

# Guide to the Bette S. Garber Photographs

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** GEN MSS 756

**CREATOR:** Garber, Bette S.

**TITLE:** Bette S. Garber photographs

**DATES:** circa 1970-1983

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1.5 linear feet (2 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The collection consists of black and white photographs, color photographs, contact sheets, negatives, and a photograph album, with related printed material. The photographs document scenes of American long-haul trucking, trucks, and truck drivers.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Purchased from John Waite Rare Books on the Edwin J. Beinecke Book Fund, 2010.

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### Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

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## Processing Information

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections as they are acquired, and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit.

This collection received a basic level of processing, including rehousing and minimal organization.

Information included in the Description of Papers note and Collection Contents section is drawn from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. Folder titles appearing in the contents list below are often based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian. Titles have not been verified against the contents of the folders in all cases. Otherwise, folder titles are supplied by staff during initial processing.

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## Bette S. Garber

Bette S. Garber (1942-2008) was an American photographer known for documenting tractor-trailer trucks, truck drivers, and the culture of long-haul trucking in the United States. She wrote and photographed for industry journals, magazines, and newsletters, such as *Trucker News*, *American Trucker*, and others. She also published four photo books, *Custom Semi Trucks* (2003), *Custom Semi* (2005), *Custom Semi Trucks 2* (2006), and *Ultra-Custom Semi Trucks* (2008).

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

Materials are arranged in a very rough alphabetical order, maintaining the order in which they were received.

## Collection Contents

b.1	Livestock Trucking and Bonneville Salt Flats Speed Records, correspondence and photographs	undated
b.1	Diesel Drag Races, York Raceway, York, Pennsylvania - photograph album <i>2 Folders</i> The photographic contents of the Diesel Drag Races album have been removed due to preservation concerns. The contents are located within the second folder.	1976 September 12
b.1	Diners and truckstops	undated
b.1	"Foxes and the Hounds" - Scales, ports of entry, highway checks, cops	undated
b.1	Hagerstown, Maryland	1983 May 6-7
b.1	Hunts Point	undated
b.1	ITA Convention	1978
b.1	ITA Meeting - 2 photographs	undated
b.1	Leaders - Prominence	undated
b.1	Louisiana and miscellaneous negatives	undated
b.1	Michael	undated
b.1	<a href="#">Miscellaneous pictures and junk</a>	1970s
b.1	Negatives	undated
b.1	Negatives	1970s
b.1	Negatives and contactt prints	undated
b.1	Night	undated
b.1	Night and miscellaneous pictures and negatives	undated
b.1	Photocopies and negatives	undated
b.1	Protests	undated
b.1	Steel-Haulers' Strike photographs and clippings	1978 December
b.1	Tanker and miscellaneous	undated
b.1	Tearsheets from MTN, correspondence and clippings	undated
b.1	Traffic jams, photographs	undated
b.1	<a href="#">Truckers miscellaneous</a>	undated
b.1	<a href="#">Women truckers</a>	undated
b.2	4x6 black and white photographs <i>5 Folders</i>	undated

b.2	5x7 black and white photographs [empty folder]	undated
b.2	Various black and white photographs <i>2 Folders</i>	undated
b.2	Various color photographs	undated

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Truck drivers -- United States  
Truck driving -- United States

### **Genres / Formats**

Photograph albums  
Photographic prints

### **Names**

Garber, Bette S.