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ABSTRACT

INTERVIEWEE NAME: Betty Lou Green

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Interviewee's full name is Betty Lou Green; she was born July 11, 1950 in Jeanerette, the community of Patoutville, Louisiana; Green lives in New Iberia, Louisiana and has been there since 1986; Green grew up in Patoutville, part of Jeanerette, Louisiana; Green says hers is a growing community; she thinks there should be more for the youth to do that keeps the kids off the streets and out of trouble; Green's advice to young residents of Louisiana is to lend a hand; maybe help somebody; Green has noticed a change in the weather; when she was little, in the wintertime it was cold; they had to wear long coats, hats, scarves, and gloves, because it was really cold; when it rained in the wintertime, you'd see icicles on the roof and on the electric lines; now can't tell the difference between summer and winter; it's either hot or cool, 'cause it don't get cold like that no more; it's just the way the weather was; you could tell the four seasons, now you can't; Green has been through more than one hurricane; Andrew was the most memorable; she thinks it caused the most damage; when Green was waiting for it, they packed up the car and went up north as far as they could go; she never experienced the impact of it, but felt the wind; she was probably in her 50's at the time; when Green was little, she used to have to go to elementary school; she can remember all the water; you could ride boats in it; it was so deep; Green lived in Germany when her ex-husband was in the military so she had to learn to speak a little German to get around; she never learned it fluently, but some of the words.

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