



2008 GENEALOGY FAIR

New Staff Publications

Periodically, staff publishes articles in order to expand research community awareness of the National Archives' holdings. By targeting state and local historical and genealogical societies with articles about the agency's holdings, we hope to reach people who otherwise would not think of the National Archives as a resource for their research. During the past few months, the staff has published the following:

Claire Prechtel-Kluskens (published):

"Cooperative Extension Service Annual Reports, 1900s–1940s" [*Fairfax Genealogical Society Newsletter*, Vol. 24, No. 2 (November 2008): 4–6]

"Extension Service Annual Reports" [*NGS Magazine*, Vol. 35, No. 1 (January–March 2009): 41–45]. Online at <http://mysite.verizon.net/cklusken/NGSNews2009Jan.pdf>.

"Follow the Money: Tracking Revolutionary War Army Pension Payments" [*Prologue: Quarterly of the National Archives and Records Administration*, Vol. 40, No. 4 (Winter 2008): 46–57]. Online at www.archives.gov/publications/prologue/2008/winter/follow-money.html.

These articles are available through the Archives Library Information Center (ALIC) at the National Archives Building, Washington, DC. For more information, visit www.archives.gov/research/alic/.

Upcoming NARA Staff Presentations

John Deeben

- *Anatomy of a Civil War Pension File* – National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference, Raleigh, NC, May 14, 2009
- *Documenting Death in the Civil War* – National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference, Raleigh, NC, May 14, 2009

Rebecca Sharp

- *U.S. Passport Applications and Passenger Arrival Records* – Drott Lodge #168's (VASA Order of America) Swedish Emigrant Genealogy Seminar, the Universities at Shady Grove Campus, Rockville, MD, April 11, 2009

See additional speakers' schedules in the Know Your Records section starting on page 11.



The **Fifth Annual Genealogy Fair** will take place on **April 22 & 23, 2009**. The fair offers two full days of sessions, along with guidance on a wide variety of genealogy research topics with NARA staff, volunteers, and genealogy organizations.

This newsletter is designed to provide you with the most up-to-date information needed to conduct research at the National Archives Building in Washington, DC, and the National Archives at College Park, MD. For more information, please visit www.archives.gov.

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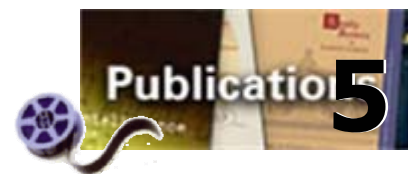
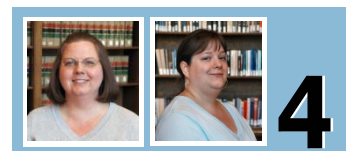
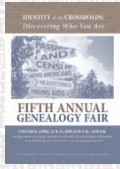
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FIFTH ANNUAL GENEALOGY FAIR

April 22 & 23, 2009
National Archives Building
Washington, DC
(Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

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(This event is free and open to the public. No reservations are required.)



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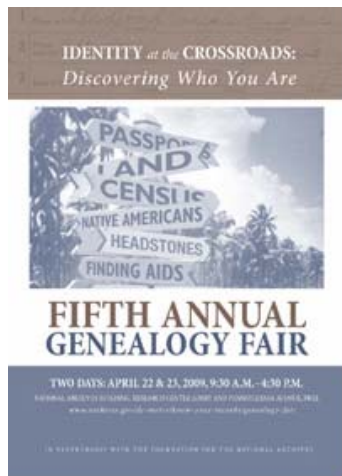
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RESEARCH KIT AVAILABLE

FIFTH ANNUAL GENEALOGY FAIR

Fifth Annual Genealogy Fair



WHEN: Two Days!

- Wednesday, April 22, 2009
9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.
- Thursday, April 23, 2009
9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

WHAT: The National Archives will host its fifth annual Genealogy Fair. The fair showcases Federal records located at the National Archives and professional genealogy organizations' resources for doing research on family history; and will provide information and guidance for beginners, as well as experienced genealogy professionals. The winners of the National Archives Awards for Excellence in Genealogy will be announced during the fair. *This event is free and open to the public in partnership with the Foundation for the National Archives and Ancestry.com.*

Session topics include: **Getting Started, Online Records and Databases, and Other Selected Topics.** See the program at www.archives.gov/dc-metro/know-your-records/genealogy-fair/.

WHERE: Research Center Lobby and Pennsylvania Avenue Plaza (outside), National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC. Government-issued photo identification or student ID is required to enter the building. The closest Metrorail stop is the Archives/Navy Memorial station on the Yellow and Green lines. The National Archives is fully accessible. If you need to request an accommodation (e.g., sign language interpreter) for a public program, please e-mail reservations.nwe@nara.gov or call 202-357-5000 at least two weeks prior to the event to ensure that proper arrangements are available. For location details, see our Visitor's Map at www.archives.gov/nae/visit/archives-map.pdf.

WHO: Speakers and exhibitors include National Archives staff, historians, and professionals from the genealogy community, who are experts in records vital for genealogy research. See the listing of exhibitors at www.archives.gov/dc-metro/know-your-records/genealogy-fair/.

BACKGROUND: The National Archives holds the permanently valuable records of the Federal Government. These include records of interest to genealogists, such as pension files, census, and Freedmen's Bureau materials. For information on National Archives holdings, visit our web site at www.archives.gov.

For questions about the fair, e-mail KYR@nara.gov
or call 202-357-5333.



Photo by Jermaine Scott

Katherine Vollen

Katherine, a native of Kansas, began her National Archives career in 1996 as an archives technician in the Customer Service/Research Support unit.

She graduated from Boston University in 1992 with a B.A. in European history. In 1994, she obtained an M.A. in European history at Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, KS. She earned a second M.A. in European history at George Washington University in 2000.

Katherine currently works as an archives specialist at the National Archives in Washington, DC. She specializes in Federal records of interest to genealogists

and is often found answering reference inquiries and helping researchers in the research center, including the Microfilm Room and the Customer Service Center.

She often lectures on the subject of National Archives records as part of the **Know Your Records** program and to student groups. In May she will give presentations at the National Genealogical Society (NGS) Conference in Raleigh, NC.



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Rebecca Sorrell Crawford

Rebecca was born and raised in Prince Georges County, MD. She began her National Archives career in March 2001 as an archives technician in the Customer Service/Research Support Branch at the National Archives Building, Washington, DC.

After 2 ½ years of pushing and pulling carts, she was promoted to her current position as archives specialist. Rebecca specializes in all things microfilm, and is responsible for overseeing the operation of the Microfilm Research Room in Washington, DC.

Not only does she ensure that the machines are running and the room is staffed, but she also trains new employees and volunteers to work with NARA's records, assists the public with their research (especially those questions genealogical in nature), presents lectures at NARA's annual Genealogy Fairs, writes articles for various publications, and is a participant in the Office of Records Services – Washington, DC's, Emerging Managers Program.

New Microfilm Publications

by Nancy Mottershaw, Claire Kluskens, and Rebecca Crawford



Staff members continue to process accessioned microfilm that documents arrivals into the United States, turning this film into National Archives microfilm publications. Staff recently completed the following National Archives microfilm publications:

- A3456, *Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at Rochester, New York, 1944–1958* [RG 85, 20 rolls]
- A3457, *Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at Eastport, Maine, 1949–1958* [RG 85, 4 rolls]
- A3463, *Records of Aliens Pre-Examined at Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, 1923–1933, Prior to Admission at the U.S.-Canada Border* [RG 85, 3 rolls]
- A3481, *Passenger and Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at Wilmington and Morehead City, North Carolina, 1908–1958* [RG 85, 18 rolls]
- M1710, *Unbound Records of the U.S. Senate, 10th Congress, 1807–1809* [RG 46, 10 rolls] *
- M1923, *OMGUS Finance Division Records Regarding Investigations and Interrogations, 1945–1949* [RG 260, 8 rolls] *
- M1933, *Safehaven Reports of the War Crimes Branch, 1944–1945* [RG 153, 9 rolls] *
- M1947, *Records Concerning the Central Collecting Points (“Ardelia Hall Collection”): Wiesbaden Central Collecting Point, 1945–1952* [RG 260, 117 rolls] *
- M2000, *Compiled Military Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served with the United States Colored Troops: Infantry Organizations, 47th Through 55th* [RG 94, 183 rolls] *
- M2102, *Letters Sent and Registers of Letters Received by the Secretary of the Treasury, 1882–1887, Relating to Immigration Matters* [RG 85, 1 roll]
- M2121, *Langenstein-Zwieberge Concentration Camp Inmate Cards, April 1944–April 1945* [RG 549, 1 roll]
- M2124, *Records of the Adjutant General's Office Relating to the United States Military Academy: Rolls, Registers, and Reports, 1803–1917; Register of Cadets, 1803–1865* [RG 94, 1 roll]
- M2125, *General and Special Orders Issued by General Winfield Scott, Headquarters of the Army, War with Mexico, 1847–1848* [RG 94, 1 roll]

* Descriptive pamphlet available

For a listing of microfilm publications from 2000 to the present, visit www.archives.gov/genealogy/microfilm/. To order publications, see www.archives.gov/research/order/orderonline.html?microfilm.

Additional Publications

by Nancy Mottershaw, Claire Kluskens, and Rebecca Crawford

- *World War II: Guide to Records Relating to U.S. Military Participation (2 vols)* (Image 1)
- *Guides to Microfilmed Records of the German Navy, 1850–1945, No. 6: Selected Records of the Imperial German Navy Relating to World War I* (Image 2)
- GIL 19, *Washington National Research Center*
- GIL 29, *National Archives Trust Fund*
- GIL 76, *Family History Sources: New York*
- GIL 77, *Family History Sources: Pittsfield*
- GIL 78, *Family History Sources: Boston*
- GIL 80, *Family History Sources: Southeast Region*
- *Pocket Constitution* booklet (Image 3)

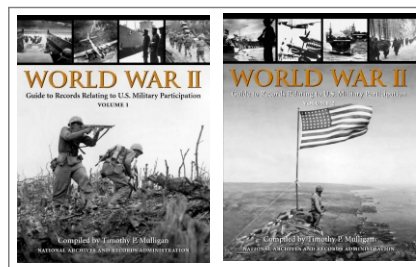


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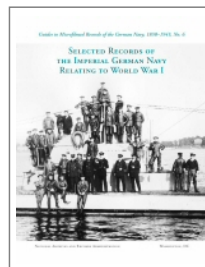


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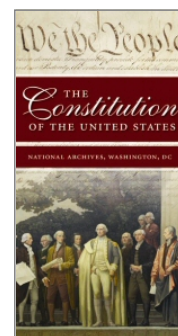


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Winter & Holiday Hours

Rotunda and Exhibit Hall

- Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets, NW, Washington, DC

The Rotunda and Exhibit Hall are on spring and summer hours, 10 a.m.–7 p.m., until Labor Day 2009. Last admission is 30 minutes prior to closing. (Closed Thanksgiving Day and December 25). *Admission is free.*

Research Centers

- 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC
- 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD

The Research Centers at the Washington, DC, and College Park, MD, buildings keep regular schedules, with the exceptions noted below:



RESEARCH CENTERS CLOSE AT 5 P.M. ON JUNE 19, 2009

Due to the National Archives' 75th anniversary celebration, the research rooms at the College Park, MD, and Washington, DC, locations will close at 5 p.m. on June 19, 2009. The last records retrieval (pull) time will be at 2:30 p.m. For further information, visit www.archives.gov/dc-metro/.

Research Center Regular Schedule

Day	Research Hours	Records Retrieval (Pull) Times
Sunday	Closed	None
Monday	9 a.m.–5 p.m.	10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday	9 a.m.–5 p.m.	10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday	9 a.m.–9 p.m.	10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.
Thursday	9 a.m.–9 p.m.	10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.
Friday	9 a.m.–9 p.m.	10 a.m., 11 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m.–5 p.m.	None

Research Center Holiday Schedule

2009 Closings	
Wednesday, December 31	Research Center closes at 3 p.m. Last pull time for records at 1:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 1	New Year's Day
Monday, January 19	Birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.
Tuesday, January 20	Inauguration Day
Monday, February 16	Washington's Birthday
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day
Friday, July 3	Independence Day
Monday, September 7	Labor Day
Monday, October 12	Columbus Day
Wednesday, November 11	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 26	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, December 25	Christmas Day

Archival Research Catalog (ARC)

by Kristen Albrittain

9/11 Commission Textual Records

On January 14, 2009, more than 150 cubic feet of textual records created by the 9/11 Commission were opened to public research. The records, which were accessioned by the National Archives following the Commission's closure in August 2004, comprise about 35 percent of the complete collection. The collection includes those documents that best reflect the scope and purpose of the independent, bipartisan Commission's investigations. Though materials created by the legislative branch are not subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), the Commission stressed its desire to make the records as publicly available as possible by January 2009. Users can view the August 20, 2004, letter to then-Archivist of the United States John Carlin, in which the issue of accessibility is discussed, at www.archives.gov/legislative/research/9-11/letter-to-carlin.pdf.

Among the released records are interviews, office files, and background information on "the terrorists, past terrorist events, al Qaeda in general....[and] emergency responses to the attacks in New York City and Washington, DC." Due to the sensitive nature of the material, extensive screening has been undertaken to protect personal privacy and national security interests.

Further records will become available as they are processed by National Archives staff. So far, approximately 4,350 file units and 1,250 digitized items from the collection have been described in the online Archival Research Catalog (ARC).

Users may access these records via the Search Identifier: siLegislative 9/11 Commission, or through the 9/11 Commission Memoranda for the Record (MFRs) chart found at www.archives.gov/legislative/research/9-11/commission-memoranda.html. For more information, visit the Center for Legislative Archives' "9/11 Commission Records" page at www.archives.gov/legislative/research/9-11/.

For a list of all records available on ARC, please visit the main page at www.archives.gov/research/arc/.



Defense Casualty Analysis System and Combat Air Activities Files

by Lynn Goodsell

The National Archives' [Access to Archival Databases \(AAD\)](#) resource now includes two extract files from the series **Defense Casualty Analysis System (DCAS) Files** consisting of electronic casualty records of U.S. military personnel who died, were missing in action, or were prisoners of war in either the Korean War or Vietnam War as of April 29, 2008. The two files are the **Korean War Extract Data File** and the **Vietnam Conflict Extract Data File**.

The DCAS **Korean War Extract Data File** is the successor to the series Records of Military Personnel Who Died as a Result of Hostilities During the Korean War (also known as the Korean Conflict Casualty File) and represents the first update the National Archives has received

for those records since transferred to us in 1980. New fields of information in the Korean War Extract Data File include religion, military occupation, and unit. The file also contains corrected or revised records and the addition of several



Marines wait for pickup by planes of the U.S. Air Force, ca. December 1950

ARC Identifier 542211

thousand casualty records. This includes records for military personnel who died as a result of non-hostile circumstances.

The DCAS **Vietnam Conflict Extract Data File** is the successor to the Combat Area Casualties Current File (CACCF) as of 1998. The Vietnam Conflict Extract Data File includes new fields such as unit, home of record county, and Vietnam Wall row and panel indicator. The file also contains corrected or revised records, along with a few additional records.

We have also added the **Combat Air Activities Files (CACTA)** to AAD. These records contain data about air combat missions flown during the Vietnam War from October 1965 to December 1970.

Both DCAS extract files, series of Korean War and Vietnam War casualty records, and the CACTA files are available online for searching and viewing at www.archives.gov/aad. More details about the records series and files are also available via AAD. Please contact the electronic records staff at cer@nara.gov with any questions about AAD.

For a list of all the records available on AAD and to search the records, please visit the AAD main page at www.archives.gov/aad.

National Archives and Footnote.com

Interactive WWII Collection Available

The National Archives and Footnote.com launched a new interactive online collection of World War II records from the holdings of the National Archives, including the first ever interactive version of the USS *Arizona* Memorial, WWII Hero Pages, and millions of WWII photos and documents previously unavailable on the Internet.

Researchers may access Footnote.com on Washington, DC, area public-access computers, located in our research rooms and libraries.

NOTE: See the Know Your Records lectures starting on page 11 for upcoming sessions by Footnote.com.



Footnote.com is a subscription web site that features searchable original documents, providing users with an unaltered view of the events, places, and people that shaped the American nation and the world. At Footnote.com, all are invited to come share, discuss, and collaborate on their discoveries with friends, family, and colleagues. For more information, visit www.footnote.com.



FROM THE

ALIC

Archives Library Information Center

by Jeff Hartley

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National Archives Library, Washington, DC

The following is a partial list of items recently acquired by the Archives Library Information Center. A more comprehensive list can be found on the NARA web site at www.archives.gov/research/alic/books/.

AI National Archives Building, Washington, DC (Archives I)

AII National Archives at College Park, MD (Archives II)

- Answering the call: the U.S. Army Nurse Corps, 1917–1919: a commemorative tribute to military nursing in World War I. Washington, DC: Office of the Surgeon General, Borden Institute, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, 2008. 238 p. D 629 U6 A65 2008 **AII**
- War, occupation, and creativity: Japan and East Asia, 1920–1960. Honolulu: University of Hawai'i Press, c2001. xiii, 405 p., [32] p. of plates. NX 582 W37 2001 **AII**
- Abrams, Brett L. Hollywood Bohemians: transgressive sexuality and the selling of the movieland dream. Jefferson, N.C.: McFarland, c2008. vii, 247 p. PN 2286.5 A27 2008 **AII**
- Barr, Geoff. Military discipline: policing the 1st Australian Imperial Force. Weston Creek, A.C.T.: G. Barr, 2008. 272 p. UB 825 A8 B37 2008 **AII**
- Dunnigan, Brian Leigh. A picturesque situation: Mackinac before photography, 1615–1860. Detroit: Wayne State University Press, c2008. xii, 395 p. F 572 M16 D965 2008 **AI**
- Freyer, Tony Allan. Antitrust and global capitalism, 1930–2004. Cambridge: New York: Cambridge University Press, 2006. xii, 437 p. K 3850 F74 2006 **AII**
- Gaustad, Edwin S. The religious history of America. San Francisco: HarperSanFrancisco, c2002. x, 454 p. BR 515 G3 2002 **AII**
- Goldstone, Lawrence. The activist: John Marshall, Marbury v. Madison, and the myth of judicial review. New York: Walker, 2008. viii, 294 p. KF 4575 G65 2008 **AII**
- Huddleston, Robert. Edmundo: from Chiapas, Mexico to Park Avenue. College Station, TX: Virtualbookworm.com Pub., 2007. v, 129 p. D 810 S8 L37 2007 **AII**
- Keegan, John. Intelligence in war: knowledge of the enemy from Napoleon to al-Qaeda. New York: Knopf, 2003. xx, 387 p., [16] p. of plates. UB 250 K44 2003 **AII**
- Keegan, John. The Iraq war. New York: A.A. Knopf, 2004. 254 p. DS 79.76 K44 2004 **AII**
- Lengel, Edward G. To conquer hell: the Meuse-Argonne, 1918. New York: H. Holt, 2008. xiv, 491 p., [16] p. of plates. D 545 A63 L46 2008 **AII**
- McNelly, Theodore. The origins of Japan's democratic constitution. Lanham, Md: University Press of America, 2000. xiii, 221 p. KNX 2101 M36 2000 **AII**
- Mount, Graeme S. The diplomacy of war: the case of Korea. Montreal; New York: Black Rose Books, c2004. xxxiv, 204 p. DS 918 M68 2004 **AII**
- Palmer, Ben. The hunter and the hunted: two years in a rifle company, WWII: Italy, France, Germany, February 5, 1943–October 20, 1945. Holland, NY: B. Palmer, c2002. xvi, 246 p. D 756 P36 2002 **AII**
- Plenty Coups, Chief of the Crows. Plenty-coups, chief of the Crows. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, c2002. xxviii, 194 p., [10] p. of plates. E 99 C92 P552 2002 **AI**
- Preston, Diana. Before the fallout: from Marie Curie to Hiroshima. New York: Walker & Co., c2005. xiv, 400 p. Q 175.5 P74 2005 **AII**
- Ramsay, Raymond. For whom the bells toll: the unexplained losses of S.S. Edmund Fitzgerald, M.V. Derbyshire, and other vessels of the bulk-cargo silent service. Pittsburgh, Penn.: Dorrance Pub. Co., c2006. xix, 201 p. VM 393 B7 R36 2006 **AII**
- Roper, Richard S. Brothers of Paul: activities of prisoner of war chaplains in the Philippines during WWII. Odenton, MD: Revere Printing, 2003. 297 p. D 810 C36 U6 2003 **AII**
- Schoonover, Thomas David. Hitler's man in Havana: Heinz Luning and Nazi espionage in Latin America. Lexington, Ky.: University Press of Kentucky, c2008. xxiv, 218 p. D 810 S8 L867 2008 **AII**
- Snider, L. Britt. The Agency and the Hill: CIA's relationship with Congress, 1946–2004. Washington, DC: Center for the Study of Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency, 2008. xvi, 389 p. JK 468 I6 S582 2008 **AII**
- Symonds, Craig L. Decision at sea: five naval battles that shaped American history. Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2005. xvii, 378 p. E 182 S995 2005 **AI**
- Wilkinson, Charles F. Blood struggle: the rise of modern Indian nations. New York: Norton, c2005. xvi, 543 p. E 98 T77 W546 2005 **AI**



Know Your Records!

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The **Know Your Records** program offers opportunities for staff, volunteers, and researchers to learn about NARA's records through lectures and genealogy programs, symposiums, the annual genealogy fair, editions of *Researcher News*, a genealogy tutorial, and **From the Records Book Group** discussions.



We publicize our offerings in NARA's *Calendar of Events* at www.archives.gov/calendar/ and on our home page at www.archives.gov/dc-metro/know-your-records/

Lectures describe records of the National Archives, explain how and where to locate the records, and demonstrate how to use the records for research. Each one-hour lecture is delivered twice within the same week—on Tuesdays at the National Archives Building at 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC; and on Thursdays at the National Archives (Archives II), located at 8601 Adelphi Road, **College Park***, MD. Most of these sessions are videotaped and made available for interlibrary loan through NARA libraries and our regional facilities throughout the United States.

Genealogy programs include monthly workshops and lectures from our staff archivists with extensive experience in genealogy. We provide lectures on basic genealogical research and techniques and one-on-one assistance. Programs take place each month on the first Wednesday

and select Saturdays at the National Archives Building.

Symposiums are one to two full-day programs on specific genealogy research topics. Past topics have included Hispanic and African American genealogy information and guidance for seasoned professionals and novices alike.

The **2009 From the Records Book Group** will meet the third Tuesday of February, March, May, September, October (**College Park location***), and November. We meet at 11 a.m., in Room G-24, National Archives Building, Washington, DC, for a discussion or film relating to the book and then, at noon, to discuss the book. *Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue.* The books may be purchased anywhere; the Archives Shop offers a discount to those who are participating in the book group.

* **College Park location:** 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001, Lecture Room B. Visit our web site for directions at www.archives.gov/dc-metro/college-park/index.html#transp.



Save the date!


April 22 & 23, 2009

The **Fifth Annual Genealogy Fair** will take place on **April 22 & 23, 2009**. The fair offers two full days of sessions, along with guidance on a wide variety of genealogy research topics with NARA staff, volunteers, and genealogy organizations.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Know Your Records **Free**

2009 LECTURES

MAR.  Tuesday, March 3, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Tips & Strategies on the Updated Archival Research Catalog (ARC)

Jill James will show researchers how to find records in the National Archives' updated online Archival Research Catalog (ARC).

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, March 5, at 11 a.m.)

 Tuesday, March 10, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Civil War Pension Files at Footnote.com Laura Prescott from Footnote.com will discuss the Civil War pension files recently scanned and published online through the partnership between the National Archives, Family Search, and Footnote.com.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, March 12, at 11 a.m.)

 Thursday, March 19, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Exodus to Kansas: The 1880 Senate Investigation of the Beginnings of the African American Migration from the South Damani Davis examines Federal records relating to the "Kansas Exodus" (the Exoduster movement), which was the first instance of voluntary mass migration among African Americans. This mass exodus was significant enough to generate considerable attention throughout the nation and resulted in a major Senate investigation.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives Building, Washington, DC, in Room G-24, Research Center, on Tuesday, March 24, at 11 a.m.)

 Tuesday, March 31, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Privacy Act Ramona Branch Oliver will discuss provisions of the Privacy Act and how the statutes affect public access to both archival and operational records at the National Archives.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, April 2, at 11 a.m.)

UPCOMING EVENTS (Cont.)

Know Your Records **FREE**

LECTURES

APR. 🌱 Tuesday, April 7, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Declassifying Secrets: Opening Classified Records for Public Disclosure

Archivist Neil Carmichael will discuss the declassification process at the National Archives, past executive orders, present initiatives, and the future of declassification in the executive branch.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, April 9, at 11 a.m.)

MAY 🌱 Tuesday, May 5, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Native American Records at Footnote.com Laura Prescott from Footnote.com will discuss scanned and published Native American records available at Footnote.com.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Room B, on Thursday, May 7, at 11 a.m.)

🌱 Tuesday, May 12, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

"Discovering the Civil War" Exhibit Senior Curator Bruce Bustard will discuss the National Archives' upcoming "Discovering the Civil War" exhibit and share some of his favorite discoveries from the exhibit team's research.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, May 14, at 11 a.m.)

🌱 Tuesday, May 26, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

History of Filipinos in the DC Area before 1965 Archives Specialist Rita Cacas will discuss her research for a forthcoming book on Filipinos in the Washington, DC, area. Upon annexation of the Philippines to the United States in 1898, Filipinos arrived in the U.S. as foreign nationals. While a large number of Filipinos settled in the West Coast, many settled in the Washington, DC, area in the first half of the 20th century. The talk will include records and images from the National Archives documenting the Filipinos who arrived before 1965.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, May 28, at 11 a.m.)

JUN. 🌱 Tuesday, June 2, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

History of the National Archives and Records Administration From the War Department Fire in 1800 to the establishment of the National Archives in 1935, archivist Constance Potter looks at why some records did not survive and how others just made it to the National Archives. Her focus is on records of genealogical interest.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, June 4, at 11 a.m.)

UPCOMING EVENTS (Cont.)

Know Your Records **Free**

LECTURES

JUN. ● Tuesday, June 9, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Tips & Strategies on the Updated Archival Research Catalog (ARC)

Members of the ARC team will show researchers how to find records in the National Archives' updated online Archival Research Catalog (ARC).

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, June 11, at 11 a.m.)

● Tuesday, June 23, 11 a.m.

Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

WWII Lost Jewish Assets Miriam Kleiman will speak about her research at the National Archives, looking into the issue of lost Jewish assets in Swiss banks during World War II.

(This lecture will be repeated at the National Archives at College Park, MD, in Lecture Room B, on Thursday, June 25, at 11 a.m.)

Genealogy Programs Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

Free

ONGOING GENEALOGY PROGRAMS:

Introduction to Genealogy

Archives staff will present a lecture on basic genealogical research in Federal records. This lecture is given on select Saturdays and the first Wednesday of the month.

"Help! I'm Stuck"

Not sure where to begin your research? Is there a genealogical or historical problem that has stumped you? On select Saturdays, an archivist will be available from noon to 4 p.m. to answer questions. Look for the sign "Help! I'm Stuck" at the Research Center desk.

MAR. ● Wednesday, March 4, 11 a.m.; Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m.

Introduction to Genealogy Next month's lectures will take place on Wednesday, April 1, and during the Annual Genealogy Fair on April 22 & 23.

● Saturday, March 21, Noon-4 p.m.

"Help! I'm Stuck" The next opportunity will be at the Annual Genealogy Fair on April 22 & 23.

APR. ● Wednesday, April 1, 11 a.m

Introduction to Genealogy

MAY ● Wednesday, May 6, 11 a.m

Introduction to Genealogy

● Saturday, May 16, 10 a.m.

Introduction to Genealogy

● Saturday, May 16, Noon-4 p.m.

"Help! I'm Stuck"

UPCOMING EVENTS (Cont.)

Genealogy Programs Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue)

- JUN. ● Wednesday, June 3, 11 a.m.
Introduction to Genealogy

- Saturday, June 13, 11 a.m.
Introduction to Genealogy

- Saturday, June 13, Noon–4 p.m.
“Help! I’m Stuck”

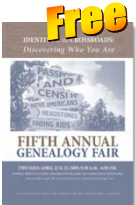
- JUL. ● Wednesday, July 1, 11 a.m.
Introduction to Genealogy The next lecture will take place on Wednesday, August 5.

SPECIAL GENEALOGY PROGRAMS:

- MAR. ● Wednesday, March 25, 10:15 a.m.–12:45 p.m.
Effective Internet Searching Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens will lead a workshop on how to use the Internet and genealogy software to increase research capabilities.
Reservations are required, and a fee of \$20 is payable by cash or check (payable to NATF) at the door.
E-mail KYR@nara.gov or call 202-357-5333.

- Thursday, March 26, 10:15 a.m.–12:45 p.m.
U.S. Sources for Beginning Irish Research Elizabeth Kelley Kerstens will teach research strategies using original sources to track the origin of Irish immigrants. Sources include passenger lists, immigration records, military records, census records, city directories, and more.
Reservations are required, and a fee of \$20 is payable by cash or check (payable to NATF) at the door.
E-mail KYR@nara.gov or call 202-357-5333.

APR. ● Wednesday, April 22, and Thursday, April 23, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.



FIFTH ANNUAL GENEALOGY FAIR

For more information, see article on page 3 or visit www.archives.gov/dc-metro/known-your-records/genealogy-fair/.

- MAY ● Saturday, May 30, 10:15 a.m.–1:45 p.m. (McGowan Theater. Enter on Constitution Avenue)
An Introduction to Genealogy: An African American Perspective
Deborah Daniels from *American Legacy Magazine*, and staff archivist Reginald Washington will present a workshop on basic genealogical research and techniques. They will discuss the use of oral history, pedigree charts, family group sheets, and other resources, including Federal, state, and local records available for African American family research.
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UPCOMING EVENTS (Cont.)

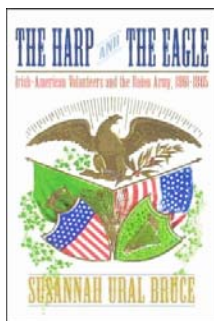
From The Records Book Group and Lectures **Free**



In order to provide an introduction to the topic of the month's book, we will be **holding a lecture or film at 11 a.m. before the book group discussion, which begins at noon.** Room G-24, Research Center (Enter on Pennsylvania Avenue). See www.archives.gov/dc-metro/know-your-records/ for entire 2009 schedule.

Please check the Archives Shop (202-357-5271) for book availability and a special discount for book group participants.

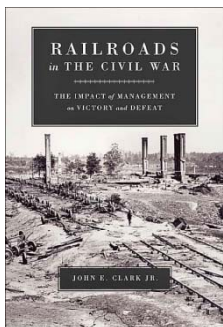
SPRING 2009 SCHEDULE



Tuesday, March 17, at 11 a.m. and Noon

The Harp and the Eagle: Irish-American Volunteers and the Union Army, 1861-65, by Susannah Bruce

Following a related presentation at 11 a.m., the *From the Records Book Group* will discuss *The Harp and the Eagle: Irish-American Volunteers and the Union Army, 1861-65,* by Susannah Bruce.



Tuesday, May 19, at 11 a.m. and Noon

Railroads In The Civil War: The Impact of Management on Victory and Defeat (Conflicting Worlds: New Dimensions of the American Civil War),

by John Elwood Clark

Following a related presentation at 11 a.m., the *From the Records Book Group* will discuss *Railroads in the Civil War: The Impact of Management on Victory and Defeat (Conflicting Worlds: New Dimensions of the American Civil War)* by John Elwood Clark. The September book selection will be *The General and the Jaguar: Pershing's Hunt for Pancho Villa: A True Story of Revolution and Revenge,* by Eileen Welsome.

**RESEARCH CENTERS CLOSE AT 5 P.M.
ON JUNE 19, 2009**

Due to the National Archives' 75th Anniversary celebration, the research rooms at the College Park, MD, and Washington, DC, locations will close at 5 p.m. on Friday, June 19, 2009. The last records retrieval (pull) time will be at 2:30 p.m. For further information, visit www.archives.gov/dc-metro/.



**CONTACT US
at KYR@NARA.GOV**

Are you looking for a way to present research work done at the National Archives? The *Know Your Records* program staff would like to hear from you. Through this program, lecturers present programs designed to educate researchers, staff, and volunteers about the various holdings found within the National Archives. You can submit your ideas for a presentation to KYR@nara.gov or 202-357-5333.

**Researcher Kit
Available**

A researcher kit, created exclusively for researchers at the National Archives, is available for purchase at the Cashier's office in the Washington, DC, area buildings or online at the Archives eStore at <http://lestore.archives.gov>.

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