

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 (3 copies)

Index to Old Historic Homes of Cheshire (09-06-02)

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)

Index to Images of America CHESHIRE (09-06-01)

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

also leaflet on Altar Kneelers, leaflet on Stained Glass Windows (2003)

"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 (3 copies)
Cornish Pioneers and the Odd Villain, Bob Richards, 2008 (Chapter 11, Cheshire families)
The History of Cheshire Street and Vicinity, 1694-1971, compiled by Edmond and Alice R. Brodeur, 1971 (2 copies)
Index to The History of Cheshire Street and Vicinity 1694-1971 (09-06-03)
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 (3 copies)
TRAILS Cheshire, Connecticut, Cheshire Environment Commission, Cheshire Land Trust, 1994 (2 copies)
I Remember: Cheshire in the Twentieth Century, compiled/edited by Judith Boynton, 1994 (2)
Clifford Scofield Cheshire Postcards, local photographers postcards
Cheshire Police Department, Cheshire, Connecticut 1954-2004
A Story of the Steeple Clock, 1992, Richard H. Miller
Connecticut Town Origins, Helen Earle Sellers, 1942 (Cheshire, p. 18)
Town of Cheshire Memorial Plaza, Town Beautification Committee, 1990 (*bottom shelf*)

The Canal Second Shelf

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

Programs from Cheshire Events Second Shelf

- Dedication of the Soldiers' Monument, Cheshire, Conn., on the Fourth of July, AD, 1866 (3 copies)
Program of the Cheshire Tercentenary, celebration of the 300th Anniversary of the settlement of Connecticut 1635-1935 (3 copies: 2 bound, one not bound)
Index to Cheshire Tercentenary Celebration (folder)
Tercentenary Exhibition Registration Book
Tercentenary Guest Book
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 - leaflet (2)
Cheshire Memorial ALL STAR Review, Cheshire High School, April 7, 1990 Rev. 05/01/09

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

The Academy *Second Shelf*

- 1959 Cheshire Academy Yearbook "The Rolling Stone"
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 Cheshire School 1914-1915 handbook
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
The Contributions to Meteoric Science of Rev. Dr. Tillotson Bronson (1762-1826) by Monty Robson, 2008

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)
Habitat & Historic Resources in North Cheshire, West of Route 10, Cheshire Land Trust and the Habitat Workgroup of the Watershed Partnership (updated 2007)

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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.)
- 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
- Dahlgren A Quest for Glory: A Biography of Rear Admiral John A. Dahlgren, Robert J. Schneller, Jr., 1996 (Rear Admiral Dahlgren's great granddaughter gave the Society the Sheraton game table in the parlor, which originally was a gift to President Abraham Lincoln from the admiral. He was also a friend of Cheshire's Admiral Andrew Hull Foote.)
- Durand The Durand Family of Cheshire, Connecticut, Sterling M. Jewett, 2000
- Durand Scrapbook
- 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

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Leather Man (name unknown)

The Romantic Legend of Jules Bourglay, The Old Leather Man, Foster Macy Johnson, 1977

The Old Leather Man: Historical Accounts of a Connecticut and New York Legend, Dan W. DeLuca, 2008

Washburn Alice F. Washburn, architect, Martha Finder Yellig, 1990

Wooster General David Wooster, A Biography, George O. Ellis (Cheshire resident and Society member), 1994

Transcribed Memoirs, Letters, Diaries

(Fourth shelf)

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

Humiston School Class of 1928 Album, compiled by Elizabeth Goddard Tyack ***Bottom shelf***

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

McKee Brooks Vale Summer Memories, Margaret Jean McKee, 2009

Michaud Under the Eaves: Reflections of an Ordinary Life by Evelyn B. Michaud (Xlibris, 2005)

Moss Corporal Titus Moss Letters, September 1862-March 1863, transcribed with notes and related information. Cheshire Historical Society, April 2005

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)

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Woodbury Fifty Years as Soldier and Teacher – The Diary and Recollections of Eri Davidson Woodbury

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, rept. 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

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- Ives The Ives Family, Arthur Coon Ives, 1932
- Jarvis The Jarvis Family, George A. Jarvis, George Murray Jarvis, and William Jarvis Wetmore, 1879
- Moss Handwritten notes on Moss family genealogy, starting with John Mosse, one of the original "proprietors" for New Haven, 1640. – Julius Moss (*Office File Case*)
- Moss Moss Family Genealogy, L. J. Moss, 1976
- 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

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

Burton, Ohio (settled by Cheshire residents) *Bottom Shelf*

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

Town Planning *Bottom Shelf*

- Town Plan for Cheshire – 1947 (2 copies)
- Plan of Development – 1954 (2 copies)
- Plan of Development – 1958
- CDAP (Community Development Action Plan) 1971

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Town Reports 1868 – 1980 (some missing)

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*

Topographical Map of the State of Connecticut, Clark and Tackabury, c. 1860, including population chart from 1850 census. *On long-term loan to Dodd Junior High School*

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

Topographical Survey of Town of Cheshire – 1992 *Cardboard cylinder in office*

Collections of Original Documents (office files)

Beach, J. P. (N. Smith) – old accordion folder of Cheshire history (*back of Periodicals*)

Moss, J Three little notebooks kept by Julius Moss(e): Journal from Oct. 1848 – Jan. 1849; 1867 records for his shop in West Cheshire; Moss genealogy records.

Moss, T Original letters from Titus Moss to his wife Jennette, 2 letters from Capt. Guilford on his death at Chancellorsville; documents on Little Emma – all transcribed. See above.

Collection of Cheshire autographs

Nettie Smith records/pictures of 20th Connecticut Regiment, Civil War

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