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**MSS #297**

**THE THOMAS MUNSON FOUNDATION,  
RECORDS**

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## Introduction

Thomas Munson was born September 12, 1612 in Rattlesden, Suffolk, England. He arrived in Connecticut in 1637 and came to New Haven in 1640. He died in 1685 in New Haven.

The Thomas Munson Foundation, an association of descendents, was founded on August 8, 1982 in Groton, New York.

The collection includes general information about the Munson family and the Foundation. It publishes a newsletter, maintains a Scholarship Committee and has made a significant contribution to genealogical research through the publication of The Munson Record.

In addition to this manuscript collection, material about Thomas Munson, the Munson family, and the Thomas Munson Foundation has been cataloged and can be found in the library collections.

This material was given to the Whitney Library in 2006 by the Foundation. There are no restrictions on access to the collection.

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Additions to this collection were made in 2015 by the Thomas Munson Foundation and these have been integrated into this finding aid.

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<u>Box/Folder</u>	<u>Contents</u>
1/A	Thomas Munson historical material (England)
1/B	The Munson Coat of Arms
1/C	Sermons of the Rev. Myron A. Munson, 1870-1902
1/D	Family Reunions, 1887, 1896, 1937, 1985 (Photographs of New Haven people included in 1887 booklet)  Family Reunion, 1987 Correspondence and Planning
1/E	July 1985 – April 1987
1/E-1	Greetings from President Reagan to 1987 Reunion
1/F	May 1987 – September 1987
1/G	October 1987 – May 1991
1/H	Miscellaneous material
1/I	Time Capsule (placed in Center Church Meeting House Vault at 350 <sup>th</sup> Reunion, 1987)
4/A	Family Reunion and General Membership Meeting, 2007
1/J	Memoranda & Notices, 1984 – 2003
1/K	1987 Letter concerning inaccuracies in New Haven Reunion printed material 1999 Letter concerning inaccuracies in early material 2002 Letter concerning inaccuracies regarding the Munson Crest.
2/A	Munson family flag, at the dedication of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library, 1991
2/B	Thomas Munson Foundation legal documents, 1987 – 1989 By-laws, Pamphlets
2/C	Thomas Munson Foundation Scholarship Fund, Inc. (including Board minutes) 1988, 1989, 2000 – 2006.

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2/D	Miscellaneous Munson Material
2/E	Membership Lists, 1984, 1987, 1989, 1994 and s.d.
2/F	Clan Reunion Sign-in Sheets, s.d., s.l.
3/A	Reunion realia (1 box)  Thomas Munson Foundation Newsletter  (Additions will be added to the newsletter files as received.)
3/B	1983 – 1992
3/C	1993 – 2001
3/D	2002 - 2006
3/E	2007 –

Additions to the Collection, 2007

4/B	Munson Family Membership Meeting 1991-1993 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors, 1994-1999
4/C	Committee Reports, 1993-1994, 2007 Annual Reports, 1995-2002
4/D	Financial Reports, 1988-2003 (incomplete)
5/A	Munson Family Bible, containing genealogical material 1863-1956
6	Videos and Compact Disks (see attached listing)
7/A	Editorial Guidelines for the preparation of Volumes III, IV, & V of <u>The Munson Record</u> , 1991
7/B	Copy of Clan William chapter from Munson Record, vol. III

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- 7/C                    “                    “                    (cont.)  
7/D                    Senior Thesis, H.B. Munson, Drew University, 1895
- 7/E                    Library and Museum Committee Reports, 1990, 1994, 1995
- 7/F                    Miscellaneous stories by and about Munsons
- 7/G                    Regional Reunions, 1989-1998
- 7/H                    Family Bible inscription – Angell line  
Munson songs, 1930  
List of men who fought in the Revolution
- 7/I                    Photocopies of Military Certificates, 1778, 1812, 1867, 1888, 1898  
Certificate honoring Norman C. Munson, signed by Pres. Ronald Reagan
- 7/J                    Miscellaneous photographs
- 7/K                    Copy of Will of John A. Tarrant, 1862  
Copy of material from Emma Munson, Lucinda Tarrant Munson, and John  
Munson
- 7/L                    Appointment of Jairus (?) Munson as corporal in the 1<sup>st</sup> Light Infantry,  
Connecticut Militia, 1795
- 8/A                    Lists of descendants of:  
                          George Atwater Munson  
                          Clarence Munson  
                          David Munson  
                          George Washington Munson  
                          Burr Noel Munson  
                          Rorbert S. Munson
- 8/B                    Genealogies and Biographies of  
                          (birth years given below when known)  
                          Edwin Sterling Munson, 1933  
                          H. Lee Munson, 1940  
                          Nancy Munson, 1936  
                          Dr. James Decker Munson, 1848

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	Dr. James Decker Munson, 1848 Alvin Munson, 1800 Caroline Munson White, 1805 George Q. Munson III, s.d. Thurman Munson, 1949 Audrey Munson, 1895 James I. Munson, 1895 Avis Munson Thomas, s.d. Harold Munson, 1891 Hannah Tuttle, 1648 Aeneas Munson, 1734 Steven Thorne Munson, 1815 Kay Marggaret Munson, 1933 Henry G. Munson, 1909 James Alva Munson, 1922
8/C	(continued)  Ona Munson, 1906 Robert Story Munson II, 1886 Thurston Munson, 1906
8/D	Genealogy of John Henry Munson
8/E	Genealogy of Kantzers and Munsons
8/F	Obituaries of:  Norman C. Munson Cora Mallory Munson Johanna C. Downie Norma F. Munson Gorham B. Munson Ebenezer Munson Albert Sharpe Thefts

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9/A	1 copy, <u>American Venus: Life of Audrey Marie Munson</u> , 1891-1996. and miscellaneous related material.
9/B	1 copy, Thurmond A. Williamson, <u>The Munsons of Texas</u> , 1987
9/C	Munson Family Reunion Book, 1987, transcript.
9/D	Newly recognized Clans (as of June 2011)
9/E	Copies of Photographs included in <u>The Munson Record</u>

Oversized Item #1 Copy of the Los Angeles Daily Times newspaper, September 2, 1908,  
containing article about Ella Munson (Mrs. Ella Morton).

Removed from the Manuscript Collection

A set of the first two volumes of The Munson Record with notes and corrections by the Editor,  
Myron Munson, has been added to the Library collection with the following call number:  
\*CS71.M755 1895

1 copy of Evelyn Foster McNew, Foster Facts and Findings, 1984 has been added to the Library  
collection with the following call number: CS71.F756 1984.

1 copy of J. R. Green, The Mass. Central: Quabbin's Phantom Railroad, 1996 has been added to  
the Library collection with the following call number: TF25.W383G74

Video Tapes related to the 350<sup>th</sup> TMF Reunion  
(including planning meetings and the events *per se*)

Provenance: From Herbert Munson, TMF historian, to Rhea Munson Markello, to Kay Munson Weaver, to NHHSM. (List is in the order and wording received by Kay.)

**Video and DVD #1.** Planning meeting. TMF, New Haven, CT, Yale University. At Church. Planning meeting for Tour of England. Video at Church and Yale U. 1987.

**Video #2.** No DVD. 1987 Reunion at Yale Univ. Aug. 7 (1987) Interviews, Opening Ceremonies, 8/6 Foundation meeting. News .

**Video #3.** (COLOR) No DVD. John McGovern Tape, Tombstone dedication, Sunday, Release of Balloons, John Clan

**Video and DVD #4.** 1987 Reunion. Tombstone Dedication, Saturday Banquet.

**Video #5.** No DVD. Munson 350 Reunion (We can't "read" this one. Formatting problem?)

**Video and DVD #6.** May Foundation

**Video and DVD #7.** May Meeting

**Video #8.** No DVD. Munson Reunion 350<sup>th</sup>, Aug 7, 1987; New Haven Conn. Approx. 1 hr. 23 min. Unedited video, Paul B. Munson III, (Obadiah).

**Video and DVD #9.** 1987 TMF. New Haven, CN (sic). Sunday Dinner and Clan Displays, Ends with scenes of Niagara Falls.

**Video # 10.** No DVD. 1987 TMF. New Haven, CN (sic). Sunday AM Church, Gen. Jim Interview.

**Video # 11.** Stockless Production. 30:00 Minutes. VHS

**Video # 12.** Munson Reunion, Bob Munson (424-2151) Sony XBR. (Not VHS)

*Sent to NHHSM 9-18-07  
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