

Writing your Family History  
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"Tidbits"

- Book was mostly produced in Microsoft Word. Also used Legacy for some of the charts and illustrations, using a "cut & paste" method. My online searches were mainly done in Ancestry, My Heritage, Family History Library, and other smaller websites.
- Another website that was "the best" for my German/Prussian search was:



**genealogy.net**  
genealogienetz.de

**Online local family books**  
**Online heritage books**

**It has records from all the FHL films.**

- Google was my friend. I used it many times to see the different methods and ideas for writing a book.
- Book printers also have good information, sometimes producing samples of books.
- Genealogy workshops and speakers with a variety of information. Keep a notebook with your ideas and things you want to research further.

**Book Publisher was Presto Page**

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They were very helpful and easy to work with. Cost and quality were my biggest concern as I was self-producing the book and distributing it myself. I did not need to get an ISBN (International Standard Book Number), because I distributed the book myself. USPS is the best way to mail the book, using the media mail rate. Some of my books were sold to interested family members. The others were donated to Genealogical Libraries - that was my biggest goal.

**Libraries where my Book is currently held:**

- Clayton Library, Houston, Texas
- Allen County Public Library, Ft. Wayne, Indiana
- Round Rock Library, Round Rock, Texas
- German Texan Heritage Society Library, Austin, Texas
- Melrose Area Historical Society, Melrose, Minnesota (*Charter Member*)
- Germanic Genealogy Society, Mendota Heights, Minnesota (*Member*)
- Minnesota Genealogical Society, Mendota Heights, Minnesota
- Carver County Historical Society, Waconia, Minnesota (*Member*)
- Chaska Historical Society, Chaska, Minnesota (*Member*)
- Stearns County Historical Society, St. Cloud, Minnesota  
*and working on a few other libraries.*

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**And...Write the Book!**