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**LORI AND BRYAN SIRTOSKY  
ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW AND TRANSCRIPT, 2015**

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

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## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

In 2014 the Indiana Historical Society began the Indiana LGBT Collecting Initiative to collect, preserve, and make accessible materials that document the rich history, tradition, and culture of Indiana's LGBT communities. Part of the collecting initiative includes the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. During the time period of 2014-2015, interviews were conducted of individuals, couples and families from all walks of life in Central Indiana area. This collection centers around the oral history interview of Lori and Bryan Sirtosky conducted by Mark Lee on January 31, 2015.

Lori Stone Sirtosky grew up in Illinois. She married in college to a man and divorced him after she came out, initially as a lesbian. Later, she realized she was attracted to trans men. Bryan Sirtosky was born in Muncie, Indiana and grew up in Anderson, Indiana. Bryan realized at an early age that he was not a female, though he did not realize he was a trans male until he learned the word "transgender" in the late 1990s. He came out as trans at the age of 30 and transitioned at 31. Lori and Bryan met via an email list in 1999; they moved to Indianapolis together in 2000 and married in 2001. Both Lori and Bryan have worked with various organizations such as Indy Boyz and INTRAA to advocate for and support trans rights in Indiana. They currently reside in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sources:

Information found in the collection.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview was transcribed from one video recorded interview with Lori and Bryan Sirtosky conducted on January 31, 2015 by Mark Lee, lead project manager for the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. The interview, which includes the video recording and the transcript, is housed at the William H. Smith Memorial Library, Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The video recorded interview is approximately two hours and forty-five minutes long and is recorded on two DVDs. The collection includes one folder with articles related to Lori and Bryan's work within the Indianapolis trans community and the interview transcription.

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