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## **Paul Hanson**

**Date:** December 1996  
Interviewer, Dr. Neal McNabb, MD

Video #1

### **Summary:**

Graduated from Western Reserve University (BA biology & History), Went to Cleveland Clinic in Credit Dept. Graduated with MA in Administration at Mt. Sinai/Minneapolis. Came to TGH in 1971 as Associate Director. Rochester Area Health Care (RAHC) formed in 1975. TGH instrumental in starting Preferred Care. Many prominent families became associated with the hospital through grants and donations such as The Hopemans, The Plutas, and The Carlson Family. Term as president of TGH and the Greater Rochester Health System.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Chey, Menguy, Ureles, Brody, Iranpour, McNabb, Fine, and Dickerson. Fritz Liebert

## **Gus Ruckert, M.D.**

**Date:** December, 10, 1996  
Interviewer:

Video #2

### **Summary:**

Three years at Hobart College, then graduate of the University of Rochester Medical School in 1945. Interned at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, Mo. Served in Air Force for two years and performed residency at TGH from 1948-1951. Topics discussed: How medical practice has changed thru the years, The "art" of medicine no longer taught or practiced. Reminisces of former patients, co-workers and staff of TGH The business of medicine and high cost of malpractice insurance.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Meltzer, Ureles, Anderson, Snow, Madden, Clay, Abe Tatelbaum, Pucci, Stabins, Segal, and Whipple. Martin Murray

## **Shirley Reber, RN**

**Date:** December 10, 1996  
Interviewer, Paul Weld, MD

Video #3

### **Summary:**

Graduated from the Deaconess Hospital in Buffalo in 1953. Details of her career at Genesee. Progressing from staff Nurse to Vice-President of Nursing at TGH. She highlights the changing landscape of Nursing and in particularly Nurse education.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Yetta Baker, RN, Bob Tierney, RN, Alice Vanderwall, Grace Mangan, Edna O'Brien, Jane Cannan, Drs. Pietropaoli, Kunz, Southgate, Buholtz, Douglas, Stabins, and Ruckert.

## **William Craver, MD**

**Date:** December 10, 1996  
Interviewer: Neal McNabb, MD

Video #4

### **Summary:**

This first interview of Dr. Craver details his career at TGH as a general surgeon, with focus on vascular & pulmonary surgery. His time as Chief of Surgery for 17 years. Appointed Director of the Rochester Academy of Medicine in 1997.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Ed Douglas, Stabins, Dr. Ruth Schwartz, Drs. Charles Smith, Ken Martin, Southgate, Penn, Menguy, Bronson Ray, Frank Glenn, and Dr. Henry Cushing.

## **Michael Finigan, MD**

**Date:** December 11, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #5

### **Summary:**

Early education at Dartmouth College and University of Rochester Medical School Class of '59. Attended a 2 year pulmonary fellowship in Denver. Early appointments at TGH (1963) 2<sup>nd</sup> year resident then on to University of Rochester Dept of Preventive Medicine. In 1967, came back to TGH and worked with Dr. Ureles. He was instrumental in the development of the Physicians Assistant Program at TGH. Dr. Finigan related the many changes in Medical Student education, more involved in the out-patient experience. The Doctor/ Patient relationship is strong with more outside relationships.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. William Bradford, Al Ureles, Bernard Brody, John Schultz, Shirley Snow, Larry Young, Ruth Schwartz, William Dean, John Finnegan, Harry Segal, and John McCabe. Paul Hanson and Amy Voekel.

## **Robert Dickerson, MD**

**Date:** December 1996 Chief of Orthopedics

Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #6

### **Summary:**

Remembers his education at Colgate University and University of Rochester Medical school, his internship at Bellevue Hospital and orthopedics residency at Strong. He relates his early years at Genesee and his appointment as Chief of Surgery

**Names Mentioned:** Dr. Douglas, Dr. Austin Levy, Dr. Winslow, Dr. Peale, Dr. Hack, Dr. Wolken, Dr. Lou Goldstein, Dr. Duffy, Dr. Schwartz, Dean Whipple, Mr. Lawrence Bradley, Mrs. Anna Hopeman.

## **Neal McNabb, M.D.**

**Date:** December 11, 1996  
Interviewer, Michael Finigan, M.D.

Video #7

### **Summary:**

Discusses his education at the University of Rochester Medical School, class of 1954, Internship and residency at TGH and Strong Memorial Hospital, Highland and Rochester General Hospital. Discussed his training and his interest in developmental disabilities. Began practice in 1959 and in 1970 was appointed clinical director of MDC. Appointed Chief of Pediatrics at TGH in 1978 and Vice-President of Medical Affairs from 1987-1994

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Dexter Pierce, Bernard Brody, Webster, Peachy, Dickerson, Kluge, Bradford, Barry Hinshaw. Also Paul Hanson, Polly Street, Ron Press, Charlie Lobeck, Mark LaForce, and Don Henderson.

## **Bernard Brody, MD**

**Date:** December 13, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #8

### **Summary:**

Early Education at University of Wisconsin, Work on the Manhattan Project at University of Chicago during WWII. University of Rochester Medical School class of 1951, Discussed many changes during his career at TGH, Director of Laboratory, the establishment of ambulatory Lab Services As Medical Director, saw the establishment of the Genesee Health Service, Doctor's Office Building which improved the ability of Physicians to receive lab work and x-rays quickly. Started practice in 1956 at TGH, President of Medical Staff in 1970. Later appointed as Senior Vice-Pres and Medical Director until his retirement in 1997.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Glen Seborg, Herb Krauss, Marion Folsom, Drs. Fred Anderson, John Abbott, Kaufman, Boller, Segal, Whipple, Charles Rogers, Douglas, and Dr. Fine. Martin Murray.



## **Leonard Bloch, MD**

**Date:** December 16, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #9

### **Summary:**

Dr. Bloch discusses his early education at the University of Rochester, then attending medical school in Holland. His first interest was in pediatrics then switching to surgery. He speaks of his time in Holland and the differences in practicing medicine there and here in the USA. He goes on to discuss how the Genesee Hospital changed over the years and the physicians he knew and worked with. Also in his retirement, he was a part time Medical Director at Lakeside Memorial hospital in Brockport N.Y.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Douglas, Jerome Glazer, Schlegal, Meltzer, Finn Crayfelt, Abe Tatelbaum, Segal, Lytle, Stabins, McAvoy, Bales, and Dr. Irwin. Also Professor Boarhama, Professor Bourst, Professor Bemont, and George Hoyer, Gardner Child, and Harvey Cushing.

## **Sylvia Schenck, RN TGHSON '1968**

**Date:** December 16, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #10

### **Summary:**

She discusses her early years as a nursing student, the rules and regulations, and how the students were integrated into the hospital staff. She describes how physicians and nurses related to each other in the work environment then compared to now. Sylvia relates her perspective on how the nurse interacts with the patient to include follow-up calls, attending funerals, and bereavement carts for family members.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Yetta Baker, Jane Cannan, Drs. Douglas, Stabins, Shapiro, Rube, George, Kunz, Olsan, LaForce, Quill, Ureles, Craver, Buholtz, Gibbs, Lederman, and Dr. Penn. Also Shirley Reber

## **Alvin Ureles, MD**

**Date:** December 17, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #11

### **Summary:**

Dr Ureles discusses his early education at the University of Michigan then the University of Rochester Medical School during WWII. Coming to TGH in 1951 and working in Nuclear medicine, ran the thyroid clinic. He relates his time as the Chief of Medicine and his efforts to establish the Physicians Assistant Program at Genesee. He remembers many of his colleagues and how the focus of medicine has changed from the “physician focus” to the “patient focus”.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Hiram Olsan, Saul Appelbaum, George Whipple, Saul Hertz, Harry Segal, Larry Cohen, Henry Coitman, Finnegan, Brody, Douglas, Stabins, Jewett, and Dr. LaForce. Also George Engle, Louis Wolk, and Harry Actor.

## **Michael Hirsh, MD**

**Date:** December 18, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal NcNabb, MD

Video #12

### **Summary:**

Dr. Hirsh began by describing his education at Dartmouth College and at Boston College school of medicine and his internship at Genesee. He came to Rochester in 1969 and established his pediatric practice with Dr. Meltzer. He relates his memories of the changing medicine environment also another partner in practice, Dr. Ken Woodward. Discussion on his position as the Director of the Genesee Nursery.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Bradford, Herbert Cohen, Ken Woodward, Botreck, Kurt Marx, Haggerty, Kaiser, Jerome Glazer, and Dr. Massura.

## **Mark LaForce, MD**

**Date:** December 18, 1996  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #13

### **Summary:**

Dr LaForce describes his education at Seton Hall College medical School (1960-1964) and residency at Boston City Hospital before working at the CDC in Atlanta, Ga. for two years. Discusses his increased interest in infectious diseases and his time in Bangladesh, West Pakistan, Delhi, Haiti, and Africa and in South east Asia. He relates his involvement with the world health organization and Also his tenure as Chief of Medicine at the VA hospital and Physician in Chief at TGH in 1987.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Harold Jagers, Dr. Charles Davidson, Max Findland, Ed Kass, Dr. Ray Fenderson, Bill Fagey, Gordon Mickeljohn, Ted Eichoff, Bill Morgan, Dr. Ureles, Rex Tameson, Bob Shrier., Rudy Napadonow, Dr. Brody, Dr. Craver, Dr. Chey, Serge Barold, Chung Kim, Dr. Quill, Craig Kaplan, Mira Weiner, and Ruth Kouides.

## **John D'Souza, MD**

**Date:** January 7, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #14

### **Summary:**

Dr. D'Souza describes his early life and his training in Kenya earning his medical degree in 1966. He taught at the medical school before immigrating to Schenectady to complete his surgical internship and residency and his pathology residency at the University of Rochester in the early 1970s. He came to TGH in 1975 working with Dr. Brody in clinical labs and became Chief of Clinical Labs in 1981.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Robert Cooper, Dr. Bernard Brody, Dr. Axelrod, Darrell Hartline, Jim Orum, and Jack Davis

## **David Kluge, MD**

**Date:** January 7, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #15

### **Summary:**

Dr. Kluge relates his early life and education at Colgate University, and University of Buffalo and graduating from the University of Rochester 1954. Discusses his work as an EMT instructor, and founder of STEP program in 1960s. He further relates about the many changes in medicine over the years and the impact HMOs have had on the practice of medicine.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Dickerson, Whipple, Mason, Finn, Adolph, W.W. Scott, McCann, Romano, Engel, John Stewart, Segal, Douglas, Stabins, Abe Tatelbaum, Clay, Herbert Knox, Meltzer, Shapiro, LaForce, and Dr. Ureles. Joe Flatley, Charlie Tobin, Bruce Hallick, Gus Linscog, Admiral Kimmet, Jackie Kennedy, and Joann Lampman.

## **Bejan Iranpour, DDS**

**Date:** January 7, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #16

### **Summary:**

Dr. Iranpour discusses his early education in Iran at the University of Tehran, Iran taking a DDS degree in 1958. Coming to the Rochester at the Eastman Dental Dispensary for a research fellowship then his advanced training at the University of Buffalo earning his Dental degree in 1964. He discusses his time at Genesee as the Chief of Dentistry and the many changes over the years. Mentions the good work of the Pluta Family and Dr. Bloch and the creation of the Genesee Health Service.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Basil Bibby, Dr. Hyman Goldberg, Paul Garfinkel, Peter Pluta, Dr. James Block, Marshall Ressi, Mr. Lawrence Bradley, Herbert Krauss, Paul Hanson, Al Charbonneau, and Joseph D'Silva

## **Robert Tatelbaum, MD**

**Date:** January 7, 1997

Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #17

### **Summary:**

He relates his childhood wish to be a physician and the influence of his uncle Dr. Abe Tatelbaum who was on staff at the Genesee. His education at Cornell University and the University of Rochester medical School and serving in the U.S. Navy. He discusses the many changes in OB/GYN and his association at Genesee with the residency program.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Edelstein, Bartlett, Stanley Rogoff, Roger Terry, Romano, Engel, Vaughn, Schwartz, Lund, Donovan, Rosen. Also Drs. Theide, Schultz, Webster, and Hamilton. Billy Viehle, Alyssa MacInerney, Jerry Rudolf and Ginny Bence.

## **Sy Douglas, MD**

**Date:** January 8, 1997

Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #18

### **Summary:**

Dr. Douglas related his early life and education at City College of NY and at the University of Rochester Medical School 1956. He interned at the TGH and served 2 years in the Air Force. He discusses his career at TGH and the many changes he witnessed including the beginnings of HMOs and the physician re-imburement.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. SteinKraus, Tobin, Whipple, John Romano, Harry Siegel, and Dr. Ureles. Also Gordon Curry, George Engel, Bob Burton, Dave Sherman, Matt Hirsh, Sydney Hillman, and Don Robertson.

## **Timothy Quill, MD**

**Date:** January 15, 1997  
Interviewer, Mike Finigan, MD

Video #19

### **Summary:**

Dr. Quill discusses his early life and wish to be a physician and his education at University of Massachusetts and the University of Rochester Medical School 1975. Began his practice in primary care and discusses his interest in end of life care and his public speaking on the topic. Related time spent in Holland learning about their system of euthanasia.

### **Names Mentioned:**

George Engel, Bill Honig, Bill Cosby, Art Schmalie, Larry Young, Rudy Napadonna, Dr. Al Ureles, and Dr. LaForce.

## **Neal Garroway, MD**

**Date:** January 13, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #20

### **Summary:**

Dr. Garroway discusses his childhood and his desire to become a physician and his education at Cornell University and then the University of Buffalo Medical School and internship and residency at Barnes hospital in St. Louis MO. He relates the development of community health care centers and the changes in the management of these centers over the years. He shares his experience as Director of Ambulatory Services at TGH and later as the Medical Director of the Genesee Health Services.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Gilbert Blount, Grant little, Dr. Ken Woodward, Paul Hanson, Dr. Jim Bloch, Drs. Ureles, John Wolf, David Kotok, James Tobin, Charles Rogers, Siegel, Curtis, Sy Douglas, Dave Kluge, Al Charbobbeau, Harris, Craver, Mark LaForce, and Dr. Dibone. Also Bill Kenney, and Martha Leas.

## **Robert Wolf, MD**

**Date:** January 15, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #21

### **Summary:**

Dr. Wolf relates his early life and education at Cornell University and then entering the U.S. Army in 1943 and the Army underwriting his medical education at Cornell. His service during the Korean War and his residency at TGH in 1951. He remembers Genesee's "Espirit de Corps" among the staff and the team approach to problem solving.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Stabins, Fisher, Martin, Douglas, Chapman, Howk, Ureles, Brody, Webster, Hamilton, Ken Smith, Giambone, Winslow, Harris, and Dr. Dickerson. Also Frank McKee, George Baron, Bob Geraci, and Dick Kennerman.

## **Larry Chessin, MD**

**Date:** January 16, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #22

### **Summary:**

Dr Chessin relates his early life and education at the University of Rochester through a Bausch and Lomb Scholarship, and internship at NY University. Received a NIH grant for research of infectious diseases at University of Buffalo. He further discusses his work in the New York University Honors program in Urology and Human Genetics also his time at Genesee as head of the Infectious Disease department.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Harry Seigel, Harry Logan, Stan Rogoff, Ramsey, Bernard Brody, Al Ureles, Bill Chey, Ashok Chey, James Stormont, Greg Riley, Mark LaForce, Marle Gupta, Serge Barold, Dave Kluge, Joseph Rube, Jay Stein, and Roger Hunt.

## **Ann Shamaskin, MD**

**Date:** January 6, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #23

### **Summary:**

Dr Shamaskin relates her education at the University of Virginia Medical School and residency at the University of Rochester. Was Chief Pediatric Residency at Highland Hospital before being recruited for TGH by Dr. Ureles. She shared her success at building a satisfactory career as a wife, Mother and physician.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Ureles, Dr. Mvie Weenan, Dr. William Craver, Dr. Bejan Iranpour, and Dr. Mark LaForce.

## **Harry Barry**

**Date:** January 20, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #24

### **Summary:**

Harry described his early life and education at the Mechanics Institute and his memories of coming to the Genesee in 1947 in the purchasing department and eventually moving into administration. He related many memorable stories of the growth of the hospital and its staff.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Tom Lynaugh, Mr. Charbonneau, Darryl Hartline, Ron Press, Charlie Wydell, Charles Ange, John Helms, Shirley Melonbach, Dr. Meltzer, Harry Segal, Fran Sullivan, Herb Krauss, Paul Hanson, Larry Bradley, Ray Hall, Dr. Wright, Dr. Finigan, Pearl stout, Dr. Ed Douglas, Miss Moore, Grover Sampson, Dr. Boller, Dr. Stabins, Dr. Shirley Snow, Jr., Dr. J. Glaser, Dr. A. Max, J.D. Goldstein, Dr. Austin Leve, Dr. R. Wolf, Dr, William Jackson, Dr. Haswell, Drs. Crino- father and Daughter, Dr. Rolinski, Joe Barnes, Bob Carey, Jim Murphy, John Wheeler, Ed Sardisco, Dr. Ruckert, Sam Cronk, Dr. Madden, Jane Bedford, Dr. Shapiro



## **Kathy Birk, MD and Betsy Morningstar, MD**

**Date:** January 21, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video#25

### **Summary:**

Both Kathy and Betsy recall their Medical School years and the increase in the number of women physicians. Both doctors discuss the challenges of pursuing a medical career and having a family and also their interest in volunteering.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Faye Redwine, Henry Theid, Chuck Leback, Drs. Whipple, Romano, Bradford, and Dr Fonbas.

## **Greg Riley, MD**

**Date:** January 22, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video#26

### **Summary:**

Dr. Riley recalls his early life and education at Princeton University and University of Rochester Medical School and his residency in medicine at Strong Memorial Hospital and the Genesee. He also discusses his career at the Genesee and the changes to patient care over the years and his reasons for choosing Primary Care and his ultimate focus of Infectious Diseases.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Harriet Purdy, Don Hare, Phil Towns, Jim Bartlett, Dave Mahoney, Earl Mahoney, Father Chauvin, Milt Lauria, Marv Goldstein, Carl Mason, Bob Haggerty, Stan Troup, Dr. Young, Bill Mangan, Dr. Pulsifer, Jim Stormont, Dr. Rowley, Sandy Meyerwitz, Charlie Solky.

## **Tom Witmer, MD**

**Date:** January 23, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #27

### **Summary:**

Dr Witmer describes his early life here in Rochester and his education at the University of Rochester, originally majoring in Law, but switching to medicine and then to the Medical College of Virginia in the late 1960s. Also his Internship at the Genesee in 1970. He relates his career and the emergence of HMOs and the pressures from non-medical sources.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Ureles, Ong, Shah, Fein, Olson, Hahns, Glaser, Brody, Malek and Dr. John Wolfe. Also Tom O'Malley, Steve Stowe, Martha Leas

## **Thomas Penn, MD**

**Date:** January 29, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #28

### **Summary:**

Dr. Penn remembers his early life and education at Howard University in Electrical Engineering, then after seven years returning to school at the University Of Pennsylvania medical school and residency at the University of Rochester in 1972. he relates his experience and thoughts on the emergence of the HMOs and the benefits and challenges of managed care system.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Jim Volmer, Bill Fitz, John Morton, Dr. Robb, Jim Louise, Alan May, Seymore Schwartz, Harry Kingsley, John Lang, Jim Adams, Clay Phillips, Dick McAvoy, Bob Rivers.

## **Bruce Brown, MD**

**Date:** January 28, 1997  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #29

### **Summary:**

Dr. Brown relates his early years and education at Syracuse University and graduating from the University of Rochester Medical School in 1959. he further discusses his years at the Genesee Hospital as chief of Anatomical Pathology and President of the Medical Staff.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Don Kennedy, Len Feniger, Jim Bartlett, Roger Terry, George Whipple, Professor Orbison, Bernie Panner, John Abbott, Bob Gailbraith, Tina Alshibaja. Dr. Douglas and Dr. Stabins.

## **Wilbur Buholtz, MD**

**Date:** February 5, 1997  
Interviewer, Michael Finigan, MD

Video #31

### **Summary:**

Born in Caledonia, NY, Dr. Buholtz relates his early life and education at the University of Rochester, then graduating from Cornell University Medical school in 1941. He discusses his service in the Navy during the Second World War and his internship at the Genesee Hospital and his memories of the Hospital over the years.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Grover Sampson ( Ambulance Driver), Drs. David Uhler, John Finnegan, Harry Segal, Sherman Houck, Al Cutter, John Morton, Joe Cramer, Al Ureles, Dr. Hewett, Dr. Segal, Dr. Olsan, and Dr. Brody. Tom O'Malley.

## **Paul Fine, MD**

**Date:** February 13, 1997  
Interviewer, Michael Finnegan, MD

Video #32

### **Summary:**

Discusses his education at the University of Rochester Medical School and residency at Strong Memorial Hospital. He also attended a fellowship at the University in Rheumatology and Immunology. Describing his career at the Genesee, Dr. Fine is impressed with the younger doctors and the future of medicine.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. George Whipple, Larry Young, Ralph Jaycox, Christine Waterhouse, Seymour Reichlin, John Romano, Dr. Axelrod, George Engle, Paul LaSalle, David Sears, Bob Steincross, John Stone, John Condemi, Tom O'Malley, Harry Segal, Iola Drum, John Klahn, Morris Missal, Tom Witmer, Mary Ellen Riegal, Mike Schneider, David Sischy, Mike Krasner, Lou Pappa, Mike Falkoff, Dr. Ortiz, Henry Hess.

## **Betty Anderson, RN**

**Date:** June 17, 2002  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video#33

### **Summary:**

Betty relates her Nursing training at London England's Victoria Hospital and coming to the United States in 1951 with her husband, Dr. Fred Anderson. She relates her volunteer work at the Genesee and the changes over the years.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Drs. Fred Anderson, George Whipple, Boros, Ashbury, John Schultz, Brody, and Dr. D'Souza. Also Eleanor Schultz, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bradley, and the Wangs.

## **Gayl Belcher**

**Date:** June 17, 2002  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video #34

### **Summary:**

Mrs. Belcher relates of her early life and education at the private girls school, Columbia School then two years at college. She discusses her years as a volunteer at Genesee. As a member of the Board of Supervisors and Director of Volunteers, she relates her 40 years of service the Genesee, specifically, the first disaster drill, the candy stripers (teenage volunteers).

### **Names Mentioned:**

Ginny Sanford, Nancy Mangan, James Mangan, Nancy Johnson, Alice McElliot, Mrs. Bilby, Bernice Skirball, Jinx Douglas and Dr. Ed Douglas.

## **Deborah Charnley, RN**

**Date:** June 12, 2002  
Interviewer, Sylvia Schenck, RN

Video #35

### **Summary:**

Ms. Charnley relates her experiences at both the Genesee hospital and at Rochester General and how each had different strengths and when they were blended together, how each hospital's personnel learned from each other.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Bill Holman, Neil Garroway, Vince Reale, Cindy Bileski, Sam Houston, Rosemary Roth, and Sylvia Schenck.

## **Ronald Good** Part one

**Date:** August 20, 2002  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video #36

### **Summary:**

Mr. Good relates his early life in New York City and his education at New York University in Biology and Columbia University and his eventual relocation to Rochester in 1962. He remembers the turbulent 1960s and in particular, the race riots in 1964. He discusses his work in politics and his career at Genesee.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Kunran, Paul Hanson, Nat Hurst, Sister Pauline, Dr. Parnell, Mrs. Delvecchio, George Miller, Sam Salone, Dr. Marquiss, Dr. Rayden, Gordon Howe, Art Cariola, Ed Rivera, Dr. Cooper, Tom Ryan, Midge Costanza, President Carter, Bishop Sheen, Frant Horton, Barber Conable, Sue Hanson, Cheryl Thompson, Jim Block, Sue Robfogel, Mike Weider.

## **Ruth McGregor, RN**

**Date:** August 24, 2002  
Interviewer, Sylvia Schenck, RN

Video#37

### **Summary:**

Ruth relates her years in the Rochester Homeopathic Hospital's School of Nursing class of 1925. She remembers many stories and experiences that highlight the differences between nursing in her time and what nursing students experience today.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Jackie Kennedy, Dr. Sumner, Jessica Heal, Miss Alatin, Maude Johnson, Ida Jane Anderson, Miss Reed, Miss Weber, Paul Kober, and Ruth Bailey

## **Carmel Geraffalo**

**Date:** November 8, 2002  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video #38

### **Summary:**

Ms. Geraffalo fondly remembers her many years at Genesee as a clerk typist in 1938, then as a medical secretary for Miss Elliot in Medical Records in 1940, then her appointment as the director of Medical records in 1956 until her retirement in 1975. She also relates the problems she experienced with certain doctors and their updating of medical records.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Cora Elliot, Mr. Bradley, Dr. Wright, Dr. Cogan, Sam Cronk, Marie Dunfrey, Dr. Abbott, Dr. Menguy, Dr. William Madden, Dr. Chapman, Dr. Francis Ford, Dr. Rose Pucci, Dr. Fred Zuch, Dr. Lerner, (Macy & Hobart).

## **Ronald Good Part Two**

**Date:** October 28, 2003  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video #39

### **Summary:**

Mr. Good remembers his 23 years at Genesee as the Employee Relations Manager. He recalls many people over the years he helped and the different changes such as Direct Deposit and his personal philosophy "Do good and forget it, Do bad and remember it"

### **Names Mentioned:**

Ray Hall, David Lancy, Laurie Bush, Peter Borelli, Chuck McConnell, Susan Robfogel, John Helms, Ron Press, Al Charbonneau, Jack Ward, Bernard Temple, Ray Hall, John Helms, and Paul Hanson.

## **Tod Timmel**

**Date:** November 19, 2003  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video #40

### **Summary:**

Mr. Timmel remembers his career at Genesee as the Director of Materials Management, coming to the hospital in 1974, he recalls working with Harry and initiating the Computer system and the many changes over the years. He also discusses his fascination with the hospital's history and of all the different families who have supported the institution.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Shirley Melenbacher, Ray Hall, George Eastman, Bernard Brody, Dr. Al Ureles, Dr. Douglas, Dr. Lerner, the Carlsons, Susan Robfogel, the Castle family, the Gleasons, the Sibley family, Eleanor Roosevelt, Doris Carlson, Joseph Wilson and George Fisher.

## **Richard Eisenhart**

**Date:** March 2, 2004  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video #41

### **Summary:**

Mr. Eisenhart recalls his many years affiliation with the Genesee as a member of the Board of Governors and his work in the establishment of the Hospitals Foundation. He further discusses the many reasons for the hospital's closing in 2001.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Mr. Bradley, Dr. Shirley Snow, J.J. Bausch, Bernard Finucane, Bettis Townsend, Ed Douglas, Sam Stabins, Bernard Brody, Al Ureles, Jerry Glaser, George Hucker, Frank Hamlin, Dr. George Whipple, Gus Ruckert, Paul Hanson, Bill Bradford, Dr. Kaiser, Harper Sibley ( Junior and Senior), Pearl Stout, Herb Kraus, Carl Nitze, John D'Souza, Dick Parks, Joe DiSilva, Dr. Menguy, Dr. Chey, Jay Stein, Ken Cooley.



## **Bernice Szatkowski, RN**

**Date:** October 2004  
Interviewer, Betty Anderson, RN

Video #42

### **Summary:**

Mrs. Szatkowski recalls her training at the Boston Lying In Hospital in Nursing and relates coming to the Genesee in 1937 and her brief nursing career in the delivery room until 1940. After beginning her family, she returned in 1945 as a hospital volunteer. She fondly remembers her years at Genesee.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. & Mrs John Schultz, Alice Giambrone, Ida Jane Anderson, Fran West, Jane Cannan, Edna Rowe, Joe Green, Adelaide Weinberg, Betty Anderson

## **Fr. Lawrence Murphy**

**Date:** April 1, 2005  
Interviewer, Harry Barry

Video#43

### **Summary:**

Father Murphy relates his education at St. Andrews Seminary and St. Bernard's Seminary and his ordination in 1958. He shares his experiences as a part-time chaplain at Genesee and Highland Hospital in the early 1970s and his time as the full time Chaplain at Genesee for 13 years until 1985. He remembers many stories about the staff and the changes over the years.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Rabbi Piorsch, Jeff Brice, Tom Benner, Paul Hanson, Mrs. Carlson, Horace Houghton and Doug Elkens

## **Lois Partridge, RN**

**Date:** May 4, 2005  
Interviewer, Shirley Thomson, RN

Video#44

### **Summary:**

As a graduate of the Genesee School of Nursing class 1945, Ms. Partridge recalls her many experiences as a cadet nurse, serving in a large hospital her last semester as a nursing student and her work in the orthopedic and colostomy wards at Walter Reed Hospital in the 1950s. She further discusses her work for 26 years for the Red Cross in Rochester.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Nellie Sterling, Helen Flemming, Irene Rodazi, Captain Convoy, Laura Allen, Ida Lupino, Thelma Robinson, Paula Carey, Mamie Eisenhower, “Swannie and Muscles”

## **Hechmat Tabechian, MD**

**Date:** February 13, 2006  
Interviewer Neal McNabb, MD

Video#45

### **Summary:**

Dr. Tabachian recounts his early life and education in Iran at the University of Tehran and after immigrating to America, the University of Rochester Medical School class of 1961. He relates his coming to America, and his time at the Genesee Hospital as the Chief of Nephrology and the events of his career.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Whipple, Larry Young, Clare Shumway, Ralph Jacobs, Joe and Tony Izzo, John Romano, George Engle, Chris Waterhouse, Earl Mahoney, Abe Tatelbaum, Sam Stabins, Al Ureles, and Joe DiSilva

## **Lou Rotundo**

**Date:** March 29, 2006  
Interviewer, Tod Timmel

Video#46

### **Summary:**

Lou is a native Rochesterian who worked at the Genesee for 28 years. He relates the many changes over the years including changes in technology and the transition when the hospital closed in 2001. He started in 1973 in the dietary dept. then moved to material management and then was appointed the distribution manager in Patient transportation.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Pat Malone, Paul Hanson, Roxanne Klaffen, Joan Dwyer, Michele Allevato, Sylvia Schenck, Rosemary Roth, Don Defrees, Harry Barry, Father Murphy, Father Norton, Steve Re, Tom Gordiner, Duane Ocke and Bill Holman.

## **Franklin Peale, MD**

**Date:** May 10, 2005  
Interviewer, Martin Korn, MD

Video#47

### **Summary:**

Dr. Peale recounts his early life and his education at Harvard and Johns Hopkins Medical School, and his internship and residency at Duke University. He further discusses his career and the many changes in instrumentation and technology also that he was the first surgeon to perform arthroscopy in Rochester.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Robbie Robinson, Joe Ostrowski, Leonard Goldner, Joe Capus, Robert Duthy, Frank Hoagland, Bill Bogert, Jerry Huma, John States, Bill Howe, Austin Levy, Lester Gootnick, Lou Goldstein, Mac Everetts, Peter Hackey, Ted Tanner.

## **William Craver, MD**

**Date:** December 14, 2005  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video#48

### **Summary:**

In this second interview with Dr. Craver, he discusses his education at Ithaca College and Cornell Medical School also seven years of education beyond medical school. He further recalls his long career at Genesee and the many individuals and the changes over the years. The establishment of the Genesee Health Service and the Intensive Care Unit and the quality of the residency program at Genesee Hospital.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Dr. Douglas, George Emerson, Sam Stabins, Bob Wolf, Ted Lytle, Dr. Menguy, Dr. Southgate, Sol Cummins, Dr. Brody, Dr. Pete Fielding, Vincent Chang, Leonard Bloch, Bill Monek, Seymour and Ruth Schwartz.

## **Hobart Lerner, MD**

**Date:** October 4, 2006  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video#49

### **Summary:**

Dr Lerner remembers his long career starting with his early life and education at Harvard and Columbia Medical, School, class of 1943. Although still a practicing physician in his 90s, he remembers the many people he has known and worked with. Also he discusses the changes in Ophthalmology and how in the 1950s, patients had a 6 day hospital stay where today they are released the same day.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Jerome Glaser, John F. Kennedy, Pete Seger, Don Regan, Robert Loeb, George Palmer, Dr. Whipple, Van Salman, Dr. Soskin, Capt. McCants, Dr. Gipner, Al Snell, Eldred Kennedy, Bob Kennedy, Ramon Castroviejo, Parker Hoffman, Larry Kotak, Dr Meltzer, Harry Segal, Dr. Pearson Sullivan, Harry Balconi, Dr. Aikman, Dr. Bradford, Sol Davidson, Abe Tatelbaum, Carl Wilson, Ed Douglas, Sam Stabins.

## **Walter Cooper, PhD**

**Date:** October 19, 2006  
Interviewer, Neal McNabb, MD

Video#50

### **Summary:**

Dr. Cooper discusses his early life and education and then the University of Rochester, and his time as a member of the Genesee Board of Governors. He relates the reasons for the Genesee Hospital's decline and the quality of health care assistants.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Ken Woodward, Lawrence Bradley, Polly Street, Shirley Reber, Paul Zuber, Dr. William Lee, John Lewis, Thurgood Marshall, Lyndon B. Johnson, Martin Luther King, Malcom X, Robert F. Kennedy, Donald McMaston, Ron Press, Jim Block, and Mayor Bob Duffy.

## **Rosemary Roth, RN**

**Date:** December 12, 2007  
Interviewer, Sylvia Schenck, RN

Video#51

### **Summary:**

Ms. Roth relates her early years at Nursing School at St. Josephs in Syracuse, University of Rochester for her BSN and Masters in Nursing. She recalls her fond memories of the Genesee from 1969 until 2001, including memories of many people, and changes and especially the events and festive gatherings.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Marsha McIntyre, Sue Luckeman, Dr. Commins, Mrs. Carlson, Dr. Stabins, Dr. Douglas, Dr. Wolf, Dr. Bloch, Dr. Onley, Dr. Lerner, Carl Harris, Dr. Peale, Jane McCluskey, Judy Steensma, Diane Murtaugh, Patty Johns, Jane Cannan, Shirley Reber, Barb Guilday, Paul Hanson, Terry Vogel, Marge Gardella, Marge Fuller, Joe DiSilva, Bill Holman, Tom Pointon, Harry Barry, Cynthia Lane, Linda Street, Linda Yale, Ginny Hepta, Cheryl Sheridan, Boris Schmegel, Larry Greenberg, Dave Froelich, Joe Rube, Dr. and Mrs. John Schultz, Arthur Shawcross, and Tommy Gingello.

## **Ann Ross, RN**

**Date:** July 8, 2008

Video#52

Interviewer Sylvania Schenck, RN

### **Summary:**

Ms. Ross recalls her early life and education at St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing and her learning about the advances in medicine in the 1950s, being an influence on her pursuing a nursing career. She remembers her coming to the Genesee in 1980 and the many festive events such as picnics and holiday parties, also the professional climate at the Hospital where physicians would seek the assessment of the patient from the Nurses. She further discusses her work as the Nursing Quality Improvement Representative at Genesee and later at RGH.

### **Names Mentioned:**

Pat Monahan, Jane Courtney, Sherry Frame, Jane Cannan, Rosemary Roth, Patti Johns, Carolyn Christ, Shirley Reber, Paul Hanson, Joe DiSilva, Sam Huston, Bill Holman, Dr. Bloch, Dr. Rube, Dr. Riley, Dr. Chessin, Dr. LaForce.

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