

# RESEARCH GUIDE TO THE *HISTORICAL BULLETIN*

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After compiling a comprehensive index of the *Grand Prairie Historical Bulletin*, the editor realized that researchers needed a listing of the more general topics contained within its pages, such as community histories, area Civil War actions, censuses, and county record abstracts. Those seeking entries on individuals and families will easily find them within the index. The following list is not exhaustive, but rather is a selection of articles that give good insight to broader topics of historical interest. References contain authors' last names, titles, and back issues in which they are found.

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For a comprehensive study of GPHS and its people and accomplishments from beginning to the present, see: Conine, “The Grand Prairie Historical Society’s Half Century of Service,” and a follow-up piece: Mosenthin, “Society’s Half Century of Service, Continued.” Both articles are included as separate files on our disk. The latter article, covering 2003–2021, does not appear elsewhere in printed form.