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HIST 5770 Oral History Interviews About War

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Date(s) (2.4): 1940s to 1975, interviews conducted 2009

Extent (2.5): 15 interviews, 1 ft.

Name of Creator(s) (2.6): History 5770 course

Scope and Content (3.1): During the summer of 2009, Students in Dr. Learotha Williams’ History 5770 course conducted oral history interviews about experience of war. Each student submitted a recording of the interview, transcript of the recording, signed release form, and essay about oral history and their experience conducting the interview(s). Most of the interviews were about Vietnam era experiences. Other interviewees discussed World War II and military careers. One recounted coming of age in the 1980s in Eritrea, during that country’s war with Ethiopia.

Conditions Governing Access (4.1): Unrestricted

Language and Scripts of Material (4.5): English

Administrative/Biographical History (2.7): Dr. Learotha (Lea) Williams taught in Armstrong’s History Department from 2004-2009.

Access Points:
Oral History
Armstrong Atlantic State University—Students
World War, 1939-1945—Personal narratives
Vietnam War, 1961-1975—Personal narratives
Eritrea—Personal narratives

Arrangement:
Alphabetical by the Interviewer/student’s last name. Unless otherwise indicated, each Interview includes a recording, transcript, release and student’s essay, format of recording indicated below. Finding aid includes index to interviewees and topics.
Arrangement by Interviewer/student Name of person interviewed, their background and format of the recording.

Bezore, Jeffrey (Interviewer/student)
  Recording format: 2 mini cassettes.

Carter, Tori A. (Interviewer/student)
  Recording format: cassette tape.

Coticchio, Jake (Interviewer/student)
  Richard and Wanda Coticchio, both born around 1950, Vietnam.
  Recording format: CDR

Durden, Stephanie (Interviewer/student).
  Recording format: DVD-R

Fletcher, Michael S. (Interviewer/student)
  Peter R. Conners, b. 1946, Vietnam.
  Recording format: Sony cassette, 90 HF

Hackney, Sarah (Interviewer/student)
  Recording format: CD-R

Harshbarger, Brittany (Interviewer/student)
  Desalegan A. Ogbamichael, b 1971, from Asmare, Eritrea. Eritrea-Ethiopia conflict and his immigration to U.S.
  Recording format: CD-R

Hughes, Anita (Interviewer/student)
  Juanita Hayes Van den Bosch, b. 1952, Boston, MA.
  No recording.

Marshall, Sharon (Interviewer/student)
  Freddie Bender, b. 1924 in Chicago, IL. Drafted into U.S. Army, 1943. World War II.
  No recording.

Miller, Mary (Interviewer/student)
  Elizabeth Waltman, b. 1940. Vietnam
  Recording format: mini cassette

Pindar, Duncan M. (Interviewer/student)
  James D. “Jimmy” Hazzard, b. 1916 in Birmingham AL
  C. Claymon Grimes, b. 1922, 78th Fighter Squadron, U.S. Army
  James W. “Jim” Forrester, b. 1924 U.S. Navy
  World War II
  Recording format: DVD

Rainey-Whitby, Addie (Interviewer/student)
  Recording format: mini cassette
Ralton, Kayley (Interviewer/student)
   Recording format: cassette
Rowell, Timothy (Interviewer/student)
   Craig Perron, b. 1944 and Susan Huggins, b. 1949, Vietnam.
   Recording formats: Russell: Maxell cassette, Perron and Huggines, cassette
Tangorre, Bridget A.
   Recording format: micro cassette

Index of interviewees:
Bender, Freddie             Marshall
Conners, Peter R.           Fletcher
Coticchio, Richard & Wanda  Coticchio
Durden, Rhonda              Durden
Forrester, James W. “Jim”   Pindar
Grimes, C. Claymon          Pindar
Hazzard, James D. “Jimmy”   Pindar
Huggins, Susan              Rowell
Kemp, Herbert H.            Ralton
Kennebrew, Joseph R.        Carter
Menzoff, Julius A.          Tangorre
Ogbamichael, Desalegan A.   Harshbarger
Perron, Craig               Rowell
Rainey-Whitby, Janice       Rainey-Whitby
Rockett, Michelle           Hackney
Russell, Joseph Jr.         Rowell
Van den Bosch, Juanita      Hayes Hughes
Waltman, Elizabeth          Miller
Westgate, Stephen           Bezore

Topics:
Eritrea: Harshbarger
Military career: Tangorre, Bezore
Vietnam era: Bezore, Carter, Coticchio, Durden, Fletcher, Hackney, Hughes, Miller,
            Rainey-Whitby, Ralton, Rowell.
World War II: Marshall, Pindar

Folder Listing:
Folder 1 Bezore-Fletcher
Folder 2 Hackney-Miller
Folder 3 Pindar-Tangorre