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## Collection #87 FELICITY CHANDELL PAPERS

RECORD:87  
DATE:1950-1990  
SIZE:1 FOOT



### PROVENANCE

Donated by Felicity Chandell in 2006.

### USE RESTRICTIONS

No names (including legal name of donor), addresses or telephone numbers may be published unless they are publicly known to be transgender, or their permission has been obtained, or they are deceased.

### SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Collection consists primarily of numerous individually titled "she-man" short story pamphlets from nine cross dressing publishers. The collection also includes correspondence, Society for the Second Self national directories, photographs, transvestite Tri-Ess directories (includes individual pictures of the sisters and contact instructions), newsletters, cross dressing clippings and comics, and some scholarly articles. The correspondence includes photo-copies of letters Felicity sent and attached responses, some with photos. Letters in collection are exchanges between a core group of five sisters (1980-1983). The collection represents an array of personal interest transvestite publications from 1960-1980s. Includes a small amount of information on the State of New York vs Felicity Chandell arrested on a charge of misrepresentation in 1964.

### BIOGRAPHY

Felicity Chandell (aka John MacDonald Miller) was born Dec 15, 1905 in Poughkeepsie. He was a husband, father, jet pilot, and cross dresser living in the Hudson Valley. His arrest and termination from Eastern Airlines (1964) provides an interesting context. Felicity was convicted under Section 887, Sub 7, of the New York State Code of Criminal Procedure to the Appellate Term, First Department, of the Supreme Court of the State of New York. Felicity died Monday, June 23rd, 2008 at age 102.

### FOLDER LIST

#### Box 1:

1. General Correspondence, including permission to publish appeal to Felicity's conviction
2. Events Brochures
3. Tri-Ess Directories: 1987 with supplements
4. Transvestite newsletters, annual reports, Chi Delta Mu Chapter Library, shopping guides.
5. Product catalogs - Fem Fashions, West 57th St., NYC
6. Receipts, including gun shop license 1978
7. Society for the Scientific Study of Sex (1963), an appeal document related to arrest of Felicity Chandell.
8. General Newspaper Clippings, Comics
9. Author - Hume Bentley
10. An Exotique Publication
11. Abbe de Cholsy Press, N.Y., N.Y.
12. Chi Tribune - newsletter - Wood Dale, IL - late 1980s to early 1990s
13. FLAG Publications, Los Angeles, CA
14. Haldeman - Julius Publications, Girard, Kansas
15. La Femme - le Carrousel Press, Paris, France
16. Femme Mimics: a pictorial record of female impersonation, and other titles.
17. Our Special Joy - newsletter 1981-1988
18. S-K Books, New York, N.Y.
19. Transvestia Publications - Chevalier Publications, Los Angeles, CA
20. Vestian Publishers, Seattle, WA
21. Bibliography of books donated by Felicity Chandell