COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 manuscript folder; 3 DVDs

COLLECTION DATES: 2017

PROVENANCE: Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project

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NOTES: Forms part of the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project.
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 2014–2017 interviews were conducted of individuals, couples and families from all walks of life in Indiana. This collection centers around the oral history interview of Meghan Buell conducted by Mark Lee on November 30, 2017.

Meghan Buell (b. 1965) grew up in Whiting, Indiana. From the time she was a child, Meghan knew something was different about her but didn't have a word for it until she encountered the term "transgender" at the age of thirty-five. She began transitioning with hormones five years later. The founder of TREES, Inc. (Transgender Resource, Education & Enrichment Services), Meghan is also involved in the other LGBT organizations such as PFLAG Michiana, the LGBTQ Center of Michiana, and the Out & Equal Workplace Transgender Advisory Committee. She currently resides in South Bend, Indiana.

Sources:
Information found in the collection.
SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview was transcribed from one video recorded interview. This manuscript was transcribed from a digitally recorded interview conducted on November 30, 2017, at the home of Phil Denton in Indianapolis, Indiana. The interview was conducted by Mark Lee who was contracted by IHS for the project from 2014 to 2017. DLC was contracted by the IHS to transcribe the interview in March 2018. 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. The video recorded interview is approximately an hour and a half long and is recorded on one DVD.

The collection includes one manuscript folder includes a copy of the interview transcription. The following is an index to the oral history transcript listing the topics discussed and the pages on which they can be found.

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