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## **Title Interview with Roslyn Blawie**

Date 2007 January 4

Primary Maker Roslyn Blawie

Medium digitized audio cassette tape

Description Audio cassette tape of an interview with Roslyn Blawie. She was interviewed on January 4, 2007 by Bruce M. Stave and Sondra Astor Stave at her house in East Hartford, Connecticut. Roslyn Blawie was born in Hartford, Connecticut. Her family first lived on Garden Street, then moved to Martin Street. She attended the Mary M. Hooker School, which was a school for underweight and physically handicapped children who had to be recommended by a doctor to attend. The school was located on Stonington Street in Hartford. She describes what the school was like. She describes how her parents immigrated to the United States and their history. She attended Weaver High School. Roslyn worked at Wise Smith & Company during high school. After high school she worked at The Hartford Times as a copy girl. In 1960, Roslyn was hired at Christmas to work in G. Fox & Company's Toy Department. She describes how she worked in various departments after her temporary Christmas job. She describes Auerfarm and the store hospital. She eventually became a Service Manager on the Mezzanine. She retired in 1984. Roslyn describes how Beatrice Fox Auerbach told the staff that the store was being sold

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to the May Company. She describes how women were the majority of the staff,

the customers, the Connecticut Room, and the events held at Centinel Hill Hall.

She explains the changes she saw in Hartford.

Dimensions Duration: 58 Minutes, 34 Seconds