

Out of Kenilworth Oral History Project

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Summary Information

Repository: DCPL Special Collections - MLK Library

Creator: Lapp, Jospeh

Title: Out of Kenilworth Oral History Project

ID: OHP022

Date [inclusive]: 2003-2005

Physical Description: 13 Linear feet

Physical Description: 8 Boxes

Language of the

Material:

English

Biographical / Historical

Joseph E. Lapp was born in the Kenilworth neighborhood of Washington, D.C., where his parents established a church/mission on Douglas Street NE called "Fellowship Haven." Lapp grew up in a white Amish-Menonite missionary family in the historically black neighborhood. He graduated from Calvin College with a degree in English. In 2003 began work on a community history and family memoir project. The project consisted of a series of oral history interviews and the publication of "Kenilworth: A DC Neighborhood by the Anacostia River" in 2006.

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Scope and Contents

Between 2003 and 2005 Joseph Lapp conducted a series of oral history interviews to document the history of Kenilworth, a historically black neighborhood. Interviewees included Lapp family members and the Fellowship Haven Church community. Topics include family stories, tenant's rights, the Kenilworth Park and Aquatic Gardens, and the Eastland Gardens community. Digital files include copies of all transcripts, a PowerPoint presentation given at Kenilworth History Day celebration, and a general video of the Kenilworth History Day celebration. Additional materials include audio recordings of the

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Kenilworth History celebration and Northeast Historical Society presentations, and a recording of a sermon by Elmer Lapp entitled "Witnesses in Samaria."

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Arrangement

Series 1: Transcripts Scope and Contents Materials in this series include transcripts, including digital copies, for all interviews. Series also includes audio and PowerPoint copies of a presentation given at the 2006 Kenilworth History celebration and Northeast DC Historical Society, and a sermon by Elmer Lapp. Series 2: Interviews Scope and Contents Materials in this series include master of the oral histories on audio cassette. There are duplicate copies of all audio recordings. There are no taps for 22-009, 22-010, 22-011, 22-057, 22-058, 22-059, 22-076, 22-077, 22-090, and 22-091.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

Additional processing completed by Mark Greek. 2017

Custodial History

Joseph Lapp conducted these interviews between 2003 and 2005. The transcripts, audio recordings and digital files were donated to the Library in 2006.

Processing Information

After the initial donation to the Library, the transcripts were placed in folders and stored them in a filing cabinet with other oral histories. The donor donated two copies of all recordings, with one copy being placed in long term storage and the other being placed in a cabinet for patron use. In 2014, the tapes and transcripts were digitized and in 2017 the collection was reprocessed. Transcripts were

placed into folders and boxed. Audio recordings were organized and boxed for long term storage. All administrative documents, including releases, were placed into the control file.

Conditions Governing Use

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Controlled Access Headings

- Oral History
- African Americans
- Neighborhoods
- Kenilworth (Washington, D.C.)
- Religion

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Transcripts

Scope and Contents

Materials in this series include transcripts, including digital copies, for all interviews. Series also includes audio and PowerPoint copies of presentation given at the 2006 Kenilworth History celebration and Northeast DC Historical Society, and a sermon by Elmer Lapp.

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| Lapp Family, 2003 May 14 | Box 1 | Folder 1 | |
| Jean Ann (Miller) Schrock, 2003 August 12-2003 August 14 | Box 1 | Folder 2 | |
| Wesley Schrock, 2003 August 12-2003 August 13 | Box 1 | Folder 3 | |
| Rosanna (Rose) and Marvin Kauffman, 2003 August 19 | Box 1 | Folder 4 | |
| Oren Yoder, 2003 August 21-2003 August 22 | Box 1 | Folder 5 | |
| Joanna Hochstetler Yoder, 2003 August 21-2003 August 22 | Box 1 | Folder 6 | |
| Oren and Joanna Yoder, 2003 August 22 | Box 1 | Folder 7 | |
| Eunice Lapp-Hill, 2003 October 12-2003 October 13 | Box 1 | Folder 8 | |

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| Gladys Roy, 2004 January 12 | Box 1 | Folder 10 |
| Jeanne Wilson Woods, 2004 January 23 | Box 1 | Folder 11 |
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| Elmer Lapp, 2004 January 26-2004 February 1 | Box 1 | Folder 13 |
| Tim Lapp, 2004 January 27 | Box 1 | Folder 14 |
| Sandy Lapp, 2004 January 27 | Box 1 | Folder 15 |
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| Arthur Beiler, 2004 January 31 | Box 1 | Folder 17 |
| Lois Lapp, 2004 January 31 | Box 1 | Folder 18 |
| Joyce Stoltzfoos Bley, 2004 February 2 | Box 1 | Folder 19 |
| Troyer Gertrude, 2004 February 10-2004 February 19 | Box 1 | Folder 20 |
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| Owen Davis, 2004 February 12 | Box 2 | Folder 2 |
| Lewis Tice, 2004 April 21 | Box 2 | Folder 3 |
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| Ruth Shaw Watts, 2004 June 21 | Box 2 | Folder 5 |
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| Fannie Lapp, 2004 November 28-2004 November 29 | Box 2 | Folder 15 |
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Series 2: Interviews

Scope and Contents

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| Fannie Lapp, 2004 November 28-2004 November 29 | Box 5 | Folder 22-044 |
| Joyce Stoltzfoos Bley, 2004 February 2 | Box 5 | Folder 22-045 |
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