

The Main Library's Genealogy collection

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What's in the Genealogy Room at Main?

- Floor Plan – note the numerous divisions of the collection
 - ‘Louisiana – Non-Circulating’ --- (start with shelf where ‘x’ marks the spot)
 - ‘Non-Louisiana – Non-Circulating’
 - ‘Louisiana – Circulating’
 - ‘Non-Louisiana – Circulating’
 - Fr. Hebert collections
 - Local History collection
 - Obituaries (Daily Advertiser)
 - Telephone Books
 - City Directories

Remember the DEWEY System?

- Within each range (LA-Non-Circulating, Non-LA Non-Circulating, etc) the books are organized according to the Dewey numbering system
- Thus, *LA Non-Circulating* begins with Dewey # 011.35 and continues through 976.41
- Then, the *Non-LA Non-Circulating* books begin again with Dewey # 016.000 and continue through 981.004
- This continues with *LA Circulating*, *Non-LA Circulating*, and *Local History*
- Biographies always come at the end of the Dewey Range

Louisiana – Non-Circulating

- Dewey Range: 011.35 – 976.41

- Includes:

- Acadiana family histories
- LA biographical histories
- Acadiana ancestry
- Death notices
- Marriage indexes

- Archdiocese of New Orleans
Sacramental Records

- Non-Acadiana (Louisiana) materials

Non-Louisiana – Non-Circulating

- Dewey Range: 016.0 – 981.004
- Includes:
 - African-American histories
 - Periodical source index
 - Guide to federal records
 - Non LA state records
 - Non US country records

- Military records
- Native American records
- 'Barbados Records'
- Colonial Families of the US
- Passenger & Immigration List Index
- Info on various wars
- Mayflower descendants

Louisiana - Circulating

- Dewey Range: 016.97 – 976.373 + biographies
- Duplicates of materials found in LA Non-circulating section

Non-Louisiana – Circulating

- Dewey Range: 016.929 – 976.0064
- Many general genealogy ‘how- to’ books
- Some state (non-Louisiana) information (when the library has numerous copies of a title)
- Duplicates of some books in Non LA Non-Circulating

Local History

- Dewey range: 016.9763 – 976.+
- Includes books from communities throughout Acadiana –
- Generally as far north as Alexandria
- West to the Texas line
- East to Baton Rouge
- South to the Gulf

Obituaries

- *Photocopies* from Daily Advertiser, January 1997 through December 2003 – large three ring binders
- *Indexes* from Daily Advertiser, January 2004 through December 2014 – smaller folders
- Additional indexes to follow dating back from December 1996

Telephone books

- Incomplete holdings:
- Two date from the 1940s
- Several from the 1950s and 1960s
- Several from the 1970s
- Several from the 1980s
- Most from the 1990s to the present

City Directories

- Cole Directories – dating from 1967:
 - Address search

- Polk Directories – dating from 1946
 - Person search

Vertical Files

- Newsletters from several parish genealogy societies
- Mobile (AL)
- Jefferson Parish
- Terrebonne Parish
- Vernon Parish

Fr. Hebert Circulating Collection

- Southwest Louisiana
- South Louisiana
- Diocese of Baton Rouge

Microfilm Collection

- Louisiana census data
- Diary of Joseph Falcon
- State Death Indexes
- Louisiana Gazette (newspaper): 3/11/1893 – 2/24/1908
- Sanborn fire Maps
- Daily Advertiser (1/1/1974-12/31/2013)

Finding Aids for the Collection

- Parish Genealogy Index
- Non-U.S. Country Genealogy Index
- Wars & Miscellaneous Genealogy Index
- State (Non-Louisiana) Genealogy Index
- Family Name Genealogy Index
- General information about the genealogy collection: including the floor map
- *Examples include ...*

Parish Genealogy Index

ACADIA PARISH

Crowley – Parish Seat

La 929.509763 Jon

A compilation of tombstone inscriptions from cemeteries in and around the following towns in West Acadia Parish: Iota, Evangeline, Mermentau, Modland, Estherwood, & Morse / Louisiana Genealogy – use in library

La 976.356 Gui

La Pointe de l'église : a history of Church Point, Louisiana, 1800-1973 / Louisiana Genealogy – use in library

La 976.356 Fon

Acadia Parish, Louisiana / v. 1. A history to 1900 -- v. 2. A history to 1920 / Louisiana Genealogy – use in library

Non-U.S. Country Genealogy Index

FRANCE: All are for in-library use only
"Fr" in the call numbers refers to works written in French

929.342 Loy
The origins of some Anglo-Norman families /

Fr La 929.371 God
Origine des familles canadiennes-françaises : extrait de l'Etat civil français, première série /

La 929.2 Vid
Vidrine - Vedrines / [Our Vedrines in France, 1600-1750] /

Wars & Miscellaneous Genealogy Index

CIVIL WAR

La 976.3061 Cle

Clearing Bayou Teche after the Civil War : the Kingsbury Project 1870-1871 / Local History Section

La 929.3763 Dil

1890 Louisiana census index of Civil War veterans or their widows / Louisiana Genealogy - Use in library

929.375 Mil

Civil War claims in the South : an index of Civil War damage claims filed before the Southern Claims Commission, 1871-1880 / Genealogy - Use in library

State (Non-LA) Genealogy Index

MASSACHUSETTS

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929.374482 May

The Mayflower descendant : a quarterly magazine of Pilgrim genealogy and history /

929.374482 Ros

Mayflower increasings / Pilgrims (New Plymouth Colony)

929.1072 Sch

Massachusetts genealogical research /

Family Name Genealogy Index

- TABLE OF CONTENTS
- FAMILY GENEALOGIES

- **Page 1 – 'A'**

- Abshire
- Alexander
- Angelle
- Arabie
- Arceneaux
- Ardoin
- Aycock

- **Page 2 – 'B'**

- Babineaux
- Benoit
- Bergeron
- Bonin
- Boudreaux

Quiet Study Room

- A second genealogy accessible space next to the genealogy room
- Contains genealogy periodicals
- Non-circulating Fr. Hebert collection

The End

