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**Biographical Information**



Patrick “Pat” James Stapleton, Jr., (January 7, 1924- March 13, 2001) was born in Chambersville, Indiana County, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Patrick J. Stapleton, Sr., and his wife Bertha Stadtmiller Stapleton. He grew up in Indiana, and he graduated from St. Bernard School and Indiana Area High School. He graduated from high school in 1943, earning varsity letters in track and basketball. Stapleton served in the U. S. Navy during World War II and was honorably discharged in 1947. He attended Penn State University for one year before enlisting in the U. S. Navy, and he graduated from Indiana State Teachers College (ITSC) with a Bachelor of Science Social Studies in 1950. His wife, Madeline “Maddie” Feidle Stapleton, also graduated from Indiana Area High School and ISTC. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Home Economics in 1947. They were married on June 10, 1950.

Stapleton was elected to the Senate of Pennsylvania on June 8, 1970. From 1970 to 2000, Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., represented the 41<sup>st</sup> district in the State Senate. He was the first Democrat to represent the district, which includes Armstrong, Indiana, Jefferson, and Westmoreland counties. His office in Indiana was at 581 Philadelphia Street. Throughout his political life, Senator Stapleton would remain “a big proponent of higher education, especially at the state-supported schools, because those schools served people of average means.” Senator Stapleton served on the IUP Council of Trustees for 30 years, and he served as council chairman for 27 years. The Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr. Library at IUP was named in his honor in 1981. Senator Stapleton received the IUP Distinguished Alumni Award in 1992, and he received the IUP President’s Medal of Distinction in 2000.

During his tenure as a Pennsylvania State Senator, Stapleton served as the Minority Policy Committee Chairman from 1983-1992 and 1994-1996. He was the Majority Policy Committee Chairman from 1992-1994, and he was elected Minority Caucus Administrator in 1997. He served on the following senate committees: Agriculture & Rural Affairs, Appropriations, Environmental Resources & Energy, Military & Veterans Affairs, Rules & Executive Nominations, and Transportation. Senator Stapleton announced his retirement from the State Senate on January 7, 2000. He passed away on March 13, 2001 in Pittsburgh. Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., was laid to rest at St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church in Indiana, Pennsylvania. State Route 119 between Indiana and Homer City was renamed the Patrick J. Stapleton Highway.

**Scope and Content**

The Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., Papers reflect the personal and business life of Senator Stapleton. The collection is divided into four series. : Series I represents files including biographical information, correspondence, newspaper articles, photographs, press releases, subject files, and election materials. Series II contains memorabilia including framed photographs, plaques, and artifacts. Series III contains audio and visual recordings mostly on audio cassette tape and VHS video tape. Series IV has oversized materials.

### **Provenance**

The Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., Papers were donated to the IUP Special Collections & University Archives after Senator Stapleton retired from the Senate of Pennsylvania in 2000. The majority of the collection materials were donated by the Stapleton family after the senator's death in 2001 and in 2007. Most of the files, photographs, and memorabilia were in Senator Stapleton's home office before being transferred to the IUP Special Collections and University Archives in 2007.

### **Restrictions**

None.

### **Processor**

The collection was processed and the finding aid was created by Harrison Wick in 2013.

### **Content List**

#### **Series I: Files**

##### **Box 1 Biographical Information, Correspondence, and Elections (56 folders)**

1. Armstrong County Democratic Banquet, October 21, 1971
2. Biographical Information about Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., and mother-in-law Blanche S. Feidler (1904-1998)
3. Official Biography and service in the Senate of Pennsylvania
4. Family Genealogy
5. Cards: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, this is to certify that Madeline M. Stapleton is the wife of a member of the Senate of Pennsylvania, Sessions, 1971 to 1976, signed by Ernest P. Kline, President of the Senate
6. Biographical file on Patrick J. Stapleton, III
7. Memorial Service, newspaper articles, and biographical information for Senator Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., 2001
8. Guest Book from Memorial Service, 2001
9. Calendar, 1997
10. Calendar, 1998
11. Calendar, 2000
12. Correspondence, 1951
13. Correspondence, 1955
14. Correspondence, 1956
15. Correspondence, 1974
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33. Correspondence, 1998
34. Correspondence, 1999
35. Correspondence, 2000
36. Correspondence, 2001
37. Dedication of the Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., Library, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, October 10, 1981
38. Democratic Party Banquet, September 23, 2000
39. Education: Indiana High School, Class of 1943, reunions
40. Election and Campaign brochures, no dates
41. Election Memorabilia: Pat Stapleton nail file and U. S. flag pin
42. Election Memorabilia: Pat Stapleton green plastic hair comb
43. Election Memorabilia: Pat Stapleton campaign buttons
44. Election Memorabilia: Pat Stapleton campaign stickers
45. Election Memorabilia: Pat Stapleton packages of gum and pens
46. Elections: Indiana County Commissioner
47. Elections: Indiana County Commissioner, 1963
48. Elections: Indiana County Democratic Committee
49. Elections: State Senate, 1970
50. Elections, 1972
51. Elections: State Senate re-election, 1976
52. Elections: U. S. Presidential Election, 1976
53. Elections: State Senate re-election, 1982-1984
54. Elections: Keeping the Record straight, 1985
55. Elections: State Senate re-election, 1988
56. Elections: U. S. Presidential Election, 1988

**Series I: Files****Box 2 (53 folders)**

1. Elections Memorabilia: baseball card and note pad
2. Elections: State Senate re-election, 1992 advertisements
3. Elections: U. S. Presidential Election, 1992
4. Elections: State Senate re-election, 1996 advertisements
5. Elections: U. S. Presidential Election, 1996
6. Elections: U. S. Presidential Election, 2000
7. Fundraising, 1988-1996
8. IUP Commencement, May 16, 1992
9. IUP Alumni Reunion Weekend, June 12-14, 1992
10. IUP Alumni Awards Recognition, June 13, 1992
11. IUP Chapter of APSCUF, 1994
12. IUP Council of Trustees: Renaming IUP Mascot, 1998-1999
13. IUP Council of Trustees, 1999-2001
14. Legislation: Education Appropriations, 1970s
15. Legislation: Pens used by Governor of Pennsylvania Milton J. Shapp to sign bills sponsored by Senator Stapleton into law, 1973
16. Legislation: Pen used to sign bills by Governor Milton Shapp, 1974
17. Legislation: Pen used by Governor Milton Shapp to sign Senate Bill (S. B.) 719 into law, 1975
18. Legislation: S. B. 720 (1975)
19. Legislation: Pens used by Governor Milton Shapp to sign bills into law sponsored by Senator Stapleton, 1976
20. Legislation: Pens used by Governor Milton Shapp to sign bills into law sponsored by Senator Stapleton, 1978
21. Legislation: S. B. 1210 (1978) Medical Schools
22. Legislation: Fuel Adjustment, 1978
23. Legislation: Highways, 1978
24. Legislation: Seasonal Farm Labor Act, 1978
25. Legislation: Pens used by Governor Dick Thornburgh to sign bills into law sponsored by Senator Stapleton, 1979
26. Legislation: S. B. 1011 (1979)
27. Legislation: Pen used by Governor Dick Thornburgh to sign into law House Bill (H. B.) 1608 (1980)
28. Legislation: Pens used by Governor Dick Thornburgh to sign bills into law sponsored by Senator Stapleton, 1980
29. Legislation: Pens used by Governor Dick Thornburgh to sign bills into law sponsored by Senator Stapleton, 1983
30. Legislation: H. B. 100, S. B. 298, and S. B. 871 (1993)
31. Legislation: S. B. 742, S. B. 881, S. B. 882 (1993)
32. Legislation: Indiana County – Jimmy Stewart Airport, 1993-1994
33. Legislation: Pen used by Governor Tom Ridge to sign into law S. B. 16 (1995)
34. Legislation: S. B. 1164 (1995)
35. Legislation: S. B. 188 (1997)
36. Legislation: Penn DOT 12-Year Plan, 1997-2000
37. Legislation: S. B. 1269 (1998)

38. Legislation: H. R. 1345 (1998-2000)
39. Legislation: DUI Forum, 1999-2000
40. Legislation: H. B. 980 (1999)
41. Legislation: S. B. 812 (1999)
42. Legislation: Pennsylvanians for Effective Government, PEG 175<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session, “baseball” cards of legislators, 1991-1992
43. Memorabilia: Ash Tray
44. Memorabilia: Business Cards encased in Lucite – PASSHE and H. B. 84 (1993)
45. Newspapers, 1949
46. Newspapers, 1956
47. Newspapers, 1960
48. Newspapers, 1964
49. Newspapers, 1966
50. Newspapers, 1967
51. Newspapers, 1970
52. Newspapers, 1971
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**Series I: Files****Box 3 Newspaper Articles and Photographs (42 folders)**

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2. Newspapers, 1974
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22. Newspapers, 1995
23. Newspapers, 1996
24. Newspapers, 1997

25. Newspapers, 1999
26. Newspapers, 2000
27. Pennsylvania: Grange News, 1975-1978
28. Pennsylvania: State Senate – History of Chamber Desk 7, 1909-2000 (Senator Stapleton’s desk in the Pennsylvania State Senate chamber at the State Capitol Building)
29. Photographs: Early, 1920s-1940s
30. Photographs, 1950s-1960s
31. Photographs, 1970s (1)
32. Photographs, 1970s (2)
33. Photographs, 1970s (3)
34. Photographs: IUP, 1970s
35. Photographs, 1980s (1)
36. Photographs, 1980s (2)
37. Photographs: Bill Signing, 1980s
38. Photographs: IUP, 1980s
39. Photographs: Stapleton Library Complex Dedication, 1981
40. Photographs, 1990s (1)
41. Photographs, 1990s (2)
42. Photographs, 1990s (3)

**Series I: Files**

**Box 4 Photographs, Press Releases, and Speeches (55 folders)**

1. Photographs, 1990s (4)
2. Photographs, 1990s (5)
3. Photographs: IUP, 1990s
4. Photographs, 2000s
5. Press Releases, 1972
6. Press Releases, 1974
7. Press Releases, 1977
8. Press Releases, 1980
9. Press Releases, 1983
10. Press Releases, 1984
11. Press Releases, 1985
12. Press Releases, 1988
13. Press Releases, 1989
14. Press Releases, 1990
15. Press Releases, 1991
16. Press Releases, 1992
17. Press Releases, 1993
18. Press Releases, 1994
19. Press Releases, 1995
20. Press Releases, 1996
21. Press Releases, 1997
22. Press Releases, 1998

23. Press Releases, 1999
24. Press Releases, 2000
25. Retirement, 2000
26. Schedule, 1999
27. Schedule, 2000
28. Speeches, no dates
29. Speech Notes, no dates
30. Speeches: "Christopher Columbus thought he had problems," no date
31. Speeches: Introducing Patrick J. Stapleton, III, no date
32. Speeches: Indiana Vocational Tech School, LPN Commencement Ceremony, no date
33. Speeches: 46<sup>th</sup> Joint Annual Conference of the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts and the State Conservation Community, no date
34. Speeches: Coal, no date (1970s)
35. Speeches: Lenape Vocational Tech School, no date (1970s)
36. Speeches: Senate Floor – Restoration Project, no date (1970s)
37. Speeches: Cookport, Pennsylvania, no date (1970s)
38. Speeches: Punxsutawney Jaycee – Ettes Annual Ground Hog Festival, no date (1970s)
39. Speeches: Father and Son Banquet, Clarion, Pennsylvania, no date (1970s)
40. Speeches: Tax Reform, 1971
41. Speeches: Plumville Recreation Association, April 20, 1971
42. Speeches: Party Unity, April 21, 1971
43. Speeches: Loyalty Day, May 1, 1971
44. Speeches: Pennsylvania Farmers, no date (1972)
45. Speeches: Commissioners Convention, 1972
46. Speeches: Elderton High School Assembly, April 12, 1972
47. Speeches: Dairy Association, April 13, 1972
48. Speeches: American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), April 13, 1973
49. Speeches: Consumer Education, May 3, 1973
50. Speeches: Loyalty Day, May 5, 1973
51. Speeches: IUP Taft Seminar, July 27, 1973
52. Speeches: IUP Commencement, August 1973
53. Speeches: Pennsylvania Farmers' Association, February 7, 1974
54. Speeches: Milk Dealers, June 1974
55. Speeches: Senior Citizens, August 1, 1974

**Series I: Files****Box 5 Speeches (121 folders)**

1. Speeches: The Emerging Shape of Politics for the rest of the 1970's, 1975
2. Speeches: Flag Day, 1975
3. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1975
4. Speeches: Brockway Volunteer Firemen, January 18, 1975
5. Speeches: Armstrong County Borough's Association, January 23, 1975
6. Speeches: State Fairs Association, January 24, 1975
7. Speeches: Milk Dealers, May 19, 1975



8. Speeches: Armstrong County, "I had a dream," September 3, 1975
9. Speeches: Re-election, 1976
10. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1976
11. Speeches: Saltsburg, Pennsylvania, March 5, 1976
12. Speeches: Marion Center, Pennsylvania, May 2, 1976
13. Speeches: Indiana Lions Club, June 4, 1976
14. Speeches: St. Patrick's Day, July 11, 1976
15. Speeches: Crooked Creek Lake, July 18, 1976
16. Speeches: Dedication of Judge Graff Bridge, September 1976
17. Speeches: Apollo Ridge High School, October 10, 1976
18. Speeches: Armstrong-Kittanning Trail, October 24, 1976
19. Speeches: Grange, October 25, 1976
20. Speeches: Veterans' Day, Robinson, Pennsylvania, November 13, 1976
21. Speeches: Alleghany-Kiski Valley Banquet, November 20, 1976
22. Speeches: Communion Breakfast, 1977
23. Speeches: Veterans' Day, 1977
24. Speeches: Women's Committee of the Pennsylvania Farmers Association, February 16, 1977
25. Speeches: Municipal Police Graduation Address, April 7, 1977
26. Speeches: The Pennsylvania Association of Conservation District Directors, Inc., May 14, 1977
27. Speeches: Jefferson-Manor Nursing Home, July 8, 1977
28. Speeches: Grange, October 24, 1977
29. Speeches: "What in the world is happening to us," 1978
30. Speeches: Kiwanis Club, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 1978-1979
31. Speeches: Pennsylvania Farmers Union, January 24, 1978
32. Speeches: Adult Education Conference, February 2, 1978
33. Speeches: Senate Agricultural and Rural Affairs Committee – Milk Producers Security
34. Speeches: Fund Hearing, February 23, 1978
35. Speeches: Municipal Police Graduation Address, April 28, 1978
36. Speeches: Allied Milk Producers, April 29, 1978
37. Speeches: Flag Day, Kittanning, Pennsylvania, June 14, 1978
38. Speeches: Armstrong County Farm – City Day, Dayton, Pennsylvania Fairgrounds, September 16, 1978
39. Speeches: Pennsylvania State Grange, October 23, 1978
40. Speeches: Radio – Agricultural District Bill, January 2, 1979
41. Speeches: Marconi Lodge, February 10, 1979
42. Speeches: IUP – Politics and Post-Secondary Education in the '80s, February 15, 1979
43. Speeches: IUP – Land use in Pennsylvania, February 15, 1979
44. Speeches: Freedom Shrine, Homer City, Pennsylvania, April 27, 1979
45. Speeches: Still Dedication, Clarion, Pennsylvania, May 5, 1979
46. Speeches: Pennsylvania State Grange Annual Convention, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, October 24, 1979
47. Speeches: Retired Teachers, October 31, 1979
48. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1980
49. Speeches: Re-election to State Senate, January 25, 1980

50. Speeches: Pennsylvania Farmers Association, February 13, 1980
51. Speeches: Memorial Day, Brookville, Pennsylvania, May 26, 1980
52. Speeches: Grange, October 29, 1980
53. Speeches: YMCA Invocation, Good Friday, 1981
54. Speeches: Retired Teachers, May 14, 1981
55. Speeches: Inter Service Council Banquet, May 18, 1981
56. Speeches: Dedication of Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., Library, October 10, 1981
57. Speeches: Business and Professional Women (BPW), IUP, October 25, 1981
58. Speeches: Veterans' Day, December 10, 1981
59. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1982
60. Speeches: ASCUT – IUP, "Accomplish our collective mission," April 25, 1982
61. Speeches: Coroners' Association, September 18, 1982
62. Speeches: "After the survival comes the revival, Coal," April 9, 1983
63. Speeches: Education Society – Delta Kappa Gamma, Alpha Theta Chapter, Kittanning, April 21, 1983
64. Speeches: Knights of Columbus Breakfast, April 24, 1983
65. Speeches: Du Bois Retired Teachers, June 3, 1983
66. Speeches: Volunteer Firemen, Du Bois, Pennsylvania, July 26, 1983
67. Speeches: Greater Du Bois Area Builders Association, November 9, 1983
68. Speeches: Jefferson County Boroughs Association, November 9, 1983
69. Speeches: Grange Week, 1984
70. Speeches: Announcement of re-election campaign, 1984
71. Speeches: Flag Day, 1984
72. Speeches: Re-election campaign, January 5, 1984
73. Speeches: American Legion, Brockway, Pennsylvania, February 9, 1984
74. Speeches: IUP Criminal Justice Educators, April 19, 1984
75. Speeches: Radiation X-Ray, IUP, Business Climate for Industry, April 27, 1984
76. Speeches: Western Pennsylvania Firemen, August 14, 1984
77. Speeches: Rural Recognition Dinner, September 6, 1984
78. Speeches: Grange, October 22, 1984
79. Speeches: Veterans' Day, November 12, 1984
80. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1985, 1988-1989, Elderton, Pennsylvania
81. Speeches: Kittanning Hose Company #6, February 23, 1985
82. Speeches: SADD, Homer City, Pennsylvania, March 21, 1985
83. Speeches: ICCAP, March 28, 1985
84. Speeches: Redbank Valley High School Commencement, June 1, 1985
85. Speeches: IUP Investiture, November 8, 1985
86. Speeches: IUP Polygraph Seminar, 1986
87. Speeches: Newspaper Editors, April 12, 1986
88. Speeches: Rimersburg High School, May 8, 1986
89. Speeches: Ramada Inn, Du Bois, Pennsylvania, November 13, 1986
90. Speeches: Campaign for re-election, 1980s (1987)
91. Speeches: Vietnam Veterans, May 10, 1987
92. Speeches: Natural Disasters, Clymer, Pennsylvania, July 19, 1987

93. Speeches: S. W. Jack Cogeneration Plant Dedication, IUP, March 18, 1988
94. Speeches: Governor Casey Introduction, Brookville Chamber of Commerce, April 18, 1988
95. Speeches: Vietnam Veterans, May 8, 1988
96. Speeches: Catholic Daughters of America, June 12, 1988
97. Speeches: GED Graduates, July 26, 1988
98. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1990
99. Speeches: Civil Air Patrol, March 10, 1990
100. Speeches: Knights of Columbus Breakfast, April 1, 1990
101. Speeches: Leechburg High School Graduation, June 1, 1990
102. Speeches: Southwest Central Rural Electric, October 12, 1990
103. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1991
104. Speeches: Recycling – 5 Minute Presentation for Newspaper Publishers, 1991
105. Speeches: Grange, May 4, 1991
106. Speeches: Apollo's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, June 28, 1991
107. Speeches: Campaign for re-election, 1992
108. Speeches: Election, 1992
109. Speeches: Public Utility Commission Hearings on GPU-DQE Transmission Project, 1992
110. Speeches: Re-election Announcement, January 24, 1992
111. Speeches: Re-election Speech, October 1992
112. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1993
113. Speeches: Rural Valley Lions Club – Senior Boys of the Month, June 1, 1993
114. Speeches: Memorial Day, 1995
115. Speeches: Pennsylvania Senate – Accountability and the Pennsylvania Turnpike (I-76), 1995-1996
116. Speeches: Pennsylvania Turnpike Remarks, April 10, 1996
117. Speeches: Dedication of Breezedale Hall, 1997
118. Speeches: 1998 Annual Indiana County Chamber of Commerce, December 4, 1998
119. Speeches: IUP Commencement, May 13, 2000
120. Stationary: Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., Pennsylvania State Senator
121. Senator Stapleton's Voting Record and Attendance Record, 1970-1988

**Series I: Files****Box 6 Citations (35 folders)**

1. Citations: Pennsylvania Rural Electric Association – Legislative Leadership Award
2. Citations: Senate Bill 321, no date
3. Citations: Governor's Office – IUP Board of Trustees (Council of Trustees), 1974
4. Citations: Honorary Firefighter – Punxsutawney Volunteer Fire Department, 1975
5. Citations: Clarion County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, 1976
6. Citations: IUP Alumni Association – Preservation of John Sutton Hall, 1977
7. Citations: Kiwanis Club of Carlisle, Pennsylvania, 1979
8. Citations: Special Olympics Program, 1979
9. Citations: Election to the General Assembly, 1980
10. Citations: Senate of Pennsylvania – Outstanding Young Man of America, 1980
11. Citations: United High School Commencement, 1982

12. Citations: Kiwanis Club, 1985
13. Citations: Rotary Club of Indiana, Pennsylvania, 1985
14. Citations: Indiana County – Spirit of '86, 1986
15. Citations: Professional Contribution – Citizenship Education, 1986
16. Citations: Senate of Pennsylvania – Thelma L. Kenosh, 1986
17. Citations: Governor's Office – IUP Board of Trustees (Council of Trustees), 1987
18. Citations: Senate of Pennsylvania – Dr. Charles J. Potter, honored for 50 years of service to the Rochester & Pittsburgh Coal Company, 1988
19. Citations: Du Bois Police Department, 1988
20. Citations: Riverview Intermediate Unit, Clarion University of Pennsylvania Band, 1988
21. Citations: Senate of Pennsylvania – Monsignor Francis J. Mueller, 1988
22. Citations: Chiropractic Fellowship of Pennsylvania, 1989
23. Citations: Historical Society of the Blairsville Area, 1989
24. Citations: Governor's Office – IUP Council of Trustees, 1989
25. Citations: Pennsylvania Natural Gas Associates, 1989
26. Citations: Certificate of Election to the General Assembly, 1992
27. Citations: Northampton Area Senior High School Commencement, 1993
28. Citations: Pennsylvania Pony Express Ride, 1993
29. Citations: Mexico, 1995
30. Citations: Punxsutawney Fire Department – Firemen's Grand Parade, 1996
31. Citations: Punxsutawney Area Unity Coalition – July 1996 Flood, 1997
32. Citations: Stand for Children, 1997
33. Citations: Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) and Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations (PFMHO), 1998
34. Citations: Senate Bill 619 (1998)
35. Citations: Veterans of Foreign Wars, 2000

### **Series I: Files**

#### **Box 7 Constituent Correspondence and Subject Files (60 folders)**

1. Constituent Correspondence: Advertising
2. Constituent Correspondence: Abortion
3. Constituent Correspondence: Agriculture
4. Constituent Correspondence: Apollo, Pennsylvania – Strip Mining
5. Constituent Correspondence: ARIN Unit 28
6. Constituent Correspondence: Armstrong County
7. Constituent Correspondence: Blue Cross Blue Shield
8. Constituent Correspondence: Child Day Care
9. Constituent Correspondence: Clarion County
10. Constituent Correspondence: Clearfield Township
11. Constituent Correspondence: Coal Mining Industry
12. Constituent Correspondence: Chamber of Commerce
13. Constituent Correspondence: Community Affairs
14. Constituent Correspondence: Department of Environmental Resources (DER)
15. Constituent Correspondence: Education

16. Constituent Correspondence: Elderly
17. Constituent Correspondence: Elections
18. Constituent Correspondence: Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
19. Constituent Correspondence: Fairs
20. Constituent Correspondence: Fish and Game Commission
21. Constituent Correspondence: Gas and Oil Wells
22. Constituent Correspondence: Governor of Pennsylvania
23. Constituent Correspondence: Grants, 1983-1992
24. Constituent Correspondence: Grants, 1993-1994
25. Constituent Correspondence: Grants, 1995-2000
26. Constituent Correspondence: Hazardous Waste
27. Constituent Correspondence: Health
28. Constituent Correspondence: Indiana County, 1987-1989
29. Constituent Correspondence: Indiana County, 1990-1999
30. Constituent Correspondence: Indiana County Chamber of Commerce
31. Constituent Correspondence: Indiana County Community Action Program (ICCAP)
32. Constituent Correspondence: Insurance
33. Constituent Correspondence: Invitations
34. Constituent Correspondence: Jefferson County
35. Constituent Correspondence: Labor and Industry
36. Constituent Correspondence: Liquor Control Board
37. Constituent Correspondence: Lottery
38. Constituent Correspondence: Lieutenant Governor Mark S. Singel
39. Constituent Correspondence: Medical Associations
40. Constituent Correspondence: Mental Health
41. Constituent Correspondence: John Murtha
42. Constituent Correspondence: Penn DOT, 1985-1993
43. Constituent Correspondence: Penn DOT, 1994-2000
44. Constituent Correspondence: Policy Committee
45. Constituent Correspondence: Public Utility Commission
46. Constituent Correspondence: School Districts
47. Constituent Correspondence: SPIRC
48. Constituent Correspondence: State Police
49. Constituent Correspondence: Strongland Chamber of Commerce
50. Constituent Correspondence: Revenue
51. Constituent Correspondence: Taxes
52. Constituent Correspondence: Thank You Letters
53. Constituent Correspondence: U. S. Senators
54. Constituent Correspondence: Unemployment Compensation
55. Constituent Correspondence: Veterans
56. Constituent Correspondence: Volunteer Fire Company Loans
57. Constituent Correspondence: Welcome Wagon
58. Constituent Correspondence: Welfare
59. Constituent Correspondence: White Township Municipal Authority

## 60. Constituent Correspondence: WPSX-TV

**Series II: Memorabilia****Box 1 (14 items)**

1. Framed Pen and Certificate: Governor Milton J. Shapp, pen used in signing Senate Bill
  - a. Number 8, Printer's Number 1080 "Taj Mahal" Bill, June 27, 1973
2. Box: U. S. Flag (Made in the USA) compliments of Senator Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr.
3. Plastic enclosure with artificial rose: reprint of wedding photograph and newspaper article of Madeline Feidler and Patrick J. Stapleton, 1950
4. Name plates of Senator Patrick J. Stapleton (Senate Office in Harrisburg, Indiana County office on Philadelphia Street, and home office P. J. Stapleton)
5. Gavel with plaque "Lt. Governor Mark Singel"
6. Award: Lions Club of Saltsburg, Pennsylvania
7. Wood Box with Clock: Outstanding Support of ICCAP, 1965-1995
8. Forage-style military caps: Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW 1989 Indiana, Pennsylvania, and a Russian cap
9. U. S. Flag in plastic container from Bence-Mihalczik Funeral Home: used during Senator
  - a. Patrick J. Stapleton's funeral service, 2001
10. Black Business Card Holder: Senator Patrick J. Stapleton
11. Pennsylvania State Flag from Indiana County office
12. Indiana University of Pennsylvania, President's Medal of Distinction, March 24, 2000
13. Coffee Cup with picture and name of State Senator Pat Stapleton
14. Ink Stamp: Senator Patrick J. Stapleton

**Series II: Memorabilia****Box 2 Framed Items (8 items)**

1. Framed Photograph of people and senate employees with Senator Stapleton behind his office desk in Indiana, Pennsylvania
2. Framed Photograph: IUP Food Drive benefits ICCAP
3. Framed Item: Pennsylvania Keystone Symbol – Senate of Pennsylvania, Patrick J. Stapleton, 41<sup>st</sup> District
4. Framed Photograph of Senator Stapleton with Bill Shane, signed to Pat from Bill Shane, 1985
5. Framed Citation: Du Bois Area YMCA, 1986
6. Framed Photograph of Senator's employees with Senator Stapleton behind his desk in the Indiana, Pennsylvania office, circa 1999
7. Framed Photograph: Senator Stapleton at IUP Football game, receiving a plate with the Pennsylvania State Seal
8. Framed Certificate of Appreciation: Pennsylvania Association of Municipal Transportation Authorities

**Series II: Memorabilia****Box 3 Plaques and Awards (12 items)**

1. Glass Shovel: West Hills Heliport, May 29, 1987
2. Plaque: Strongland Chamber of Commerce, 1989

3. Plaque: Bell Township Volunteer Fire Department, 1995
4. Plaque: March of Dimes Service Award
5. Plaque: Chevy Chase Community Center, December 22, 1997
6. Framed Citation: Veterans of Foreign Wars VFW 1989 Indiana, Pennsylvania, April 4, 1987
7. Plaque: Pennsylvania State Association of County Fairs, January 20, 1989
8. Plaque: Wood Key – Citizens of Brockway, Pennsylvania, October 13, 1973
9. Plaque: Senator Patrick J. Stapleton – Armstrong, Indiana, Jefferson & Westmoreland Counties
10. Plaque: University Presidents Commission for the Universities State System of Higher Education – member of the Board of Governors, 1988-2000
11. Plaque: Indiana University of Pennsylvania – President’s Medal of Distinction, March 24, 2000
12. Plaque: State Senator Patrick J. Stapleton Punxsutawney Office

## **Series II: Memorabilia**

### **Box 4 Plaques and Awards (15 items)**

1. Plaque: YMCA, 1969
2. Plaque: Indiana Optimist Club, 1972
3. Plaque: University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine, 1984
4. Plaque: APSCUF, 1994
5. Plaque: Indiana County Municipal Services Authority (ICMSA), February 13, 2000
6. Plaque: Indiana County Community Action Program (ICCAP), July 23, 1992
7. Plaque: Patrick J. Stapleton, Senate District 41, Dedicated servant of rural people, October 10, 1980
8. Plaque: 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Brockway Area Old Fashioned 4<sup>th</sup> of July, July 4, 1980
9. Plaque: Pennsylvania Chamber of Commerce, September 11, 1986
10. Plaque: A true friend is one of life’s greatest blessings
11. Plaque: WPFA Political Award, 1994
12. Plaque: Indiana County Corn Husking Champion, Maddie Stapleton, Farm – City Week, 1973
13. Plaque: SADD Homer Center
14. Plaque: ICCAP, July 27, 2000
15. Plaque: In Grateful recognition of your 30 years of faithful service to the citizens of Armstrong, Indiana and Westmoreland Counties, June 15, 2000

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### **Box 5 Photographs, Newspapers, and Paper Materials (15 items)**

1. Mounted Photograph: signed by others with Senator Stapleton (candid)
2. Mounted Newspapers: P. J. Stapleton III, *Indiana Gazette*, January 13, 1990 and August 22, 1993
3. Mounted Newspaper: Stapleton’s Restaurant, *Indiana Evening Gazette*, September 2, 1967
4. Citation: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, certified election as Senator in the General Assembly, November 2, 1976
5. Election Advertisement: The Stapleton Standard with Jimmy Stewart
6. Election Advertisement: A mark of a man’s effectiveness is the position he holds
7. Election Advertisement: Straight talk from ... Pat Stapleton
8. Election Advertisement: George Kepple has a problem with the truth...

9. Citation: Robert Casey, Governor of Pennsylvania, signed citation (1989)
10. Citation: Civil Air Patrol, March 1, 1990
11. Mounted Newspaper: Casey pledges completion of bypass, \$10.3 million business building at IUP, *Indiana Gazette*, September 18, 1989
12. Mounted Newspaper: Governor Casey and Senator Stapleton, *Indiana Gazette*, 1989
13. Framed Photograph: Senator Stapleton throwing baseball from pitcher's mound
14. Framed Photograph: IUP Board of Trustees, 1981-1982
15. Framed Photograph: IUP Board of Trustees, 1985-1986
16. Newspaper: GOP Picks Claypoole; Democrats: Name Stapleton for Senate Fight, *Indiana Evening Gazette*, February 6, 1970
17. Newspaper: It was a big day for "Pat Stapleton," committee posts please the senator, *Indiana Evening Gazette*, June 9, 1970

### **Series III: Audio/Visual Recordings**

#### **Box 1 (16 Recordings)**

1. Audio Cassette Tape: Milk Board, no date
2. Audio Cassette Tape: Armagh High School
3. Audio Cassette Tape: Armstrong Medical Society, 1966
4. Audio Cassette Tape: Senate Agriculture Committee, 1973; Greater Pittsburgh Dairy Association
5. Audio Cassette Tape: Saltsburg, Pennsylvania, 1976
6. Audio Cassette Tape: Medical Schools, 1977
7. Audio Cassette Tape: Democrats Dinner, 1977
8. Audio Cassette Tape: IUP Commencement, May 19, 1978
9. Audio Cassette Tape: Department of Environmental Resources, March 14, 1984
10. Audio Cassette Tape: State Senate Annual Tribute to St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 1988
11. Audio Cassette Tape: Senator Stapleton, re-election campaign, October 22, 1992
12. Audio Reel Tape: Radio Spots for re-election campaign, 1992 (1)
13. Audio Reel Tape: Radio Spots for re-election campaign, 1992 (2)
14. VHS Video Tape: Swearing-In Ceremony for Senator Patrick J. Stapleton, 1989
15. VHS Video Tape: Senator Stapleton – Restaurant Campaign Video, 1992
16. VHS Video Tape: Senator Stapleton – Retirement Announcement, January 7, 2000

### **Series IV: Oversized Materials**

#### **Box 1 (3 items)**

1. Photograph of the Lindsey Fire Company, 1913 with Patrick J. Stapleton, Sr.
2. Framed diploma of Madeline Mae Feidler from Indiana State Teachers College, Bachelor of Science in Home Economics, May 26, 1947
3. Glass Plate with the Seal of the Senate of Pennsylvania, and the names of state senators including Patrick J. Stapleton, no date

### **Series IV Oversized Materials**

#### **Box 2 Framed Items (4 items)**

1. Framed pen and citation: pen used by the Governor of Pennsylvania, Milton Shapp, to sign into law Senate Bill Number 29, Printer's Number 462 introduced by Patrick J.



Stapleton, Jr., an act “requiring the use of safety glazing materials in hazardous locations in residential, commercial and public buildings,” signed into law on June 2, 1971

1. Watercolor print of Independence Hall by Senator Edwin G. Holl, 1997 Annual Meeting National Conference of State Legislatures
2. Framed Certificate: State System of Higher Education, Resolution Honoring the Contributions of Patrick J. Stapleton, Jr., January 11, 2001
3. Framed Newspaper Article: Chamber Receives \$50,000 Grant, no date, after 1987

#### **Series IV Oversized Materials**

##### **Box 3 Photographs (3 items)**

1. Framed Photograph: The IUP Council of Trustees, 1994-1995
2. Framed Photograph: The IUP Council of Trustees, 1994-1995 (2)
3. Framed Photograph: The IUP Council of Trustees, 1995-1996

#### **Series IV Oversized Materials**

##### **Items (3 scrapbooks and 2 framed photographs)**

1. Framed Photograph, 1971, Pennsylvania State Senate Chambers, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
2. Framed Photograph, 1976, Pennsylvania State Senate Chambers, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
3. Scrapbook (brown), 1986-1988
4. Scrapbook (brown), 1989-1990
5. Scrapbook (black), 1998-1999