

CHESHIRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY CHESHIRE COLLECTION

Cheshire History:

Top Shelf

History of Wallingford, Conn., including Meriden, which was one of its parishes until 1806, and Cheshire, which was incorporated in 1780, Charles H.S. Davis, MD (4 copies)

History of Cheshire, Connecticut, (1604-1840), Joseph Perkins Beach, 1912, with separate index. (2 copies)

Connecticut Historical Collections, John Warner Barber, 1836 (Cheshire, pgs. 193-196)

Second Shelf

Old Historic Homes of Cheshire, Connecticut (1694-1894), compiled by Edwin R. Brown, 1895 (5 copies)

Landmarks of Old Cheshire, The Cheshire Bicentennial Committee, 1976 (3 copies)

Our Town, Cheshire, Connecticut 1780-1980, Marion Moore Coleman, 1980 (1 copy), reissued 2001 (3 copies)

Cheshire at 300, A Pictorial Essay of Cheshire, Connecticut, Thomas Jackson, editor, 1994 (2 copies)

Images of America-CHESHIRE, Ron Gagliardi, 2001 (2 copies)

History of Cheshire (county and diocese - **England**), Dorothy Sylvester, 1971

On Connecticut History shelf, see: Cheshire's response to Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences questionnaire, completed in 1803 by the Rev. John Foot, Voices of the New Republic, Connecticut Towns 1800-1832, Vol. I, edited by Christopher P. Bickford, 2003.

Cheshire Churches:

Top Shelf

Exercises Commemorative of the Two-Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of the First Congregational Church in Cheshire, Connecticut, 1724-1924 (6 copies)

First Congregational Church, Cheshire, Connecticut, 250th Anniversary 1724-1974, A History compiled by Edward Charles Gumprecht, 1974.

Our Church (1724-1974), written for children, Maybelle Osborn and Lillian Andrews

First Congregational Church – Membership Directories - two: ? and 1974

Cheshire Connecticut Cook Book, The Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational Church, 1917

St. Peter's: An Informal History (1760-1985), Helen E. Bray, 1985

“The Rector's Assistant” (a church magazine issued “occasionally” by the Rector of St. Peter's Church), Vol. 3, No. 1 – Dec. 1888 and No. 4 – Nov. 1884

The Story of LaSalette, James P. O'Reilly, 1953

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Cheshire - Other

Second Shelf

The Barite Mines of Cheshire, Crawford E. Fritts, 1962, rpt. 1990

The History of Cheshire Street and Vicinity, 1694-1971, compiled by Edmond and Alice R. Brodeur, 1971 (2 copies)

Cheshire - booklet prepared, published and distributed by the League of Women Voters of Cheshire to promote responsible citizenship, 1959.

Cheshire, A Handbook (material gathered primarily to help pupils in the fourth and later the third grade of Humiston School, Cheshire, in the study of their town), May Meade Tiernan, 1975

TRAILS Cheshire, Connecticut, Cheshire Environment Commission, Cheshire Land Trust, 1994 (2 copies)

I Remember: Cheshire in the Twentieth Century, compiled and edited by Judith Boynton, 1994

A Story of the Steeple Clock, 1992, Richard H. Miller (*located on fifth shelf*)

Connecticut Town Origins, Helen Earle Sellers, 1942 (Cheshire, p. 18)

The Canal

The Social and Economic Impact Farmington Canal on Cheshire, Connecticut, 1824-1848, William P. O'Hara, Jr. 1996 (Thesis submitted to School of Graduate Studies in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirement for the Degree of Master of Science in History)

The Story of the Farmington Canal, Amy L. Trout, New Haven Colony Historical Society, 1995

Connecticut's Canals, Charles Rufus Harte, Conn. Society of Civil Engineers, 1938

Reflections of the Canal in Cheshire, Raimon L. Beard w. Arthur J. Frechette, Jr., Cheshire Historical Society, 1976 (3 copies)

The Farmington Canal and Lock 12 for 3rd Graders, ed. Elizabeth Giardino, 1987 (2 copies)

Programs from Cheshire Events

Dedication of the Soldiers' Monument, Cheshire, Conn., on the Fourth of July, AD, 1866 (2 copies)

Program of the Cheshire Tercentenary, celebration of the 300th Anniversary of the settlement of Connecticut 1635-1935 (3 copies)

175th Anniversary Celebration, Cheshire, Connecticut, Edward C. Gumprecht, General Chairman, 1955

1888-1988 The Cheshire Public Library celebrates 100 years of support from its Friends and Volunteers

Cheshire Memorial ALL STAR Review, Cheshire High School, April 7, 1990

Town of Cheshire Memorial Plaza, Town Beautification Committee, 1990 (*third shelf*)

Program Guide - Tercentennial 1694-1994, Settlement of Cheshire, Connecticut

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The Academy

Second Shelf

The Cheshire Academy, The First Twelve Decades, 1794-1914, Marion Moore Coleman, 1976

The Cheshire Academy Alumni Directory 1984

The Cheshire Academy Alumni Directory 1989

Officers, Teachers and Alumni of the Episcopal Academy of Connecticut (Now Known as Cheshire School) 1796-1916, Wm. A. Beardsley '83, 1916

The Roxbury School (Formerly The Cheshire School), includes Winter School Enrollment 1926-1927

200th Anniversary Rededication of Bowden Hall and Commencement Exercises, June 1, 1996

Historic Preservation

Third Shelf

Preservation Study Committee Background Information, March 2002 – includes 1986 Connecticut Historical Commission survey and 1995 Historic District Study Committee Report

Cheshire Historic Preservation Study Committee Report to Town Council, July 2002

Proposed Historic Districts: Cornwall Avenue-Town Center, South Brooksvale, Preliminary Report of HDSC, December 2003

Two Proposed Historic Districts: Proposed District: “Cornwall Avenue – Town Center” Proposed District: “South Brooksvale”

Final Report of the Historic District Study Committee, April 30, 2004

List of Cheshire houses built 1900 and earlier, 2002

Cheshire Buildings is the National Register of Historic Places, 1986 (also State Register)

Cheshire Biographies and related texts

Third Shelf

- Arthur Fore and Aft, William Arthur, 1963 (Ch. 12 tells about purchase and development of weekend retreat, “Windy Fell” on Sperry Road.)
- Bourglay The Romantic Legend of Jules Bourglay, The Old Leather Man, Foster Macy Johnson, 1977
- Coleman Journey Into Another World, (studies on Polish life and thought, including much biographical information about the Colemans) Arthur and Marion Coleman, 1974
- The Man on the Moon the Story of Pan Twardowski as told by Marion Coleman, 1971
- Young Mickiewicz, Marion Moore Coleman, 1956
- Durand The Durand Family of Cheshire, Connecticut, Sterling M. Jewett, 2000
- Foote Life of Andrew Hull Foote, James Mason Hoppin, 1874 (2 copies)
- Africa and The American Flag, Commander Andrew H. Foote, 1854
- Scrapbook – 100th Anniversary of the death of Rear Admiral Andrew Hull Foote, USN, 1963
- Jarvis Bishop Jarvis 1797 – Bishop Brewster 1897, Diocese of Connecticut, 1897
- Kensett John Frederick Kensett, An American Master, John Paul Driscoll and John K. Howat, 1985 (2 copies)
- John Frederick Kensett (1816-1872), selected by John K. Howat, 1968
- Images of Contentment: John Frederick Kensett and the Connecticut Shore, Janice Simon and Ann Y. Smith, Mattatuck Museum, Waterbury, Conn., 2001 (*on American Art shelf*)
- Law Andrew Law, American Psalmist, Richard A. Crawford, 1968
- Washburn Alice F. Washburn, architect, Martha Finder Yellig, 1990
- Wooster General David Wooster, A Biography, George O. Ellis (Cheshire resident and Society member), 1994

Genealogy – Cheshire Families

Fourth and Fifth Shelves

- Ames Ames Family 1520-1969, Faber K. Ames, 196
- Andrews Genealogical charts copied by Lillian Andrews, Society past president, going back to Robert Sedgewick, who came to Boston on the ship “Griffin” in 1632 (*3rd floor archives*)
- Beadle Samuel Beadle Family, Walter J. Beadle, 1970
- Bristol Bristol Genealogy, The Bristol Family Assoc., Inc. Warren Edwin Bristol, 1967, reprt. 1983 (2 copies)
- Bristol Genealogy, Supplement 1, Bristol Family Association, 1971 (2 copies)
- Brooks Brooks – 500 Years of Family History, Brooks-McDaniel-Vassau-Meier, 2nd Edition, Jean Meier McDaniel, 1990
- Bunnell Augustus Bunnell and Catherine E. White – Ancestors, Descendants and Allied Families 1600s-1993, Zoe (Catherine) Bunnell Magden, 1993
- Curtiss Curtiss-Curtis Family of Stratford, Connecticut, Harlow Dunham Curtis, 1953
- Durand Dr. John Durand of Derby, Connecticut and His Family, Alvy Ray Smith, 2003
- Foote Foote Family, Vol. I, Abram W. Foote, 1907
- Foote Genealogy, Nathaniel Goodwin, 1849
- Genung Genung-Ganong-Ganung Genealogy, Mary Josephine Genung Nichols (Mrs. L. N.) and Leon Nelson Nichols, 1906
- Goodsell The Goodsell Family of Connecticut, Percy H. Goodsell, Jr., 1986
- Hitchcock Hitchcock Genealogy (Matthias and Luke), Mrs. Edward Hitchcock, Sr., 1894
- Hotchkiss The Hotchkiss Family, First Six Generations, Vol. I, Nellie Cowdell, 1985
- Ives The Ives Family, Arthur Coon Ives, 1932
- Jarvis The Jarvis Family, George A. Jarvis, George Murray Jarvis, and William Jarvis Wetmore, 1879

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- Moss Handwritten notes on Moss family genealogy, starting with John Mosse, one of the original “proprietors” for New Haven, 1640. (*Office File Case*)
- Neff The Neff Family, Dorothy Neff Curry, 1958
- Pardee Pardee Genealogy, Donald Lines Jacobus, 1927
- Peck Peck from William to Clayton and Clinton , Clayton H. Crabtree, 1994
- Randall Randall and Allied Families, Frank A. Randall, 1943
- Tuttle Andrew Hull Tuttle (1775-1845) – His Ancestry and Descendants, Joyce Bruner Whitman, 1985
- Wolcott British and American Wolcotts, Gen. Joseph C. Jackson, 1912

Additional genealogical material

Pamphlets from the American Historical-Genealogical Society, Philadelphia

Chase
Davis
Henry
Jackson
Jenkins
Price

Pamphlets by Donald Lines Jacobus of New Haven
Perkins Family of New Haven, Conn.
The Lines Family

The Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy, First Families of America,
Frederick A. Virkus, Ed.. 1925

Burton, Ohio (settled by Cheshire residents)

Pioneer and General History of Geauga County, The Geauga County Historical and Memorial Society, 1953

Cemetery Records

Fifth Shelf

Headstone Inscriptions, Town of Cheshire, copied from all Cheshire cemeteries in 1934 under the auspices of the FERA and the WPA, sponsored under the Connecticut State Library. Two notebooks, *Index of Last Names* at end of second book.

Unusual Tombstones in Hillside Cemetery, Eagle project of John M. Lescure III, 1972

Early New England Gravestone Rubbings, Edmund V. Gillon, Jr., 1966

1790 Census

Fifth Shelf

Heads of Families, First Census of the United States:1790

Connecticut	Vermont
Massachusetts	New York
Maine	

Maps

“Map of Connecticut Indian Trails, Villages, Sachemdoms, circa 1625,” The Connecticut Society of The Colonial Dames of America (copy). *Office - framed*

“Map of the Village on ye Weast Side of ye River, 1723” from History of Cheshire, Connecticut (1604 – 1840), Joseph P. Beach, 1912 (copy). *Office – framed*

1847-1854 survey map – known as Whiteford’s Map 1852 (copy) *Office*

1856 – From a map of New Haven Co., CT (copy) *Office - framed*

1865 Cheshire map drawn by Nathan Booth (copy). *Meeting Room – framed*

Atlas of New Haven County, Connecticut, F. W. Beers, 1868. (Cheshire & Mixville, on p. 46) *Office. P. 46 is framed.*

“View of Cheshire,” O. H. Bailey & Co., Pub. Boston, 1882. *Back hall –framed*
Replica for sale

New Haven Water Co. Map of Supply and Distribution Mains, Cheshire, Conn., 1908 corrected to Jan. 1924. *Office – framed*

New Haven Water Co. Map of Mains, Gates, and Hydrants, Town of Cheshire, 1939
Office – framed

UNPUBLISHED MEMOIRS, DIARIES, LETTERS (*Office File Case*)

- Hall 1st Book of Hall Chronicles, including diary of Ellen Linsley Hall (Mrs. Franklin) 1901-02, transcribed by Wallace E. Burnett, 1998
- 1873 Diary of Franklin Nichols Hall, transcribed by Wallace E. Burnett, 2002
- Hansen Recollections from Conversations with Olga Madeline Hansen
(1893-1994), compiled by her nephew, Richard Hansen Miller, 1994
- Kirtland Diary of Turhand Kirtland of Wallingford (relating experiences in the Western Reserve, May 1798 – Nov. 1800), transcribed by Mary L. W. Morse, Poland, Ohio 1903
- Moss 32 letters from Titus Moss, who was killed at the battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1863, to his wife in West Cheshire. Not transcribed.
- Moss(e) Journal kept by Julius Moss(e) from Oct. 1848 – Jan. 1849. Also 1867 records for his shop in West Cheshire. Transcription in preparation.
- Oxnard Memories of a Country Doctor, Edward Warren Oxnard, MD (1909 – 2001), received 2002.
- Peck Letters of John Asa Peck, A Private, later Corporal, in Company A, 20th Regiment of the Connecticut Volunteers, Letters Home, September 1862 – May 1865. Transcribed by Grace P. Fuller, 1948 (2 copies)
- Woodbury Fifty Years as Soldier and Teacher – The Diary and Recollections of Eri Davidson Woodbury

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