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1	1:03:16	Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Ander, Charlotte. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA #1	8/12/1992		Charlotte Ander talks about her parents: their background and love story, how they immigrated to Des Moines and that her father had a tailoring/cleaning shop there. Charlotte recalls growing up in Des Moines, her experiences of Jewish community along with some anti-semitism.	Family History; Immigration; Childhood; Jewish Holidays; Keeping Kosher; Anti-Semitism; Education	Charlotte Ander; AZA; Jewish Community Center
2	0:04:06	Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Ander, Charlotte. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA #2	8/12/1992		Tape 2 is short with Charlotte talking about times her family gets together and the types of photographs she has of her family. She speaks in generalities, not mentioning people's names.		
3	1:02:28	Toldot Iowa	Kara Baaken	Andich, Marvin and Ida. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA	4/17/1993		Marvin and Ida Andich give history of their family, the Quad Cities, Jewish Community, family traditions, and their lives together.		Ida (Pesses) Andich; Rosenbluth; Goldmans; AZA; Tri-City Jewish Center
4	0:28:58	Toldot Iowa	Kara Baaken	Andich, Marvin and Ida. Rock Island, IL #2	4/17/1993		Part two gives a lot of information about the Rock Island Hebrew Cemetery.		Rock Island Hebrew Cemetery Organization
5	1:16:20	Toldot Iowa	Allen Levi	Arkovich, Dave. Ames, IA. TOLDOT IOWA			Mr. Arkovich answers questions about family history. He talks about Jewish community and Jewish cemeteries.	Family History, Synagogues	Ames, IA; Sioux City, IA; Waterloo, IA; Ames Jewish Congregation; Sons of Jacob Synagogue; Cemeteries; Rath Packing Company; Bruce Strom; Rabbi Saul Serber; David Radlaw; Dave Arkovich

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6	1:02:28	Toldot Iowa	Susan Hillman	Badower, Ann. TOLDOT IOWA Side A	5/2/1991		Ann (Cohen) Badower talks about growing up in the Southeast Bottoms with her extended family in the grocery business and as part of a close Jewish Community. After marriage she ran the business end of a tailoring/clothing company with her husband, Fred. She shares views about Haddasah, the Jewish Community Center, the changes in the Southeast Bottoms neighborhood, celebrating the holidays, and her sadness about Roosevelt's decision to turn away a boatload of Jewish refugees early in WWII. Ann answers questions about how she and Fred met, family traditions, heirlooms, and burial plots.	Family History, Family Life, Immigrants, Tzedakah, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Jewish Businesses	Hyman Cohen; President Franklin Roosevelt; Helen (Badower) Getzkin; Michael Badower; Drake University; Des Moines Osteopathic College, Hadassah, Grocery Store, Tailor, Clothing Store,
7	0:05:53	Toldot Iowa	Susan Hillman	Badower, Ann. TOLDOT IOWA Side B	5/2/1991		A short, 2nd part of the Ann Badower interview is generalized comments about what is needed in the community and how the community changed.	Israel, Tzedakah, Education	

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8	1:01:30	Toldot Iowa	J. Vacchiano	Barricks, Helene. TOLDOT IOWA	4/30/1991	Yes	Emmetsburg memories occupy most of this interview with Helene Barricks. Her maternal grandparents were first Jewish couple wed in Iowa she claims. Her mother, Goldie Zelcer, married Herman Marks of Emmetsburg and had 4 children there before moving to Des Moines. Helene recalls joyful times while in Emmetsburg (except for a Klu Klux Klan event), but her father's death a week after moving to Des Moines cast a pall on early Des Moines memories. Married to Joe Barricks in 1944, Helene became a social worker, had two daughters and was active in both the Jewish and secular community.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Zionism, Jewish Holidays, Synagogues, Education	Helene (Marks) Barricks, Wolf Frank, Herman Marks, Goldie (Zelcer) Marks, Klu Klux Klan, Drake University, Jewish Community Center, Iowa Children's and Family Services, Iowa Department of Human Services, Emmetsburg, Iowa, Des Moines, Algona, Pocahontas, Christmas tree, Hannukah, Camp Crowder, Missouri, Ft. Monmouth, New Jersey, Ft. Jefferson, Missouri
9	1:01:32	Toldot Iowa	J. Vacchiano	Barricks, Helene. TOLDOT IOWA 91-9-2	4/30/1991	T	Cousins Helene Barricks and Judith Rosenberg share family history, genealogy, and stories. Judith recalls her great grandmother's boarding house with a mikvah (ritual bath) and her helping disperse Jews new to Des Moines throughout the city. Her Grandfather and other Jewish businessmen, when a Jewish man was accused of sexual assault, worked to change the newspaper's policy of identifying people as Jewish.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Businesses	Helene (Marks) Barricks; Judith (Gottlieb) Rosenberg; Ellen Frank; Julius Gottlieb; Capital Loan Company; J. Gottlieb & Sons Insurance; Rockford College; University of Illinois; Des Moines Register & Tribune; Roosevelt High School; Young Judeah (Haddasah); AZA; Saul Gottlieb; Goldie Marks; Wolf Frank; Hannah Baron, Rosa Baron; Sam Gottlieb; Meyer Zelcher; Florence Gottlieb; Moe Fink; Edith (Bosley) Gottlieb; Virginia Graham; Tom Bosley; Dora Bosley; Ben Cohen; Harry Rosenberg; Surf Ballroom; Grandview Park, Des Moines Register & Tribune

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10	0:57:44	Toldot Iowa	Allyssa Greenwald	Berman, Isadore. TOLDOT IOWA	8/10/1992		Isadore Berman tells of his family life in Grinnell, Iowa, and a little bit of his parent's background. An uncle sponsored his parents coming over from Russia in 1923 and his father joined the uncle's scrap business. Isadore and brother James ran the business for years. Wife Ida and he married in 1956, had 2 sons and 1 daughter. His boys tutored by Jewish Grinnell students to prepare for bar mitzvah. Isadore recalls some anti-Semitic slurs and stereotypes in Grinnell, but he characterized it mainly as ignorance rather than meanness or discrimination. His parents spoke Yiddish and they subscribed to The Forward and The Jewish Daily Journal.	Family History, Family Life, Anti-Semitism, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Education	CCC Camp; WPA projects; Great Depression; Immigrants, Russian; Scrap business; The Forward; The Jewish Daily Journal; St. Francis Hospital (Grinnell); Grinnell University
11	1:05:51	Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Bernstein, Blanche. Ottumwa, IA. TOLDOT IOWA	8/9/1992		Blanche Bernstein recalls her parents and their kosher home. Living and working as peddlers at first, her parents opened a store in Ottumwa. She shares tidbits about the Jewish community of her childhood and characters encountered at the store. She talks about the small business district called Jewtown and that Edna Ferber lived here and that Ottumwa was a friendly town with civic minded people.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Jewish Businesses, Education	New York City; Cedyndia, Poland; Peddlers; Mezuzot; Schmaltz; Arnie Siegel; Edna Ferber; Charlie Sacks; Phillip Adler; Rabbi Carson; Rabbi Mangolus; B'nai Jacob Synagogue; Al Bernstein, Philipp E. Adler; Redman's of Ottumwa

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12	32:48	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow	Bernstein, Jack. Sioux City, IA. TOLDOT IOWA Side A #1	7/11/1991	T	Jack talked about photographs of his grandparents wedding. He doesn't have many heirlooms from his family, but wife Gail has silver candlesticks from Poland that were her grandmother's. He talks about family summers up at Lake Okoboji and visiting national parks. Uncle Harry died in WWII, one of several hundred Jewish men and women who served during WWII and are listed on a plaque he recalls hanging at the Sioux City Jewish Federation office.	Family Life	Lake Okoboji; Israel
13	65:46	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow	Bernstein, Jack. Sioux City TOLDOT IOWA Side B #2	7/11/1991	T	Jack Bernstein recounts his childhood in Brooklyn, Iowa, and after his family moved to the West Sioux City Jewish neighborhood. He was active in many Jewish organizations and tells about the importance of Jewish camps and going to conventions was for him and later for some of his children. He talks about Hebrew School, teachers, and his 1958 trip to a young Israel. Jack joined his father's scrap and steel business after college. He and wife Gail kept a Jewish home and Israel is still a focal point, plus both of them are involved with bringing and supporting Russian immigrants to the area.	Family History, Family Life, Israel, Zionism, Jewish Businesses, Education	Brooklyn, Iowa; Grinnell, Iowa; Sioux City, Iowa; Lake Okoboji, Iowa; Jewish Federation; Hebrew University; Hebrew School; AZA; BBYO; BBG; USY; Ray Krigsten; Rabbi Saul Bolotnikov; Samuel Bernstein; Camp Hertzl; Camp Sabra; Camp Alonim; Bancroft School Building; Lou Brodkey; David Bernstein; Ben Bernstein; Randi Bernstein; Harold Rosenthal; Jarry Weiner; Dick Seff; Harry Bernstein; Jack Bernstein

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14	1:04:02	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow	Bernstein, Samuel. TOLDOT IOWA #1	7/10/1991	T	Lovingly and patiently, Samuel Bernstein struggles to tell about his childhood amidst frequent interruptions from his wife, Gussie. Eventually, he tells of his early years, his father's illness making him the family's breadwinner, moving back to New York City, starts and stops in various businesses, and eventual success and stability in Sioux City, IA. Sam remembers going to Marshalltown and Iowa City for the High Holy Days as a child and youth. After many proddings from Gussie, Sam relays the story of how they met, eloped to get married, moved several times, and eventually settled in Sioux City. They became active supporters and leaders in the Sioux City Jewish Community.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Anti-Semitism, Israel, Zionism, Jewish Businesses	Norman Bernstein; Elaine Bernstein; Jack Drayer; Pauline (Rosenberg) Kashinsky; Rabbi Sol Bolotnikov, Jean Rosenberg
15	0:17:00	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow	Bernstein, Samuel. TOLDOT IOWA #2	7/10/1991	T	Sam recalls that in 1940 he had the only junk baler in the area. A little later he and Gussie moved family to the westside to an area with lots of Jews. They've been to Israel 8 times. The interview ends with discussions about a few family heirlooms and where family members live now.	Israel	Rabbi Sol Bolotnikov; Jean Rosenberg; Junk Dealers

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16	1:03:58	Toldot Iowa	Jill Floore	Betensky, Bess. TOLDOT IOWA	4/26/1991		Bess (Siegel) Betensky talks about her passion for music, especially opera. A stroke when she was in her 40's led her to become a music therapist and piano teacher. She married Nathan Betensky and had three children: Joseph, Deborah and Ellis. Bess briefly touched upon her childhood growing up in an Orthodox home in Waterloo, IA. She learned Yiddish because her parents spoke it and she learned some Spanish and Italian through her musical studies.	Family History, Immigrants, Education	Drake University; Deborah (Berensky) Holtz; New England Conservatory; Oberlin Conservatory; Metropolitan Opera; Iowa Jewish Home; Joseph Siegel; Joseph Berensky; Bess (Siegel) Berensky; Ellis Berensky, Myndell (Ferstenfeld) Berensky; Rebecca (Mrs. Joseph) Siegel
17	1:09:02	Toldot Iowa	AG	Blindman, Ruth. Waterloo, IA. Part II	8/1/1992	T	Born in Omaha, NE, Ruth (Sherman) Blindman moved with her parents to Waterloo, IA near end of WWI, 1917. Ruth recalls her parents immigrant background and the family business, Waterloo Waste Paper Company. They had a kosher household until it became too hard to get kosher meat. Ruth talks about her husband, his business, and his drowning death at their Palm Springs winter home. She shares more family history and stories of Jewish celebrations, parties, and her desire that her grandchildren also marry within the faith. This Part II tape has the same content as Part I with an additional 5 min. 22 sec. of Ruth talking about family heirlooms and photographs. She also speaks to her mother's efforts to support Jewish people in need.	Family History, Family Life, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Immigration, Jewish Businesses, Synagogues, Education	Brandeis Department Store; Waterloo Waste Paper Co.; Flour City Box Company; B'nai B'rith; Ruth (Sherman) Blindman; Meyer F. Blindman; Sara Lea (Blindman) Strock; Harry Blindman; Sam Sherman; Philip Tomin; Frances D. Blindman; Susan Judith Blindman; Interfaith Marriage; Providence, RI; Omaha, NE; Palm Springs, CA; Boston, MA; Waterloo, IA

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18	1:04:06	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow	Bolotnikov, Saul. Sioux City, IA. #1	7/10/1991	T	That Saul Bolotnikov was a teacher is evident throughout the recordings. He pairs how he came to leave Lithuania and eventually came to Sioux City with a retelling of how Jacob and his sons were following God's will. Bolotnikov started teaching at 14 years old and married his first wife, Gertrude Goldwasser, primarily so he could become a rabbi. And her American citizenship provided a means for him to leave Lithuania in 1936. Saul talks mainly about rabbis: ones he worked with, ones he taught, ones he admired, ones he questioned. He also talked about the process of kosher butter, meat, and packing plants.	Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Synagogues, Education, Lithuanian	Rabbi Silver; Rabbi Miller; Rabbi Lewis; Rabbi Zeichik; Rabbi Goldstein; Gertrude (Goldwass/Goldwasser) Bolotnikov; Mizrachi Zionist Organization; Beth Abraham Synagogue; Tifereth Israel Synagogue; Adas Yeshurun Synagogue; United Orthodox Synagogue
19	0:44:08	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow	Bolotnikov, Saul. Sioux City, IA. #2	7/10/1991	T	In this interview Rabbi Bolotnikov recounts his early congregations, celebration for Israel's independence, and his observations on the changed Sioux City Jewish community. He talks about two American holidays he celebrates: Thanksgiving and July 4th. He speaks about a sister who came to the US; but he never saw any other family who survived.	Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Education	Rev. Griswold; Rabbi Lewis; Lithuania; Rabbi Efrom Oshrey; Rabbi Giff.

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20	1:02:58	Toldot Iowa	Hilary Goldsmith	Braverman, Jeffrey Alan	7/25/1991		Jeffrey Braverman relates some family history and his experience growing up in Iowa City. He recalls an easy and comfortable childhood with Jewish life being not just religious, but social. Several times during the recording he and the interviewer have discussions on being Jewish, about growing up in Iowa City and going to Hebrew School, plus they swap stories of summer camps. Jeffrey tells about leaving Iowa City, going away for higher education, and coming back home to work in the family business.	Family History, Family Life, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Businesses, Education	Jeffrey Braverman; Sarah Braverman; Susan & Steve Strauss; A. Kent Braverman; David Braverman; Joseph Braverman; Erin Braverman; Rabbi Jeff Portman; Jonathan Goldstein, Lou Landweber; Hilary Goldsmith; Joshua Braverman; University of PA; University of MI; The Big B No. 1 Master Market; Summer Camps; Mikvah; Jewish Conversion Class
21	1:04:02	Toldot Iowa	Hilary Goldsmith	Braverman, Rosalie G.	7/24/1991		Rosalie Braverman was born in Poland and came to the US when she was eleven. She recalls more family history as well as fond memories of growing up in her Polish village where life was rather stark and simple. She talks about celebrating Jewish holidays, Jewish organizations she was in, her enjoyment of theater, and the cultural opportunities in Iowa City.	Family History, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Education	David Braverman, Rosalie (Rauchman/Richman) Braverman; Myles Braverman; Dick Braverman; Pioneer Group; Hadassah; Temple Sisterhood; Ladies Aid Society; Amateur Yiddish Theater; Hitch Hiking; Council Bluffs, IA; Omaha, NE; Iowa City, IA; University of Iowa; Swimming

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22	1:03:20	Toldot Iowa	S. Hillman	Chapman, Julia. TOLDOT IOWA Side B	4/29/1991	T	This recording begins with introductions of the Grinnell professor and students who are working on this Toldot Iowa oral history project. Then five interviewers are introduced. The remaining segment is student Susan Hillman interviewing Des Moines native Julie Chapman about her family, growing up Jewish in Des Moines, family traditions and customs, family life, and the Jewish community at that time and currently.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Israel, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Synagogues, Education	Hannah Griff; Susan Hillman; Duvora Black; Lev Kay; Jenny Vacchiano; Kevin Tap; Barry Gilbert; Grinnell College; Iowa Jewish Life Center; Jerome Robbins; Joseph Chapman; Victoria (Cooper) Chapman; Sam Chapman; Julia Chapman; Mary Fink; Louis Chapman; Gaarret Chapman; Helen Lazurus; Leo Chapman; Norris Chapman
23	1:04:37	Toldot Iowa	Hilary Goldsmith	Christiansen, Martha Dennis	July 13, 1992		Martha Dennis Christiansen relates how she first came to Iowa City. Barry Ginsburg was membership chair then and later became an active, Jewish culture proponent as president of the Iowa City Jewish community. Martha really got involved and connected in Iowa City when she took on coordination of supporting Russian Jewish immigrants. She also talks about growing up in Terre Haute, IN, in a Reform congregation while her grandparents were Orthodox. Martha talks about going to Sunday School, having an elaborate Confirmation service, and the various levels of keeping kosher in her family.	Family History, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Synagogues, Education	Terre Haute, Indiana; Iowa City, Iowa; Barry Ginsburg; David Braverman; Debbie Wollrich; Temple Sisterhood

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24	0:54:21	Toldot Iowa	L. Kaye	Engman, Rebecca. TOLDOT IOWA	4/9/1991	T	Interview conducted at The Iowa Jewish Senior Life Center in April 1991 when Rebecca Beckerman Engman was 87. She mostly talks about family and leaving Russia at the age of three. She remembers the Great Depression, speakss about her boys during WWII and the family business, EMCO (Engman Manufacturing Co.).	Family History, Family Life, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Jewish Businesses, Synagogues	Odessa, Russia; EMCO (Engman Manufacturing Company); Sam Engman; Milton (Mickey) Engman; Jerry Engman; Norman Engman; Stanley Engman; Esther Engmetty Lou Engman; Shari Engman; Suzanne Engman; Frankel's Clothing Shop; Lou Beckerman; Ben Beckerman; Mike Beckerman; Gertrude Beckerman; Riverview Park; Waterbury Circle; Larry Zox
25	1:03:13	Toldot Iowa		Fink, Rabbi TOLDOT IOWA	6/14/1992		Rabbi Fink met with Toldot interviewer to review photographs taken at various Iowa Jewish cemeteries. He shared information about Jewish symbols on tombstones and sometimes talked about the deceased or their family.		Donald Brown; Herman Brown; Connie Newman Belin; David Belin; Leonard Rosenthal; Louis Nussbaum; Sheldon Rabinowitz; Roselind Rabinowitz; Julia Krensky; Glenwood Cemetery (Des Moines); Woodland Cemetery (Des Moines); Eastside Cemetery (Des Moines); Muscatine Cemetery; Centerville Jewish Cemetery; Jewish Symbols; Star of David/Shield of David; Menorah, Shofar
26	1:03:22	Toldot Iowa		Geifman, Gerry Rock Island, IL	4/16/1993		Geraldine (Gerry) Geifman recalls some family history about coming to the Tri City/Quad Cities area and living in Rock Island. She talks about the Jewish traditions and how the community is shrinking.	Family History, Keeping Kosher, Anti-Semitism, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Businesses, Synagogues	Rock Island, IL; Great Depression; Childhood; Shul; B'nai Jacob Synagogue; Walt Disney; Spin Doctors (band)

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27	0:56:25	Toldot Iowa		Geifman, Morry & Gerry. Rock Island, IL	4/25/1993		They talk about their family history and life, Jewish synagogues and community in the Quad Cities.	Family History, Anti-Semitism, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Jewish Businesses, Education, Russian	East Moline, IL; Rock Island, IL; Quad Cities; Childhood; Grocery Businesses; Beth Israel; B'nai Jacob; B'nai B'rith; Haddassah
28	0:49:39	Toldot Iowa	Susan Hillman	Geifman, Sam	4/24/1993		Sam Geifman breezily talks about his family, father and uncles coming to America at staggered times and later bringing their father to Rock Island, too. Men were peddlers and then grocers. Recording is sprinkled with stories about the grocery stores, his father playing cards with Louis Rich, a Klu Klux Klan parade in front of their store, why peddlers have blind horses, remembering Passover events at home, and how he met & married Beatrice.	Family History, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Jewish Businesses	George Geifman, Martha Geifman, Morris Geifman, Abe Geifman, Louis Rich, YWCA, Ben Geifman, Max Geifman, Rose Geifman, Mr. Goldberg, Klu Klux Klan, Harold Goldman, Art Bricker, Tri-City Jewish Center, Bishop's Cafeteria, Orpheum Theater, Richard Geifman, Huckmobile, Dave Nitikman; Rock Island, IL; Davenport, IA; Beatrice Geifman
29	1:02:51	Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Halpern, Paul. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA	8/13/1992		Paul Halpern grew up in the Quad Cities and went into the family clothing business, later owning his own store. He talks about his family background and their experiences of anti-Semitism in the old country. He was active in AZA, was a WWII veteran and honored his Jewish traditions.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Anti-Semitism, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Jewish Businesses	Galveston, TX; Rock Island, IL; Moline, IL; Jewish Federation of the Quad Cities; AZA; John Deere Company; Friedman's; Louis Rich Foods

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30		Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Herman, Leona. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA Side A	8/12/1992		Leona Herman enjoyed sharing stories of her early life in the Quad Cities' Jewish community. Education gets emphasized. At the end of this first tape, Leona recalls a personal experiences of anti-Semitism by her neighbor.	Family History, Family Life, Anti-Semitism, Education	Peddlers; Hebrew School; Rebbes; Tennis; Rabbi Morton Berman; Rebbe Yonkel Cohen; Rebbe Settle Kovich; Rebbe Schnitzner; Rebbe Rosenfield; Pioneer Women; B'nai B'rith Women; Beth Israel Sisterhood
31	1:02:56	Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Herman, Leona. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA Side B	8/12/1992		During this second interview tape, Leona Herman highlights her home economics class helping her when she became the homemaker at 12 years old when her father got tuberculosis (TB). She missed out on high school activities because of money and time. She went to a business college and got a job at the welfare office. She did enjoy tennis.	Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Education	Hebrew Athletic Club; TB Sanitorium
32	1:02:54	Toldot Iowa	A. Greenwald	Minner, Marshall. Rock Island, IL TOLDOT IOWA	8/12/1992		Dr. Marshall Minner talks about his family history and the various Jewish communities in Rock Island and Davenport. He is soft spoken and sometimes difficult to understand.	Family History, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Businesses, Education, Russian, Lithuanian	AZA; Jewish Hierarchy; Name Change; George Goldstone; Castle Garden; Mt. Nebo Cemetry; Rock Island Jewish Cemetery; Beth Israel Synagogue; B'nai Jacob Synagogue; Leona Herman; Tri-Cities Center; Burial Traditions; Hanukkah Lights; Simon Crane

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33	1:03:07	Toldot Iowa		Nitikman, Dave & Janette. Davenport	4/17/1993		Janette & David Nitikman are interviewed by a female Grinnell student about their families, about being Jewish in Davenport as children and as adults. They share information about the Temples and the Synagogues, in general terms. They go into more detail about their families and community. David talks about anti-Semitism and also told a story of Jewish appreciation shown by one Davenport principal. Janette shared details of making one of her mother's Passover dishes, unnamed until David dubbed it Cannonballs.	Family History, Keeping Kosher, Anti-Semitism, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Education, Russian	Davenport, IA; Yiddish; Grocery Business; Phi Delta Fraternity; Tri-City Jewish Center; Rock Island, IL; AZA; B'nai B'rith; Hebrew School; Sunday School; Cousin's Club; Baseball; David Nitikman; Jeanette Nitikman; George Edward Marshall
34	1:24:02	Toldot Iowa	Hilary Goldsmith	Portman, Rabbi Jeffrey	8/8/1991		Rabbi Jeffrey Portman and Hilary Goldsmith converse about living in Iowa City, Hebrew School and the advantages/disadvantages of a small Jewish community. Portman shares some stories from his 17 years serving as Rabbi to the Iowa City synagogue and the University of Iowa Hillel. He shares a little family history .	Anti-Semitism, Immigrants, Israel, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Immigration, Education, Russian, Lithuanian	Rabbi Jeffrey Portman; Jonathan Goldstein; Maharishi University; Hebrew Union College; Bruegger's Bagels; Andrea Levi; Great Midwestern Ice Cream Company; University of Iowa; Agudas Achim Congregation; University of Iowa Hillel Foundation; Sherman, TX; Cincinnati OH; Iowa City, IA; University of PA; South Bend, IN; Hillel; Orthodox Synagogue; Reform Congregation
35	1:03:54	Toldot Iowa	D. Karol	Rabinovitz, Ronald "Uby." TOLDOT IOWA Side A	April 1991	T	Ronald "Uby" Rabinovitz speaks about his family history, growing up an Orthodox Jew in Des Moines, the Great Depression, his WWII service, and his experience liberating Woebblin Concentration Camp.	Family History, Family Life, Immigrants, Zionism, Concentration Camps, Immigration	Des Moines, IA; Ronald "Uby" Rabinovitz; AZA; Orthodox Judaism; Great Depression; WWII; Concentration Camps; Liberation; Woebblin Concentration Camp

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36	0:31:23	Toldot Iowa	D. Karol	Rabinovitz, Ronald "Uby." TOLDOT IOWA Side B	April 1991	T	Ronald "Uby" Rainovitz also shares about his post-WWII life and career, and U.S. politics after WWII.	Zionism, Israel	Des Moines, IA; Ronald "Uby" Rabinovitz; Politics; Military Service; Rabbi Zeichik; Harry Truman
37	1:03:26	Toldot Iowa	S. Hillman	Sandler, Trudy. TOLDOT IOWA Side B	4/30/1991	T	Trudy Sandler recalls her family's background and her life. Her father started a blood bank and later a sickroom supply business. He was also active with the NAACP. The family were all involved in the businesses. Her father even got Ken, later Trudy's husband, to work for him. She recalls snippets of family history and frequently refers to an unpublished book that was written by Drake professor Maxwell Edwards about her father.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Immigration, Jewish Businesses, Education, Polish	WWI; Medical Corps; Hebrew School; Pogroms; Jewish Names; Orthodox Judaism; Shivah; Reform Judaism; Pelvishuck, Poland; Manchester, England; Issac (Ike) Smalls; Bessie Smalls; Ike Small's Medical Aid Fund; Polk County Blood Service; Iowa Hospital Supply; Des Moines Register & Tribune Community Award; NAACP; Eleanor Roosevelt; Palmer School of Chiropractic; Beth El Jacob Synagogue; Elks Club; Moose Lodge; American Legion; Community Chest; Holocaust; Franklin D. Roosevelt;
38	0:17:57	Toldot Iowa	S. Hillman	Sandler, Trudy. TOLDOT IOWA Side B	4/30/1991	T	Interviewer Susan Hillman continues the interview with Trudy Sandler getting her to talk more about her own life, her education, and her family life. The interview ends with commentary on the changes in the Jewish community from her childhood up to now, 1991.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Education	Trudy Smalls Sandler; Younker's; Bill Friedman; Drake University; University of Iowa; Ken Sandler; Pete Sandler; Stephanie Sandler; Hebrew School; Young Judaica; Junior Hadassah;

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39	0:33:50	Toldot Iowa		Staroselsky, Naum. TOLDOT IOWA	2/11/1992		Naum Staroselsky details the barriers he encountered as a Jew in Russia, his coming to America with wife and succeeding in Des Moines. He talks about his company, Compressor Controls and its growth. He supports many Russian immigrants, having hired 15 Russian engineers. His company benefits from their good skills. His role in the Jewish community is to help those new to the country and he helps financially. His wife is on the board. And they both belong to the synagogue. As a citizen of the US, he honors the freedoms here and the ability to grow. Jews in Russia and the other countries of the former Soviet Union are still in danger. He plans to continue hiring more Russian immigrants.	Anti-Semitism, Immigrants, Jewish Businesses, Education, Russian	Leningrad, Russia; Kiev Polytechnical Institute; Inventor; Compressor Controls, JOINT; HIAS (Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society), Vienna, Austria; Rome, Italy; Jack Ladin; Larry Ladin; Fred Lorber; Sheldon Barber; Pittsburg Des Moines Steel Co.; Serge Staroselsky; Alexander Rutchtein; Small Business Administration Innovation Award
40	1:03:15	Toldot Iowa	Hannah Griff	Swartz, Ethelyn & daughter Kay Bucksbaum	5/22/1991		At 95, Ethelyn Swartz shares how much she enjoyed her life in Des Moines with family and friends. Because of a politically active uncle, she first met President Teddy Roosevelt when she was six. She tells of other firsts: first flight when a Standard Oil executive sent a plane to DM as a favor for her Uncle John Wesley Ball. She went to the first Drake Relays and was a regular until 1968. She was at the first radio broadcast from Madison Square Garden while studying at Columbia University.	Family History, Family Life, Immigrants, Israel, Immigration, Synagogues, Polish	Theodore Roosevelt; Standard Oil Company; Morton Adler; Drake Relays; Madison Square Garden; Columbia University; John Wesley Ball; Dorothy Cohen Ball; Drake University; New York City; Germany; England; Greece; Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer; Hotel Ft. Des Moines; Ruth Cominsky

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41	0:22:09	Toldot Iowa	H. Griff	Swartz, Ethelyn TOLDOT IOWA	5/22/1991		Ethelyn Swartz concludes this Toldot Iowa interview relaying some ice cream stories; giving money for the Temple Archives, talking about cousins, and going on lots of train trips.	Family History, Synagogues	Carolyn Swartz, Ben Swartz; Rose Marks; Judy Rosenberg; Irving Harris; Trains
42	0:32:07	Toldot Iowa	Hannah Griff (?)	Ullman, Bess Tape A	11/7/1992		Bess/Bessie Ullman relates some family history and talks about growing up Jewish in Ottumwa, IA in the early part of the 20th century. She remembers that her mother had worked in a Muscatine button factory before marrying her father and that the Morrell packing plant employed lots of people, many of whom left when the plant closed in the 1970's. In the 1930s & 1940s the German Jews here were Reform and mainly didn't attend services at the Temple.	Family History, Family Life, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Synagogues, Education, Russian	Ottumwa, IA; Romania; Galveston, TX; Meatpacking; Childhood; Oskaloosa, IA; Centerville, IA; WWII Rationing; B'nai Jacob Temple; Bat/Bar Mitzvah; Ullman Family; Famie Roseman, Amity Club Dave Meyers
43	0:23:27	Toldot Iowa	Hannah Griff (?)	Ullman, Bess Tape B	11/7/1992		Bessie Ullman relates the starting of the large Sisterhood and Hadassah groups in Ottumwa. Earlier women had "The Society" which was a charitable and social gathering. She remembers having lots of tin boxes for charities, the blue boxes from Hadassah, and people traveling around the country collecting for the charities. Because of depressed economic times, there were a couple suicides in the community. Bessie laughingly recalls the strange names in the Fairfield Jewish community. She also talks about the shrinking of the community.	Family History, Family Life, Tzedakah, Jewish Businesses, Synagogues	Rachel Robison; Arnie Siegel; Morrell Packing House; Cemeteries; Fairfield, IA;

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44	1:03:02	Toldot Iowa	I. Harlow ?H. Wheaton	Williams, Lou TOLDOT IOWA 91-43-1	4/23/1991		Lou discusses growing up in Des Moines and experiencing anti-Semitism. His family lived first on the east side and then moved west. At 15 he started getting active with the Jewish Community Center and later he was hired by Julia Mayer as a boys worker. He organized a cadre of 35 WPA workers to provide programs and classes at the Center during the Depression. He speaks fondly of Mrs. Mayer. Lou gives some historical background about the Jewish Community Center and about the buildings that housed it.	Family History, Keeping Kosher, Anti-Semitism, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Synagogues, Education, Lithuanian, Polish	Childhood; Hebrew School; Community Chest; Home Camp; Golden Gloves; Mrs. Julia Mayer; Mr.Porter (Ray?); Dave Nemo; Clarence Darrow; Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer; Rabbi Solomon Rivlin
45	0:58:06	Toldot Iowa - Iowa Jewish Heritage Project		Berg, Rabbi Side A; Pearlman & Druckers, Side B	4/1/1992		First part of tape a man is asked about symbolism of images on gravestones. The 2nd part of recording involves a meeting, possibly held at a restaurant in Muscatine, interview participants converse about early Iowa Jewish immigrants and Jewish cemeteries. There are several women heard on the recording; one is the interviewer and the others may be rabbi spouses. No one is identified by name during the recording		B'nai Moses Cemetery; Michael Bell; Hannah Griff; Rabbi Floyd Herman; Rabbi Bleeden; Rabbi Gabraliel; Rabbi Marshall Berg; Rabbi Ivan Pearlman; Rabbi Aderet Drucker; Jewish law; Immigrants, Russian; Immigrants, Polish; Immigrants, Lithuania; Tri-City Center; Tombstones; Tree of Life, Torah, Cemeteries

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46	1:04	Toldot Iowa - Iowa Jewish Heritage Project	J. Pustz	Galinsky, Mae. TOLDOT IOWA Side A #1	4/9/1991		<p>Mae Galinsky recalls coming to America from Lithuania, but it was complicated. Several brothers were already in America by the late 1930's, but she and the rest of her family were detained by the Russians for 7 years until after WWII. Mae remembers things sporadically and possibly not accurately in this recording, but enthusiastically. She repeatedly declares "ask me anything, and if I'm able to answer you, I will!" Mae married Julius Kawarsky. Passover, holidays and shabbats were good times with her young family. She bemoans that other Senior Jewish Home residents don't respond "Amin" after her prayers. And that the Center's library doesn't have a single book in Jewish.</p>	<p>Family History, Family Life, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Education, Lithuanian</p>	<p>Julius Kawarsky; Irvin Kawarsky; Rosalie (Kawarsky) Levy; Issac Galinsky; Mae Kawarsky Galinsky; Temple B'Nai Jeshurun; Sunday School; Confirmation; Bar Mitzvah; Cohen Chapel; Horse Cars; Rabbi Eugene Mannheimer</p>

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47	0:19:04	Toldot Iowa - Iowa Jewish Heritage Project	J. Pustz	Galinsky, Mae. TOLDOT IOWA Side B #3	4/9/1991		Mae's son, Irvin Kawarsky, enters the interview. He tells of an interview experience in Brooklyn, IA, when he was looking for his first teaching job. Mainly he is accepted by the majority community due to his years teaching and coaching. He married and his wife converted, although the Rabbi really tried to discourage her. His children are less traditional than how he grew up, but his son studied in Israel 2 different times and is stronger in his faith. As a youngster, Irvin went to Hebrew School in the afternoons and on Sunday. Now he likes the shorter Sunday services rather than the 2 hour Saturday services at the Temple. He takes his mother to Senior Center's shorter Saturday chapel services.	Family History, Anti-Semitism, Israel, Jewish Holidays, Jewish Foods, Education	Julius Kawarsky; Irvin Kawarsky; Rosalie (Kawarsky) Levy; Isaac Galinsky; Mae Kawarsky Galinsky
48	1:03:54	Toldot Iowa -Iowa Jewish Heritage Project	Steve Clem	Baron, Frank. Sioux City, IA. Tape 1	10/22/1992	Yes	Frank (Abraham Fvictorio) Baron recounts how he led a double life during his childhood: his Jewish life with Hebrew School and synagogue along side his life at school and Boy Scouts. He smoothly weaves snippets of his family history, his community involvement, his blended Jewish family with a Conservative wife and his Orthodox ways in with commentary about the Jewish Community in Sioux City, Iowa, concluding with examples of anti-semitism throughout Northwest Iowa.		A. Frank (Abraham Fvictorio) Baron; B'nai B'rith; Rabbi Saul Bolotinkov; Hannah Griff; Adam Feiges; David Bernstein

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49	0:25:44	Toldot Iowa -Iowa Jewish Heritage Project	Steve Clem	Baron, Frank. Sioux City, IA. Tape 2	10/22/1992	Yes	This second part of his interview focuses on the Jewish community and changes as congregations shrink.	Anti-Semitism, Tzedakah, Synagogues, Education	Hannah Griff, Adam Feiges, David Bernstein, A. Frank (Abraham Fvictorio) Baron
50	1:04:03	Toldot Iowa -Iowa Jewish Heritage Project	Jenny Pustz	Galinsky, Mae. TOLDOT IOWA Side B #2	4/9/1991		Tape 2 repeats information Mae gave in the 1st tape, but some additional details surface. She also shares how she had no (or little) luck and explains what love was to her. Comments about life at the Senior Life Center dot her commentary.	Family History, Keeping Kosher, Immigrants, Jewish Holidays, Immigration, Education	Julius Kawarsky; Irvin Kawarsky; Rosalie (Kawarsky) Levy; Issac Galinsky; Mae Kawarsky Galinsky