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McGrath, Raymond, 1942-

Interview with Raymond McGrath / interviewed
by Helen Dowdeswell. - Valley Stream Historical Society,
August 14, 1993.

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NOTE: Former U.S. Congressman Raymond McGrath
recalls his boyhood in Valley Stream and his career
in state and federal government.

1. McGrath, Raymond, 1942- . 2. Valley Stream
(N.Y.) - History. I. Valley Stream Historical Society.
II. Dowdeswell, Helen.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS:

1. Outline of interview - Prepared by Helen Dowdeswell.
2. Photograph of Raymond McGrath, August 14, 1993,
taken at the home of Helen Dowdeswell. *

*Original photograph is filed in the Valley Stream Historical
Photograph Collection.

VALLEY STREAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW

RAYMOND McGRATH

August 14, 1993

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5. Introduction
- 30 Born, Queens, 1942 To V.S. 1945
- ~~XXXXXXXX~~ Parents: Raymond, Mary Jane (May) Mangan
Siblings: Mary Jane, Brian, Elizabeth, Tom
Buscher Ave. home
- 100 Stickball on Central Ave.
- 110 Holy Name of Mary School 1947-
Walking to school - playing hookey
- 140 Neighbors - many children- baseball teams
Mail League- Gibson Oval
- 190 Holy Name - nuns, CYO basketball, priests
Green Hornets - coaches
- 240 Memories of war years
Mayors
- 260 H.S. years at Central and South, Class of '59
Sports, Student Council, etc.
Influential people, Edstrom, Ward, Cathard. Finkenstadt,
Chas. Miller, Joe Miller
- 310 Brockport State Teachers College 1959-1963
Teaching Phys. Ed. , Perry, N.Y.
Intro. to politics - Grad sch. N.Y.U.
Parks & Recreation Dept.
Elected - State Assembly, U.S. Congress
- 360 Family- First wife- Joanne, Son -Tim
Second wife - Sherry, Sons- Pete and Joseph Patrick
- 380 Comments on political career
- 430 Present ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ occupation* President of a Trade Assn.
- 480 Lawyers in Congress and State Assembly
- 490 Tim's education
- 500 Arthur Hendrickson's role in Ray's career
- 530 Changes in V.S.
- 550 Boyish pranks- father's discipline
- 560 Parents' activities in church
- 580 Baptism of Joseph Patrick
- 585 Final impressions of V.S.

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