



## Carol Taylor

Carol Taylor is the former director of the Northeast Texas Genealogy Center located in Greenville, Texas. She is chairman of the Hunt County Historical Commission and has researched and written numerous historical markers for Hunt County.

Carol fuses a love for history and genealogy into her specialty: Merging Family History with Local History. In her presentations, she combines “How To” and interesting information about the times to help beginning and intermediate family genealogists know where and how to look for unique records for their research. Her primary topics include WWI, the Civil War (both war and Reconstruction records), and the Republic of Texas. She feels that understanding the context of the times helps researchers have a better picture of who their ancestors were.

Carol began her family history at age twelve by interviewing relatives, some born in the 1890’s. For more than thirty years, genealogy has been her profession. She has spoken to genealogy societies throughout North Texas and at the Angelina College Genealogy Conference in Lufkin. Her special interest in preservation of historic cemeteries led to a program, “Nineteenth Century Cemetery Symbolism.”

Carol is co-author of The Devil’s Triangle: Ben Bickerstaff, Northeast Texas, and the War of Reconstruction. She recently wrote *Greenville* for the *Images of America* series published by Arcadia Publishing. She writes a weekly column for the *Greenville Herald Banner*, as well as a regular blog combining both local history and genealogy. Both cover a wide range of facts, stories and interesting tidbits about the Greenville and North Texas area. She is a member of APG, Lone Star Chapter of APG, National Genealogical Society, Dallas Genealogical Society, and Hopkins County Genealogical Society.

Visit Carol’s website at [www.carolctaylor.com](http://www.carolctaylor.com) and read her blog, “Tracing Old North Texas History,” at [carolctaylor.wordpress.com](http://carolctaylor.wordpress.com).

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<b>World War I</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why Does It Matter In Your Research?</li> <li>• Homefront: Censorship, Canning and Cartoons</li> <li>• Records: Navigating Domestic and International Records</li> <li>• Outcome – New Countries, Inventions and Lives</li> </ul>	<b>Temperance and Prohibition</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blind Tigers</li> <li>• Petitions – Hidden Treasures for Research</li> <li>• Alcoholism in America</li> </ul>
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