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**Manuscript Group 175
Dr. Louis Sutton Collection**

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Dr. Louis Sutton Collection, Manuscript Collection 175
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2 boxes; 2 linear feet

Biographical Note

Louis Sutton was born in 1939, and he grew up in Blairsville, Pennsylvania. His parents were Eugene Robert Sutton (1911-2006) and Donnella Ruth Phillippi Sutton (1917-2014), both of whom graduated from Indiana State Teachers College (ISTC, later IUP). Eugene Sutton graduated from ISTC in 1934 and Donnella Ruth Phillippi graduated with her undergraduate degree in 1937 and Master of Education in 1964 (then Indiana State College). Both of Louis Sutton's grandfathers were coal miners in Pennsylvania. He graduated from Slippery Rock State Teachers College with his BSED in 1960, Master of Education from the University of Pittsburgh in 1962, and Doctor of Education from West Virginia University in 1968.

Dr. Sutton was a Professor in the Department of Health and Physical Education (now the Department of Kinesiology, Health, and Sport Science) in the College of Health and Human Services at Indiana University of Pennsylvania (IUP) from September 1968 until January 1, 1999. During his 30-year tenure at IUP, Dr. Sutton taught physical education and coaching. In addition to being the Intramural Sports Director for five years, Dr. Sutton was the coach for the Track & Field team for 12 years and the Cross Country team for 20 years (for more information and access to scrapbooks about these teams, go to [Record Group 62 IUP Athletics](#)).

Scope and Content

This collection includes three series that include correspondence, diplomas, photographs, and scrapbooks, and yearbooks from Eugene Sutton, Donnella Ruth Phillippi Sutton, and their son Louis Sutton.

Series Descriptions

Series I: Eugene (Gene) Robert Sutton (1911-2006)

Series II: Donnella Ruth Phillippi Sutton (1917-2014)

Series III: Dr. Louis Sutton (Cross Country and Track & Field, [Record Group 62 IUP Athletics](#))

Provenance

The collection was donated by Dr. Louis Sutton in November 2014.

Restrictions

No restrictions, this collection is open for research.

Processed

This collection was processed by Harrison Wick and the finding aid was created on December 18, 2014.

Content List

Box 1 (8 folders)

Series I: Eugene (Gene) Robert Sutton (1911-2006)

1. Oak Yearbook, 1934 (autographs)
2. ISTC Graduation, BSED, 1934 (for his diploma, see Record Group 87)

- a. ISTC Commencement Program, July 27, 1934
- b. ISTC Photograph Album
- 3. Correspondence regarding Teaching Career and Continuing Education, 1934-1937
 - a. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Instruction, College Certificate, August 16, 1934
 - b. Correspondence from Penn State University, 1936-1937
 - i. Alpha Zeta Fraternity and Penn State University Matriculation Card, 1936-1937
 - ii. Correspondence regarding courses taken towards Master of Education, 1937
 - c. Teacher's Contract: Elders Ridge District, October 1946
- 4. IUP Reunions, 1984 and 1991
 - a. Photograph of the 1984 50th Reunion, Class of 1934, identified individuals with Eugene Sutton and his brother-in-law Woody Phillippi
 - b. List of 1934 "Lost" Alumni (circa 1984)
 - c. Reflections of IUP Class of 1934, Friday, April 27, 1984 (scrapbook and remembrances, a copy is in [Record Group 28 Office of Alumni Relations](#))
 - d. Welcome back to the Memories: Indiana University of Pennsylvania – the 1930s Decade, 1991 (see page 83 for Eugene Robert Sutton)
- 5. Guy Paul Sutton (Eugene Sutton's younger brother), autographs from his 1942 Oak Yearbook, ISTC, BSED, 1942

Series II: Donnella Phillippi Sutton (1917-2014)

- 6. Oak Yearbook, 1936
- 7. Oak Yearbook, 1937
- 8. Correspondence regarding Teaching Career and Continuing Education, 1937-1954
 - a. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Public Instruction, State Standard Limited Certificate, July 8, 1937
 - b. Address Label from her BSED diploma from ISTC, 1954 (for her diploma, see Record Group 87)

Box 2 (folders)

Series II: Donnella Phillippi Sutton (1917-2014) (continued)

- 1. Master of Education Research Project: Wildlife and Forestry Conservation for Second-Grade Pupils, ISC, 1964
- 2. ISC Graduation, January 12, 1964 (for her diploma, see Record Group 87)
 - a. 1964 ISC Winter Commencement Program
 - b. Newspaper Article: ISC graduates including Donnella Ruth Phillippi Sutton, 1964
 - c. Card: Congratulations to "Aunt Don," 1964
 - d. Tassel worn by Donnella Ruth Phillippi Sutton, 1954 and 1964
- 3. Awards and Citations:
 - a. Alpha Delta Kappa Honorary Sorority, January 12, 1971
 - b. Correspondence and Award Certificate: Outstanding Elementary Teachers of America, 1973
- 4. Retirement, 1979:
 - a. Newspaper Article: Retirees Honored, Donnella Sutton, Burrell School, 1979
 - b. Program: Blairsville-Saltsburg Education Association, Retirement Dinner, Chestnut Ridge Inn on the Green, May 25, 1979

5. IUP Pioneer Reunion Celebration Photograph with Donnella Phillippi Sutton (BSED 1954), Pioneers Inducted, Blue Room, John Sutton Hall, May 10, 2013 (identified)

Box 2 (continued)

Series III: Dr. Louis Sutton

(For more information about Cross Country and Track & Field, [Record Group 62 IUP Athletics](#), Coach Sutton donated 2 scrapbooks that date from 1974-1975 and 1979-1980 that are in Record Group 62 Box 15)

6. Newspaper Articles:

- a. "Tribe (IUP) turns back Rock (Slippery Rock) attempt; Captures District Cross Country (NAIA)," *Indiana Evening Gazette*, October 21, 1974
- b. "Top Ten NAIA Place IUP Goal in Kansas," no date (1974)
- c. Jim Wooding, 1977 IUP graduate, 7th place, Olympic decathlon, no date (1980)

Note: the Diplomas for Eugene Robert Sutton (BSED 1934) and Donnella Ruth Phillippi Sutton (BSED 1954 and Master of Education 1964) are in [Record Group 87](#)