

TALKING LEGACY



Dr. Samuel Proctor (1919-2005), University of Florida Historian and Professor Emeritus, founded the Oral History Program at UF in 1967. SPOHP is dedicated to building on Dr. Proctor's legacy and works to preserve domestic and

international accounts of economic, social, political, religious, intellectual and environmental life for future generations.

PUGH HALL

- Jim & Alexis Pugh Hall, UF historic district
- In addition to SPOHP, houses the Graham Center for Public Service, Askew Institute, Departments of African-Asian and European Languages & Literature
- Conference Room
- Soundproof Video Studio
- Extensive Archival Storage



OFFERINGS

- Julian Pleasants Traveling Fellowship Award for researchers utilizing SPOHP archives & UF Smathers Libraries Special and Area Collections
- Oral History seminars for undergraduate and graduate students
- Transcribing services
- Workshops and conferences on oral history methodology
- Volunteer positions
- SPOHP Internship Program

NEXT GENERATION

SPOHP continues to make oral history available to the public through ongoing digitization projects and public programming. This ensures that our interviews will be accessible to new generations of students and scholars. With your help, SPOHP can bring people together to educate and document historical experiences in communities locally and worldwide.



SPOHP team | Indianola, Mississippi 2008
Sunflower County Civil Rights Freedom Project trip
Generously funded by Mr. William DeGrove

FUNDING

Contributions enable SPOHP to make living memories of remarkable people available to scholars, educators, students and the general public. With your help, we are able to fund student research projects, develop community-based oral history workshops and make our collections more accessible to new audiences worldwide.

Thank you to all of our past and current donors. A complete list of donors is available on our website.

Support the SPOHP!

Contributions to SPOHP are tax deductible. To donate, please contact Cody Helmer at chelmer@uff.ufl.edu or visit our website at www.history.ufl.edu/oral and click on our support page.



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DIRECTOR'S WELCOME

SPOHP is dedicated to academic excellence, accessibility and the preservation of memories that are all too easily forgotten in our fast-paced world.



We invite you to learn more about our program and the oral histories that are part of our collection. You may access a wide variety of interviews through our website. Please explore our holdings on Seminole Indians, World War II veterans, African American Civil Rights activists, Florida politicians, women pioneers in health care professions and more.

Oral history isn't just about the past and present. It's also very much about the future. Your support is crucial to keeping history alive for generations to come. As we embark on a number of exciting new programs, we appreciate your ideas and feedback. Thank you for your interest in SPOHP!

-Dr. Paul Ortíz

CAMPUS & COMMUNITY PARTNERS

- Alachua County Trust: Matheson Museum, Inc.
- Andersonville National Historic Site
- Florida Independent Alligator
- George A. Smathers Libraries
- Middle District, U.S. Federal Judges
- Sunflower County Civil Rights Organization
- U.S. Department of the Interior
- UF Academic Affairs
- UF College of Liberal Arts & Sciences
- UF Colleges of Medicine & Nursing
- UF Department of History
- UF Digital Collections
- University of North Florida

COLLECTION

Most of our interviews have been digitized and can be accessed through our website and UF Digital Collections: www.uflib.ufl.edu/UFDC. Transcribed interviews are available for use by research scholars, students, journalists, genealogists and other interested groups.

Overview

- More than 120,000 transcribed pages
- More than 4,000 interviews
- Key holdings:
 - African Americans in Florida
 - Auto Racing
 - Civil Rights Activists in St. Augustine & Mississippi Delta
 - Civilian Conservation Corps
 - Florida Highway Patrol
 - Florida Political Figures
 - Florida Ranchers
 - Florida Water Management
 - Healthcare Professionals
 - Local Community Figures
 - Pioneer Settlers in Florida
 - Southeastern American Indians
 - Women in Florida
 - WW II, Vietnam & Korean Veterans
- Web accessibility to our digital collection
- Archive and research facility

Other Features of Interest

- Sound archives of UF-related speeches
- Video recordings of televised interviews, including Dean Rusk, William C. Westmoreland and George McGovern
- American Indian slides and photographs
- 350 musical recordings of concerts, folk performances and American Indian chants

RESEARCH

SPOHP is actively exploring numerous research topics including:

- Labor and Civil Rights Movements
- Water Conservation and the Environment
- Development in the Field of Nursing
- Innovation in Healthcare Sciences
- Women's Leadership
- Business Leaders in the South
- Social impact of NASA on Florida

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Using SPOHP's collection, we are making history more intimate and accessible and have launched the Oral History Public Program Series in cooperation with the UF Department of History, Matheson Museum, Inc. and UF Special and Area Collections Library.

Programs will:

- utilize and promote oral histories
- cover topics such as veterans history, women in the workplace and racial, religious and environmental issues
- be free and open to the public
- collaborate with educational institutions and community organizations

Please visit www.history.ufl.edu/oral for more information on upcoming events.



Ex-Marine Marna Brady (third from left), UF's first Dean of Women (1948-1966). She was Samuel Proctor's first interview.