

Publications by William M. Reaves

Bill Reaves was a master indexer and in addition to his several compiled books he indexed many newspapers as well as books written and compiled by others. Works listed here are by Bill Reaves solely unless additional credits are shown.

List arranged by subject.

Audubon, A Cottage Community, Established 1911: Also Audubon Nursery (1912), Audubon Air Park (1919). Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1994. Call # NC 975.627 R

Funded by: Hugh MacRae, Oleander Company, Ted Williams, Williams Cleaners, Cal and Edith Paulman, Russ Maynard. Administered by Historic Wilmington Foundation, Audubon Neighborhood Association.

Audubon Trolley Station restoration. (1992). Wilmington, North Carolina: Audubon Trolley Stop Preservation Committee, 1992. Call # Cape Fear Museum

By Mark Wilde-Ramsing, Bill Reaves, Edward F. Turberg, Charles West, and others

Includes: 'Come with me down memory lane' (West); 'Audubon Trolley Station' (Turberg); 'Roses along the suburban car line and at Audubon would make Wilmington famous' (Reaves); 'The Eastern Suburbs' (Reaves).

Aviation, New Hanover County, History of. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1994. Two volumes, bound as one.. Call # NC 975.627 R

Clippings from the Reaves files and New Hanover County Public Library.

Bladen County, North Carolina: voter registration records, 1902-1908. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1993.

Call # NC 929.375632 B

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett ; proofread by Dean S. Jarrett and John W. Butler; typed by Jo Galloway; indexed by Bill Reaves..

Brooklyn Neighborhood Strategy Area: an action plan for the preservation of an inner-city neighborhood. Wilmington, North Carolina: Wilmington Planning Commission, 1983.

Call # NC 7115.B

Study prepared for the city council of the City of Wilmington by the Wilmington Planning Commission. "The 'Historical Review' of Brooklyn is credited to Mr. Bill Reaves, local historian, whose contributions to this report are gratefully acknowledged."

Brunswick County 1800 federal census. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1991. Call # NC 929.375629 B

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; compiled by Lenore C. Gordon; indexed by William M. Reaves.

Brunswick County 1810 federal census. Wilmington, North Carolina, North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1989. Call # NC 929.375629 B

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; typed by Lenore C. Gordon; indexed by Bill Reaves.

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Brunswick County, North Carolina voter registration records, 1902-1908. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library and the Old New Hanover Genealogical Society, 1994. Call # NC 929.375629 B

Transcribed by Delmas D. Haskett ; typed by Jo Galloway ; indexed by Bill Reaves.

Brunswick River and its environs, Notes on the . Wilmington, NC: Reaves, 1988.

Call # NC 975.629 N

Burgaw North Carolina, History of, Pender County Centennial Edition. 1997.

Call # NC 975.625 R

Burgaw, North Carolina, Miscellaneous History. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1978. Call # NC 975.625 M

Camp Davis, North Carolina, World War II, newspaper articles and clippings. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1994. Call # NC 975.623 R

Cape Fear: American revolution bicentennial 1776-1976. Wilmington, North Carolina: Sunday Star News, 1975-1976. Six volumes, bound as one. Call # NC 975.62 R.

Text by Bill Reaves, edited by Dan Cobb.

Cape Fear-Northeast Cape Fear Rivers comprehensive study, a maritime history and survey of the Cape Fear and Northeast Cape Fear Rivers, Wilmington Harbor, North Carolina, volume I, maritime history, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1998. Call # NC 975.62 M

Study by Claude V. Jackson; index compiled by Bill Reaves.

Clarendon Courier, the Old New Hanover Genealogical Society newsletter, Four Year index, 1989-1992, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1992. Call # NC 929.375627 R

Duplin County 1840 federal census. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1988. Call # NC 929.3756382 D

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; arranged and typed by Jo Galloway; indexed by William M. Reaves.

Duplin County history gleaned from Wilmington newspapers 1869-1941. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1978. Call # NC 975.6382 R

Fireboats of Wilmington, North Carolina. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1988.

Call # NC 975.627 R

Fort Caswell, North Carolina. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1997. Call # NC 975.629 R

Fort Fisher Historical Site: newspaper articles and clippings. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1993. Four volumes.

Call # NC 975.627 F

Compiled by Bill Reaves; arranged by Claude V. Jackson

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"From the Files of Bill Reaves"

"Gems of Old Wilmington"

"The Lake Counties: Yesterdays (Bladen, Columbus, Brunswick Counties)"

"Opening of the Front Street Mall, March 22, 1975"

Bound as one volume. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1994. Call # NC 975.627 R

Includes four different newspaper series dealing with local Wilmington history, all written by Bill Reaves from 1973 – 1975.

Great Events in North Carolina History, volumes I and II, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library. 1994. Call # NC 975.6 N

Great events in North Carolina History, was published by the North Carolina Society of the Daughters of the Revolution. Index covers vol. I , 1901-02, and volume II, 1902-03.

"Inside Old Wilmington:" articles written by Bill Reaves for the Wilmington Star-News, 1973-1976. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1994. Call # NC 975.627 R

Kellam's Block Files of Wilmington, Volumes I thru XV, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1986-1988. Call # 929.375627 K

Kellam's Block Files consists of 15 volumes of data arranged by street, by address. There are many references to important family history. Ida Brooks Kellam (1895-1981) was active in the DAR, UDC, Colonial Dames, Lower Cape Fear Historical Society and the Wilmington Historical District Commission, as well as being an award winning author.

Land of the Golden River, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1981. Two volumes. Call # NC 975.62

Land of the Golden River, by Lewis Philip Hall, 1980.

Historical Events and Stories of Southeastern North Carolina and the Lower Cape Fear.

v. 1. Old times on the seacoast, 1526 to 1970.— (1975)

v. 2. This fair land of ours.—

v. 3. Old Wilmington and the Greater [Area] in its March to the Sea.

(v. 2 and v. 3 in same book, 1980)

National Register of Historic Places: Wilmington inventory list. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 199u. Call # NC 720.975624 N
Compiled by Ed Turberg and Bill Reaves.

New Hanover County 1800 federal census. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1988. Call # 929.375627 H

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; typed by Lenore Gordon; indexed by Bill Reaves.

New Hanover County 1830 federal census. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1988. Call # NC 929.375627 N

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; compiled by Lenore C. Gordon; indexed by William

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New Hanover County 1840 federal census. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1988. Call # NC 929.375627 N

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; compiled by Lenore C. Gordon; indexed by William R. Reaves.

New Hanover County 1815 & 1845 tax lists. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1989. Call # NC 929.375627 N

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; typed by Lenore C. Gordon; indexed by Bill Reaves.

New Hanover County 1865 tax list. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1990. Call# NC 929.375627 N

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; arranged and indexed by Bill Reaves.

New Hanover County 1890 tax list, Wilmington township. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1991. Call # NC 929.375627 H

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; arranged and indexed by Bill Reaves.

New Hanover County record of marriages licenses 1843-1863. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1988. Call # NC 929.375627 N

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; typed by Lenore Gordon; indexed by Bill Reaves.

Newspaper Indexes:

Semi-weekly Messenger, 1905, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1989. Call # NC 929.375627 I

Semi-weekly Messenger, 1906, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1988. Call # NC 929.375627 I

Semi-weekly Messenger, 1908 January 3 through April 7, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1989. Call # NC 929.375627 I

Morning Star: 1870 September 23 –1871 March 22, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, and the Old New Hanover Genealogical Society, 1995. Call # NC 929.375627 R

Wilmington Messenger, 1887 June 30 through December, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1991. Call # NC 929.375627 I

Wilmington Messenger for the year 1889, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1990. Call # NC 929.375627 I

Wilmington Messenger, 1904 September 24 to December 30, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1988. Call # NC 929.375627 I

Wilmington Messenger, 1906 January-June, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1984.
Call # NC 929.375627 I

Weekly Star, Wilmington, NC, November-December 1872, January-June 1873, September-November 1873, Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1989. Call # NC 929.375627 I

North Carolina Freedman's Savings and Trust Company Records. Raleigh, NC: North Carolina Genealogical Society, 1992. Call # 929.3756 N
Bill Reaves, abstractor and Beverly Tetterton, editor.

The Freedman's Savings and Trust Company, or the Freedman's Bank as it is universally called, was chartered on March 3, 1865, as an outgrowth of military saving banks which had been established elsewhere for Black Union troops who needed a place to deposit their wages and bounty money. Congress was persuaded to establish a bank so former slaves could learn the value of thrift and savings. In North Carolina, there were three branches of the Freedman's Bank. These were located in New Bern, Raleigh and Wilmington. Over 8,600 records of individual surnames survive. The majority are freedmen and their family members, but occasionally there are white depositors and church and social club deposits.

Oak Grove Cemetery. [second copy bound as: Records and History of Oak Grove Cemetery]. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1984.
Call # NC 929.375627 O

Oak Grove Cemetery was begun in 1870: "the poor man's burial ground"; 1300 block of south 16th and 17th streets. The stones were randomly moved to Flemington, near the county landfill, in 1961.

Oakdale Cemetery, miscellaneous history. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1994.
Call # NC 975.627 R

Oakdale Cemetery records, Wilmington, North Carolina. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1989. Call # 929.375627 O
Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett ; arranged and indexed by William M. Reaves.

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Call # NC 929.375627 O

Post Riot (November 10, 1898) News from newspapers dated January 1899 to June 1899. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1999. Call # NC 9975.627 R

Reaves Collection: African-American Family Files, Series I. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 2003. 4 volumes.
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Reaves Collection: Family Files, Series I. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 2003. 81 volumes. Call # NC 929.2 R

Compiled by Bill Reaves; arranged by J. Kenneth Davis, Jr.

Remembering Wilmington's trees. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, c1990. Call # NC 975.627 R

St. James Parish, 1729-1979, History of. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1985. Call # NC 283 M

Compiled and written by Leora Hiatt McEachern, 1982; assisted by Bill Reaves 1985.

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church Cemetery miscellaneous records. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1984. Call # NC 929.375627 R

Shallotte in Time: a chronology of events from 1728 to 1992. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1999. Call # NC 975.629 R

Schenck Diary 1905. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1984. Call # NC 929.375627 S

Diary of Nicholas W. Schenck (1830-1916). Transcribed by R.V. Asbury, Ida B. Kellam, Edward Turberg; indexed by Bill Reaves, map by Merle Chamberlain.

Written about 1905 but contains references to Wilmington history back to 1838.

Added material to place the diary entries on the Wilmington context.

Southeastern North Carolina: 1870 federal census, mortality schedules. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1999.

Call # NC 929.37562 S

Abstracted by Delmas D. Haskett; typed by Lenore Gordon; indexed by Bill Reaves.

Southport (Smithville): A chronology. Southport, NC: The Southport Historical Society, c1978-1990. 4 Volumes. Call # NC 975.629 R

Strength Through Struggle: the chronological and historical record of the African-American Community in Wilmington, North Carolina 1865-1950. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover Public Library, 1998. Call # NC 975.627 R

Mr. Reaves spent thirty years compiling information on the history of Wilmington's black community, drawing primarily from local newspapers, before donating his research to the library. The book is over 600 pages long, and is illustrated with 264 images. It includes chapters on social life, schools, churches, community affairs, military affairs, political affairs, business affairs. business, labor and agriculture), and 100 pages of biographical sketches. The book was funded by grants and donations from the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources, the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, the New Hanover Friends of the Public Library, and Tabitha Hutaff McEachern.

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Terrestrial and marine archaeological survey of the proposed Castle Street boat ramp on the Cape Fear River, Wilmington, New Hanover County, North Carolina. Chapel Hill, NC: Archaeological Research Consultants, Inc., 1985. Call # NC 333.73 T
Thomas H. Hargrove, author, with Gordon P. Watts, Jr. and Bill Reaves

Wilmington and the Cape Fear Area written by Visitors and Reporters from 1846 to 1969, Descriptions of. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1993. Call # 975.627 R

Wilmington City Directory, 1860-186 , Street Index to. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1983. Call # NC 917.56 W

Wilmington in the forties [1840's]. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1993. Call # 975.627 B

A series of articles prepared and written 1895-1898 by "Senex, Jr." (the nom de plume of Col. James G. Burr (1817-1898)); compiled and indexed by Bill Reaves.

Wilmington Industry 1905: The Wilmington Messenger, special industrial edition, December 17, 1905. Wilmington, North Carolina: Reaves, 1988. Call # NC 975.627 W
Compiled by Bill Reaves; indexed by Harriet Hart.

Wilmington Light Infantry, Sketch of: its organization and career up to the Civil War , taken from the Wilmington Messenger. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1993. Call # NC 975.627 S

Wilmington, North Carolina, Index to the 1977 manuscript of. Wilmington, North Carolina: North Carolina Room, New Hanover County Public Library, 1995. Call # NC 720.975627 W

Wilmington, North Carolina: An architectural and historical portrait. By Tony P. Wrenn. Published by Tony Wrenn and the Junior League of Wilmington, N.C., Inc.

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