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Tisot, Frank, Jr., Collection, MS 238

Frank Tisot Jr. Collection

Collection Number	MS 238
Title	The Frank Tisot Jr. Collection
Repository	Pittsburg State University, Special Collections & University Archives, Pittsburg, Kansas 1701 S. Broadway Pittsburg, Kansas 66762 (620) 235-4883 speccoll@pittstate.edu
Dates	1919-1953
Collection Size	.4 linear feet
Creator	Frank Tisot Jr.
Scope and Content	A collection of documents, correspondence, and items regarding Società Di Mutuo Soccorso and the Foresters of America.
Access Restrictions	This collection is open for access. Researchers must use the collection in accordance with the policies of the Special Collections & University Archives, Leonard H. Axe Library, Pittsburg State University
Languages	English
Biographical Note	Frank Tisot, Jr. (1925-2016) was a resident of Frontenac, Kansas. He married Virginia Fenoglio in 1952. They both enjoyed photography, traveling all of the continental United States and Canada to photograph nature. Frank Tisot worked at the Pittsburg Post Office, holding many positions throughout his 38-year career as well as being appointed postmaster. Frank was a part of the Colorama Camera Club, the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, and the Frontenac United Methodist Church. Either he or his father, Frank Tisot Sr., was a part of the Società Di Mutuo Soccorso and the Foresters of America. The Società Di Mutuo Soccorso was a social support group for Italian immigrants and seemed to work or communicate with the Società di Benevolenza di Austro Tyrolese, an Austrian society. The Foresters of America helps provide insurance benefits to members and their children as well as aid to the community. The Foresters of America Court of Pittsburg, started in 1896, was the second Italian society in the area and had 200 members.

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Processing Note

Collection processed in October 2019

Content Description

This collection is primary sources and is divided into the following series:

1. Società Di Mutuo Soccorso
 - a. Notary Stamp
 - b. Ledger
 - c. Letters and documents
2. Foresters of America, Court Pittsburg Lodge No. 14
 - a. Badges
 - b. By-Laws

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series 1: Società Di Mutuo Soccorso

Notary Stamp

Ledger book dated 3 July 1921 – 4 January 1953

F. 1 Declaration of entitlement to Soldier's Bonus 1936; Agreement 1937; Address lists and notes about money; Exemption from taxes request 1945; Note on bond and a check; Letter from Frank Tisot 1952; Letters and notes about Frank Alberti being injured and hospitalized 1952; Letter by Frank Tisot 1952; Proof of publication of Dissolution Certificate 1952; Letter from Frank Tisot 1953; Società Andrea Hofer envelopes; Various notes

Series 2: Foresters of America

F. 2 Badges; By-Laws of Court Pittsburg Lodge No. 14 in English and Italian with ledger 1919-1929