

## ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

**MAIN ENTRY:** Greer, Michael Roberts and Greer, Marte

**DATE OF INTERVIEW:** January 14, 2009

**LOCATION OF INTERVIEW:** Lubbock, Texas

**INTERVIEWER:** Daniel U. Sanchez

**FORMAT:** CD

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:** 7059 2132 4195

**LENGTH OF INTERVIEW:** 53 minutes

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:** Michael and Marte Greer discuss their involvement with the Buffalo Springs Triathlon and how Michael first created the race. They also discuss the other various races in Lubbock, Texas and throughout the country. They also discuss their intentions to archive their sport with Southwest Collection.

### ABSTRACT:

#### CD ONE

#### TIME STAMP

Introduction

0;00

Buffalo Springs Triathlon

Background  
Parents

Raised in Littlefield  
Football

University of Houston  
Football  
2 years  
Left

University of Texas at Arlington  
Balancing academics and sports

Littlefield football  
Measured by going to state

Re-staging

Marte Greer

Michael's football career (continued)  
Redshirted

Active duty in the Army  
3 years  
Played 1 year of Army football

Played competitive handball

Change in sports

Anaerobic exercise

Running

Marte Greer's background 0:10  
Family

Competitive swimmer

Gymnastics  
College scholarship  
National championships  
Injury  
Back to swimming

Broke back in 1976

Olympic level in gymnastics  
Too tall at 5'6"

Creating Buffalo Springs Triathlon  
Manufactured cotton modules  
Original triathlon in Lubbock

Met Marte	
Wanted her to take it to the next level	
Married couples in business	0:20
Course compared with others	
Unpredictability	
Marte taking over the triathlon	
Changes to course	
Pamper athletes	
Survey athletes	0:30
Planning the event	
Volunteer socials	
Would like to see an Iron Man Texas	
No other place in Texas	
U.S. collegiate national championships	
Bids to facilitate race	0:40
120 universities	
USA Triathlon	
Archiving the sport	
Donations from Buffalo Springs Lake triathlon	
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal	0:50
Interview ends	

**DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT:** Michael (1938), Marte (1958)

**GENDER OF INFORMANT:** Male, Female

**ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT:**