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(1 box, 2 oversize items, .33 cubic feet)

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Inclusive dates: 1969-1988
Bulk dates: 1969-72
Location: Collections Room / Processing Room

**Provenance**

Gift of Lois Davis Hely, June 30, 2017.

**Biographical-historical note**

Lois Davis Hely was born in Philadelphia in 1950, and after a distinguished high school career entered Gettysburg College as a freshman in the fall of 1968. A talented athlete, Lois was attracted to Gettysburg by the lure of a women’s lacrosse program – which turned out not to exist. Nevertheless she persisted in athletics, excelling at field hockey and being named to the Susquehanna Field Hockey Association First Team in 1970. She was also Treasurer of the Student Senate, a member of the campus antiwar movement, and a participant in the final Knoxville Exchange, an annual program in which Gettysburg students traded places for a week with students of Tennessee’s all-black Knoxville College.

After graduating with a degree in Religion, Lois Davis married James Hely, also a member of the Class of 1972. They now live in Westfield, New Jersey, and are active in both local politics and Gettysburg College alumni affairs.

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Box & Folder List

BOX 1

Folder 1-1 – Series I: Correspondence
Subseries A: Gettysburg-era
— Letter from Lois Davis’s father, May 2, 1969
— Letter from Martin H. Cronlund, [October 1970]
— Letter from Martin H. Cronlund, with check stub and envelope, October 9, 1970
— Letter from Frances F. Parker, October 10, 1970
— Memo from Frank B. Williams, November 10, 1970

Subseries B: Post-Gettysburg
— 6 cards of congratulations for induction into Gettysburg Athletic Hall of Honor, 2005

Folder 1-2 – Series II: Publications
Subseries A: Gettysburg-era
— *The Gettysburg Bulletin*, May 1969 (photocopy)
— *Shippensburg Free Press* (student publication), March 16, 1970
— “Named to First Team,” article and photo of Lois Davis and Timmie Marter, *Gettysburg Times*, November 9, 1970 (photocopy)
— *The Gettysburgian*, November 13, 1970 (photocopy)
— *Gettysburg Magazine* (Alumni Issue), July 1980

Subseries B: Post-Gettysburg
— *The Ribbon*, August 4, 1985 (photocopy)

Folder 1-3 – Series III: Images
Subseries A: Gettysburg-era
— Lois Davis and two female students, Knoxville College, 1969
— Lois Davis and teammate Timmie Marter, 1970
— Field hockey team photos and captions from *Gettysburg College Bulletin (Alumni Issue)* (photocopy)
— Lois Davis getting diploma from Pres. Hanson, 1972 (note from Woody Books attached)

Subseries B: Post-Gettysburg
— George McGovern, c. 1972
— Lois Davis as goalie in field hockey game, Rutgers University, 1977
Folder 1-4 – Series IV: Ephemera

Subseries A: Gettysburg-era
— Photocopied page of peace symbols, c. late 1960s
— Women’s Intercollegiate Basketball Schedule, 1969
— Fall Honors Day program, October 9, 1970
— Gettysburg College commencement program, June 4, 1972

Subseries B: Post-Gettysburg
— Nuclear-freeze leaflet, 1984
— Nuclear-freeze fundraising brunch flyer, 1984
— “Freeze Voter 84” leaflet, 1984
— “Let Nicaragua Live!” sticker, c. 1980s

Folder 1-5 – Series V: Documents

Subseries A: Gettysburg-era
— Transcript for Lois Ann Davis, Gettysburg College, 1972

Subseries B: Post-Gettysburg
— Resume for Lois Davis Hely, c. 1975 (rough typewritten draft)
— Resume for Lois Davis Hely, c. 1988

Folder 1-6 – Series VI: Artifacts
— Commemorative coin from Old Dorm Restoration, 1970
— 1 pin, Susquehanna Field Hockey Association tournament
— 1 pin, Mid-East Field Hockey tournament

Folder 1-7 – Series VII: Oversize Items

Located in Oversize drawer, Processing Room
— Anti-Draft Week poster, March 16-22, 1970
— Promotional tabloid for Woodstock movie, 1970

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For more information

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