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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	<i>United States Women in Aviation 1940-1985</i> Research Materials
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Identifier:	NASM.1995.0062
Creator:	Douglas, Deborah G.
Extent:	2.57 Cubic feet (2 record center boxes)
Language:	The majority of this collection is in English with a very small amount of material in Italian and Spanish.
Summary:	<i>United States Women in Aviation 1940-1985</i> , by Deborah G. Douglas, was published in 1991 as part of the Smithsonian Institution Press series on women in the aviation industry. This collection consists of a variety of different types of material compiled during the author's research for the book.

Administrative Information

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Biographical / Historical

United States Women in Aviation 1940-1985, by Deborah G. Douglas, was published in 1991 as part of the Smithsonian Institution Press series on women in the aviation industry. The publication documents the stories of women involved in all aspects of aviation during this time period, from pilots and engineers, to aircraft industry personnel and flight attendants.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of a variety of different types of material compiled during the author's research for the book. Included are: various types of correspondence; photographs; newspapers and other publications; photocopies of book chapters and magazine and newspaper articles; working notes belonging to the author; reports (official and personal); interview transcripts; and approximately 600 bibliographic note cards. Also included are 10 cassettes containing interviews with the following aviators: Ann Carl, Toby Felker, Nancy Fitzroy, Margaret Hoffman, Jean Ross Howard, Lt. Beth Hubert, Lt. Col. Yvonne C. Pateman, Janet Rassmussen, Lynn Rippelmeyer, and Mary F. Silitch.

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Arrangement

Collection is arranged by topic/subject.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- Aeronautics, Commercial
- Aeronautics, Military
- Flight attendants
- Women air pilots
- Women in aeronautics

Types of Materials:

- Articles
- Audiocassettes
- Correspondence
- Newspapers
- Notes
- Photographs
- Publications
- Reports
- Transcripts

Names:

- Carl, Ann
- Felker, Toby
- Fitzroy, Nancy
- Hoffman, Margaret
- Howard, Jean Ross
- Hubert, Beth
- Pateman, Yvonne C.

Rasmussen, Janet
Rippelmeyer, Lynn
Silitch, Mary F.

Preferred Titles:

United States Women in Aviation, 1940-1985

Container Listing

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Box 1, Folder 4	Jan Churchill
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Box 1, Folder 6	Gloria Farwell (WAVES)
Box 1, Folder 7	Toby Felker
Box 1, Folder 8	Nancy Fitzroy
Box 1, Folder 9	Joy Bright Hancock (WAVES)
Box 1, Folder 10	Margaret Hoffman
Box 1, Folder 11	Jean Ross Howard [Folder 1 of 2]
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Box 1, Folder 13	Beth Hubert (Lt.)
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Box 1, Folder 16	Helen W. Looby (WAVES)
Box 1, Folder 17	Marky Love
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Box 1, Folder 22	Lynn Rippelmeyer
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Box 2, Folder 24	["Women in the Workforce" - Excerpt]
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Notes: The numbered note cards in this folder correspond with the numbered list in Box 2, Folder 5 ("Bibliography").

Box 2, Folder 29 [Interview audio cassettes]