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Biographical Note

Elsie Tucker Young (May 30, 1918-August 12, 2007) and Harry K. “Bud” Young (March 26, 1925-September 14, 2013) were long-time residents of Indiana, Pennsylvania. On September 4, 1950, Elsie Tucker married Harry “Bud” K. Young, a World War Two veteran, who worked in Safety Sciences. Elsie Tucker Young was the daughter of Ralph L. Tucker (1878-1960) and his wife Martha Linfelt Tucker (1878-1924). Elsie Tucker was born in Green Township, Indiana County on May 30, 1918. She attended Indiana State Teachers College before accepting a position with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, DC. She later returned to Indiana County and worked for the Peoples Bank of Clymer until she retired in 1983. Elsie Tucker Young was involved in local civic and political organizations including local, state, and federal levels of the Republican Party, the Order of the Eastern Star, the Salvation Army, and the Indiana County Hospital Authority. Elsie and Harry Young were members of Grace United Methodist Church in Indiana, Pennsylvania. Elsie Tucker Young passed away on August 12, 2007.

Harry Young was born in Pine Flats, Pennsylvania, and his parents were Harry P. Young (June 19, 1895-July 2, 1959) and Laura Mildred McCullough Young (1896-1992) who were residents of Indiana County, Pennsylvania. He graduated from the former Green Township High School in Commodore and also attended classes at the Indiana State Teachers College. He served in the United States Navy during World War II. He retired from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association after 28 years of service where he was a Loss Prevention Consultant working for insurance companies. While employed by the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association, Mr. Young developed programs that identified causes of workplace accidents and the safety practices needed to prevent them. In 1969 he presented a program in State College detailing the use of the Breathalyzer to determine blood alcohol content of drunk drivers. Another work-related achievement for Mr. Young was when he helped introduce the “Jaws of Life” to emergency responders in Western Pennsylvania in 1973. Mr. Young was also Deputy Prothonotary and Clerk of Courts of Indiana County from 1961-1962.

Among his many involvements, Harry Young served as a Neighborhood Commissioner for the Boy Scouts of America. He was a Little League Baseball Coach and was Chairman of the 1961 Heart Fund Campaign for the Indiana County. He and his wife Elsie were philanthropists who provided permanent endowment funds for two high school students from Indiana County to attend IUP. They also sponsored a conference room at the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Complex. He was an active blood donor for much of his life, donating 228 pints to the American Red Cross.

Mr. Young was a member of F. & A.M. Franklin Lodge 313 of Indiana since 1953. He also was active with the: Knights Templar, Johnstown; Orient Royal Arch Chapter No. 247, Ford City; Indiana County Shrine Club; Jaffa Shrine, Altoona; Order of Eastern Star, Chapter No. 221, Latrobe; DeMolay International-Indiana Chapter; American Society of Safety Engineers; American Legion Post 0141; Indiana Art Association; Historical and Genealogical Society; Indiana Republican Committee Member; former Secretary and Chairman of Indiana County

Young Republicans; former member of the Board of Directors for Young Republicans for the state of Pennsylvania and former member of the Indiana County Board of View.

Scope and Content

This collection includes documents and memorabilia from political elections, the civic and political activities of Elsie Tucker Young, Harry Young's papers about the Highway Rescue System and his 1973 demonstration of the "Jaws of Life" at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The collection also contains information about Abraham Lincoln memorabilia collected by Harry Young, information about artist Paul Warhola who was a brother of artist Andy Warhol (1928-1987), Freemasonry, and the Knights Templar.

Provenance

The papers and memorabilia collected by Elsie and Bud Young were donated by Harry "Bud" Young in 2008 and subsequent donations were made by him.

Restrictions

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Processor

The collection was organized and the finding aid was updated by Harrison Wick on September 27, 2024.

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2. Photograph: Unidentified family (Tucker), early 1900s
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4. Plaque: Presented to Elsie Young, Service Award Winner of the Year 1987, In Recognition of your service and dedication, Quota Club, Indiana, Pennsylvania
5. Plaque: Outstanding Republican Man 1999, Harry “Bud” Young in sincere appreciation and recognition of distinguished service to the party, constituents and Indiana County, Presented by Indiana Republican Men’s Club.
6. Plaque: Purchase Line Red Dragon Foundation, Alumni Hall of Fame, Elsie Tucker Young 2003, Awarded in recognition of educational and professional achievements, service to the community and other qualities which serve as an inspiration to the students of this school district. September 27, 2003.
7. Citation: The First Official Brick of Green Township School (Commodore, Pennsylvania). Presented to Elsie Tucker Young on September 27, 2003. Presented by Green Township in recognition of induction to the Purchase Line Red Dragon Alumni Hall of Fame.
8. Indiana County Republican Executive Committee – Memorial Resolution for Elsie T. Young, September 8, 2007.

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9. Photograph: Commodore High School Class of 1935 (Commodore, Pennsylvania) identified.
10. Painting by Paul Warhola, 1990 – Pennsylvania State seal with purple painted chicken feet border.
11. Lithograph of the White House, 2006. Presented to Mrs. Elsie T. Young in honor and deep gratitude for steadfast commitment and enduring dedication to President Bush and the Republican Party as a member of the Presidential Victory Team.
12. Portrait photograph of Elsie and Harry “Bud” Young, no date (2000s)
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2. Plaque: In recognition of 50 years affiliation with the Order of United Commercial Travelers of American, we take pride in presenting to our brother Harry K. Young, this token of appreciation for his noble endeavors and fellowship through the years, 2008
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 - a. IUP Endowment Agreement establishing the Harry K. "Bud" Young Scholarship Fund, 2003
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 - c. Foundation for IUP Endowment Report, 2010
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