02, mfc\_na3214\_c2317\_01 (C 2316, C 2317). Time: 01:24:03. Photographs: p14513-p14515. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women

Digital Object: NA 3214, photograph, p14514

- Veterans -- Maine
- McNeil, Marguerite Dow, 1916-2005
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description  | Instances        |
|--|------------------|
| NA 3214, transcript, February 5, 2001  | Audio NA<br>3214 |
| Digital Object: NA 3214, transcript  | 3211             |
| NA 3214, audio, part 1, February 5, 2001   | Audio NA<br>3214 |
| Digital Object: NA 3214, audio, part 1   | 3214             |
| NA 3214, audio, part 2, February 5, 2001   | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3214, audio, part 2   | 3214             |
| NA 3214, audio, part 3, February 5, 2001   | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3214, audio, part 3   | 3214             |
| NA 3214, photograph, p14513, February 5, 2001  | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3214, photograph, p14513  | 3214             |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Robin Arnold with Annie M. (McNeil) McCarthy taken November 17, 2000. |                  |
| McCarthy was born in Bangor, Maine on September 21,  |                  |
| 1920 and died July 7, 2004. She served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in the Pacific Theater.             |                  |
| · •  |                  |
| NA 3214, photograph, p14514, February 5, 2001  | Audio NA<br>3214 |

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Photo Description: Color photograph of Molly MacLean with Annie M. (McNeil) McCarthy taken November 17, 2000. McCarthy was born in Bangor, Maine on September 21, 1920 and died July 7, 2004. She served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in the Pacific Theater.

NA 3214, photograph, p14515, February 5, 2001

Digital Object: NA 3214, photograph, p14515

Audio NA 3214

Photo Description: Color photograph of Annie M. (McNeil) McCarthy taken November 17, 2000. McCarthy was born in Bangor, Maine on September 21, 1920 and died July 7, 2004. She served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in the Pacific Theater. Detail of p14513.

## Mary Elliot, interviewed by John Dunham

<u>Source</u>: Elliot, Mary <u>Creator</u>: Dunham, John

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3215 Mary Elliot, interviewed by John Dunham, December 2, 2001, Camden, Maine. Elliot talks about training as a nurse in Massachusetts; becoming a member of the Red Cross; being called to serve in the Army following the attack on Pearl Harbor; being stationed at Camp Edwards, MA, Belfast, Northern Ireland, and Salisbury, England; being a Second Lieutenant nurse. Text: 18 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc na3215 c2318 01, mfc na3215 c2318 02 (C 2318). Time: 50 minutes. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Elliot, Mary
- United States. Army Nurse Corps
- American Red Cross

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3215, transcript, December 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3215, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3215 |  |
| NA 3215, audio, part 1, December 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3215, audio, part 1  | Audio NA<br>3215 |  |
| NA 3215, audio, part 2, December 2, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3215, audio, part 2         | Audio NA<br>3215 |  |

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## Barbara B. Collier, interviewed by Elizabeth LaPierre

Source: Collier, Barbara Adalyn (Balch)

Creator: LaPierre, Elizabeth

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3216 Barbara B. Collier, interviewed by Elizabeth LaPierre, December 9, 2000, in Collier's home in Kennebunk, Maine. Collier, 83 at the time of interview, talks about serving as a 2nd class storekeeper in the Naval Air Unit of the WAVES (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service), the women's branch of the United States Naval Reserve, during World War II; serving at the Opa-locka Naval Air Force Base near Miami, FL. Text: 24 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3216\_c2319\_01, mfc\_na3216\_c2319\_02 (C 2319). Time: 01:34:44. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- United States -- Naval Reserve -- Women's Reserve -- Veteran
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Collier, Barbara Adalyn (Balch)
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3216, transcript, December 9, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3216, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3216 |  |
| NA 3216, audio, part 1, December 9, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3216, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3216 |  |
| NA 3216, audio, part 2, December 9, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3216, audio, part 2               | Audio NA<br>3216 |  |

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## Marjorie C. Hall, interviewed by Robin Arnold and Molly MacLean

Source: Hall, Marjorie C. Creator: Arnold, Robin Creator: MacLean, Molly

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3217 Marjorie C. Hall, interviewed by Robin Arnold and Molly MacLean, November 15, 2000. Hall talks about completing her basic training at Hunter College in New York City in 1944; joining the Hospital Corps upon completion; being stationed at Bethesda Naval Hospital; and later at Great Lakes, Illinois as part of the WAVES (Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service). Text: 18 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3217\_c2320\_01, mfc\_na3217\_c2320\_02 (C 2320). Time: 00:59:27. Photographs: p14507-p14512. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Naval Reserve -- Women's Reserve -- Veteran

- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Hall, Marjorie C.
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3217, transcript, November 15, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3217, transcript</u>   | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, audio, part 1, November 15, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3217, audio, part 1</u>   | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, audio, part 2, November 15, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3217, audio, part 2</u>   | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, photograph, p14507, November 15, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3217, photograph, p14507</u> <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of (l-r) Robin Arnold, Marjorie C. Hall, and Molly MacLean taken November 15, 2000. | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, photograph, p14508, November 15, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3217, photograph, p14508</u> <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Marjorie C. Hall taken November 15, 2000. Detail of p14507                       | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, photograph, p14509, November 15, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3217, photograph, p14509  Photo Description: Color photograph of (l-r) Marjorie C.  Hall with Molly MacLean, taken November 15, 2000.                                  | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, photograph, p14510, November 15, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3217, photograph, p14510  Photo Description: Color photograph of (l-r) Marjorie C.  Hall with Robin Arnold, taken November 15, 2000.                                   | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, photograph, p14511, November 15, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3217, photograph, p14511  Photo Description: Color photograph of Marjorie C. Hall taken November 15, 2000.   | Audio NA<br>3217 |
| NA 3217, photograph, p14512, November 15, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3217, photograph, p14512  Photo Description: Color photograph of Marjorie C. Hall taken November 15, 2000. Detail of p14511.   | Audio NA<br>3217 |

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## Annie M. McCarthy, interviewed by Robin Arnold and Molly MacLean

Source: McCarthy, Annie M. (McNeil), 1920-2004

<u>Creator</u>: Arnold, Robin <u>Creator</u>: MacLean, Molly

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3218 Annie M. McCarthy, interviewed by Robin Arnold and Molly MacLean, November 17, 2000, at her home in Bangor, Maine. McCarthy talks about being a member of a detachment of the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps assigned to the Air Force; working as a Radio Operator in Daytona, Florida; serving under the 8th Air Force Strategic Air Command in China and India. Text: 23 pp. transcript. Recording: (C 2321) Missing. Photographs: p14513-p14515. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- McCarthy, Annie M. (McNeil), 1920-2004

| Title/Description                      | Instances |  |
|--|-----------|--|
| NA 3218, transcript, November 17, 2000 | Audio NA  |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3218, transcript    | 3218      |  |

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## **Evelyn McPhee, interviewed by Jaime Ferris**

Source: McPhee, Evelyn Marie (Ames), 1922-2010

Creator: Ferris, Jaime

Abstract: NA3219 Evelyn McPhee, interviewed by Jaime Ferris, November 28, 2000, Bangor, Maine. McPhee talks about her childhood in Bangor, Maine; her decision to enlist in the Navy; her family's reaction; her education; her reasons for enlisting in the Waves (Navy) in 1941; serving stateside during World War II; boot camp at Hunters College in New York; her tour of New York; Milledgeville State Teacher's College in Georgia; transferring to Atlanta, Georgia; her duties as a storekeeper; typing orders; Tyrone Power; Kate Smith; her opinions about segregation and integration; Southern attitudes towards Northern Yankees and African-Americans; the prejudice she endured as a Northerner; her husband's return from the South Pacific where he served as a medic; settling in Harrisburg, Mississippi; reasons why youth today should enlist. Text: 12 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3219\_c2322\_01 (C 2322, CD 2441). Time: 23 minutes. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Naval Reserve -- Women's Reserve -- Veteran
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- · Veterans -- Maine
- McPhee, Evelyn Marie (Ames), 1922-2010
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

#### Title/Description Instances

#### Women in the Military

| Digital Object: NA 3219, transcript | Audio NA<br>3219 |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| NA 3219, audio, November 28, 2000   | Audio NA         |
| Digital Object: NA 3219, audio      | 3219             |

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## Ruth O'Neil, interviewed by Jamie A. Ferris

Source: O'Neil, Ruth Wardwell (Brown), 1935-2017

Creator: Ferris, Jaime

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3220 Ruth O'Neil, interviewed by Jamie A. Ferris, a student in WS201, November 27, 2000, Old Town, Maine. O'Neil talks about joining the Army in 1953; serving as a field medic; completing her basic training at Fort McClellen in Alabama. For the class's Women and War project. Text: 3 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3220\_c2323\_01, mfc\_na3220\_c2323\_02 (C 2323). Time: 01:23:38. Restrictions: None

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Korean War, 1950-1953
- Korean War, 1950-1953 -- Personal narratives, American
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- O'Neil, Ruth Wardwell (Brown), 1935-2017

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3220, transcript, November 27, 2000 <u>Digital Object: NA 3220, transcript</u>               | Audio NA<br>3220 |
| NA 3220, audio, part 1, November 27, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3220, audio, part 1        | Audio NA<br>3220 |
| NA 3220, audio, part 2, November 27, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3220, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3220 |

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## Louine Lunt Peck, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough

Source: Peck, Louine M. (Lunt), 1908-2001

<u>Creator</u>: Toner, Carol <u>Creator</u>: Hough, Mazie

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3221 Louine Lunt Peck, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough, August 16, 2000, at her home in Northeast Harbor, Maine. Peck talks about serving as a Second Lieutenant as a nurse in the Navy Nurses Corps from 1938 to 1941; serving in the Army Nurses Corps from 1943 to 1945; serving on the Acadia, which sailed to the Bay of Naples and Normandy. Text: 53 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3221\_c2325\_01, mfc\_na3221\_c2325\_02 (C 2324, C 2325). Time: 01:34:39. Restrictions: None

#### Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Peck, Louine M. (Lunt), 1908-2001
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3221, transcript, August 16, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3221, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3221 |  |
| NA 3221, audio, part 1, August 16, 2000  Digital Object: NA 3221, audio, part 1         | Audio NA<br>3221 |  |
| NA 3221, audio, part 2, August 16, 2000 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3221, audio, part 2  | Audio NA<br>3221 |  |

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## Colette Beaulieu, interviewed by Sharon T. Callnan

<u>Source</u>: Beaulieu, Colette <u>Creator</u>: Callnan, Sharon T.

Abstract: NA3222 Colette Beaulieu, interviewed by Sharon T. Callnan, December 13, 2001. Colette talks about her birth date and birthplace; her parents; her upbringing; her reasons for joining the military; being a mother and wife when she joined the Air Force; basic training; her experience as a woman in the military; her service from 1992 to 1996; her assignment in supply and inventory management; Spangdahlem, Germany; Minot, North Dakota; Palace Chase; being in the Air Guard and Air National Guard Reserves. Text: 54 pp. transcript (missing). Recording: mfc\_na3222\_c2326\_01, mfc\_na3222\_c2326\_02 (C 2326, CD 2025). Time: 01:16:19. RESTRICTED. No release.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Beaulieu, Colette
- United States. Air Force
- Maine. National Guard

## Sara Bilodeau, interviewed by Phyllis von Herrlich

Source: Bilodeau, Sara

Creator: von Herrlich, Phyllis

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Abstract: NA3223 Sara Bilodeau, interviewed by Phyllis von Herrlich, November 10, 2001. Bilodeau talks about going into service in 1986; marrying a man from Maine; being on active duty in 1992; United States Air Force; "slick sleeve" airman basic; family in military; a building designated for all women in 1986; the 60 other women in basic with her; open bay; guide on; law enforcement; selecting 1 woman a month; becoming a dog handler; training at Lagland (Lackland?) Air Force base; 15 weeks of training; being the only female in her group of 6; going to Guam; PRP certification; walking the "red line"; "red dogs"- Belgian Malinois dogs; switching dogs; working in Air Force base in South Caroline; defending during desert storm; marrying in Guam; being in the army 6 years; starting full time in guard in 93; thinking everyone should serve two years at least. Text: 34 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3223\_c2327\_01, mfc\_na3223\_c2327\_02 (C 2327). Time: 01:15:19. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Bilodeau, Sara
- United States. Air Force

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3223, transcript, November 10, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3223, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3223 |  |
| NA 3223, audio, part 1, November 10, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3223, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3223 |  |
| NA 3223, audio, part 2, November 10, 2001<br>Digital Object: NA 3223, audio, part 2             | Audio NA<br>3223 |  |

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## Sharon Blair, interviewed by Caitlyn Barker

<u>Source</u>: Blair, Sharon <u>Creator</u>: Barker, Caitlyn

Abstract: NA3224 Sharon Blair, interviewed by Caitlyn Barker, December 4, 2001, Augusta, Maine. Blair talks about her aspirations of becoming a legal secretary; attending Thomas College; reasons for joining the Marine Corps in 1965; struggles of boot camp at Paris Island, South Carolina; treatment of women in boot camp; the developed bond between members of Marine Corps, and those of the military; life at the base at Cherry Point in North Carolina; working at the Cherry Point base while fellow Marines were deployed to Vietnam; segregation; lessons of the Marine Corps, and its impact on her life; being the first women veteran to work in a male dominated section of the VA; information about WIMSA. Text: 33 pp. transcript, 3 pp. journal. Recording: mfc\_na3224\_c2328\_01, mfc\_na3224\_c2328\_02 (C 2328, CD 2188) Time: 1 hour 13 minutes. Restrictions: None

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Blair, Sharon

#### Women in the Military

| • United States. Marines   |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Title/Description  | Instances        |
| NA 3224, transcript, December 4, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3224, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3224 |
| NA 3224, audio, part 1, December 4, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3224, audio, part 1        | Audio NA<br>3224 |
| NA 3224, audio, part 2, December 4, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3224, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3224 |

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## Luise (Trost) Cirillo, interviewed by Angela Nickerson

Source: Cirillo, Luise (Trost), 1912-2011

Creator: Nickerson, Angela

Abstract: NA3225 Luise (Trost) Cirillo, interviewed by Angela Nickerson, March 17, 2002, Pittsfield, Maine. Cirillo (b. 1912) talks about being growing up in Germany; working as a cook; coming to the U. S. in 1936 to escape Hitler's Germany; meeting the Von Trapp family; first impressions of America; training to be a nurse; treating patients with malaria; difficulty joining the Navy as a German; her leisure time; working in a military hospital; secret marriage; hearing about the end of WWII; her military leave; living in Boston with her husband; private duty nurse at Deaconess Hospital in Boston; public health nurse in Springfield, MA; husband studied to be a lawyer; his job offer in Pittsfield, Maine in 1950; husband served as District Attorney for 3 terms in Skowhegan, ME; meeting Galen Cole; experiences of her parents in Germany during and after the war; how life in Europe was different after the war. Text: 36 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3225\_c2329\_01, mfc\_na3225\_c2329\_02 (C 2329) 00:01:36. Photographs: p14535, p14536. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Cirillo, Luise (Trost), 1912-2011
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description  | Instances        |
|--|------------------|
| NA 3225, transcript, March 17, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3225, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3225 |
| NA 3225, audio, part 1, March 17, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3225, audio, part 1  | Audio NA<br>3225 |
| NA 3225, audio, part 2, March 17, 2002 <u>Digital Object: NA 3225, audio, part 2</u>   | Audio NA<br>3225 |

NA 3225, photograph, p14535, March 17, 2002

Digital Object: NA 3225, photograph, p14535

Photo Description: Color photograph of Luise (Trost) Cirillo, interviewed by Angela Nickerson, March 17, 2002, in her home in Pittsfield, Maine. Luise was born in Gesaka, Germany, December 30, 1912, to Otto and Angela (Zumdick) Trost. Due to her family's fear of her outspokenness following Hitler's rise to power, she immigrated to the United States in 1936. She joined the Army Nurse Corp and attained the rank of Lieutenant, serving as a surgical nurse and interpreter for German prisoners. While stationed at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, she met and married Anthony Cirillo of Springfield, Massachusetts. She moved to Pittsfield, Maine in 1950. She died in Pittsfield on March 29, 2011.

Audio NA 3225

NA 3225, photograph, p14536, March 17, 2002

Digital Object: NA 3225, photograph, p14536

Photo Description: Color photograph of Luise (Trost) Cirillo, interviewed by Angela Nickerson, March 17, 2002, in her home in Pittsfield, Maine. Luise was born in Gesaka, Germany, December 30, 1912, to Otto and Angela (Zumdick) Trost. Due to her family's fear of her outspokenness following Hitler's rise to power, she immigrated to the United States in 1936. She joined the Army Nurse Corp and attained the rank of Lieutenant, serving as a surgical nurse and interpreter for German prisoners. While stationed at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, she met and married Anthony Cirillo of Springfield, Massachusetts. She moved to Pittsfield, Maine in 1950. She died in Pittsfield on March 29, 2011. Detail of p14535.

Audio NA 3225

## Jacalyn L. Ellingsen, interviewed by Sarah Lawler

Source: Ellingsen, Jacalyn Louisa (Shope), 1954-

Creator: Lawler, Sarah

Abstract: NA3226 Jacalyn L. Ellingsen, interviewed by Sarah Lawler, November 13, 2001, unknown location. Ellingsen talks about her experience as an information manager in the Air National Guard since 1979; basic training in Lackland, Texas; tech school in MS; her reasons for joining; computer use; rules and regulations; the view of women in the military, Air Force, and administration; her experience as a hippie in Huntingdon, PA during the Vietnam War; patriotism; her view of the Persian Gulf War and the Iraq War; the role of the Air Nation Guard; the reaction of her family and friends to her enlistment; GI Bill; the relationship between the government and the military; her stay in Alaska during her husband's tour; marriage, divorce, and motherhood; military benefits; the government's handling of September 11th and anthrax; the role of women and discrimination in the military and civilian workplace; women in combat; female relationships; military promotional policies; travel. Transcript: 48 pp. Recording: mfc\_na3226\_c2330\_01&02, mfc\_na3226\_c2331\_01 (C 2330, C 2331). Time: 1 hour 10 minutes. Restrictions: None.

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#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Second Persian Gulf War, 2003–2011
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Ellingsen, Jacalyn Louisa (Shope), 1954-
- Maine, National Guard

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3226, transcript, November 13, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3226, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3226 |  |
| NA 3226, audio, part 1, November 13, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3226, audio, part 1         | Audio NA<br>3226 |  |
| NA 3226, audio, part 2, November 13, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3226, audio, part 2         | Audio NA<br>3226 |  |
| NA 3226, audio, part 3, November 13, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3226, audio, part 3  | Audio NA<br>3226 |  |

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## Patricia Conlon, interviewed by Kristin Taylor

<u>Source</u>: Conlon, Patricia <u>Creator</u>: Taylor, Kristin

Abstract: NA3227 Patricia Conlon, interviewed by Kristin Taylor. Conlon talks about her personal and family histories; her childhood in Newark, New Jersey; her parents, Joseph and Elizabeth Conlon; being a commissioned officer in the Air Force during the Gulf War; McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey; hers and her family's reactions to her enlistment in the Air Force; being a mother while serving in the military; Shephard Air Force Base in Texas; her experiences and duties as a flight nurse for Air Vac in Europe and the United States; her opinions on differences between men and women in the military; activities during leisure time; her homecoming after the Gulf War ended; her opinion on women in combat; benefits received for serving in the military; and her subsequent training as a perfusionist. Recording: mfc\_na3227\_c2332\_01 (C 2332, CD 2464). Time: 00:28:42. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Conlon, Patricia
- United States. Air Force

| Title/Description                     | Instances |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|--|
| NA 3227, transcript, November 6, 2001 | Audio NA  |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3227, transcript   | 3227      |  |

<u>Digital Object: NA 3227, audio</u>
Audio NA 3227

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### Debra Couture, interviewed by Sarah Brasslett

<u>Source</u>: Couture, Debra <u>Creator</u>: Brasslett, Sarah

Abstract: NA3228 Debra Couture, interviewed by Sarah Brasslett, December 2, 2001, at Drummond Chapel at the University of Maine. Couture discusses her experience as an Medical Service Corps Officer in the Navy Reserve from 1987 on; the response to the Persian Gulf War; officer candidate school in Pensacola, Florida; rules and regulations for men and women; her role in the Persian Gulf War; her typical day at the hospital; the relationship between men and women in the military; military and civilian employment; reaction to the Vietnam War; her family's reaction to her enlistment; military benefits; her political opinion of the Persian Gulf War; gender improvements in the military; the relationship between men and women; female relationships and officers; view of women in the military; her view on the Iraq War and the reaction to it; female promotional policies and opportunities in the military; Women Veteran's Commission in Maine 1998. Text: 38 pp. transcript (missing). Recording: mfc\_na3228\_c2333\_01, mfc\_na3228\_c2333\_02 (C 2333). Time: 01:01:36. Photograph: p14506. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Couture, Debra
- · United States. Navy

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3228, transcript, December 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3228, transcript</u>  | Audio NA<br>3228 |
| NA 3228, audio, part 1, December 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3228, audio, part 1</u>  | Audio NA<br>3228 |
| NA 3228, audio, part 2, December 2, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3228, audio, part 2  | Audio NA<br>3228 |
| NA 3228, photograph, p14506, December 2, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3228, photograph, p14506                                       | Audio NA<br>3228 |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Color portrait of Debra Carol (Dodge) Couture, LCDR, USNR, Medical Service Corps, in uniform, March 7, 1998. |                  |

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# Mary Jane Cyr, interviewed by Caitlyn Barker

<u>Source</u>: Cyr, Mary Jane <u>Creator</u>: Barker, Caitlyn

Abstract: NA3229 Mary Jane Cyr, interviewed by Caitlyn Barker, November 14, 2001, at her home in Hermon. Cyr talks about her career as a flight mechanic and crew chief in the Air National Guard; family background; basic training in Lackland, Texas; her experience in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War; family life and the military; her experience as a woman in the military and other's perceptions; her opinion of the Persian Gulf War and September 11th; tech school; travel; women's place in the military. Text: 12 pp. transcript (missing). Recording: mfc na3229 c2334 01 (C 2334). Time: 00:22:05. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Cyr, Mary Jane
- · Maine. National Guard

| Title/Description                      | Instances |  |
|--|-----------|--|
| NA 3229, transcript, November 14, 2001 | Audio NA  |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3229, transcript    | 3229      |  |
| NA 3229, audio, November 14, 2001      | Audio NA  |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3229, audio         | 3229      |  |

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### Lydia Franz, interviewed by Angela Nickerson

Source: Franz, Lydia Millicent (Truc), 1924-2008

Creator: Nickerson, Angela

Abstract: NA3230 Lydia Franz, interviewed by Angela Nickerson, April 7, 2002, at her home in Owl's Head, Maine. Franz talks about her experience in WWII as a WAC cryptanalyst; code and Japanese watercode; military secrecy and security; family home front and military experience; reaction to Pearl Harbor; recruitment and placement; basic training at Fort Oglethorpe, GA; work at Arlington Hall and the Pentagon in Washington D.C.; Japanese surrender and reaction to Hiroshima; early IBM computers; cracking code for Douglass McArthur; relationship between the military and the media; reaction to article by Drew Peterson; the Japanese change from Enigma code; propaganda and feelings toward the Japanese; women's place in the military; experience as a foreign legion clerk in China; amoebic dysentery; arrival in San Francisco; childhood in Chicago; G. I. Bill education; experience as a realtor in Illinois. Text: 33 pp. transcript (missing). Recording: mfc\_na3230\_c2335\_01, mfc\_na3230\_c2335\_02 (C 2335, CD 2221). Time: 01:02:42. Photographs: p14541-p14543. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- United States -- World War, 1939-1945 -- Veterans
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Franz, Lydia Millicent (Truc), 1924-2008

| • United States. Army. Women's Army Corps  |                  |
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| Title/Description  | Instances        |
| NA 3230, transcript, April 7, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3230, transcript</u>  | Audio NA<br>3230 |
| NA 3230, audio, part 1, April 7, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3230, audio, part 1   | Audio NA<br>3230 |
| NA 3230, audio, part 2, April 7, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3230, audio, part 2</u>  | Audio NA<br>3230 |
| NA 3230, photograph, p14541, April 7, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3230, photograph, p14541   | Audio NA<br>3230 |
| Photo Description: Color photograph of Lydia Franz in her Owl's Head, Maine, home on April 7, 2002. Franz was born January 11, 1924, in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Walter and Lydia (Kralovec) Truc. She joined the Women's Army Corps July 19, 1944, and served at Arlington Hall, Virginia as a cryptanalyst deciphering Japanese code during World War II. She died in Owls Head, Maine, February 11, 2008.                   |                  |
| NA 3230, photograph, p14542, April 7, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3230, photograph, p14542   | Audio NA<br>3230 |
| Photo Description: Color photograph of Lydia Franz in her Owl's Head, Maine, home on April 7, 2002. Franz was born January 11, 1924, in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of Walter and Lydia (Kralovec) Truc. She joined the Women's Army Corps July 19, 1944, and served at Arlington Hall, Virginia as a cryptanalyst deciphering Japanese code during World War II. She died in Owls Head, Maine, February 11, 2008. Detail of p14541. |                  |
| NA 3230, photograph, p14543, April 7, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3230, photograph, p14543   | Audio NA<br>3230 |

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# Susan "Sue" Murphy-Hammond, interviewed by Phyllis von Herrlich

Source: Murphy-Hammond, Susan "Sue"

Creator: von Herrlich, Phyllis

Abstract: NA3231 Susan "Sue" Murphy-Hammond, interviewed by Phyllis von Herrlich, October 28, 2001, Augusta, Maine. Murphy-Hammond talks about the U.S. Navy: enlisting in 1970; basic training at 18; the strict list of what could be brought; barracks; having to walk paths that were unmarked, punishment if you went off; training with just women; having to have a physical twice; wearing dungarees; 3 uniforms; training with 28 or 30 girls; room standards; failing inspection too many times, didn't graduate; wearing a wig so she didn't have to cut her hair; her station in Quonset Point, RI; waves; black shoe; brown shoe; working in aircraft intermediate maintenance department; first class petty officer; husband going to Vietnam; honorable discharge for pregnancy; knife and fork school; working with 2 or 3 other women; hospital on base; belief

that all U. S. citizens should serve; people in military turning to alcohol for the loneliness; could drink on base underaged. Text: 34 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3231\_c2336\_01, mfc\_na3231\_c2336\_02 (C 2336, CD 2251, CD 2252). Time: 01:33:21. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Murphy-Hammond, Susan "Sue"
- United States. Navy

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3231, transcript, October 28, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3231, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3231 |  |
| NA 3231, audio, part 1, October 28, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3231, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3231 |  |
| NA 3231, audio, part 2, October 28, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3231, audio, part 2       | Audio NA<br>3231 |  |

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### Barbara Hammett, interviewed by Kristen Frey

<u>Source</u>: Hammett, Barbara <u>Creator</u>: Frey, Kristen

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3232 Barbara Hammett, interviewed by Kristen Frey, November 14, 2001, unknown location. Hammett talks about her experience as an Air Force military working dog handler at Loring Air Force Base in Maine from 1979- 1989; father's military background; perception of Vietnam; basic training in Lackland, Texas; experience as the only female dog handler at Loring; treatment by male colleagues; view on military policy and gender; perceptions of women in the military. Text: 10 pp. transcript (missing). Recording: mfc\_na3232\_c2337\_01 (C 2337). Time: 00:19:35. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Hammett, Barbara

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3232, transcript, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3232, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3232 |
| NA 3232, audio, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3232, audio</u>   | Audio NA<br>3232 |

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### Brenda Jordan, interviewed by Sarah Brasslett

<u>Source</u>: Jordan, Brenda <u>Creator</u>: Brasslett, Sarah

Abstract: NA3233 Brenda Jordan, interviewed by Sarah Brasslett, November 10, 2001, at her home in Maine. Jordan talks about her experience at West Point 1983- 1987 and her family and community's reaction; her experience as a communications officer in the Army 1987- 1992; her pregnancy during the Persian Gulf War; marriage and children; Jumpmaster School; the reaction of the media and the Fort Bragg community to the Persian Gulf War; a typical day at Fort Bragg; communications equipment; duty and patriotism; leadership skills; view of military politics and policies; place of women at West Point and in the military; gender discrimination and justice at West Point and in the military; experience in the Maine National Guard, ROTC, and Air National Guard in the late 1990s; diversity and friendship in the military; growing up in Bristol, CT; leisure activity; the relationship between men and women in the military; female relationships and lesbians in the military; her experience as a woman in the military and the view of society; women in combat; military promotional policies; ROTC summer camp. Text: 48 pp. transcript (missing). Recording: mfc\_na3233\_c2338\_01&02, mfc\_na3233\_c2339\_01&02 (C 2338, C 2339). Time: 01:35:58. Restrictions: None

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Jordan, Brenda
- United States Military Academy
- · Maine. National Guard

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3233, transcript, November 10, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3233, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3233 |
| NA 3233, audio, part 1, November 10, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3233, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3233 |
| NA 3233, audio, part 2, November 10, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3233, audio, part 2</u>         | Audio NA<br>3233 |
| NA 3233, audio, part 3, November 10, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3233, audio, part 3</u> | Audio NA<br>3233 |
| NA 3233, audio, part 4, November 10, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3233, audio, part 4               | Audio NA<br>3233 |

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### Deborah A. Lee, interviewed by Kristin Taylor

Source: Lee, Deborah A., 1957-

Creator: Taylor, Kristin

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3234 Deborah A. Lee, interviewed by Kristin Taylor, November 8, 2001. Lee, a member of the Air National Guard and was born in Boston in 1957, talks about joining the National Guard and her

family's reaction; job of in-flight refueling of jets; experiences with basic training and specialty training; time in survival school; equality between men and women in the Air National Guard; quality of officers in the Guard; pros and cons of being in the Air National Guard; experiences overseas; how service changes attitude toward military and the government; life after service and keeping in touch with people afterward; what she wants to share with citizens about her experiences with the service. Text: 28 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3234\_c2340\_01&02, mfc\_na3234\_c2341\_01 (C 2340, C 2341). Time: 01:18:32. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Lee, Deborah A., 1957-
- Maine. Air National Guard

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3234, transcript, November 8, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3234, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3234 |  |
| NA 3234, audio, part 1, November 8, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3234, audio, part 1  | Audio NA<br>3234 |  |
| NA 3234, audio, part 2, November 8, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3234, audio, part 2  | Audio NA<br>3234 |  |
| NA 3234, audio, part 3, November 8, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3234, audio, part 3         | Audio NA<br>3234 |  |

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# Cheryl L. Martin, interviewed by Kim Sealy

Source: Martin, Cheryl L.

Creator: Sealy, Kim

Abstract: NA3235 Cheryl L. Martin, interviewed by Kim Sealy, November 15, 2001. Martin talks about personal and parent's educational background; decision to join Air Force instead of go to college; military history; "MAINEiacs"; federal versus state military service; time in basic training; benefits; logistics and shipping duties; year off with Fortune 500 company; CCAF; time as boom operator (air refueling); time in Kosovo; war effect on family; Shaw Air Force Base; rank and gender issues; air versus ground combat; experience in "gender free" military culture; officer versus enlisted rankings. Text: 44 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3235\_c2342\_01, mfc\_na3235\_c2342\_02 (C 2342, CD 2301, CD 2302). Time: 01:19:43. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Martin, Chervl L.
- United States. Air Force
- Maine, Air National Guard

| Title | e/Description | Instances |
|-------|---------------|-----------|
|       |               |           |

| <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3235, transcript</u>                                      | Audio NA<br>3235 |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3235, audio, part 1, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3235, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3235 |
| NA 3235, audio, part 2, November 15, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3235, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3235 |

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### Beth Parks, interviewed by Robin Arnold

<u>Source</u>: Parks, Beth <u>Creator</u>: Arnold, Robin

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3236 Beth Parks, interviewed by Robin Arnold, November 8, 2001. Text: No transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3236\_c2343\_01, mfc\_na3236\_c2343\_02 (C 2343). Time: 01:12:49. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Parks, Beth
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3236, audio, part 1, November 8, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3236, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3236 |  |
| NA 3236, audio, part 2, November 8, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3236, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3236 |  |

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### Lisa Powell, interviewed by Jessica Mayhan

Source: Powell, Lisa, Staff Sergeant

Creator: Mayhan, Jessica

Abstract: NA3237 Staff Sergeant Lisa Powell, interviewed by Jessica Mayhan, November 5, 2001, in Powell's home in Hermon, Maine. Powell, born in McAdam, New Brunswick in 1968, talks about joining the Navy after high school; her experiences with basic training; moving on to tech school to learn her job; what Powell had to do at her job as a radioman; her time stationed in Saudi Arabia; treatment of foreign women in Saudi Arabia; how she spent her time overseas; Navy paid for her housing while overseas. Text: 7 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc na3237 c2344 01 (C 2344). Time: 00:29:05. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Persian Gulf War, 1991 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Powell, Lisa, Staff Sergeant
- United States. Navy

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3237, transcript, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3237, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3237 |  |
| NA 3237, audio, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3237, audio</u>           | Audio NA<br>3237 |  |

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### Ursula Pritham, interviewed by Hillary Jackson

Source: Pritham, Ursula, 1955-

**Creator**: Jackson, Hillary

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3238 Ursula Pritham, interviewed by Hillary Jackson, November 5, 2001. Pritham, who was born in New York City in 1955, talks about her background (Swiss); serving in the Army Nurse Core; serving stateside, in Germany, and in Korea; initial training; Vietnam; Gulf War; husband; typical day; toll on family; public support; funny moments; husband's experiences in the military; his views of the military; travel; male/female relationships in the military; relationships among the women; harassment; her thoughts about the military. Text: 24 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na3238\_c2345\_01, mfc\_na3238\_c2346\_01&02 (C 2345, C 2346). Time: 01:30:05. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Pritham, Ursula, 1955-
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description  | Instances        |  |
|--|------------------|--|
| NA 3238, transcript, November 5, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3238, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3238 |  |
| NA 3238, audio, part 1, November 5, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3238, audio, part 1         | Audio NA<br>3238 |  |
| NA 3238, audio, part 2, November 5, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3238, audio, part 2         | Audio NA<br>3238 |  |
| NA 3238, audio, part 3, November 5, 2001   | Audio NA<br>3238 |  |

Digital Object: NA 3238, audio, part 3

# Fran Mitchell Robinson, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough

Source: Mitchell, Frances Robinson

<u>Creator</u>: Toner, Carol <u>Creator</u>: Hough, Mazie

Abstract: NA3239 Fran Mitchell Robinson, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough. Text: No

transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3239\_c2347\_01, mfc\_na3239\_c2347\_02 (C 2347).

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

Oral history

- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Mitchell, Frances Robinson

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3239, audio, part 1, June 11, 2001  Digital Object: NA 3239, audio, part 1 | Audio NA<br>3239 |
| NA 3239, audio, part 2, June 11, 2001 Digital Object: NA 3239, audio, part 2  | Audio NA<br>3239 |

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# Yvonne Roland, interviewed by Hillary Jackson

<u>Source</u>: Roland, Yvonne <u>Creator</u>: Jackson, Hillary

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3240 Yvonne Roland, interviewed by Hillary Jackson, November 26, 2001. Roland, who was born in Alabama, talks about the days when she was in the Air Force: being stationed in Turkey, Andrews Air Force Basin Maryland, and been to Colorado, Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, South Carolina, and Pease Air Force in new Hampshire; her start as a commissioned officer; Gulf War; benefits of military training; politics; changes she saw; funny moments; Egypt; travel; competitiveness in the military; feelings about the military; women in combat. Text: 13 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na3240\_c2348\_01 (C 2348, CD 2250). Time: 00:29:19. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Persian Gulf War, 1991 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Roland, Yvonne
- United States. Air Force

| Title/Description | Instances |
|-------------------|-----------|
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| NA 3240, transcript, November 26, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3240, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3240 |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3240, audio, November 26, 2001   | Audio NA         |  |
| Digital Object: NA 3240, audio  | 3240             |  |

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### Robyn Smith, interviewed by Sharon T. Callnan

Source: Smith, Robyn

Creator: Callnan, Sharon T.

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3241 Robyn Smith, interviewed by Sharon T. Callnan, November 19, 2001. Text: No transcript. Recording: mfc na3241 c2349 01&02, mfc na3241 c2350 01&02 (C 2349, C 2350). Time: 02:31:39.

Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Smith, Robyn

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3241, transcript, November 19, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3241, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3241 |
| NA 3241, audio, part 1, November 19, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3241, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3241 |
| NA 3241, audio, part 2, November 19, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3241, audio, part 2        | Audio NA<br>3241 |
| NA 3241, audio, part 3, November 19, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3241, audio, part 3</u> | Audio NA<br>3241 |
| NA 3241, audio, part 4, November 19, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3241, audio, part 4</u> | Audio NA<br>3241 |

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# Phyllis Sprague, interviewed by Kristen Frey

<u>Source</u>: Sprague, Phyllis Creator: Frey, Kristen

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3242 Phyllis Sprague, interviewed by Kristen Frey on November 14, 2001. Sprague was born in Newbury, Vermont in 1943. Sprague talks about joining the Army in 1961; a typical day in basic training and then working for the Army; experience as a medical officer in the Army; Sprague's attitude toward the military and government becoming more patriotic after her service; way soldiers were welcomed home after

Vietnam compared to the Gulf War; relationship between men and women in the military in the 60s; having to leave the military for pregnancy; absence of sexual harassment in the Army. Text: 10 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na3242\_c2351\_01, mfc\_na3242\_c2351\_02 (C 2351, CD 2368). Time: 00:37:21. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Sprague, Phyllis
- United States. Army

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3242, transcript, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3242, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3242 |  |
| NA 3242, audio, part 1, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3242, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3242 |  |
| NA 3242, audio, part 2, November 14, 2001 <u>Digital Object: NA 3242, audio, part 2</u> | Audio NA<br>3242 |  |

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### Marion Townsend, interviewed by Phyllis von Herrlich

Creator: von Herrlich, Phyllis

Source: Townsend, Marion Adell, 1914-2004

Abstract: NA3243 Marion Townsend, interviewed by Phyllis von Herrlich, January 6, 2002. Townsend talks about joining the service in 1942; twenty-eight when she joined the Navy; Hunter College for boot camp training; lived in dorms; went to store keeper school; ordered supplies; was in for two years; trained with just women; didn't get trained to shoot a gun; it was either get out or go to Japan; naval reserve for two years; type a certain WPM to pass store keeper school; went to Gates Business College; went to the University of Maine for a year then to Farmington; teaching for thirty-seven years; wants women to join the military; her rank was third class store keeper. Text: 35 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3243\_c2352\_01 (C 2352). Time: 00:48:15. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Townsend, Marion Adell, 1914-2004
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

| Title/Description                    | Instances        |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| NA 3243, transcript, January 6, 2002 | Audio NA<br>3243 |

Digital Object: NA 3243, transcript

NA 3243, audio, January 6, 2002 Audio NA
Digital Object: NA 3243, audio 3243

### Deborah Owens, interviewed by Jessica Mahan

Source: Owens, Deborah, Sergeant First Class

Creator: Mahan, Jessica

Abstract: NA3244 Sergeant First Class Deborah Owens, interviewed by Jessica Mahan, October 30, 2001, in Owens' home in Newport, Maine. Owens, born in Clemens, Georgia in 1966, talks about joining the army when she was 18; experience driving trucks in the Army; difference between training for men and women in the army in 1985; tasks as an army recruiter; experiences while stationed in Saudi Arabia; family support of her going overseas; equality of genders in military squads; plans to remain in the army until retirement; experiences in all the places she was stationed. Also included Xerox copies of photographs; 2-page journal. Text: 23 pp. transcript, 2 pp. journal. Recordings: mfc\_na3244\_c2353\_01, mfc\_na3244\_c2354\_01 (C 2353, C 2354 / CD 2367). Time: 00:42:18. Photos: p09141 – p09147. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Second Persian Gulf War, 2003–2011
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women

<u>Photo Description</u>: Sgt. First Class Deborah Owens engaging in target practice, lying on the ground in

- Veterans -- Maine
- Owens, Deborah, Sergeant First Class

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3244, transcript, October 30, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3244, transcript</u>  | Audio NA<br>3244 |
| NA 3244, audio, part 1, October 30, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3244, audio, part 1</u>  | Audio NA<br>3244 |
| NA 3244, audio, part 2, October 30, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3244, audio, part 2</u>  | Audio NA<br>3244 |
| NA 3244, photograph, p09141, 1990-1995  Digital Object: NA 3244, photograph, p09141  Photo Description: Three men and one woman, Sgt. First Class Deborah Owens, in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War. Soldiers are in full combat uniform, pictured in the desert with trucks to the side and mountains in the distance. Source: Sgt. Deborah Owens | Audio NA<br>3244 |
| NA 3244, photograph, p09143, 1990-1999 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3244, photograph, p09143</u>   | Audio NA<br>3244 |

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uniform aiming one of two rifles through a patch of trees. Behind her is a truck, with another vehicle to the right.

Source: Sgt. Deborah Owens

NA 3244, photograph, p09144, 1990-1999

Digital Object: NA 3244, photograph, p09144

<u>Photo Description</u>: Sgt. First Class Deborah Owens in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War. Behind her is an expanse of desert with a line of ten parked helicopters; mountains in the far distance. Source: Sgt. Deborah

Owens

NA 3244, photograph, p09145, 1990-1999

Digital Object: NA 3244, photograph, p09145

<u>Photo Description</u>: Camouflage-painted army flatbed truck with two tanks loaded on it, driven by Sgt. Deborah Owens in Saudi Arabia during the Persian Gulf War. Road in foreground, evergreen trees in the background. Source: Sgt. Deborah Owens

Sgt. Deboran Owens

NA 3244, photograph, p09146, 1990-1999

Digital Object: NA 3244, photograph, p09146

Photo Description: Lookout tower housing North Koreans guards pictured from bridge leading to North Korea (presumably from South Korea?). Bridge rail in foreground; fences and guard tower in the middle of a sparse, deserted brown area. Source: Sgt. Deborah Owens

NA 3244, photograph, p09147, 1990-1999

Digital Object: NA 3244, photograph, p09147

<u>Photo Description</u>: The bridge leading to North Korea (presumably from South Korea?), photographed while traveling on bridge, with guard towers visible on the

right. Source: Sgt. Deborah Owens

Audio NA 3244

Audio NA 3244

Audio NA 3244

Audio NA 3244

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### Col. Frances Auclair, interviewed by Kim Sealy and Sarah Lawler

Source: Auclair, Frances, Colonel

<u>Creator</u>: Sealy, Kim <u>Creator</u>: Lawler, Sarah

Abstract: NA3245 Colonel Frances Auclair, interviewed by Kim Sealy and Sarah Lawler, November 29, 2001. Auclair talks about running away to join the army after hearing stories about other's experiences in it; her parents' experiences in the Army, followed by Auclair joining the Navy; basic training followed by her first military job; being a hospital corpsman for the Navy; inequalities between gender in the 1970s; a typical day in the military as a woman; her time working in a hospital in MA; her opinion on jobs and work policies; community support for military personal; how leisure time was spent in the hospital and how it is spent now; funny memories from in the military; worst part of working for the military; relationship between men and women in the military; treatment of women in the military in the 70s compared to

now; having a medical role in the military versus being in combat. Text: 38 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3245\_c2355\_01, mfc\_na3245\_c2356\_01, mfc\_na3245\_c2357\_01&02 (C 2355 - C 2357, CD 2355 - 2357, CD 2357A) Time: 03:05:18. Photographs: p14516-p14521. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Auclair, Frances, Colonel
- United States. Navy

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3245, transcript, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3245, transcript</u>   | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, audio, part 1, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, audio, part 1  | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, audio, part 2, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, audio, part 2  | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, audio, part 3, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, audio, part 3  | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, audio, part 4, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, audio, part 4  | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, photograph, p14516, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, photograph, p14516 <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Colonel Frances Auclair, Vice Air Wing Commander for the 101st Unit of the Air National Guard, Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken November 29, 2001, by Kim Sealy. | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, photograph, p14517, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, photograph, p14517 <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Colonel Frances Auclair, Vice Air Wing Commander for the 101st Unit of the Air National Guard, Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken November 29, 2001, by Kim Sealy. | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, photograph, p14518, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3245, photograph, p14518 <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Colonel Frances Auclair, Vice Air Wing Commander for the 101st Unit of the Air National Guard, Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken November 29, 2001, by Kim Sealy. | Audio NA<br>3245 |
| NA 3245, photograph, p14519, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3245, photograph, p14519</u> <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Colonel Frances Auclair, Vice Air Wing Commander for the 101st Unit of   | Audio NA<br>3245 |

the Air National Guard, Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken November 29, 2001, by Kim Sealy.

| NA 3245, photograph, p14520, November 29, 2001 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3245, photograph, p14520</u>  | Audio NA<br>3245 |
|--|------------------|
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Colonel Frances Auclair, Vice Air Wing Commander for the 101st Unit of the Air National Guard, Bangor, Maine. Photograph was taken November 29, 2001, by Kim Sealy. |                  |
| NA 3245, photograph, p14521, November 29, 2001   | Audio NA<br>3245 |

Digital Object: NA 3245, photograph, p14521 Photo Description: Color photograph of Colonel Frances Auclair, Vice Air Wing Commander for the 101st Unit of

the Air National Guard, Bangor, Maine. Photograph was

taken November 29, 2001, by Kim Sealy.

# Bonnie Newsom, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough

Source: Newsom, Bonnie

Creator: Toner, Carol Creator: Hough, Mazie

Abstract: NA3246 Bonnie Newsom, interviewed by Carol Toner and Mazie Hough. Text: No transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3246\_c2358\_01, mfc\_na3246\_c2358\_02, mfc\_na3246\_c2359\_01 (C 2358, C 2359, CD 1072, CD 1073). Time: 01:25:08. RESTRICTED pending TK review by the Penobscot Historic Preservation

Committee.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Newsom, Bonnie

| Title/Description                    | Instances        |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| NA 3246, transcript, August 10, 2004 | Audio NA<br>3246 |

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# Joan Strayer, interviewed by Shavonne Brosnan

Source: Strayer, Joan

Creator: Brosnan, Shavonne

Abstract: NA3247 Joan Strayer, interviewed by Shavonne Brosnan, May 8, 2003. Text: No transcript.

Recording: microcassette C 2360. Restrictions: None.

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Veterans -- Maine

Strayer, Joan

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3247, transcript, May 8, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3247, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3247 |
| NA 3247, audio, May 8, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3247, audio</u>           | Audio NA<br>3247 |

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# Lee Oliver, interviewed by Shavonne Brosnan

Source: Oliver, Lee, Petty Officer

Creator: Brosnan, Shavonne

Abstract: NA3248 Petty Officer Lee Oliver, interviewed by Shavonne Brosnan, June 1, 2003. Text: No

transcript. Recording: microcassette, C 2361. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Oliver, Lee, Petty Officer

| Title/Description  | Instances        |
|--|------------------|
| NA 3248, transcript, June 1, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3248, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3248 |
| NA 3248, audio, June 1, 2003  Digital Object: NA 3248, audio                         | Audio NA<br>3248 |

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# Brenda Gagner, interviewed by Rebecca Bode

<u>Source</u>: Gagner, Brenda <u>Creator</u>: Bode, Rebecca

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3249 Brenda Gagner, interviewed by Rebecca Bode, April 29, 2003. Text: No transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3249\_cd2362\_01- mfc\_na3249\_cd2362\_08 (CD 2362). Time: 00:38:51. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine

| Gagner, Brenda                         |           |
|--|-----------|
| Title/Description                      | Instances |
| NA 3249, audio, part 1, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 1 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 2, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 2 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 3, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 3 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 4, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 4 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 5, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 5 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 6, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 6 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 7, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 7 | 3249      |
| NA 3249, audio, part 8, April 29, 2003 | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 3249, audio, part 8 | 3249      |

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# Angel Tyler, interviewed by Miranda Coombs

Source: Tyler, Angel

Creator: Coombs, Miranda

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3250 Angel Tyler, interviewed by Miranda Coombs, May 5, 2003. Tyler talks about her experiences in the Gulf War. Text: 23 pp. transcript. Recordings: mfc\_na3250\_c2363\_01 (C 2363, CD 2463). Time: 00:57:59. Photographs: p14544-p14548. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Persian Gulf War, 1991
- Persian Gulf War, 1991 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Tyler, Angel

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3250, transcript, May 5, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3250, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3250 |
| NA 3250, audio, May 5, 2003   | Audio NA<br>3250 |

Digital Object: NA 3250, audio

### Olive Benton, interviewed by Miranda Coombs

Source: Benton, Olive Ruth (Stuart), 1927-2019

Creator: Coombs, Miranda

Abstract: NA3251 Olive Benton, interviewed by Miranda Coombs, May 2, 2003, in Benton's home in Bangor, Maine. Benton was born in Etna, Maine. Topics covered include Benton's experiences in the Army during the Korean War; basic training; segregation of men and women in the military bases; being in Tokyo during the Korean War; treatment of lesbians; homosexuality unacceptable in the military; Benton's relationships within the military; her marriage and death of her husband; treatment of soldiers in foreign countries; Benton's willingness to rejoin the military. Text: 27 pp. transcript. Recording: mfc\_na3251\_c2364\_01 (C 2364). Time: 00:41:13. Photographs: p14549-p14551. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Korean War, 1950-1953
- Korean War, 1950-1953 -- Personal narratives, American
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Benton, Olive Ruth (Stuart), 1927-2019
- United States. Army

| Title/Description   | Instances        |
|---|------------------|
| NA 3251, transcript, May 2, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3251, transcript          | Audio NA<br>3251 |
| NA 3251, audio, May 2, 2003 <u>Digital Object: NA 3251, audio</u>                     | Audio NA<br>3251 |
| NA 3251, photograph, p14549, May 2, 2003  Digital Object: NA 3251, photograph, p14549 | Audio NA<br>3251 |
| NA 3251, photograph, p14550, May 2, 2003  Digital Object: NA 3251, photograph, p14550 | Audio NA<br>3251 |
| NA 3251, photograph, p14551, May 2, 2003  Digital Object: NA 3251, photograph, p14551 | Audio NA<br>3251 |

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# Capt. Jennifer Curtis Fowler, interviewed by Davida Kellogg

Source: Fowler, Jennifer, Captain

Creator: Kellogg, Davida

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<u>Abstract</u>: NA3252 Captain Jennifer Curtis Fowler, interviewed by Davida Kellogg, January 31, 2003, in Fowler's home in Colonial Heights, VA. Fowler talks about completing her Officer Ordinance Basic Course in Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD; cadet training at Fort Bragg; eventually becoming an ammunitions officer; being an Army Ordnance Officer (her current position). Text: 44 pp. transcript. Recording: C 2365 (missing). RESTRICTED. No release.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Fowler, Jennifer, Captain
- United States. Army

### Col. Judy-Ann Carroll, interviewed by Davida Kellogg

Source: Carroll, Judy-Ann, Colonel

Creator: Kellogg, Davida

<u>Abstract</u>: NA3253 Colonel Judy-Ann Carroll, interviewed by Davida Kellogg, August 20, 2002, in Ms. Kellogg's home in Orono, Maine. Carroll talks about her service in the United States Army through the College Junior Program; her training conducted at Fort McClellan, AL; being stationed later in Darmstadt, Germany; serving as a training officer with the Women's Army Corps and as a Military Police Officer. Text, 2 copies, 35 pp. and 32 pp. transcripts. Recording: mfc\_na3253\_c2366\_01&02, mfc\_na3253\_c2367.1\_01 (C 2366, C 2367, CD 2552). Time: 01:45:42. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Carroll, Judy-Ann, Colonel
- United States. Army. Women's Army Corps

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3253, transcript, August 20, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3253, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3253 |  |
| NA 3253, audio, part 1, August 20, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3253, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3253 |  |
| NA 3253, audio, part 2, August 20, 2002 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3253, audio, part 2        | Audio NA<br>3253 |  |
| NA 3253, audio, part 3, August 20, 2002 <u>Digital Object: NA 3253, audio, part 3</u>         | Audio NA<br>3253 |  |

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# Agnes E. Flaherty, interviewed by Melissa Piselli

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Source: Flaherty, Agnes E., 1919-2008

Creator: Piselli, Melissa

Abstract: NA3327 Agnes E. Flaherty, interviewed by Melissa Piselli, February 22 and April 26, 2005, South Portland, Maine. Interview 1:35 minutes, interview 2:21 minutes, summary for interview 2, indexing for interviews 1&2. Flaherty, born in Portland, Maine, talks about her parents, Anna and Mark Flaherty; her family's involvement in nursing; enlisting in the military during WWII as a nurse in the Army Air Core; working out of Grenier Field in Manchester, New Hampshire; her experiences and favorite memories as a flight nurse; early medications; experiences with the Women's Army Core (WAC); patriotism during WWII; serving in the Pacific as a flight nurse; working out of Hicomb Field in Oahu, Hawaii; relationship between nurses and doctors then and now; G.I.'s teasing the nurses; transporting psychiatric patients; landings at Terowa and Canto; experiences with patients suffering from head trauma; Elaine McCarty, a nurse during the Vietnam War; working at Maine Medical Center and Mercy Hospital; serving as president of the Maine State Nurses Assoc.; how nursing has changed since. Also included: WWII Flight Nurses Association Pamphlet; reservation request form for World War II Flight Nurses Association; mailed article "No Time for Fear"; pamphlet. Text: 33 pp. transcript, 1 pp. photocopy of article, 3 pp. index, summary for interview #2. Recording: mfc\_na3327\_cd0949\_01, mfc\_na3327\_cd0949\_02 (CD 0949). Time: 01:04:38 (CD MIA). Restrictions: None

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Aviation nursing
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Flaherty, Agnes E., 1919-2008
- United States. Army Air Forces
- World War II Flight Nurses Association, Inc.

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3327, transcript, February 22, 2005 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3327, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3327 |  |
| NA 3327, audio, part 1, February 22, 2005 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3327, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3327 |  |
| NA 3327, audio, part 2, February 22, 2005 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3327, audio, part 2        | Audio NA<br>3327 |  |

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# Beth Parks, interviewed by Sarah Kneeland

Source: Parks, Beth

Creator: Kneeland, Sarah

Abstract: NA3328 Beth Parks, interviewed by Sarah Kneeland, February 16 and 23, 2005, Corea, Maine. Parks talks her experiences in the Vietnam War and how she dealt with it afterwards: reasons for becoming a nurse; training at D.C. General Hospital; volunteering as an officer in the Army Nurse Corps (ANC); Viet Cong tunnels underlying the base camp at Cu Chi; attacks against their camp; operating rooms in the MASH and evacuation hospitals; it was the peak of her career; army vs. civilian nursing; attending the reunion; Annie Cunningham, Glenna Goodacre and Diane Carlson Evans; her film "A Chunk of My

Soul"; coping with memories; leaving nursing; the Iraq War and public opinion; James Davis Nelson's oil painting of the 12th EVAC Hospital operating room. Also included: summary and index of interviews 1 and 2; articles: "A Chunk of My Soul" and "A Vietnam Nurse's Thanksgiving," 12th Evac, Cu Chi, RVN; 5 photos. Text: 29 pp. transcript, index, summary, and index, two articles. Recording: mfc\_na3328\_cd0950\_01, mfc\_na3328\_cd0950\_02 (CD 0950). Time: 00:55:07 (CD MIA). Photographs: p14552-p14557. Restrictions: None.

#### Controlled Access Headings:

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Parks, Beth
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description   | Instances        |  |
|---|------------------|--|
| NA 3328, transcript, February 16, 2005 <u>Digital Object: NA 3328, transcript</u>       | Audio NA<br>3328 |  |
| NA 3328, audio, part 1, February 16, 2005 <u>Digital Object: NA 3328, audio, part 1</u> | Audio NA<br>3328 |  |
| NA 3328, audio, part 2, February 16, 2005<br>Digital Object: NA 3328, audio, part 2     | Audio NA<br>3328 |  |

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### Edith Beauchamp, interviewed by Ryan Millett

Source: Beauchamp, Edith Ann, 1929-2012

Creator: Millett, Ryan

Abstract: NA3329 Edith Beauchamps, interviewed by Ryan Millett, February 17 and March 29, 2005, Holden, Maine. Beauchamps talks about working at Massachusetts General Hospital while attending Emmanuel College in Boston; nursing during the Polio epidemic; iron lungs; treating Polio sufferers; how nursing has changes over the years; why she enjoys being a nurse; satisfaction derived from her career; Bill Miller and his drugstore; challenges facing future nurses; nursing and technology; colleague Patricia Eye, owner of New Hope Hospice in Eddington, Maine; Phyllis Goss, teacher of the first cardiac care course in Maine; Gerry Monstrom, a nurse in the Vietnam War; reasons for choosing nursing as a career; getting her 3rd master's degree in psychiatric nursing (clinical specialist); Stewart Flurlage, a doctor in Boston; working as a hospice nurse and handling the death process. Text: 39 pp. Recording: mfc\_na3329\_cd0951\_01, mfc\_na3329\_cd0951\_02. Time: 01:12:59. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Nursing
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Beauchamp, Edith Ann, 1929-2012

| Title/Description | Instances |
|-------------------|-----------|
|                   |           |

| NA 3329, transcript, February 17, 2005-March 29, 2005 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 3329, transcript</u> | Audio NA<br>3329 |
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| NA 3329, audio, part 1, February 17, 2005-March 29, 2005 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3329, audio, part 1  | Audio NA<br>3329 |
| NA 3329, audio, part 2, February 17, 2005-March 29, 2005 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 3329, audio, part 2  | Audio NA<br>3329 |

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### Barbara Beal, interviewed by Amy L. Stevens

<u>Source</u>: Beal, Barbara <u>Creator</u>: Stevens, Amy L.

Abstract: NA4193 Barbara Beal, interviewed by Amy L. Stevens, May 1, 2003, in Maine Coast Memorial Hospital in Ellsworth, Maine. Beal, age 56, talks about her service as an Army nurse in the Vietnam War; her family and friends' reaction to her deployment; her anxiety prior to deployment; her training experiences; her preconceptions of the war vs. the reality; her emotional experience of the war; her typical day at the medevac hospital; the dangers of the job; her leisure time; socialization between men and women; her most important relationships during the war; her reception upon returning as a veteran; whether the war changed her; continuing her nursing career as a civilian; moving to Maine from Pittsburgh; whether she would do it all over again; her family history; the ethnic and gender makeup of her coworkers during the war; her experience of sexism in the military; her positive memories of the war; male soldiers' visitation of prostitutes; and wartime pregnancies. Text: 21 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- · Veterans -- Maine
- Beal, Barbara
- United States. Army Nurse Corps

| Title/Description                   | Instances |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| NA 4193, transcript, May 1, 2003    | Text NA   |
| Digital Object: NA 4193, transcript | 4193      |

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# Christine DiPompo, interviewed by Sarah Beazley

Source: DiPompo, Christine "Teeny" (Ermentrout), 1921-2009

Creator: Beazley, Sarah

<u>Abstract</u>: NA4194 Christine DiPompo, interviewed by Sarah Beazley, May 15, 2003, in her home in Brewer, Maine. DiPompo, age 82, talks about her family background; joining the Women's Army Corps in World War II; her basic training experiences; barracks life; her work as a W.A.C. lab technician; married women

being forced out of the lab; working a second job at a plastics factory; her treatment from her male and female superiors; visiting home; social life during the war; meeting her husband, a fellow lab technician; her family and friends' reaction to her enlistment; the W.A.C.'s scandalous reputation; lesbians in the W.A.C.; her most memorable W.A.C. experience; the relationships she formed during the war; her civilian work as a lab technician; her family life; how her service has shaped the rest of her life; whether she would do it all over again; whether she encouraged her daughters to enlist; her brother's military service; and changes in the role of women in the military. Text: 15 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Photograph: p14496, detail p14497. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- DiPompo, Christine "Teeny" (Ermentrout), 1921-2009

| Title/Description                   | Instances |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| NA 4194, transcript, May 15, 2003   | Audio NA  |
| Digital Object: NA 4194, transcript | 4194      |

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### Erma Frances Fletcher, interviewed by Amy L. Stevens

Source: Fletcher, Erma Frances (Dancer), 1924-2017

Creator: Stevens, Amy L.

Abstract: NA4195 Erma Frances Fletcher, interviewed by Amy L. Stevens, April 24, 2003, in Dexter, Maine. Fletcher, age 79, talks about her family history; her early life; working in a factory after high school; the stigma against female military service; enlisting in the Navy in World War II; her basic training experiences; marching for President Roosevelt; surviving on a small stipend; missing out on serving in Manila; her transcription work; how she spent her leisure time; meeting her husband during the war; regretting not staying in the service after 1946; moving to Washington, D.C. after her service; her sense of patriotism during the war; whether she would recommend enlisting in that time period; working under female superior officers in training and male afterwards; doing kitchen police (KP) duty; losing weight in basic training; women dropping out during basic training; her reception upon returning as a veteran; and whether her military experience changed her. Also included: print of photo. Text: 14 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Photograph: p14498, detail p14498. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Fletcher, Erma Frances (Dancer), 1924-2017
- United States, Naval Reserve, Women's Reserve

| Instances        |
|------------------|
| Audio NA<br>4195 |
|                  |

Digital Object: NA 4195, transcript

NA 4195, photograph, p14498, April 24, 2003

Digital Object: NA 4195, photograph, p14498

Audio NA 4195

Photo Description: Color photograph of Erma

"Frances" (Dancer) Fletcher, Seaman 2nd Class, WAVES, circa 1944, in uniform. Frances was born in Garland, Maine on January 13, 1924, to Dick and Erma (Knight) Dancer. She died in Dexter, Maine, June 13, 2017. Frances joined the WAVES over her parents' opposition. Her father finally signed over his permission in September 1944. Handwritten caption at the bottom of the image

reads: "Erma 'Frances' Fletcher, Seaman 2nd Class, W.A.V.E.S. circa 1944."

Audio NA 4195

NA 4195, photograph, p14499, April 24, 2003 Digital Object: NA 4195, photograph, p14499

Digital Object. NA 4193, photograph, p14499

Photo Description: Color photograph of Erma "Frances" (Dancer) Fletcher, Seaman 2nd Class, WAVES, circa 1944, in uniform. Frances was born in Garland, Maine on January 13, 1924, to Dick and Erma (Knight) Dancer. She died in Dexter, Maine, June 13, 2017. Frances joined the WAVES over her parents' opposition. Her father finally signed over his permission in September 1944. Description of 14400.

1944. Detail of p14498.

# Donna Loring, interviewed by Mazie Hough and Carol Toner

Source: Loring, Donna
Creator: Hough, Mazie
Creator: Toner, Carol

Abstract: NA4196 Donna Loring, interviewed by Mazie Hough and Carol Toner, June 19, 2001, in Augusta, Maine. Loring, age 53, talks about enlisting in the Army in the Vietnam War; her experiences of discrimination as a Native American in Maine; boarding school; taking an aptitude test after enlisting; basic training; her role as a member of the Signal Corps; the dangers of the job; rising through the ranks; the detachment of the Women's Army Corps from the rest of the Army; women soldiers and weapons; leaving the base against orders; racism in the military; diversity within the W.A.C.; the psychological effects; leisure time; feeling alone in her experiences; her reception upon returning; her service as a learning experience; her family members' service; the relative uniqueness of her Vietnam experience; bonding with Vietnam veterans; other women's exposure to carcinogens during the war; returning to Vietnam in 1997; and her work with the Maine Women's Veterans Commission. Text: 19 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. RESTRICTED. Pending TK review by the Penobscot Historic Preservation Committee.

- Oral history
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975
- Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women

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- Veterans -- Maine
- Loring, Donna
- United States. Army

### Mary Jane Miller, interviewed by Elizabeth Bunten

Source: Miller, Mary Jane (Chase), 1923-2014

Creator: Bunten, Elizabeth

<u>Abstract</u>: NA4197 Mary Jane Miller, interviewed by Elizabeth Bunten, May 9, 2003. Miller, age 80, talks about her family; enlisting in the Navy (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service) in World War II; her family and friends' reaction to her enlistment; her basic training experience; the relationship between male officers and female enlisted; her not going overseas during the war; whether she would do it all again; changes in opportunities for women in the military; leaving the Navy after the war; delivering a top secret message; and working under women officers. Text: 8 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Miller, Mary Jane (Chase), 1923-2014
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

| Title/Description                   | Instances |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| NA 4197, transcript, May 9, 2003    | Text NA   |
| Digital Object: NA 4197, transcript | 4197      |

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### Paula Pietrowski, interviewed by Annie Howley

<u>Source</u>: Pietrowski, Paula <u>Creator</u>: Howley, Annie

Abstract: NA4198 Paula Pietrowski, interviewed by Annie Howley, April 21, 2003. Miller, age 36-37, talks about her decision to join the Coast Guard; her family and boyfriend's reaction to her enlistment; her basic training experiences; returning to Maine for assignment; male vs. female commanding officers; tension between men and women and between women; minorities in the Coast Guard; sexual harassment; whether women should be included in the next draft; how she spent her leisure time; her discharge and transition to civilian life; rising through the ranks; gays and lesbians in the military; whether she would do it all over again; her most positive experience in the Coast Guard; her biggest struggle in the Coast Guard; and her advice for people, particularly women, joining the military. Text: 20 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Photograph: p14500, detail p14500. Restrictions: None.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

Oral history

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- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- · Pietrowski, Paula
- United States. Coast Guard

| Title/Description  | Instances       |
|--|-----------------|
| NA 4198, transcript, April 21, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : <u>NA 4198, transcript</u>   | Text NA<br>4198 |
| NA 4198, photograph, p14500, April 21, 2003 <u>Digital Object: NA 4198, photograph, p14500</u>   | Text NA<br>4198 |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Paula Pietrowski of Old Town, Maine who joined the U.S. Coast Guard and achieved the rank of E4, Staff Sergeant. Photo taken by Annie Howley on April 21, 2003. |                 |
| NA 4198, photograph, p14501, April 21, 2003 <u>Digital Object</u> : NA 4198, photograph, p14501  | Text NA<br>4198 |
| <u>Photo Description</u> : Color photograph of Paula Pietrowski of Old Town, Maine who joined the U.S. Coast Guard and achieved the rank of E4, Staff Sergeant. Photo taken by Annie Howley on April 21, 2003. |                 |

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### Deborah Smith, interviewed by Sarah Beazley

<u>Source</u>: Smith, Deborah <u>Creator</u>: Beazley, Sarah

Abstract: NA4199 Deborah Smith, interviewed by Sarah Beazley, April 15, 2003, in her home in Brewer, Maine. Smith, age 42-43, talks about her decision to join the Air National Guard; rising through the ranks; her family and friends' reaction to her enlistment; her current duties in the Air National Guard; her basic training experiences; how basic training affected her self-image; the bonds she formed with other female enlistees; discrimination in the military; changes in the role of women in the military; nursing as a historic profession for women in the military; women organizations in the military; her leisure time; meeting her husband in the military; dating within the military; her various overseas deployments; coping with stress; how her service has shaped her life; whether she would do it all over again; whether she encouraged her daughters to enlist; why she would not recommend women join the Army; lesbians in the military; and following orders against one's conscience. Text: 17 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Restrictions: None.

- Oral history
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Smith, Deborah
- · Maine. Air National Guard

| Title/Description                   | Instances       |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| NA 4199, transcript, April 15, 2003 | Text NA<br>4199 |

Digital Object: NA 4199, transcript

### Anne Tenney, interviewed by Elizabeth Bunten

Source: Tenney, Anne Ferris (Howes), 1922-2017

Creator: Bunten, Elizabeth

Abstract: NA4200 Anne Tenney, interviewed by Elizabeth Bunten, May 7, 2003, in Castine, Maine. Smith, age 81, talks about her decision to join the Navy (Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service) in World War II; her basic training experiences; being assigned to New York City; her anti-submarine work; marrying and leaving the service after her pregnancy; remarrying another WWII veteran as a widow; public perception of women in the Navy during the war; minorities in the military; and changes in the role of women in the military. Text: 6 pp. transcript. Recording: No recording. Restrictions: None.

#### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Tenney, Anne Ferris (Howes), 1922-2017
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

| Title/Description                   | Instances |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| NA 4200, transcript, May 7, 2003    | Text NA   |
| Digital Object: NA 4200, transcript | 4200      |

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# Mary Agnes McGuire, interviewed by Rebecca Pelletier and Elizabeth Fowler

Source: McGuire, Mary Ann, 1906-2011

<u>Creator</u>: Pelletier, Rebecca <u>Creator</u>: Fowler, Elizabeth

Abstract: NA4552 Mary Agnes McGuire, interviewed by Rebecca Pelletier and Elizabeth Fowler in Orono, Maine on November 8, 2000. McGuire was born August 4, 1906, in Stonington, Maine and served in the U.S. Navy as a WAVE (Women Accepted for Voluntary Emergency Service) during World War II. McGuire speaks about her childhood and not entering the military until she was in her 30s, signing up for service because "our country was in great trouble" following the attack on Pearl Harbor and there was a need of people to do desk jobs to release men to fight. She tells about working swing shifts in Naval Operations in Washington, D.C. until V.J. Day and feeling fulfilled by her work. Text: 7 pp. transcript. Recording: Missing. RESTRICTED: No release.

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives

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- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- McGuire, Mary Ann, 1906-2011
- United States. Naval Reserve. Women's Reserve

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# Margaret Frances "Peg" Redman, interviewed by Lacey Stone and Ellen Geraghty

Source: Redman, Margaret Frances "Peg", 1918-2013

<u>Creator</u>: Stone, Lacey Creator: Geraghty, Ellen

Abstract: NA4553 Margaret Frances "Peg" Redman, interviewed by Lacey Stone and Ellen Geraghty in Bangor, Maine, October 25, 2000. Redman discusses boot camp (not transcribed), her parents' reaction to her enlisting in the Army, her feelings about genders in the Army 55 years later, race relations in the south near Camp Hope, Louisiana, her encounter with Colonel Oveta Cult Hobby, being busted from First Sergeant to Private, her perception of the Red Cross vs. the Salvation Army in the treatment of WACs, the public perception that all WACs served as nurses, the lack of acknowledgement for the work done by female soldiers during World War II, her feelings about fundraising for the Military Women's Memorial, what she did after the war. Text: 12 pp. Recording: Missing. RESTRICTED. No release.

### **Controlled Access Headings:**

- Oral history
- World War, 1939-1945
- World War, 1939-1945 -- Maine -- Personal narratives
- Women's Army Corps -- Veterans
- United States -- Armed Forces -- Women
- Veterans -- Maine
- Redman, Margaret Frances "Peg", 1918-2013
- United States. Army

#### Title/Description

NA4553, photograph, p14493, 1944

Digital Object: NA4553, photograph, p14493

**Photo Description:** Color photograph Margaret Frances "Peg" (Peterson) Redman taken as part of fieldwork for the Women in the Military project. Back matter: "Interviewers Lacy Stone and Ellen Geraghty. Interviewee: Peg Redman." Lacey or Ellen stands with her arm around Peg's shoulders, holding a clothes hanger with Peg's World War II uniform. Peg married Homer R. Redman in England, May 12, 1945, while on deployment. Peg joined the WAC in September 1942, and began serving in the European Theater in June 1944. She was stationed in London during the Blitz. Peg Redman was born October 2, 1918, in Bangor, Maine and died September 6, 2013. She is believed to be one of the first women from Bangor to enlist in the armed forces during World War II. She joined the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps which became the Women's Army Corps (WACs). She was instrumental

### Instances

Text NA 4553 in the formation of the organization, Women Are Veterans Too.  $\,$ 

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