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Creator

Dingess, Elizabeth (Libby) Lindsay

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Biographical / Historical

Libby Lindsay Dingess was one of the coal industry's first female coal miners. She worked as an underground coal miner with Bethlehem Steel from 1976 to 1996. Lindsay Dingess was heavily involved with the United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) and the Coal Employment Project (CEP). The United Mine Workers of America is a North American labor union that represents the mine workers of America, alongside other various labor careers. The Coal Employment Project was a non-profit organization that aimed to advocate for women in the coal mining career field against discrimination.

Lindsay Dingess studied at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College from 1997-1999 and at West Virginia University Institute of Technology from 1999-2001. She now serves on the Board of Directors for the West Virginia Mine Wars Museum and on the Advisory Committee for the Kipp Dawson Project. She remains active with the UMWA and other social justice fights.

Scope and Contents

This collection includes materials pertaining to Libby Lindsay Dingess's work as a coal miner and union activist. It includes newspaper clippings, papers, and other materials from various coal mining operations, as well as various materials from the Coal Employment Project and the United Mine Workers of America union. Other materials include papers on employment equality, newsletters from the Coal Mining Women's Support Team News, and newspapers on coal mining strikes from the late 1980s to early 1990s. Also included in the collection are stickers and pins relating to coal mining and various coal mining conferences throughout the country.

Digital files include scans of photographs of women miners and Coal Employment Project conferences loaned for digitization.

Materials include calendars, correspondence, court records, financial records, maps, newsletters, newspaper clippings, notes, pamphlets, photographs, pins, publications, scrip, and stickers.

This collection is divided into four series:

Series 1. Labor and Mining Series 2. Coal Employment Project Series 3. Conference Planning Series 4. Appalachian and Women's Activism

Keywords

Coal mines and mining

Sex discrimination in employment

West Virginia Feminist Activist and Women's History Collection

Women's rights
Women blue collar workers
Dingess, Elizabeth (Libby) Lindsay
Coal Employment Project

Description of Subordinate Components

Series 1. Labor and Mining

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242902

Unit Date 1957-2022 and undated

Scope and Contents

This series contains materials produced and collected by Libby Lindsay Dingess pertaining to her work with the United Mine Workers of America from 1980-2013 and as a female coal miner and labor organizer. Prominent topics include labor organizing, coal mining, and union strikes. The types of materials included are calendars, court documents, newspaper clippings, notes, pamphlets, publications, and scrip. The materials can be found in boxes 1, 2, and 3.

United Mine Workers of America Calendars

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242903

Unit Date 1993-2013

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 10-11 (Folder)

Union and Mining Newspaper Clippings and Papers

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242904

Unit Date 1980-2022 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 14 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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West Virginia Coal Mine Scrip

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242905

Unit Date 1994-1995 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 17 (Folder)

United States of America v. John J. Spinks

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242906

Unit Date 1997 January

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 28 (Folder)

Conditions Governing Access

Court case documents restricted until 2047

Strikes Materials

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242907

Unit Date 1994-1998 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 29 (Folder)

Mining Accidents Publication

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242908

Unit Date 1957

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Union Organizing Handwritten Notes

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242909

Unit Date 1995

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Strike Newspaper Clippings

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242910

Unit Date 1989-1993

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 6-7c (Folder)

Separated Materials

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Strike Newspaper Clippings

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242911

Unit Date 1989-1993

Mixed Materials 4 (Box)

Container 1a-2 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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Union and Mining Newspaper Clippings and Papers

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242912

Unit Date 1993 December and undated

Mixed Materials 4 (Box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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Series 2. Coal Employment Project

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242913

Unit Date 1980-1998 and undated

Scope and Contents

This series contains materials produced and collected by Libby Lindsay Dingess pertaining to her work with the Coal Employment Project from 1980-1998. Prominent topics include labor organizing and women coal miners. The types of materials included are financial statements, newsletters, and questionnaires. The materials can be found in boxes 1 and 3.

Coal Mining Women's Support Team News

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242914

Unit Date 1980-1988

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 1-9 (Folder)

Coal Employment Project Papers

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242915

Unit Date 1988-1994

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 12 (Folder)

Coal Employment Project Financial Statements

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242916

Unit Date 1992-1998

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 18 (Folder)

Coal Employment Project Questionnaires

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242917

Unit Date 1994-1996 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 27 (Folder)

Coal Employment Project Mission Statement

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242918

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Series 3. Conference Planning

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242919

Unit Date 1978-2013 and undated

Scope and Contents

This series contains materials produced and collected by Libby Lindsay Dingess pertaining to her work in conference planning with the Coal Employment Project and as a union organizer from 1978-2013. Prominent topics include labor organizing and women coal miners. The types of materials included are correspondence, financial records, magazines, newspaper clippings, notes, and photographs. The materials can be found in box 1.

Coal Mining Conference Materials

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242920

Unit Date 1990-2013 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 13 (Folder)

20th National Conference of Women Miners and Supporters

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242921

Unit Date 1997-1998 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 19 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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Savery Hotel Conference

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242922

Unit Date 1998-1999 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 20 (Folder)

21st National Conference of Women Miners and Supporters

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242923

Unit Date 1978-1999 and undated

Unit Date 1992-1999

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 21 (Folder)

17th National Conference of Women Miners and Supporters

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242924

Unit Date 1995 June and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 22 (Folder)

17th National Conference of Women Miners and Supporters Mixed Materials

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242925

Unit Date 1994-1995 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 23 (Folder)

Conference Duties

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242926

Unit Date 1996 February and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 25 (Folder)

Resolutions - 12th and 13th Conference

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242927

Unit Date 1990-1991

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 26 (Folder)

Series 4. Appalachian and Women's Activism

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242928

Unit Date 1982-1998 and undated

Scope and Contents

This series contains materials produced and collected by Libby Lindsay Dingess pertaining to her work in Appalachian and Women's Activism from 1982-1998. Prominent topics include women's health, mining discrimination, and labor organizing. The types of materials included are correspondence, maps, newspaper clippings, notes, pamphlets, pins, publications, and stickers. The materials can be found in boxes 1, 2, and 3.

Appalachia Activism Materials

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242929

Unit Date 1989-1991 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 15 (Folder)

Women's Health and Rights

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242930

Unit Date 1990-1994 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 16 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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Southern Appalachian Labor School Journal

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242931

Unit Date 1997 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 24 (Folder)

Women's Health and Rights Newspaper Clippings

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242932

Unit Date 1994-1995

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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Mining Discrimination Newspaper Clippings

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242933

Unit Date 1994-1998

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Separated Materials

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How to Do Leaflets, Newsletters and Newspapers

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242934

Unit Date 1982

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Miscellaneous Stickers and Pins

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242935

Unit Date 1986-1994 and undated

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Kipp Dawson Medical Record

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/242936

Unit Date 1992 August

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 8 (Folder)

Conditions Governing Access

Medical records restricted until 2092