

Robert Dana Chellis Collection
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Title

Robert Dana Chellis Collection, 1914, 1918, 1958 – 1967

Date

1914, 1918, 1958 – 1967, & undated

Extent

1.5 linear feet, 3 boxes

Name of Creator

Chellis, Robert Dana

Biographical Note

Robert Dana Chellis was born to parents Robert Dunning Chellis and Elizabeth (Colp) Chellis on February 7, 1937. The Chellis family moved from Weston, Massachusetts to Wellesley in the 1960s. The family lived at 17 Windemere Road, this house was originally listed at 588 Worcester Street, then given the 17 Windermere Road address in the late 1950s, and changed again to 4 Windemere Lane in the late 1990s. The house itself never physically moved. Chellis continued to live in this house until 2011. Chellis graduated from Noble and Greenough High School in 1955 and attended Princeton University. While at Princeton Chellis participated in the U.S. Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) and graduated from the university in 1959 as a second lieutenant. Chellis attended U.S. Army Artillery and Missile School in Fort Still, Oklahoma before serving as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army. After serving in the army, Chellis worked for State Street Bank and Trust Company. Over the course of his career, Chellis served on the Board of Directors for the Carroll Center for the Blind, a Newton, Massachusetts based rehabilitation agency, and as treasurer and director of long range planning of the Elizabeth Carlton House in Boston, Massachusetts. Chellis then established his own consulting firm, Chellis Associates, which specialized in conducting feasibility studies for assisted living and congregate housing.

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Scope and Content Note

This collection contains materials belonging to Robert Dana Chellis. The bulk of the collection is made up of materials related to Chellis' time spent in the army and course work which he completed through the U.S. Army Artillery and Missile School. The collection also contains a small number of Chellis family photographs and high school diplomas belonging to Robert Dunning Chellis and his first wife Edith May Brooks Hill.

Index Terms

Chellis, Robert Dana
Correspondence
Massachusetts — Wellesley
Photographs
United States — Army
United States Artillery and Missile School
Wellesley (Mass.)

System of Arrangement

This collection is organized into four series arranged by subject:

- I. Army Materials, General; 1950, 1958, 1959 – 1966, & bulk undated
- II. Army Course Materials; 1958 – 1967, & undated
- III. Personal Items & Ephemera; 1918, 1958, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1964, & undated
- IV. Chellis Family Materials; 1914 & undated

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Languages and Scripts of the Material

English

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Related Materials

Wellesley Historical Society: Costume Collection. Robert Dunning Chellis and Robert Dana Chellis military uniforms.

Wellesley Historical Society: Costume Collection. 2018.12

Accruals

The Historical Society may add materials to the collection in the future; however, no further accruals are currently expected.

Description

Processing of this collection was made possible through a grant from the Wellesley Community Preservation Committee and the Mass State Historical Records Advisory Board Preservation Grant for Veterans Collections.

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Container List

I. Army Materials, General; 1950, 1958, 1959 – 1966, & bulk undated

This series contains general army publications and communications.

Box 1

- Folder 1: “The Armed Forces Officer”, Department of Defense, Department of the Army, Pamphlet No 600-2; 1950
- Folder 2: “The Officer’s Guide”; 1958
- Folder 3: Official Correspondence; 1959 – 1966
- Folder 4: U.S. Army Information, General; bulk undated

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- Folder 3: Notices & Memos from Headquarters; 1959 – 1966, & undated

II. Army Course Materials; 1959 – 1967, & undated

This series contains army course materials mainly from the U.S. Army Artillery and Missile School. Includes Chellis’ schedules, course work, & grades.

Box 2

- Folder 1: Army Extension Courses, Answer Sheets; 1959 – 1962
- Folder 2: Conduct of Fire Sheets; undated
- Folder 3: Course Notes; undated
- Folder 4: Course Schedules; 1959 – 1967
- Folder 5: Course Tools; undated
- Folder 6: Formation Charts; bulk undated
- Folder 7: Grades or Notices of Completion; bulk undated
- Folder 8: Instructional Materials, Bound, #1; 1959, 1960, & 1962
- Folder 9: Instructional Materials, Bound, #2; 1959 – 1963, & undated

Box 3

- Folder 1: Instructional Materials, Bound, #3; 1958, 1960, 1961, 1963, 1965, & undated
- Folder 2: Military Police Course Materials; undated
- Folder 3: U.S. Army Artillery and Missile School, Instructional Notes; 1958 – 1964
- Folder 4: U.S. Army Artillery and Missile School, Instructional Writs; 1958 – 1964
- Folder 5: U.S. Army Artillery and Missile School, Practical Exercises; 1958 – 1964

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- Folder 4: Exam Materials; 1964 & undated
- Folder 5: Instructional Materials; 1959 – 1964, & undated
- Folder 6: Maps & Charts

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III. Personal Items & Ephemera; 1918, 1958, 1959, 1961, 1963, 1964, & undated

This series contains personal correspondence, identification materials, photos, & ephemera.

Box 3

- Folder 6: Correspondence; 1959, 1961, 1963, 1964, & undated
- Folder 7: Identification Materials; undated
- Folder 8: Match Books; undated
- Folder 9: Patches and Pins; undated
- Folder 10: Photographs, Army Related, CD; 1918 & 1958

Archives Oversize Box 7

- Folder 1: Certificates; 1959, 1962, & 1964

IV. Chellis Family Materials; 1914 & undated

This series contains Chellis family materials such as photographs and diplomas belonging to Robert Dunning Chellis and his first wife Edith May Brooks Hill.

Box 3

- Folder 11: Family Papers
- Folder 12: Framed Photograph, Oval, Woman; undated
- Folder 13: Photographs, Family; bulk undated

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- Folder 2: Framed Diploma, Westbrook Seminary, Edith May Brooks Hill; 1914
- Folder 3: Framed Diploma, Westbrook Seminary, Robert Dunning Chellis; 1914

Archives Oversize Box 7

- Folder 2: Photographs; undated