

Houston West Family Genealogy Society

Library Resources

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NOTE: As of September 2018, we have subscribed to Family Tree Magazine. The magazine is also available online through both the Harris County Public Libraries and the Houston Public Libraries. The magazine is filled with great articles designed to assist you with your searches.

NOTE: The Society's web address is www.bearcreekgenealogy.org. You will find the latest listing of the Societies' library resources there.

Alphabetical by Title

1. **1835 Cherokee Valuations** abstracted by Marjorie J. Lowe (Houston, TX: self-published, 2007) 112 pgs.
2. **The 1920 Federal Population Census : Catalog of National Archives Microfilm.** (Washington DC: National Archives Trust Fund Board, 1991) 77 pgs. Guide to the 1920 population schedules.
3. **American Indians: a Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications, 2nd Edition** (Washington DC: National Archives and Records Administration, 1995) 100 pgs.
4. **Bonham: The Era Has Gone—But Memories Linger On** by Lucille Thompson Hackly, (Fannin County Historical Commission) 118 pgs.
5. **Brazos County 1900-1910: Czech Census Extractions** (Angleton, TX: Texas Czech Genealogical Society, 2006) 148 pgs.
6. **Burnet County Cemetery Records 1852-1982, 1st Edition.** by Burnet County Historical Commission and Burnet County Heritage Society (Austin, TX: Eakin Publications, 1988) 157 pgs.
7. **Carroll County Genealogical Quarterly (Alabama) Fall 1998**, Includes articles entitled "Descendants of James A Denney" and "Descendants of Ruby Florence Harrison". 108 pgs.
8. **The Comanche Trail of Thunder and the Massacre at Parker's Fort, May 18th, 1836, 4th Edition** by Gene Fallwell, (Dallas, TX: Highlands Historical Press, 1968) 24 pgs.
9. **Directory of Repositories of Family History in New Hampshire** by Scott E. Green (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1993) 61 pgs.
10. **Early Eighteenth Century Palatine Emigration: A British Government Redemptioner Project to Manufacture Naval Stores** by Walter Allen Knittle, (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1965) 320 pgs.
11. **Early Families of Wallingford, Connecticut** by Charles Henry Stanley Davis (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1965) 320 pgs. Excerpts from Charles Davis's History of Wallingford, CT from its settlement in 1670 to present.

12. ***East Germany: a Country Study, Foreign Area Studies, the American University, 2nd Edition*** edited by Eugene K. Keefe (Washington, D.C.: US Government Printing Office, 1982) 348 pgs. Study of culture, politics, and socioeconomic characteristics of a society as perceived by Foreign Area Studies.
13. ***Everton's Genealogical Helper***, January/February 1998. A magazine dedicated to helping genealogists. Includes articles entitled "Copenhagen: The European emigrant's gateway to the new world" and "Genealogists use old newspapers to trace their ancestors". 258 pgs.
14. ***Family Histories: A Bibliography of the Collections in the Oklahoma Historical Society*** compiled by Mary Huffman (Oklahoma City, OK: Library Resources Division Oklahoma Historical Society, 1992) 403 pgs.
15. ***Family Search Day at Clayton Library***. Notebook with handouts on how to use the LDS Family History Center including Family Search. By Rebecca Broadbent, 2011.
16. ***Family Photo Detective: Learn How to Find genealogical clues in Old Photos and Solve Family Photo Mysteries 3rd Edition*** by Maureen A Taylor (Cincinnati, OH: Family Tree Books, 2013) 173 pgs. Discover how to use the clues in your old family photos to put names to faces and recapture their lost stories.
17. ***Family Trails*** by Francis X Scannell (Lansing, MI: Michigan Dept. Of Education, 1969) 50 pgs. Information and sources on American Indian family history.
18. ***Family Tree Magazine***, **September 2018**. Includes articles entitled "Getting Googley-Eyed" (This year's 101 best websites for genealogy) and "How to Be a Genealogy Ninja" (Developing ninja-like research skills).
19. ***Family Tree Magazine***, **October/November 2018**. Includes articles entitled "Discover your German Roots" and "How to Solve Photo Mysteries."
20. ***Family Tree Magazine***, **December 2018**. Includes articles entitled "Cyber States" (Search these 75 best websites—all free—for genealogy in US States) and "State Research Guides" (Alabama & Oregon).
21. ***Family Tree Magazine***, **January/February 2019**. Includes articles entitled "Go for the Goal" (Stay on task with a genealogy resolution a month for 2019) and "State Research Guides" (Texas & Rhode Island).
22. ***Family Tree Magazine***, **March/April 2019**. Includes articles entitled "Ultimate Genealogy Websites Guide" (Ancestry, FamilySearch, MyHeritage & more), "15 Tools to Google Ancestors" and "State Research Guides" (Iowa & South Carolina).
23. ***Family Tree Magazine***, **May/June 2019**. Includes articles entitled "Build a Family Health History with DNA", "Unlock Research Secrets" (4 must-use Websites) and "State Research Guides" (Colorado & Vermont).
24. ***The Family Tree Problem Solver*** by Marsha Hoffman Rising (Cincinnati, OH: Family Tree Books, 2005) 232 pgs.
25. ***The Family Tree Resource Book for Genealogists : The Essential Guide to American County and Town Sources, The Most Comprehensive, Easy-to-Use Guide for Researching Your Family History, 1st Edition*** by Sharon DeBartolo Carmack and Erin Nevius (Cincinnati: OH, Family Tree Books, 2004) 789 pgs. "Provides genealogists with research summaries, maps, and timelines for every U.S. state."
26. ***The Fighting Men of Texas: A History of the 2nd World War, A Memorial, A Remembrance, An Appreciation, Volume 3*** (Dallas, TX: Historical Publishing Co., 1948) pgs. 930-1392.
27. ***From Generation to Generation: How to Trace Your Jewish Genealogy and Personal History*** by Arthur Kurzweil (New York: Schocken Books, 1980) 352 pgs.

28. ***Genealogical Books in Print*** edited by Netti Schreiner Yantis (1975) A catalogue of in-print titles including pricing and ordering information, however very outdated.
29. ***Genealogical Notes, or, Contributions to the Family History of Some of the First Settlers of Connecticut and Massachusetts*** by Nathaniel Goodwin, (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1978) 362 pgs.
30. ***The Genealogist's Companion & Sourcebook: A Beyond the Basics, Hands on Guide to Unpuzzling Your Past, 2nd Edition*** (Cincinnati, OH: Betterway Books, 2003) 464 pgs. A companion for US research focusing on resources outside the family.
31. ***A Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your African-American Ancestors : How to Find and Record Your Unique Heritage*** by Franklin Carter Smith and Emily Anne Croom (Cincinnati OH: Betterway Books, 2003) 250 pgs.
32. ***Georgia Wills, 1733-1860*** compiled by Ted O. Brooke (Atlanta, GA: Pilgrim Press, 1976) 224 pgs. An index of testators to wills of Georgia recorded in Colonial will books and in loose will collections, 1773-1777, and wills recorded or on file in county and state offices, 1777-1860.
33. ***Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives*** (Washington DC: National archives and Record Service, 1983) 304 pgs. Includes bibliographies and index.
34. ***A Guide to Pre-Federal Records in the National Archives*** compiled Howard H Wehmann. Revised by Benjamin L. DeWhitt (Washington D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, 1989) 375 pgs.
35. ***Guide to Records in the National Archives--Central Plains Region, Kansas City, MO***, compiled by Alan Perry, Nancy Malan & Barbara Larsen (Washington, DC: National Archives and Records Administration, 1994) 66 pgs.
36. ***The Handy Book for Genealogists: United States of America, 8th Edition*** (Logan, Utah: Everton Publishers, 1991) 326 pgs. + 56 maps. (2 copies)
37. ***The Handy Book for Genealogists: United States of America, 9th Edition*** (Logan, Utah: Everton Publishers, 1999) 546 pgs. + 56 maps.
38. ***Heads of Families at the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790, New Hampshire*** (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1998) 146 pgs.
39. ***The Houston Review of History and Culture, Volume 3, Number 1***, (University of Houston, 2005) Coming to Houston edition includes articles of those migrating to Houston over the past 170 years. Includes articles entitled: "Shattered Lives, New Beginnings: Holocaust Survivors in Houston" and "Free Men Come to Houston: Blacks During Reconstruction". 86 pgs.
40. ***Inhabitants of New Hampshire 1776*** by Emily S. Wilson (Lambertville, NJ: Hunterdon House, 1983) 124 pgs.
41. ***John Waggoner (1751-1842) and Margaret Bonnett Waggoner*** by Crystal V. Wagoner (Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, 1995) 343 pgs. Combination of three family histories beginning with the first family's arrival in the port of Philadelphia.
42. ***Journal of the Commons House of Assembly of South Carolina, November 20, 1706-February 8, 1706/7*** edited by A.S. Salley (Columbia, SC: State Commercial Printing Company, 1946) 189 pgs.
43. ***Journal of the Commons House of Assembly of South Carolina, November 15, 1726-March 11, 1726/7*** edited by A.S. Salley (Columbia, SC: The State Company, 1939) 53 pgs.
44. ***Journal of the Commons House of Assembly of South Carolina, November 8, 1734-June 7, 1735*** edited by A.S. Salley (Columbia, SC: State Commercial Printing Company, 1947) 255 pgs.
45. ***Journal of the Commons House of Assembly of South Carolina, January 8, 1765-June 7, 1765*** edited by A.S. Salley (Columbia, SC: State Commercial Printing Company, 1949) 210 pgs.

46. ***The King Family*** by American Genealogical Research Institute (Library of Congress Card Catalog Number: 72-84226, 1972) Traces the King family from seventeenth century England to modern times. 141 pgs.
47. ***Known Military Dead During War of 1812*** compiled by Ex-Lieut. Clarence Stewart Peterson (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, c1955, reprint 2008) 74 pgs
48. ***Land and Property Research in the United States*** by E. Wade Hone (Salt Lake City, UT: Ancestry Inc, 1997) 517 pgs.
49. ***Leon County Texas Cemetery Records, Volume I*** (Centerville, TX: Leon County Genealogical Society, 1982) 160 pgs.
50. ***Leon County Texas Cemetery Records, Volume II*** (Centerville, TX: Leon County Genealogical Society, 1982) 240 pgs.
51. ***The Lives and Times of our English Ancestors, Volume II*** by Frank Smith (Logan, Utah: Everton Publishers, 1980) 203 pgs. Overview of actual events that took place in the lives of persons in the lower classes in England covering four centuries from 1500 to 1900.
52. ***Map Guide to American Migration Routes 1735-1815*** by William Dollarhide (Bountiful, UT: Heritage Quest, 2000) 41 pgs.
53. ***Marriage Dispensations in the Diocese of Louisiana and the Floridas, 1786-1803*** by Shirley Chaisson Bourquard (New Orleans, LA: Polyanthos, 1980) 85 pgs.
54. ***Military Service Records...A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications, 1985*** Covers records that can be ordered on microfilm from servicemen serving in the revolutionary war through the World War I. 330 pgs.
55. ***My Family Roots: A History of Our Family Origins*** by Julie Hausner (Secaucus, NJ: Poplar Books, 1997) 126 pgs. A blank book to record your own family history. PLEASE DO NOT WRITE IN THIS BOOK!
56. ***The Name Game*** by Mrs. Malcolm Brown (Self Published) 270 pgs. A compilation of newspaper articles that include coats of arms on various family names.
57. ***Nantucket Genealogies*** by Alexander Starbuck (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 2001) pgs. 653-871 beginning with Chapter XIX.
58. ***New England Marriages Prior to 1700*** by Clarence Almon Torrey (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1985) 1009 pgs. A guide of the 37,000 couples who resided in colonial New England during its first eight decades.
59. ***Nicknames Past and Present, 2nd Edition*** compiled by Christine Rose (San Jose, CA: Rose Family Association, 1995) 41 pgs. A list of nicknames for given names used in the past to the present.
60. ***Oral History for Texans*** by Thomas L. Charlton (Austin, TX: Texas Historical Commission, 1981) 86 pgs. A general introduction to using oral histories as a research method.
61. ***Otto Ping: Photographer of Brown County Indiana 1900 - 1940*** by W. Douglas Hartley, essays by Anne E. Peterson and Stephen J. Fletcher (Indianapolis, IN: Indiana Historical Society, 1994) 95 pgs.
62. ***Our Native Americans: Their Records of Genealogical Value, Volume 1: Federal Government Records, Oklahoma Historical Society Records, Genealogical Society of Utah Listings*** by E. Kay Kirkham (Logan, UT: The Everton Publishers, Inc., 1980) 236 pgs.
63. ***Our Native Americans: Their Records of Genealogical Value, Volume 2*** by E. Kay Kirkham (Logan, UT: The Everton Publishers, Inc., 1984)
64. ***Passengers & Immigrants Bibliographies.*** (A notebook with lists and guides for researching immigrants.)

65. ***Pioneer History of Forsyth County Georgia, Volume 1*** by Don L. Shadburn (Atlanta, GA: R.J. Taylor Jr. Foundation, 1985) 690 pgs.
66. ***Places near the mountains : from the community of Amsterdam, Virginia, up the road to Catawba, on the waters of the Catawba and Tinker Creeks, along the Carolina Road as it approached Big Lick and other areas, primarily North Roanoke*** by Helen R. Prillaman (Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing, 1995), 397 pgs. A record of some of the early settlers that followed the route from Amsterdam, Virginia to what later became known as Roanoke County.
67. ***Polish Surnames: Origins and Meanings*** by William F. Hoffman (Chicago, IL: Polish Genealogical Society of America, 1998) 596 pgs.
68. ***Prologue – Quarterly of the National Archives, Vol. 28 No. 1 Spring 1996*** Includes articles entitled: “Nellie Bly...She Did It All”, “When the Stars Went to War...Hollywood and World War II” and “Failure Is Impossible...Dramatic Readings Celebrating the Passage of the Nineteenth Amendment”.
69. ***The Researcher's Guide to American Genealogy*** by Val D. Greenwood (Baltimore, MD : Genealogical Publishing., 1988) An extensive guide that covers basic principles of genealogy research and how to deal with records. 535 pgs. (2 copies – First and third editions)
70. ***Robert's Rules for Dummies: Tips and tools for meetings, elections and more!*** By C. Alan Jennings (Indianapolis, IN: Wiley Publishing, Inc., 2005) 338 pgs.
71. ***Robert's Rules of Order, 10th Edition*** by Sarah Corbin Robert et. al. (Cambridge, MA: Da Capo Press, 2000) 704 pgs.
72. ***Sea of Mud: The Retreat of the Mexican Army after San Jacinto, an archeological investigation*** by Gregg J. Dimmick (Austin, TX: Texas State Historical Association, 2004) 362 pgs.
73. ***Selected Materials on Texas Land Titles***, by Thomas K McElroy (Waco, TX: Varsity Book Store, 1950) 212 pgs. Note: The binding on this book is titled McElroy on Texas Land Titles.
74. ***A Simple and Vital Design : the Story of the Indiana Post Office Murals*** by John C. Carlisle ; photography by Darryl Jones (Indianapolis IN: Indiana Historical Society, 1995) 93 pgs.
75. ***The Sleuth Book for Genealogists: Strategies for More Successful Family History Research*** by Emily Anne Croom. (Cincinnati, OH: Betterway Books, 2000) 290 pgs.
76. ***Star of Destiny: the Private Life of Sam and Margaret Houston*** by Madge Thornall Roberts (Denton, TX: University of North Texas Press, 1993) 432 pgs. Includes bibliographical references.
77. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **March 2017**. Includes articles titled “Tracing Female Ancestors” and “Searching Courthouse Corners Yields Unexpected Gems.”
78. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **June 2017**. Includes articles titled “Remembering WWI” and “Visit the Clayton Library in Houston.”
79. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **September 2017**. Includes articles titled “Genetic Genealogy Tools to Achieve DNA Discoveries” and “DNA Discoveries: Applying DNA Evidence to Genealogical Questions.”
80. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **December 2017**. Includes articles titled “Going Home to Norway” and “Preparation a Key Component for Ancestral Adventures.”
81. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **March 2018**. Includes articles titled “Taking Photos that Tell a Story” and “Digital Scrapbooking.”
82. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **September 2018**. Includes articles titled “Storytelling for Genealogists” and “Two Family Histories You Should Be Writing Today.”
83. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **June 2018**. Includes articles titled “Your Ancestors” (FAN Club...Friends – Associates – Neighbors) and “Using FAN Clubs to Disprove a Family Legend.”

84. ***Stirpes***: Journal of the Texas State Genealogical Society, **December 2018**. Includes articles titled "Resolved for 2019: Develop Good Genealogy Habits" and "Converting Media for Long-Term Access." (
85. ***The Study of Obituaries as a Source for Polish Genealogical Research*** by Thomas E. Golembiewski (Chicago, IL: Polish Genealogical Society, 2009) 81 pgs.
86. ***Texas Family Land Heritage Registry, Volume 3*** (Austin: TX: Texas Dept. of Agriculture, 1976) 90 pgs. A compilation of oral histories of Texas farm and ranch families.
87. ***Texas First Families, Lineages (Applications 1 to 2400), Volume 1*** compiled by Wanda Lamberth Donaldson ; designed and edited by Doris Galyean Cozart (Temple, TX: American Printing, 2000) 432 pgs.
88. ***Texas Tears and Texas Sunshine: Voices of Frontier Women*** edited by JoElla Powell Exley (college Station, TX: Texas A&M University Press, 1985) 275 pgs.
89. ***They Became Americans: Finding Naturalization Records and Ethnic Origins*** by Loretto Dennis Szucx (Salt Lake City, UT: Ancestry Publishing, 1998) 292 pgs. Where to look for naturalization records and how to determine ethnic origins.
90. ***They came in Ships: A Guide to Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor's Arrival Record, 3rd Edition updated and Revised*** by John Phillip Colletta, PhD (Orem, UT: Ancestry Publishing, 2002) 165 pgs. What to know and where to look for passenger records and lists of immigrants.
91. ***Tracing Your Ancestry: a Step-by-Step Guide to researching your Family History*** by F. Wilbur Helmbold (Birmingham, AL: Oxmoor House, Inc., 1976) 210 pgs. Procedures for planning a comprehensive search to trace your ancestry and how to utilize records of all types.
92. ***True Women: A Novel of Texas*** by Janice Woods Windle (New York: Putnam's Sons, 1993) 451 pgs. A fictional tale that tells the story of two family lines in Texas, the Kings and the Woodses.
93. ***Uncle, We are Ready! Registering America's Men, 1917-1918 : a Guide to Researching World War I Draft Registration Cards*** by John J. Newman (North Salt Lake, UT: Heritage Quest, 2001) 300 pgs. Includes 1 computer optical disc. (2 copies).
94. ***Unpuzzling your Past : Basic Guide to Genealogy, 2nd Edition*** by Emily Anne Croom (Cincinnati,OH: Betterway Books, 1989). 184 p. A great resource for inexperienced researchers.
95. ***Unlock Your Heritage: Dallas '97*** Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference (1997: Dallas, TX). Richardson, TX: Federation of Genealogical Societies, 1997. Includes Conference Syllabus and 12 cassette tapes: T51 History for Genealogists, T24 Developing Research Strategy, F76 The DAR How to Research, T62 Grandpa Wore Blue, F83 Grandpa Wore Grey, S142 Preponderance of Evidence, F77 General Teaching Tips, T60 North Carolina, T53 Colonial South Carolina, T41 Becoming a Genealogy Speaker, S123 Marketing 101, T55 National Archives.

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