

# RECLAIMING A GERMAN AMERICAN PAST: THE DUBOIS COUNTY AREA ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEWS, 1993-1994

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## USER INFORMATION

**VOLUME OF COLLECTION:** 3 folders, 147 pages of transcripts

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## HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

**Lillian Fehrenbach Doane** (1913- ) was born in Jasper, Dubois County, Indiana, of German descent. She was locally educated and spent her entire life working and raising a family in Dubois County. **Norbert Krapf** (1943- ) was also born in Jasper and received a Ph.D. in English and American Literature from the University of Notre Dame. He is the author of ten books and is a Professor of English at Long Island University, New York. **Heiko Muehr** (1970- ) is a native of Bremen, Germany, and is a graduate student at Indiana University, Bloomington.

Sources: Information in collection.  
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## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is comprised of oral history transcripts from three interviews conducted by Heiko Muehr, a graduate student at Indiana University, Bloomington, for the Oral History Research Center, and funded by an Indiana Heritage Research Grant. Muehr interviewed Lillian Doane on 23 October 1993 and 24 January 1994, and Norbert Krapf on 6 August 1993. The Doane interview contains reminiscences about life in German-American community of Jasper, Indiana, personal and family stories, and genealogical information about the Fehrenbach family in Germany and the United States. The Krapf interview contains accounts of the author's life and literary career, and his efforts to preserve the German-American culture of southwestern Indiana.

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- 1 Norbert Krapf Interview, 6 August 1993
  - 2 Lillian Doane Interview, 23 October 1993
  - 3 Lillian Doane Interview, 24 January 1994
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## CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: Reclaiming a German-American past: the Dubois County area oral history interviews, 1993-1994

SUBJECT ENTRIES: Fehrenbach family

Krapf family

German Americans--Indiana--Dubois County

Dubois County (Ind.)

ADDED ENTRIES: Muehr, Heiko, 1970-, interviewer

Doane, Lillian Fehrenbach, 1913, interviewee

Krapf, Norbert, 1943-, interviewee

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