



Local History Room

The primary focus of the local history collection is on materials relating to the history, government and genealogy of Groton. Genealogical and historical records concerning surrounding towns in southeastern Connecticut are also represented. A focus on Great Migration and Mayflower families is also present.

The Local History Room is open during regular library hours. Access is facilitated by visiting the Information Desk and filling out a registration form and leaving a driver's license while using the room. Material may not leave the room unless permission is given by a librarian.

Some highlights of the collection:

James L. Streeter Collection – James Streeter, the Groton Town Historian, has donated his extensive collection of material related to the history of Groton to the Groton Public Library. Items include his research notes for the many articles and books he has authored, ephemera, photographs, maps, government documents, letters, and three dimensional objects. His items are housed in the James L. Streeter Room.

Other Collections:

- Groton Public Library Photograph and Postcard Collections
- Groton Town Government Documents
- Published genealogies related to local families
- Published local history books
- New London and Groton city directories
- Pamphlet file organized by subject
- Scrapbooks of local organizations, and Groton Public Library history
- The Day newspaper on microfilm, covering 1881-1896 and 1937 to the present
- Fitch High School yearbooks, available digitally, covering 1958 to the present

Ancestry Library Edition is available on all public internet computers.