

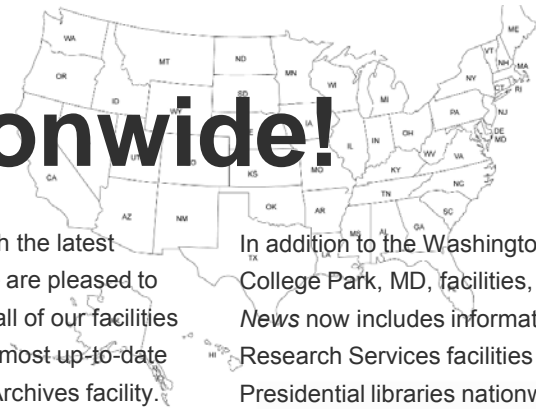
Researcher *News*

Spring 2013

Researcher News Goes Nationwide!

Since 2000 (13 years!) we have provided researchers with the latest information from our Washington, DC, area locations. We are pleased to announce the expansion of *Researcher News* to include all of our facilities nationwide. Our goal is to include news that provides the most up-to-date information needed to conduct research at any National Archives facility.

In addition to the Washington, DC, and College Park, MD, facilities, *Researcher News* now includes information on our Research Services facilities and the Presidential libraries nationwide.



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COMMUNICATION TOOLS FOR RESEARCHERS



As an agency, we are working towards better communication, collaboration, encouraging staff and stakeholder input, and forging external strategic alliances.

As a researcher, you also have ways to respond and to help build our relationship.

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- **Washington, DC, Area – Researcher Forum Web Page**
Provides upcoming Researcher Forum meeting schedules and notes from previous meetings. www.archives.gov/dc-metro/researcher-forum/
- **Research at the US National Archives on Facebook**
The official Facebook page for research at the National Archives. www.facebook.com/researchatusnationalarchives
- **NARAtions Blog**
A place to talk with you about topics relating to the National Archives. For research-related blog posts, see the "DC-Area Researchers" channel listed on the left sidebar. <http://blogs.archives.gov/online-public-access/>

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This newsletter is designed to provide you with the most up-to-date information needed to conduct research at the National Archives. For more information, please visit www.archives.gov.

myArchives Store Opens in Washington, DC

By Kathleen Lietzau



The Foundation for the National Archives (FNA) is pleased to announce the opening of the myArchives Store in the National Archives Building in Washington, DC, as part of the ongoing renovations of the visitor experience. All proceeds from sales continue to support the National Archives Experience, research services, and educational programming at the National Archives.

The new store offers an array of exciting publications and products showcasing the holdings of the National Archives, including new merchandise highlighting the recent 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation as well as items promoting the upcoming National Archives Experience exhibition "Searching for the Seventies: The DOCUMERICA Photography Project." The expanded store also complements its existing merchandise selection with handcrafted works from American

artisans, and will continue its efforts to stock American-made products.

The myArchives Store has a new focus on research, with four interactive displays throughout the space, serving as introductions to the research options available at the National Archives, including one designed for children of all ages. The interactive stations allow visitors to explore various types of records found in the holdings, and then

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encourages them to return to discover their own treasured records through research, either online or in person.

One section of the larger store features products for researchers and genealogists, including the popular *Genealogy Tool Kit* written by archives specialist John P. Deeben. A new Junior Archivist tool kit will provide children with the tools to start collecting information about their own family history. In addition, the myArchives Shop continues to provide materials for researchers, such as Hollinger boxes, acetate sleeves, white gloves, and various research guides to the records of the National Archives.

The interactive touch-screen in the researcher section of the store invites visitors to design their own family records, using elements from many of the beautifully illustrated family records and fraktur found in the Archives' military pension files. They can then either email their designs home or share them on Facebook.



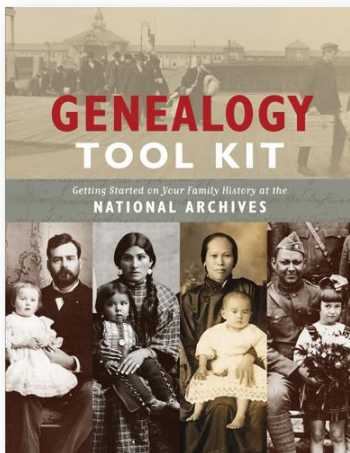
We're very excited to open our new space, and invite researchers to explore our new merchandise. We're proud to develop exclusive products featuring the records of the National Archives and to invite visitors to return as researchers. Every purchase in our store helps to support the Archives and its initiatives.

– Kelly Gotthardt
Director of Retail Operations at the Foundation



Photos by Al Mercogliano

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Genealogy Tool Kit Enjoys Great Success

By John Deeben

The *Genealogy Tool Kit: Getting Started on Your Family History at the National Archives*, published in March 2012 by the Foundation for the National Archives, has quickly become one of the National Archives and Records Administration's (NARA) best-selling publications.

Offering a comprehensive, step-by-step guide on how to use basic records from NARA to do family research, the *Genealogy Tool Kit* sold almost 400 copies in the first month, aided by excellent marketing and promotion during NARA's Eighth Annual Genealogy Fair. Sales have remained consistent ever since, generating more than \$11,200 for the Foundation, which will be

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used to further support NARA programs. The *Tool Kit* has also enjoyed critical success, receiving praise and positive reviews from such organizations as the Maryland Genealogical Society (MGS). According to the *MGS Journal*, the *Genealogy Tool Kit* "is a very helpful guide to genealogical research in the records of the National Archives. Researchers at all levels of experience will find information to help them identify and access records."

With less than 500 copies left, plans are already underway to reprint the *Genealogy Tool Kit* in time for NARA's Ninth Annual Genealogy Fair on April 17–18, 2013 (for more information, see page 17). At the same time, the Foundation will also release a follow-up publication entitled *Genealogy Tool Kit II: Exploring Racial, Ethnic, Civilian, and Military Groups at the National Archives*. Utilizing the same step-by-step format as the original *Tool Kit*, this companion volume will outline strategies to research groups of people who held specific relationships with the Federal Government. The new

Tool Kit will include worksheets about records relating to African Americans (Freedmen's Bureau), Native Americans (Bureau of Indian Affairs), Asian Americans (War Relocation Authority), and Hispanics. Also included will be worksheets for civilian groups such as Federal Government employees, Presidential appointees, merchant seamen, and claimants. Additional military worksheets will cover the U.S. Coast Guard (along with its predecessor maritime agencies, including the Revenue Cutter Service, the Life-Saving Service, and the Lighthouse Service), civilians during wartime, prisoners of war, and military casualties.

Both *Genealogy Tool Kits* will be available through the Archives Shop at Constitution Avenue between 7th and 9th Streets NW, Washington, DC; by phone at 202-357-5271 or by email at nationalarchivesstore@nara.gov.

Real Property Research at the

NATIONAL ARCHIVES AT SEATTLE

By Ken House

When visiting the National Archives at Seattle, you will find diverse records of general historical and genealogical interest. The Seattle facility also serves as a Records Center, storing records from Federal agencies and courts in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, that are available for agency retrieval as needed. Our Records Management staff provides assistance to Federal Government agencies.

Services for the public include an Archival Research Room, Microfilm Research Room, and Public Access Computers.



RESEARCH

National Archives at Seattle staff recently became researchers in their own records to uncover the history of their workplace. They used their discoveries to create a small public exhibit for the display cases in the building lobby.

The staff found the first written record of the building site in the General Land Office survey field notebooks and maps stored in their stacks. The records were created during the first government survey of the Seattle area in 1855. They record the day the surveyors passed close by

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Citizen Archivist Projects Outside of the Capital Beltway:

RESEARCH SERVICES, MID-WEST

By Meg Hacker, Lori Cox-Paul and Kenneth Heger

FORT WORTH

In June 2012, the Fort Worth staff of Research Services and Education staff partnered to create a citizen archivist program; they hoped to begin a project to add more digital images of our holdings into the Archival Research Catalogue (ARC) in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the beginning of the War of 1812. The staff selected records from the port of New Orleans, in which researchers had expressed interest, ensuring that the records series were small enough that the citizen archivists could digitize the entire series. Those records included bonds for Mediterranean passports from the Collector of Customs, reports of service by seamen, and transcriptions of returns for the marine hospital.

The staff publicized the call for volunteers through local historical and genealogical societies, schools, colleges, and universities, ultimately selecting a genealogist, a teacher, and a graduate student for this project. NARA staff provided training to the citizen archivists, including an overview of the National Archives and the Fort Worth facility; a briefing on the War of 1812; and how the records to be digitized documented the war. They taught the participants how to handle original records, such as how to flatten trifolded records, and how to use the equipment to scan the records.

The citizen archivists indexed and scanned 362 bonds (ARC ID 2790765), and they

flattened and performed other valuable holdings maintenance on several small records series. All of the participants reported they enjoyed the process and learned a lot about archives and records. The teacher excitedly exclaimed that she'd found a letter from Martin Van Buren; she expressed her delight to have new records she could use in her class. The staff gave each participant a CD of the scanned records as a token of their appreciation. The scanned images are currently with the ARC staff and will be added to our on-line catalogue in the coming weeks. (Continued on page 6)

Real Property Research at the National Archives at Seattle

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the current National Archives location and include the first written description of the land. Census and Bureau of Land Management records show that the area was claimed as a homestead by an Italian immigrant family in 1870. Additional census research revealed that the location was a Japanese American truck farm operated by the Uyeji family from the late 1910s until they were interned in 1942. An online National Archives database indicates the Uyejis were sent to the Tule Lake "Relocation Center." Within two years, the farm land was condemned by the U.S. Navy to build a large aviation parts warehouse. The warehouse served the nearby Naval Air Station, Seattle. The condemnation is documented in a Federal civil court file and Navy working files. The files contain detailed maps and photographs of the buildings on the site. Remarkably, one file still contains the front door key to the Uyeji farm house. The subsequent

owner mailed the key to Navy officials, and they dutifully filed it. When the Navy decided to dispose of the warehouse in the late 1950s, a new set of surplus Federal property files, maps, and photographs were created and eventually stored in the Archives. The building transferred to the General Services Administration and became a National Archives facility in 1963.

If you are researching a site once owned by the Federal Government, consider contacting the National Archives for historical information about the location.



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 Email: seattle.archives@nara.gov
 Learn more at www.archives.gov/seattle/



Civil War Read-In and the National Archives at Seattle

The National Archives at Seattle is excited to collaborate in the Washington State Historical Society's **Civil War Read-In**. In preparation for the launch of their major exhibition, "Civil War Pathways," the Society is enlisting the help of researchers across the state to learn more about Washington Territory during the antebellum, wartime, and early Reconstruction periods.

Most Americans—including Washington residents—think of the Civil War as a war of battles. Since there were no battlefields in Washington, they reason there were no Civil War experiences in this area. However, the primary sources for Washington Territory, from the Dred Scott decision in 1857 to the fifth year of Reconstruction in 1871, show deep differences of opinion about the issues that led to war. Along with their garden seeds and butter churns, settlers brought ideas of the Civil War from

where they originated. Settlers' ideas and convictions are captured in territorial words and deeds, and can be rediscovered in the records.

To help in this endeavor, the National Archives at Seattle is hosting two separate, day-long training sessions on how to read archival documents. In February 2013, Public Historian Dr. Lorraine McConaghy of the Seattle Museum of History and Industry will lead researcher workshops. Participants' work will result in an online searchable database of Civil War-era citations. The Washington State Historical Society will host the database.

Researchers will receive assignments to read archival material from 1857 to 1871, including correspondence, and to look for Civil War-era citations. After completing

assignments, their Civil War discoveries will be cataloged. Although we hold very few records focused solely on Civil War activities, it will be interesting to see how many incidental mentions are made of race and slavery, treason and secession, military preparedness, international relations, and wartime suppression of civil liberties—just a few areas of contention about the issues that led to war. In addition to the original documents held in Seattle, readers will also look at microfilm records created by agencies in the Washington territory (originals are now held in Washington, DC). We are excited to participate in this unique example of crowd sourcing and eagerly look forward to seeing what hidden gems will be uncovered in our holdings.

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Citizen Archivist Projects Outside of the Capital Beltway

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KANSAS CITY

Following on the success of their Wikipedian Event in the summer of 2012, Research Services in Kansas City (RM-KC) embarked on a citizen archivist event in December 2012. RM-KC reached out to the local community via Facebook and email blasts, seeking researchers to participate in a half-day event.

Among the eight participants were genealogists, historians, and members of the community interested in learning more about what we do. The event included a personalized tour of an exhibit, highlighting how the staff uses records to support all aspects of public programs. Participants

attended an orientation of research room policies and a brief overview of project opportunities. They also toured the "Between the Rivers: Steamboating in Missouri and Iowa" exhibit. Projects focused on digitization and data entry for documents and images from the Records of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Records of U.S. Attorneys, Records of the Bureau of Navigation, and Records of U.S. District Courts.

Participants used technology in many different ways—some brought laptops and scanners, while others were able to use RM-KC's camera stand and computers. Staff worked with participants in the research room to

facilitate projects, answer questions, and provide guidance and feedback. Collectively the participants digitized 1,141 pages of records and created 557 index entries to accompany the scanned records. Of note, participants discovered a Robin Williams look-a-like circa World War I; were able to identify trends in Native American families at the Standing Rock Agency; and gained insight into the day-to-day operations of Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary. Finding Aids produced will be available in the research room, and digital images will soon be available in ARC.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES 2013 REGIONAL RESIDENCY FELLOWSHIP Request for Proposals

The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), with the generous support of the Foundation for the National Archives, announces the 2013 Regional Residency Fellowship Program's Request for Proposals. The Residency Fellowship Program gives researchers the opportunity to conduct original research using records held at National Archives locations in Boston, MA; Denver, CO; Fort Worth, TX; Riverside, CA; San Francisco, CA; and St. Louis, MO. It offers an opportunity for researchers to explore often-overlooked records held by NARA and to experience what many researchers have discovered—that it is not necessary to go to Washington, DC, to do research at the National Archives.

In 2013, each of the participating National Archives facilities will be assigned one fellow, for a total of six fellowships. Each fellow will receive a \$3,000 stipend, funded by the Foundation for the National Archives, to assist with travel and research expenses.

The Fellowship recipients are expected to complete a research project that results in a publishable work product. In addition, within one year of receiving the Fellowship, each recipient will prepare a short report for publication by NARA that describes the research experience—including discovery, method, and use of the records at that facility.

The use of social media tools to spread information about the experience is encouraged. Fellows will conduct a staff briefing at the end of their research visit to share information regarding what was found during the research process.

Academic and independent historians, public and local historians, and writers are encouraged to apply. Current NARA employees and contractors and their immediate family members are not eligible.

Submit proposals by email or mail by March 15, 2013. Awards will be announced on May 1, 2013.

WHAT TO SEND

- A description and justification for the project, not to exceed six pages. This proposal should include
 - a description of the records to be used for research (there should be enough records in the targeted location to warrant a research visit of at least one week)
 - a listing of the records that will be used at the location
 - the proposed final product, and
 - the significance of the project to historical scholarship.
- Please also include the following with your proposal:
 - Vita (no more than three pages) including current contact information, and
 - Two letters of recommendation.

Send proposals by postal mail or email directly to the NARA facility the researcher intends to use for the fellowship

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2013 FELLOWSHIP LOCATIONS

Boston, MA

National Archives at Boston
2013 Fellowship Program
380 Trapelo Road
Waltham, MA 02452-6399
Tel: 781-663-0121
Fax: 781-663-0154
Email: boston.archives@nara.gov

Denver, CO

National Archives at Denver
2013 Fellowship Program
17101 Huron Street
Broomfield, CO 80023
Tel: 303-604-4740
Fax: 303-604-4750
Email: denver.archives@nara.gov

Fort Worth, TX

National Archives at Fort Worth
2013 Fellowship Program
1400 John Burgess Drive
Fort Worth, TX 76140
Tel: 817-551-2051
Fax: 817-551-2034
Email: ftworth.archives@nara.gov

Riverside, CA

National Archives at Riverside
2013 Fellowship Program
23123 Cajalco Road
Perris, CA 92570-7298
Tel: 951-956-2040
Fax: 951-956-2049
Email: riverside.archives@nara.gov

San Francisco, CA

National Archives at San Francisco
2013 Fellowship Program
Lee J. Ryan Federal Building
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Fax: 650-238-3510
Email: sanbruno.archives@nara.gov

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2013 Fellowship Program
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Room 340, Ashley Mattingly
St. Louis, MO 63138-1002
Tel: 314-801-0620
Fax: 314-801-9187
Email: ashley.mattingly@nara.gov

Interns at the National Archives at Atlanta

By Shane Bell

Since spring 2012, the National Archives at Atlanta has recruited undergraduate and graduate students for its volunteer internship program. The purpose of these internships is to engage students in semester-long projects to develop finding aids and how-to guides for records located in our facility. The results have been great, and we are excited about this program.

Five interns have completed projects so far. Projects focused on the Atomic Energy Commission, the Freedmen's Bureau, U.S. Customs, Federally published periodicals, and genealogy.

INTERN PROJECTS

- Freedmen's Bureau project produced a step-by-step guide on locating individuals in our Freedmen's Bureau records.
- Comprehensive genealogical how-to guide for the public using our research room. Organized by state, this guide provides researchers with the most up-to-date information on databases and original records useful for genealogy.
- Guide to all of the Federally published periodicals in our holdings organized by the creating agency.
- Atomic Energy Commission records with highlighted photographs from the early months of the Manhattan Project and some interesting handwritten notes and drawings from the 1940s. These records draw a more complete picture of life in the "secret city" of Oak Ridge, TN, during World War II.
- Records documenting the exploits of privateers during the War of 1812. We now have a database of more than 200 entries containing names of privateers, their ships, and sometimes even the goods they captured.



NARA Atlanta Research Room



We base these projects on frequently researched topics, reference requests, and conversations with researchers. Projects for 2013 will examine records from the Office of the Chief of Ordnance, Tennessee Valley Authority, and Naval Districts & Shore Establishments. We encourage researchers to provide us with suggestions for future projects. Our researchers continue to be very helpful in highlighting what types of guides and finding aids they would like us to provide. We want to continue this productive dialogue. Researchers are welcome to contact archivist Shane Bell with suggestions for future projects at shane.bell@nara.gov.



MORE INFORMATION

- Completed finding aids are available in our Research Room and on our website.
- Please visit this link and let us know what you think: www.archives.gov/atlanta/finding-aids/index.html
- Undergraduate and graduate students interested in applying for a volunteer internship position can visit this link for all the necessary information: www.archives.gov/atlanta/internships.html

The National Archives at Atlanta would like to welcome researchers, young and old, beginner to advanced, to explore what our records can reveal about our nation's past. You never know what you might find!

ARC & AAD: Electronic Records Files Online

By Lynn Goodsell

The National Archives continues to add electronic records files for online downloading via the Archival Research Catalog (ARC). As of December 31, 2012, there were 25 electronic records series available. The online information includes technical documentation and metadata for using the files and interpreting the records.

SOME RECENTLY ADDED SERIES INCLUDE

Record Series	ARC Series Identifier
• Records About Air Sorties Flown in Southeast Asia [SEADAB], 1/1970–6/1975*	602566
• Records About the Ground Combat Operations by the Army During the Vietnam War [SITRA], 5/20/1966–3/12/1973*	604416
• Registered Offering Statistics (ROS) File, 1/1970–12/1988	597828
• Records About the Proposed Sale of Unregistered Securities by Individuals [PSS], 1/4/1972–9/29/2000*	567822
• File of Census Tabulations by Income, Age, and Race for Poor and Non-Poor by County [1960 Census Putnam File]	632635

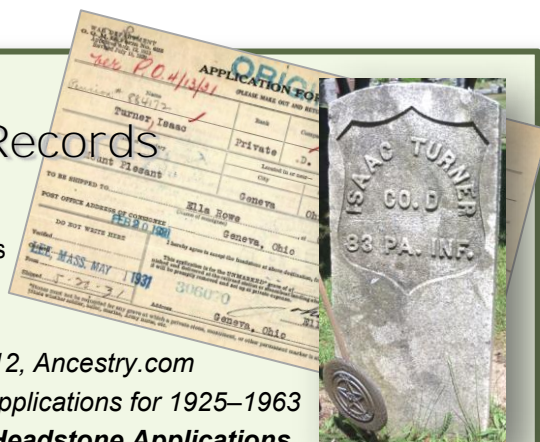
Headstone Records ONLINE

By Claire Prechtel-Klusens

In early November 2012, Ancestry.com uploaded headstone applications for 1925–1963 in a database called "Headstone Applications for Military Veterans, 1925–1963."

The database is based on digitization of original records, as well as those in National Archives Microfilm Publications M1916, *Applications for Headstones for U.S. Military Veterans, 1925–1941* (134 rolls), and M2113, *Applications for Headstones for U.S. Military Veterans, 1941–1949* (278 rolls). Ancestry.com indicates there are about 1.9 million records in this database; however, some veterans' applications are in the database twice—once in black and white from digitizing a record from a microfilm publication, and once in color due to digitizing the original record.

The "Research Guide for Headstone Records for U.S. Military Veterans Buried in Nonfederal Cemeteries, 1879–1985" is available on the National Archives website at www.archives.gov/research/military/veterans-headstones-nonfederal-cemeteries.pdf.



*You can also search for individual records in these series via the Access to Archival Databases (AAD) at www.archives.gov/aad.



MORE INFORMATION

- A list of all the series available are found at www.archives.gov/research/electronic-records/access-in-catalog.html.
- Answers to basic questions about accessing and downloading electronic records via ARC are available at www.archives.gov/research/electronic-records/access-in-catalog-faqs.html#access.
- Archival Research Catalog (ARC) at www.archives.gov/research/arc/index.html.
- Access to Archival Databases (AAD) at www.archives.gov/aad/.

Please contact the electronic records staff with questions about accessing and downloading electronic records files online at cer@nara.gov.

National Archives at Anchorage

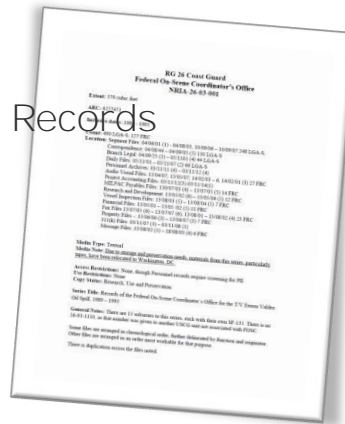
Exxon Valdez Oil Spill

Federal On-Scene Coordinator's Records at the National Archives (NARA)

By Robin Dexter

On March 24, 1989, the *Exxon Valdez* ran aground on Bligh Reef, spilling 10.8 million gallons of oil into Alaska's Prince William Sound. This was, at the time, the largest spill in U.S. waters. Because the spill happened in the shipping lanes, the U.S. Coast Guard's Federal On-Scene Coordinator (FOSC) office acted as the liaison among the numerous local, state, Federal, and private factions involved in the cleanup. As such, the series is a rich collection of primary source documentation of the spill.

When the FOSC office closed in 1993, the entire series came to the National Archives at Anchorage. The series includes 14 subseries, all with a distinct function in the FOSC office.



U.S. Coast Guard's Federal On-Scene Coordinator (FOSC) office series include

- Fax Files
- Property Files
- 311(k) Files
- Correspondence Files
- Segment Files
- Daily Files
- Message Files
- Personnel Files
- Audio Visual Files
- Project Accounting Files
- MILPAC Payables Files
- USCG R&D Center Files
- Vessel Inspection Files
- GMER/NPFC Financial Records Files



Because of the overarching role of the FOSC, the series creates a vital research collection for study. The series and finding aid are now available to the public online at www.archives.gov/anchorage/finding-aids/rq-26-coordinators-office.pdf. Most of this PDF document is text-searchable, enabling researchers to use their time efficiently.

For more information, contact the National Archives at Anchorage at 907-261-7802, or by email at Alaska.archives@nara.gov. The web address is www.archives.gov/anchorage/.



New Microfilm Publications

by Claire Prechtel-Klusens and Rebecca Crawford

The National Archives continues to produce microfilm publications from existing accessioned or reference microfilm. Staff recently completed the following National Archives microfilm publications.

- A3388, *Name Index to Bureau of Naturalization Correspondence Files, 1906–1946* (19 rolls, 16mm). RG 85. ARC Identifier 1593296. A research guide to using this index and related records is online at www.archives.gov/research/naturalization/naturalization-files.pdf
- A3687, *Crew Lists of Vessels Arriving at, 1907–1918, and Shipmaster Statements Regarding Changes in Crew of Vessels Departing from, 1919–1939, Pensacola, Florida* (5 rolls, 35mm). RG 85. ARC Identifier 2900588.
- M1783, *Civilian Conservation Corps Newspaper Happy Days, 1933–1940* (5 rolls, 35mm). RG 35. ARC Identifier 1077435. Also available on Ancestry.com.

- For a listing of microfilm publications from 2000 to 2011, visit www.archives.gov/research/microfilm/.
- To determine which NARA facilities have these publications, check the Microfilm Catalog at <https://eservices.archives.gov/orderonline>. Each publication description indicates all NARA units that have copies of a microfilm publication in part or in full.
- **Microfilm publications that are available for sale are listed on our web site.** See How to Order Microfilm for ordering procedure at www.archives.gov/research/order/microfilm-pubs.html.

PRICES

FOR MICROFILM: Microfilm copies of rolls of microfilm publications may be purchased at \$125 per roll (including shipping) for U.S. orders (\$135 for international orders).

EXCEPTION: The color microfilm publication [M1930](#), *Enumeration District Maps for the Fifteenth Census of the United States (1930)* (including shipping) is \$135 for U.S. orders (\$145 for international orders).



New Publications by Staff

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:

John Deeben

- "Thomas and Sarah Maynard of Pike County, Kentucky: Documenting Family in the Records of Congress," *Bluegrass Roots: Publication of the Kentucky Genealogical Society* 39:1 (Spring 2012): 9–11.
- "Marylanders in the War of 1812: Military Service in the State Militia and Regular Army," *Maryland Genealogical Society Journal* 53:1 (April 2012): 39–54.
- "The War of 1812: Stoking the Fires—The Impressment of Seaman Charles Davis by the U.S. Navy," *Prologue: Quarterly of the National Archives* 44:2 (Summer 2012): 30–35.
- "Houston during Early Texas Statehood: The 1850 Nonpopulation Schedules for Harris County," *The Genealogical Record: Journal of the Houston Genealogical Forum* 54:3/4 (Fall 2012): 6–10.
- "Family Experiences and New Deal Relief: The Correspondence Files of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, 1933–1936," *Prologue: Quarterly of the National Archives* 44:2 (Fall 2012): 54–61.

Ashley Mattingly

- "Question 22: 1940 Census Provides a Glimpse of the Demographics of the New Deal," *Prologue: Quarterly of the National Archives* 44:2 (Summer 2012): 54–60.

Claire Prechtel-Klusens

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Preservation EXPOsed!

By Allison Olson

Join us for **Preservation EXPOsed!
on March 14 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
in the McGowan Theater and
Lobby at the National Archives
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Attendees may enter at the Special Events Entrance of Archives I on Constitution Avenue at 7th Street, NW.



- Learn about preservation and caring for your personal treasures at the preservation fair.
- Hear preservation lectures.
- Bring in a document, book, photo, artifact, motion picture, film, or audio materials for a consultation with a conservator on how to preserve it.
- The event is free and open to the public.

Appointments are required for individual consultations; contact Preservation@NARA.gov or Preservation Programs Officer Allison Olson at 301-837-0678 to schedule one. For more information, visit www.archives.gov/preservation/.



Photos by Richard Schneider

Bryce Lowe demonstrates film preservation techniques



Annie Wilker shows Ed McCarter what the paper conservator sees



Conservator Yoonjoo Strumfels advises Ken Hawkins on the care of his 1850 engraving

Civil War Read-In and the National Archives at Seattle

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To kick off this collaboration, the National Archives at Seattle is teaming up with Humanities Washington to sponsor "[Territorial Voices: A Civil War Reader's Theater](#)." Historian Lorraine McConaghy has developed an interactive, living theater piece in which the audience reads the words of ordinary settlers, territorial military, and administrative leadership. To

set the historical context, a brief lecture precedes the reading, followed by a conversation about the ideas and themes raised by our communal theater.

National Archives at Seattle
www.archives.gov/seattle

Washington State Historical Society
www.washingtonhistory.org



2013 GENEALOGY PROGRAMS WASHINGTON, DC

Attend regularly scheduled genealogy programs presented by National Archives staff at the National Archives Building, 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (enter on Pennsylvania Avenue), Washington, DC.



Know Your Record programs are free and open to all. Learn more at www.archives.gov/dc-metro/know-your-records.

INTRODUCTION TO GENEALOGY AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Room G-25, Research Center

Learn how to do basic genealogical research using Federal records at the National Archives. Lectures take place on the first Wednesday of the month. *No registration required.*

WEDNESDAY at 11 A.M.

- January 2
- February 6
- March 6
- April 3
- May 1
- June 5

WEDNESDAY at 11 A.M.

- July 3
- August 7
- September 4
- October 2
- November 6
- December 4

“HELP! I’M STUCK”

Room G-25, Research Center

Answers to your genealogy research questions are available in 20-minute appointments with an archivist. Sign up at the Research Commons desk on Saturday. *Registration required.*

SATURDAY, NOON–4 P.M.

- January 19
- February 16
- March 16
- April—no event
- May 18
- June 15

SATURDAY, NOON–4 P.M.

- July—no event
- August—no event
- September 21
- October 19
- November 16
- December—no event

GENEALOGY RESEARCH USING NATIONAL ARCHIVES ONLINE RESOURCES

Library

Discover how to navigate *archives.gov* for genealogy research with this hands-on computer workshop. Register at the Library or email nancy.wing@nara.gov. *Registration required.*

WEDNESDAY at 9:30 A.M.

- January 9 & 23
- February 13 & 27
- March 13 & 27
- April 10 & 24
- May 8 & 22
- June 12 & 26

WEDNESDAY at 9:30 A.M.

- July 10 & 24
- August—no event
- September 11 & 25
- October 9 & 23
- November 13
- December 11

BEYOND THE BASICS

Room G-25, Research Center

Increase your archival research skills at the National Archives (all skill levels welcome). Lecture topics differ on Wednesdays and Saturdays. *No registration required.*

WEDNESDAY at 11 A.M.

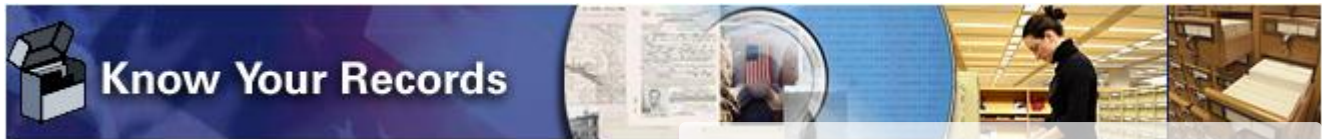
- January 16
- February 20
- March 20
- April—no event
- May 15
- June 19
- July 17
- August 21
- September 18
- October 16
- November 20
- December—no event

SATURDAY at 10 A.M.

- January 19
- February 16
- March 16
- April—no event
- May 18
- June 15
- July—no event
- August—no event
- September 21
- October 19
- November 16
- December—no event

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PROGRAM
LOCATIONS:

National Archives Building
(Archives I)
700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW,
Washington, DC 20408

National Archives at College Park (Archives II)
8601 Adelphi Road,
College Park, MD 20740

FEBRUARY–MAY 2013 SCHEDULE

Archives I	Archives II	Event Title
Sat., Feb. 16 10–11 a.m.		Beyond the Basics: Finding Aids
Sat., Feb. 16 Noon–4 p.m.		"Help! I'm Stuck" Genealogy Clinic
Wed., Feb. 20 11 a.m.–noon		Beyond the Basics Genealogy: Civil War Medical Records
Wed., Feb. 27 9:30–11 a.m.		Genealogy Research Using the National Archives Online
Tues., Mar. 5 11 a.m.–noon	Thurs., Mar. 7 11 a.m.–noon	Access to Archival Databases (AAD) for Genealogists
Wed., Mar. 6 11 a.m.–noon		Introduction to Genealogy at the National Archives
Tues., Mar. 12 11 a.m.–noon	Thurs., Mar. 14 11 a.m.–noon	Searching for the Seventies: The Documerica Photography Project
Wed., Mar. 13 9:30–11 a.m.		Genealogy Research Using the National Archives Online
Sat., Mar. 16 10–11 a.m.		Beyond the Basics Genealogy: Revolutionary War Records
Tues., Mar. 19 Noon–4 p.m.	Thurs., Mar. 21 11 a.m.–noon	Declassification of NATO Records

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Wed., Apr. 3 11 a.m.–noon		Introduction to Genealogy at the National Archives
Wed., Apr. 10 9:30–11 a.m.		Genealogy Research Using the National Archives Online
Wed., Apr. 24 9:30–11 a.m.		Genealogy Research Using the National Archives Online
Wed., May 1 11 a.m.–noon		Introduction to Genealogy at the National Archives
Wed., May 15 11 a.m.–noon		Beyond the Basics Genealogy: Civil War Courts-Martial
Sat., May 18 10–11 a.m.		Beyond the Basics Genealogy: Nonpopulation Census Records
Sat., May 18 Noon–4 p.m.		"Help! I'm Stuck" Genealogy Clinic



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Ninth Annual Genealogy Fair



The Genealogy Fair is held in a series of tents on the Pennsylvania Ave. Plaza

WHAT: National Archives Ninth Annual Genealogy Fair

- This two-day program showcases the Federal records located at the National Archives as resources for family history research.
- The fair provides information and guidance for experienced genealogy professionals and novices alike. The fair is free and open to the public.



Save the date!

WHEN: Wednesday and Thursday, April 17 & 18, 2013

HOW: Presented in partnership with the [Foundation for the National Archives](#).

WHERE: [National Archives Building](#), 700 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC

The closest Metro stop is the Archives/Navy Memorial stop on the Yellow and Green lines. The National Archives is fully accessible.

To request an accommodation (e.g., sign language interpreter) please email KYR@nara.gov or call 202-357-5333 at least two weeks prior to our events.

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 about the National Archives' holdings start on our home page www.archives.gov.

For more information about the fair, visit

www.archives.gov/dc-metro/known-your-records/genealogy-fair.



LEFT PHOTO: President of the Foundation for the National Archives A'Lelia Bundles (left) and Deputy Archivist Deb Wall welcomed visitors to the fair.

MIDDLE PHOTO: Record numbers attend this year's Genealogy Fair. Visitors could attend lectures and search for relatives in the 1940 census.

FAR LEFT PHOTO: Tables at the fair provided information about NARA nationwide, including the military records in St. Louis, MO.

Press Releases



National Archives press releases announce many news items. This is a select list regarding plans, online tools, records, and films that could assist your research.

Visit www.archives.gov/press for the entire listing of press releases.

JANUARY 2013

- National Archives eStore Inauguration Sale [1/28/13](#)
- National Archives Revisits the 1970s and DOCUMERICA Photography Project in March [1/28/13](#)
- National Archives Announces Six Regional Archives Fellowships for 2013 [1/24/13](#)
- National Archives Hosts Program on America's Political System February 28 [1/24/13](#)
- National Declassification Center Issues Sixth Report [1/23/13](#)
- National Archives Holds Records-related Programs in February [1/22/13](#)
- Oscar® Week Screenings of 85th Academy Awards® Nominees at the National Archives [1/22/13](#)
- Free Pre-Screenings of 85th Academy Award® Nominees at the National Archives [1/11/13](#)
- George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum Launches Social Media Efforts [1/3/13](#)
- NARA Kicks Off Year-long Celebration of 2013 Presidential Centennials [1/3/13](#)

DECEMBER 2012

- National Archives to Display Original Emancipation Proclamation for 150th Anniversary [12/21/12](#)
- National Archives Honored for Innovation and Best Practices in Government [12/20/12](#)
- National Archives and Government Printing Office Honored for Digital Authentication Initiatives [12/18/12](#)
- Public Interest Declassification Board Issues Report to the President [12/17/12](#)
- National Archives Office of the Federal Register Demystifies the Electoral College [12/13/12](#)
- Archivist of the United States Responds to EVS Report [12/12/12](#)
- National Archives Awards \$2.6 Million in Grants for Historical Records Projects [12/3/12](#)

NOVEMBER 2012

- Archivist of the United States Names Pamela Wright Chief Innovation Officer [11/30/12](#)
- National Archives to Release Nixon Watergate-related Records Online November 30 [11/30/12](#)
- Archivist of the United States Appoints William J. Bosanko Chief Operating Officer [11/29/12](#)
- Archivist of the United States' Statement on Jason Savedoff Sentencing [11/9/12](#)
- Jason Savedoff Sentenced to 12 Months for Thefts from National Archives, Other Institutions [11/9/12](#)
- New Federal Register Interactive Electoral College Maps Allow Users to Predict 2012 Election [11/01/12](#)

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Research Rooms Holiday Closings:

- February 18, Washington's Birthday: closed all day
- May 27, Memorial Day: closed all day

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- Check the operating status on the OPM website (www.opm.gov/Operating_Status_Schedules/).

**NINTH ANNUAL
GENEALOGY FAIR** (See page 17)



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