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**Philip N. Hunter Jr. Collection**  
**Collection Number: 941 THL**

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**PROCESSING INFORMATION:** Processed by Lorna M. Loring. Last updated December 17, 2024.

**ACCESSION NUMBER(S):** 2024.069 THL

**EXTENT:** 0.42 linear feet

**CREATOR:** Hunter, Philip N., Jr.

**DATE:** 1993-2008

**SCOPE AND CONTENT:** Materials in this collection concern efforts to establish a museum honoring the life and music of country singer Patsy Cline. Documents include biographical information about Patsy Cline, records from Celebrating Patsy Cline, Inc. the organization that led the effort to establish the museum, records from Always Patsy Cline Worldwide, a fan club devoted to the artist, and records from the Winchester-Frederick County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center Patsy Cline Subcommittee. There are also photographs and ephemera from fundraisers, as well as newspaper and magazine articles about the proposed museum. The collection includes the preliminary design and proposal for the museum.

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL:** Interest in establishing a Patsy Cline Museum in Winchester began in the 1980s. In the mid-1990s, the Winchester-Frederick County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center formed a subcommittee to discuss the idea. Later, Celebrating Patsy Cline, Inc. took on the task, and purchased a site at 134 N. Loudoun Street. The group hired a museum consulting firm, developed exhibit ideas, and organized events and fundraisers to support the museum. The organization was unsuccessful in its efforts to raise funds to cover the cost of establishing the museum, however, and it disbanded.

Philip N. Hunter Jr. was a member of the board of Celebrating Patsy Cline, Inc.

**IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:** Gift of Philip N. Hunter Jr.

**CONTAINER LIST:**

**BOX 1**

**Always Patsy Cline Worldwide, Fan Organization, 1995-2010** (Includes membership directories, ephemera, & souvenirs, newsletters, information about activities, and other records of organization)

**Celebrating Patsy Cline, Inc., 1998 – 2009** (Materials including correspondence, promotional items, and publicity, concerning proposal to open a Patsy Cline Museum.)

**Celebrating Patsy Cline, Inc. Business Plan, 2005**

**Celebrating Patsy Cline, Inc. Board of Directors Mission and Responsibilities, 1998-1999**

**Celebrating Patsy Cline weekend, September 5, 1998** (promotional materials for Kountry Krackers Reunion and Dance, and other musical acts.)

**Cline, Patsy** (postcards, articles, photographs related to Patsy Cline)

**Cline, Patsy. Discography.**

**Events/Showbills, 1995-2008** (Programs, flyers, and showbills for various events celebrating Patsy Cline's life and music.)

**Hamilton, George IV, undated** (Photographs, articles, programs for an event with George Hamilton IV to raise funds for Patsy Cline Museum.)

**Hensley, Hilda – Funeral program and obituary**

**Hunter, Philip N. Jr. – Correspondence, 2003-2007**

**Newspaper and Magazine Articles, 1993-1997**

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**Newspaper and Magazine Articles, 2000- 2008**

**Patsy Cline Museum, Inventory of Collections, 2006**

**Patsy Cline Museum, Proposal and Design, 2006**

**Patsy Cline Subcommittee, Winchester-Frederick County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center, 1995**

**Publicity materials for “Patsy Cline: Singing Girl from the Shenandoah Valley,”** by Stuart E. Brown and Lorraine F. Myers, 1996. (Correspondence from Stuart Brown, newspaper articles, photographs related to publication of book.)

**Records, “Crazy for the Bloom,” 2001.** (Two 45s, created for 2001 Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival)

## **PHOTOGRAPHS**

Borders bookstore open house, April 2006 (2)

SU baseball promo, April 2006 (1)

Concert, Patsy Cline Museum Site, 134 N. Loudoun St., Winchester, March 3-4, 2006 (2)