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An Interview with Virginia Vasen

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Biographical Information Overview of Interview: Virginia Vasen was born in Princeton, Illinois in 1934. She graduated from Manlius High School in 1952 and then began working for the Manlius School District. In 1959 she began at Canton Junior College, both as a student and on the school staff. The college was part of Canton-Union School District #66. In 1968 the school was renamed Spoon River College. This interview explores Virginia's work at the College from 1959-1994. She also helped prepare material for the College's 50th Anniversary. She discussed how the College moved to Class I status, overcoming problems related to geographic square miles, enrollment, and tax basis. Virginia had various responsibilities while at Spoon River College, including as Registrar, Treasurer, and Trustee Recording Secretary.

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