

# 2018 Virtual Genealogy Fair Schedule



| # | TIME (ET)  | SESSION   | PRESENTER(S)  |
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|   | 10 a.m.    | Welcoming Remarks   | <b>David S. Ferriero</b> Archivist of the United States of America  |
| 1 | 10:05 a.m. | Calling all Citizen Archivists! Getting the<br>Most Out of the National Archives Catalog              | <b>Suzanne Isaacs</b> and <b>Meredith Doviak</b><br>Community Managers for the National Archives Catalog<br>National Archives at College Park, MD |
| 2 | 11 a.m.    | Federal Records that Help Identify Former<br>Slaves and Slave Owners                                  | <b>Claire Kluskens</b><br>Reference and Digital Projects Archivist<br>National Archives in Washington, DC   |
| 3 | 12 p.m.    | All's Fair in Love and War:<br>The Civil War Widows' Pension Files                                    | <b>Alexandra Villaseran</b><br>Processing Archives Technician<br>National Archives in Washington, DC  |
| 4 | 1 p.m.     | How to Search for Photographs that Document<br>Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) Camps and Activities | <b>Kaitlyn Crain Enriquez</b> , Archives Specialist and <b>Kelsey Noel</b> , Processing Archivist<br>National Archives at College Park, MD        |
| 5 | 2 p.m.     | Tennessee Valley Authority Records:<br>To St. Louis and Beyond!                                       | <b>Cara Moore Lebonick</b><br>Archives Technician<br>National Archives at St. Louis   |
| 6 | 3 p.m.     | America's Military Made the Call:<br>Hello Nurses!  | <b>Anna Csar</b><br>Expert Archives Technician<br>National Archives at St. Louis  |
|   | 4 p.m.     | Closing Remarks   | Ann Cummings<br>Executive for Research Services   |

NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION



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# Calling All Citizen Archivists!

Getting the most out of the National Archives Catalog



Skill Level: All

Meredith Doviak and Suzanne Isaacs Community Managers National Archives Catalog

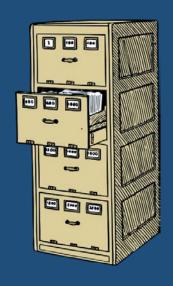
# Hi! We're the Community Managers

- ➤ We're first in line to help customers engage with the Catalog.
- ➤ We work to create an environment that encourages communication and participation with the records in our catalog.
- ➤ We get records and information out to users.



**Meredith Doviak and Suzanne Isaacs** 

## National Archives Record Hierarchy



#### **Record Group**

- Comprises the records of a major government entity
   Series
  - Records with the same function or created by the same activity
     File Unit
    - An organized unit of documents grouped together either for current use or in the process of archival arrangement.
       Item
      - The smallest archival unit (e.g. a letter, memorandum, report, or photograph).

### National Archives Record Hierarchy

#### Record Hierarchy

#### Record Group 255:

Records of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 1903 - 2006

#### Series:

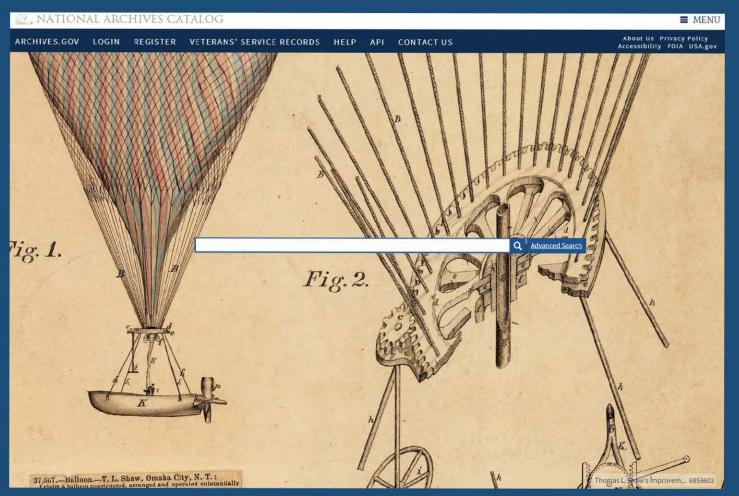
Mission Photographs Taken During the Space Shuttle Program , 4/12/1981 - 7/21/2011

> File Unit: STS-47

> > Item:

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- World Wide Web Page (541)
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Inmate Case Files

The inmate case file indicates that George Washington was convicted in Little Rock, Arkansas for false claims. He was 74 years old upon entering the penitentiary.

National Archives Identifier: 858862

Creator: Department of Justice. Office of the Superintendent of Prisons. U.S. Penitentiary, Atlanta. 1910-1930

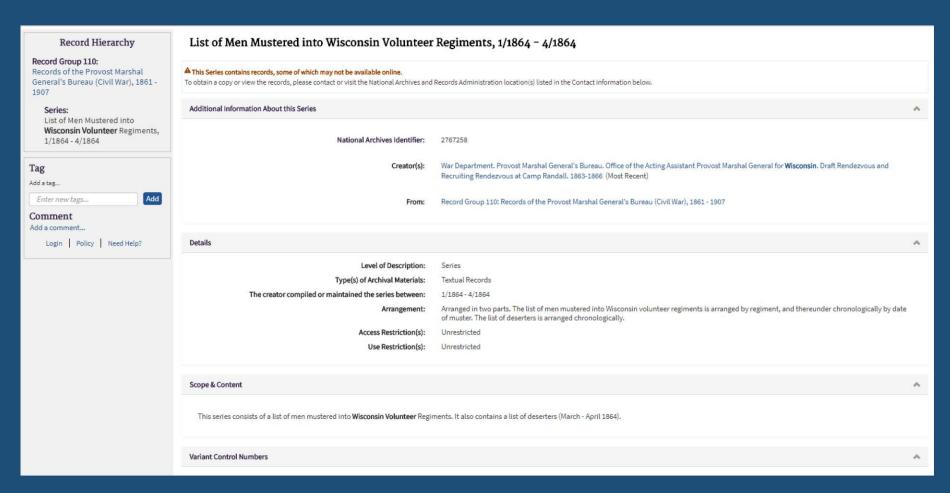
#### George Washington, Inmate No. 2864

From RG: 129 Inmate Case Files

The inmate case file indicates that George Washington was convicted in Washington, DC for grand larceny. He was 27 years old upon entering the penitentiary.

National Archives Identifier: 859923

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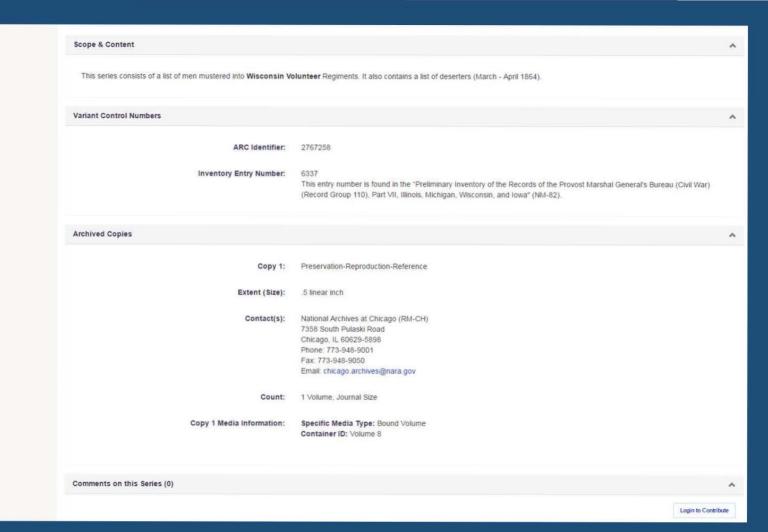
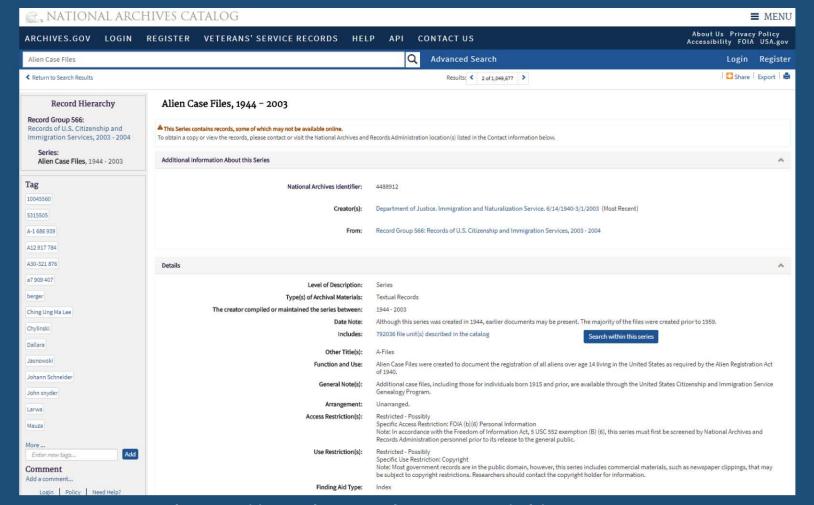


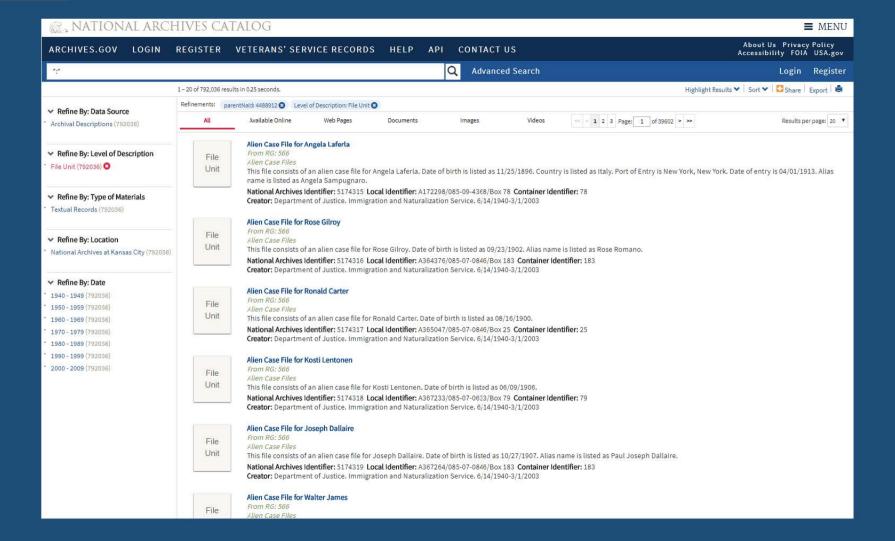
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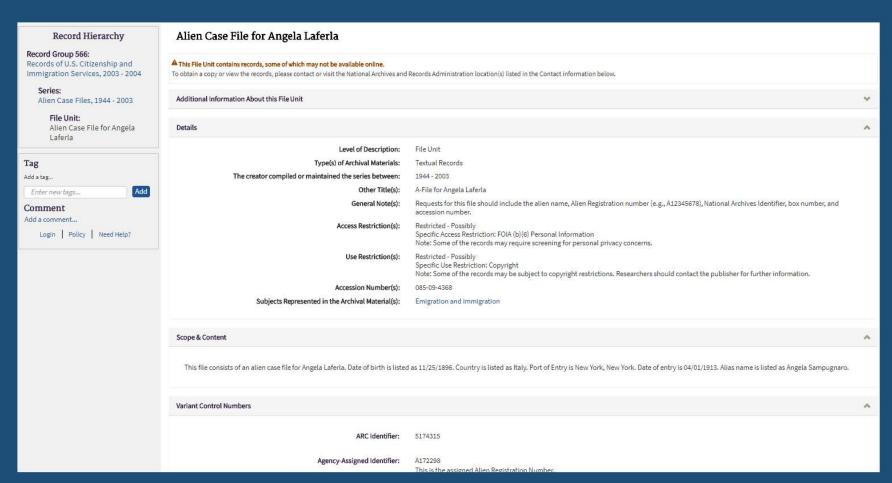
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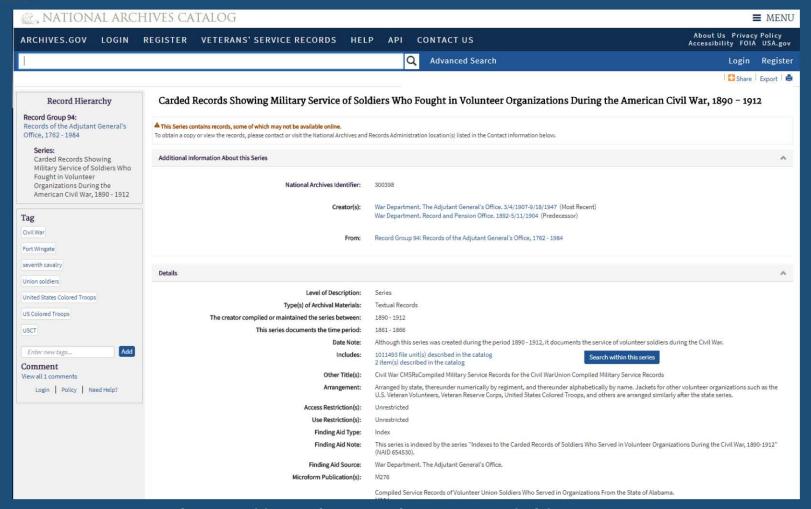


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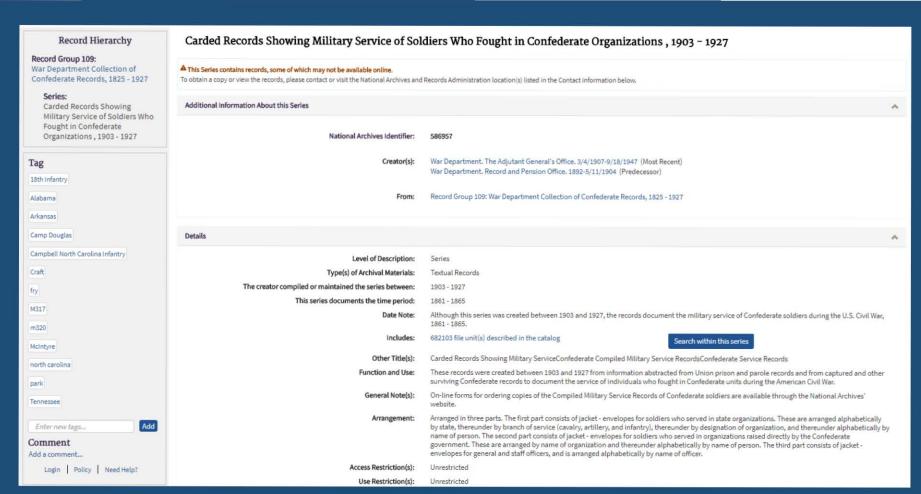
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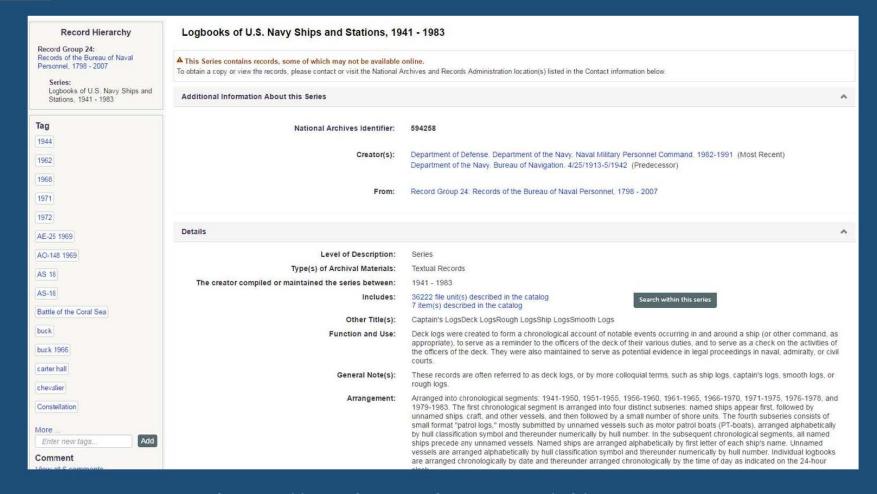
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Carded Records Showing Military Service of Soldiers Who Fought in Volunteer Organizations During the American Civil War

The volunteer's age is listed as [Blank]. His enlistment rank is listed as Private, and his discharge rank is listed as [Blank]. The year is listed as 1864.



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#### Navy Deck Logs Available in the National Archives Catalog



Aircraft carrier USS Saratoga (CV-60) View in National Archives Catalog

Deck logs for naval vessels were created to form a chronological account of notable events occurring in and around a ship, to remind the officers of the deck of their duties, and to check on the activities of the officers. They also served as evidence in legal proceedings in naval, admiralty, or civil courts when necessary.

The National Archives has embarked on a multi-year project to digitize these deck logs which are some of our most requested records. Below you can follow links to the deck logs that we have completely digitized and are available to view in the National Archives Catalog.

If you are interested in deck logs that available from the list below, please contact the textual reference staff at Archives II in College Park, MD by emailing archives2reference@nara.gov. To learn more about these records, please see A History of Naval Deck Logs.



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Ability (MSO-519)

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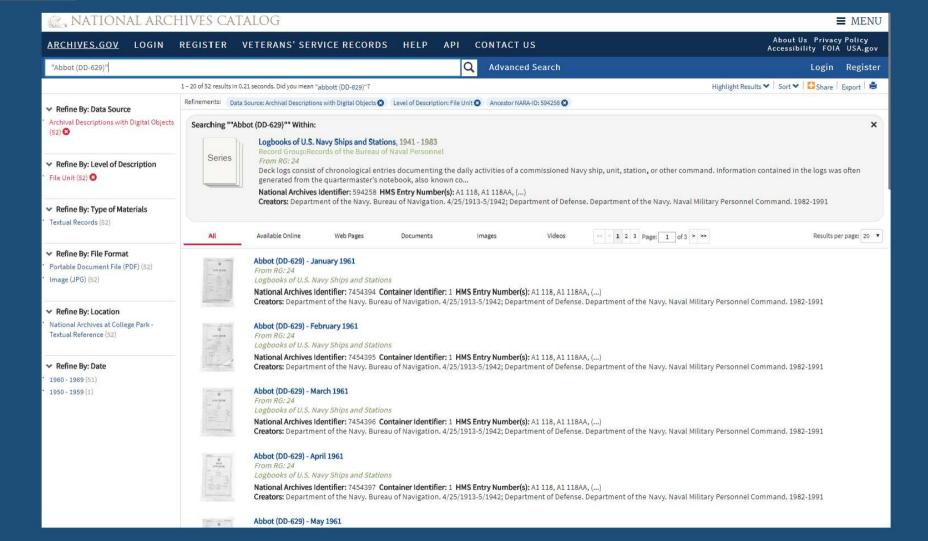
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| Harry Truman   | Finds results where both the term <i>Harry</i> and the term <i>Truman</i> are present. There is an implicit <i>AND</i> between the words entered. They do not need to be next to each other and they do not need to be in the order specified. |
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| Harry <b>AND</b> Truman  | Finds results where both the term <i>Harry</i> and the term <i>Truman</i> are present.   |
| Harry <b>OR</b> Truman   | Finds results containing either Harry or Truman, such as Harry Harrison, Truman K. Gibson, Harry Truman.   |
| "Harry S. Truman"  | Finds results containing the exact phrase Harry S.  Truman or Harry S Truman (punctuation is ignored), but not Harry Truman.   |
| (Harry Truman) <b>AND</b><br>Captain                                     | Finds results where Harry S. Truman or Harry S Truman is found exactly and in that order (punctuation is ignored), and the word Captain is also found somewhere in the same result, such as Harry Truman, 129th Field Artillery Captain.       |
| Truman <b>NOT</b> Harry  | Finds results containing <i>Truman</i> but not including <i>Harry</i> , such as <i>Truman K. Gibson</i> , but not <i>Harry Truman</i> .  |
| (Franklin <b>OR</b> (Theodore <b>NOT</b> Teddy)) <b>AND</b><br>Roosevelt | Finds Franklin Roosevelt and Theodore Roosevelt (as long as there is no reference to Teddy Roosevelt).   |
| bal*   | Finds ball, balance, ballast, balderdash, etc.   |

Search Results

Search Expression

# https://www.archives.gov/research/catalog/help/search-tips.html

#### Resources for Genealogists

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#### National Archives Catalog Guide for Genealogists and Family Historians



#### What is in the National Archives Catalog?

The National Archives holds historical U.S. government documents (federal, congressional, and presidential records) that are created or received by the President and his staff, by Congress, by employees of Federal government agencies, and by the Federal courts in the course of their official duties.

The National Archives Catalog contains descriptions for NARA's nationwide holdings in the Washington, DC area; regional facilities; and Presidential Libraries. The Catalog is a work in progress and currently contains descriptions for 95% of our records, described at the series level. This means you can find basic information about the records, including size and location, from the description. Additionally, every week we are adding more file unit and item descriptions, many of which include digital files.

Typically descriptions in the Catalog do not include individuals' names; however, the National Archives still might have records about your ancestors. It may be necessary to closely read records of interest to see if a particular individual is mentioned.

#### The National Archives Catalog vs. Online Genealogy Databases

- . The Catalog is keyword searchable like many genealogy databases.
- · You can narrow searches with filters.
- The Catalog allows you to search for records in all NARA facilities not
  just selected databases.
- The current focus is on breadth of NARA's holdings (at the series level) and not individual records.
- · Most Catalog descriptions do not include individual names.

The Catalog contains many descriptions of records that are of interest to genealogists and family historians, including:

- Applications for enrollment in Native American tribes
- Court records
- · Fugitive slave cases
- Land records
- · Military personnel records
- · Naturalization records
- Naturalization records
- · Federal employees
- https://www.archives.gov/research/genealogy/catalog-guide

# Tips for Searching for an Individual's Name

- Search on the person's full name in first name-last name order.
- Search on the surname only. The records might only include a first initial or a variant spelling of the first name.
- Search on variant spellings of the surname using OR, for example: Luchetti OR Lucetti.
- Search on variant spellings of the first name, including "Americanized" versions, for example: Joseph Maggio OR Guiseppe Maggio.
- Keep in mind that most descriptions in the National Archives Catalog do not include
  the names of individuals in that record. However, the National Archives still might
  have records about your ancestors. If you know an individual participated in an event,
  search for that search term and look within the records for your ancestor.

# Digitization Partnerships

- ➤ Ancestry.com (May 20, 2008-ongoing)
- > FamilySearch, also known as Genealogical Society of Utah (GSU) (October 23, 2007- ongoing)
- ➤ Fold3.com (formerly Footnote, now held by Ancestry) (January 10, 2007- ongoing)

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| M266 | Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers Who Served in Organizations From the State of Georgia. ☑  | Fold3.com        | 109 |
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#### Citizen Archivist

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# One day all of our records will be online. You can help make it happen.

You can become a citizen archivist — just click one of the options below to get started.

Welcome to our Citizen Archivist program. With the help of our virtual volunteers, we are increasing online access to the historical records of the National Archives. Join us! You can help crowdsource metadata and information about our records through tagging, transcribing and adding comments in the National Archives Catalog. Together we can make the records of the National Archives more discoverable online.



Register and Get Started



Citizen Archivist Missions



History Hub

https://www.archives.gov/citizen-archivist

#### Citizen Archivist Missions



New to our Citizen Archivist program? Learn how to get started.

We've curated these missions to help you jump in and contribute! Click on a topic that interests you, and it will bring you right to those records in our Catalog where you can begin transcribing or tagging. New missions are added and updated regularly, so check back often to see what's new.



#### Japanese Relocation - Santa Anita **Assembly Center**

Tag details and features found in these War Relocation Authority photographs from the Santa Anita Assembly Center.



#### Sightings of Unidentified Flying Objects

Transcribe these reports from the U.S. Air Force investigation into UFOs that were sighted between June 1947 and December 1969.



#### Amerikaner Vorgaenge (AV) Reports

Transcribe the English translations of German reports on Allied prisoners transported to German prison camps, on downed Allied aircraft, and on the burial of deceased Allied personnel.



#### Indexes to Naturalization Records

Quick and easy Mission! Transcribe alphabetical indexes of declarations of intention and petitions for naturalization from 1900 to 1991.



#### Civil Defense

Tag details and features in photographs depicting civil defense training, community outreach, auxiliary women's activities, and educational programs.



#### Homestead Final Certificates

Transcribe Homestead Final Certificates from the Omaha. Nebraska Land Office from 1863 -1894.



#### 1970s America

Tag details and features in photographs taken for the EPA's Documerica program.



#### Truman Telegrams

Transcribe top secret, secret and confidential messages sent by the White House to diplomatic and military leaders pertaining to World War II and post-war Europe and



#### Don't Leave Us Hanging

Help us complete these records that have not been fully transcribed.



https://www.archives.gov/citizen-archivist/missions

#### World War I Missions

As we commemorate the U.S. entry into the Great War, we ask for your help tagging and transcribing a rotating offering of records. All of these contributions help make the records of the National Archives more discoverable. Visit the National Archives' World War I Centennial page to learn more about the war.



#### Internment Camps

Tag details and features found in these images of German prisoners in internment camps.



#### Reports of Special Agents

**Transcribe** reports of special agents related to subjects for internment, exemption from classification as alien enemy, application for citizenship, conspiracy to obstruct the draft, failure to register, conscription matters, Espionage Act violations, liquor laws violations, Mann Act violations, and disloyalty.

#### Featured Records

Helps us transcribe these individual records.

- List of Demonstrations and Rallies as Reported by Regional Offices, 5/1/1992 Transcribe this record.
- Smokey Bear Nature Stories, No. 1016, 8/1959 Transcribe this record.
- Invitation for the State Dinner on the Occasion of the Signing of the Egyptian-Israeli Peace Treaty, 3/26/1979 Transcribe this record.
- Enterprise Equipment at Work, 1952 Transcribe this record.
- Letter from Senator John F. Kennedy to Ambassador Douglas MacArthur II regarding the Japanese translation of Profiles in Courage, 28 June 1958 Transcribe this record.
- · Petition from Polly Lemon to Congress, 11/10/1833 Transcribe this record.
- Offprint of Public Law 88-156, 88th Congress, H. R. 7544, Maternal and Child Health and Mental Retardation Planning Amendments of 1963, 10/24/1963 Transcribe this record.
- Speech by the Hon. Brooke Claxton, Minister of National Defence, in the Canadian House of Commons Regarding the Future of NATO [North Atlantic Treaty Organization], 4/3/1952 Transcribe this record.
- Letter from Mrs. Paul Phelps Morand to Secretary of State James F. Byrnes Regarding the American Delegation to the First Meeting on the Assembly of the United Nations, 10/19/1945 Transcribe this record.
- Voucher for Lard Oil for Construction of the New Orleans Custom House Transcribe this record

#### Resources



Whether you are new to the Citizen Archivist program, or looking for ways to become more involved, this resource page is designed to provide helpful information, tips and tricks, instructional videos and more.

Learn how to register and get started.

#### How-to Guides

Get started, find information, and step-by-step instructions with these downloadable PDFs.



#### **Transcription Tips**

Our Transcription Tips guide includes instructions and examples of documents to help you get started with transcription. A PDF version is available for download.



#### What Makes A Good Tag?

Tags enhance the National Archives search capabilities. Learn how you can improve access to records by adding tags.



#### Get Started Transcribing

Learn how to register for a Catalog account, find records to transcribe, and follow step-by-step instructions for transcribing records in the Catalog.



#### Tagging Game

Learn how to turn tagging in the National Archives Catalog into a game to list as many keywords (Tags) that describe or identify items in the image. This game can be played head-to-head or team-versus-team.

https://www.archives.gov/citizen-archivist/resources

#### Videos

These instructional videos will help you learn more about our Catalog, how to search, and getting started contributing.

#### Getting Started: Overview of the Citizen Archivist Dashboard



## Searching the National Archives Catalog to Find Records to Transcribe



#### Anatomy of a Description

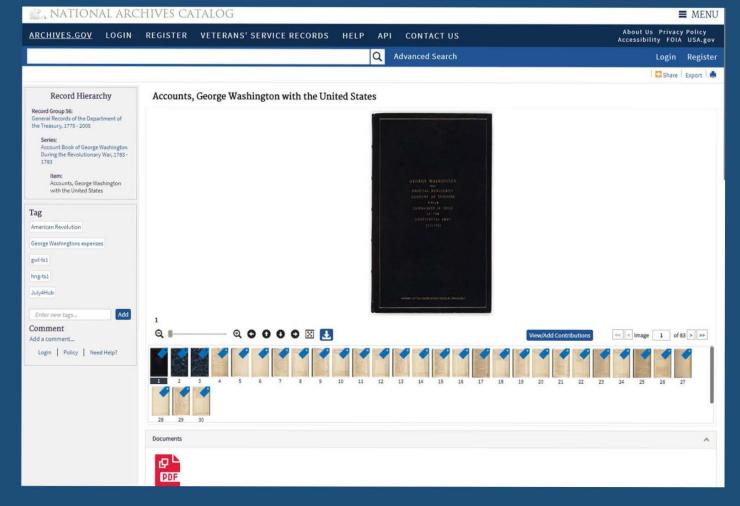


How to Download Records from the National Archives Catalog

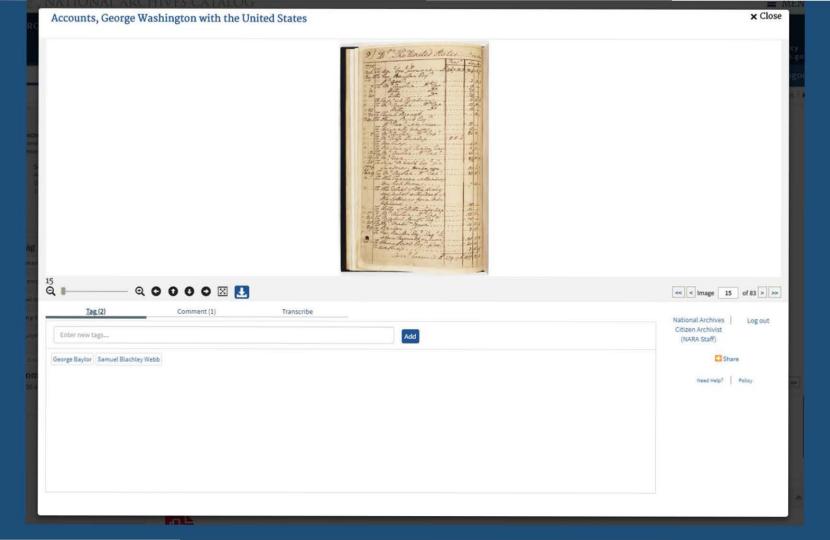


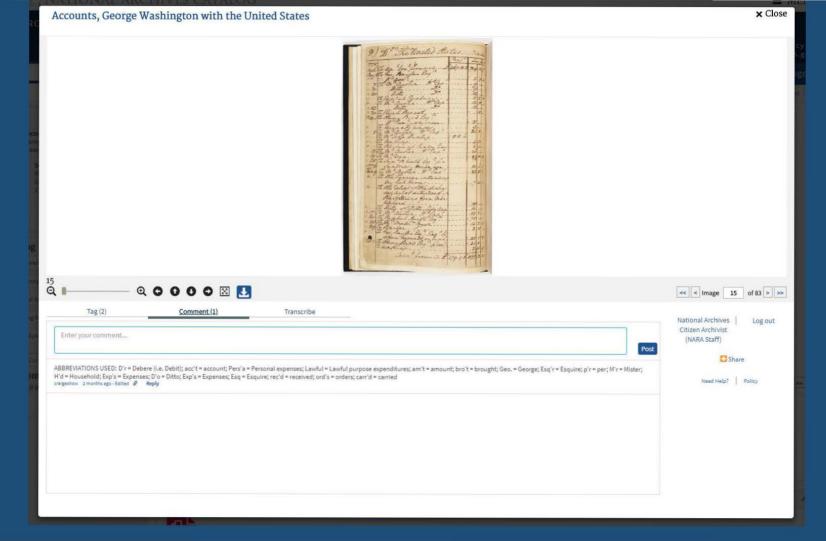
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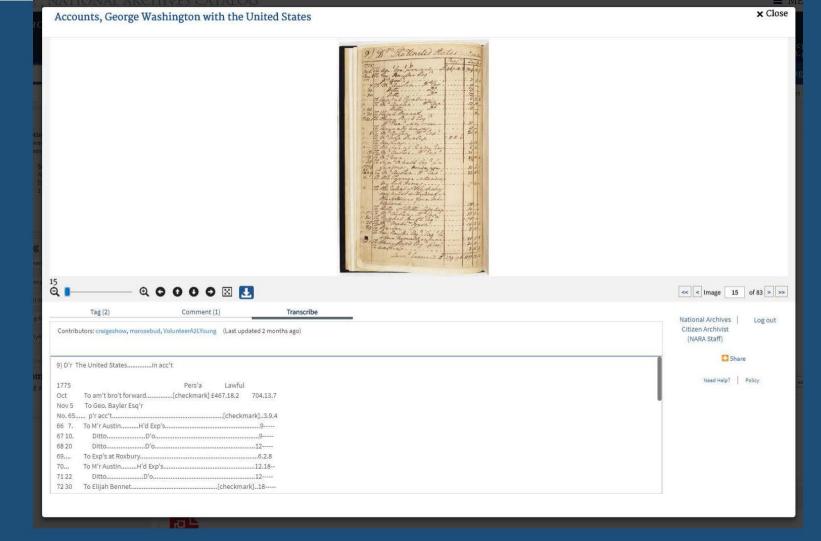


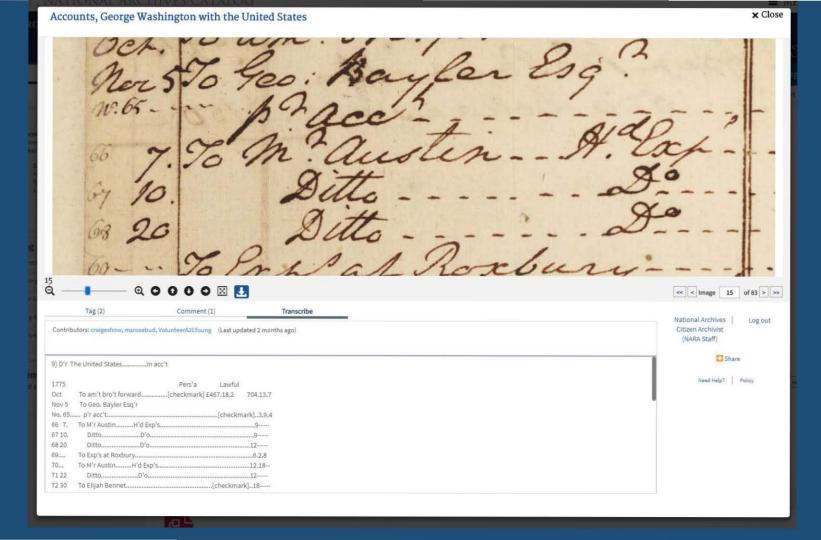


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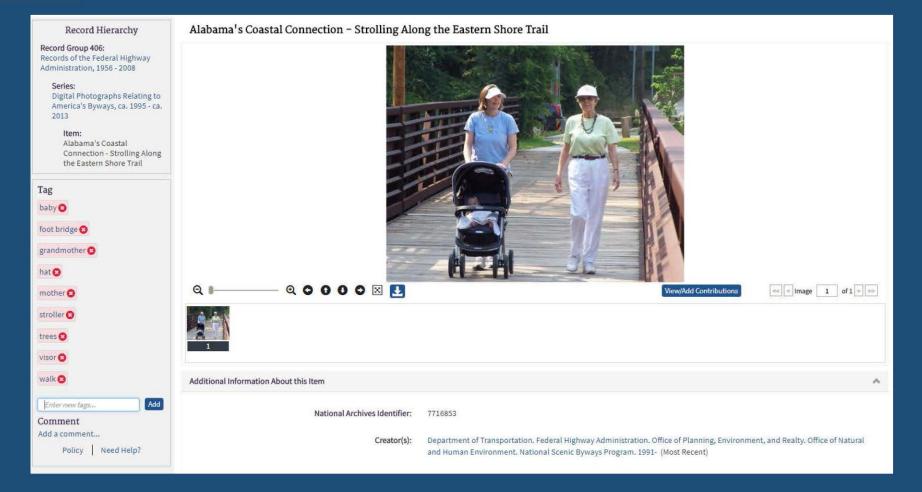














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#### Commemorating D-Day

Last week the National Archives commemorated the 74th anniversary of 0-Day and the Normandy Invasion. On June 6, 1944, Allied troops in World War II began their invasion of Normandy, which was part of the larger Operation Overlord. Now known as D-Day, it was the culmination of the Allied powers' strategy for the war and a multinational effort.

The National Archives has many records related to D-Day and its surrounding events.

Today we bring you records documenting the preparation and invasion, as well as charts, radar images and drawings related to the D-Day invasion.

Click on each image to see a larger, zoomable version in our Catalog.

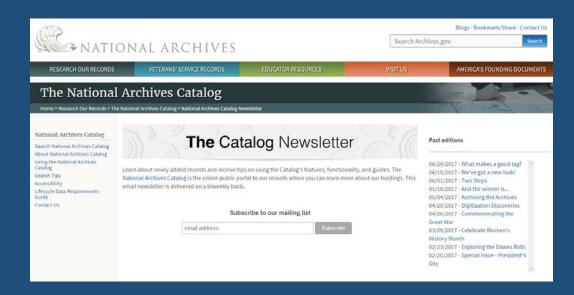


Photograph of General Dwight D. Eisenhower Giving the Order of the Day, 6/6/1944





(Left) Chart of 0-Day Beaches, 4/14/1944 - This is a hydrographic chart of the Normandy coast with an overprint indicating the beach sectors chosen for the pending amphibious assault. (Right) Panoramic Sketch of the 0-Day Beaches, 5/14/1944 - This is a panoramic drawing of the 0-Day beaches, Sector Dag Green and Sector Fox Oreen.



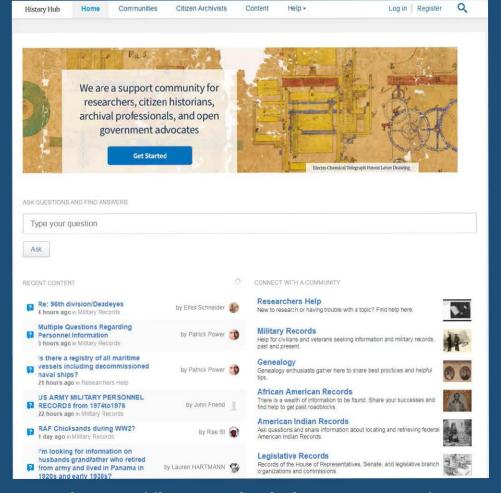
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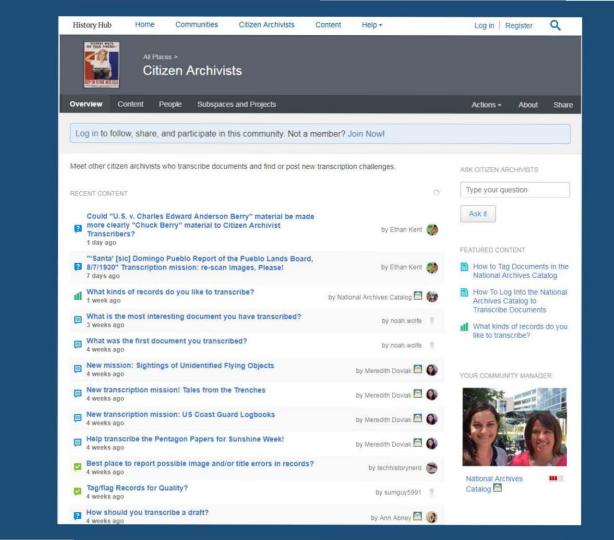
# History Hub

A support community managed by the National Archives for researchers, citizen historians, archival professionals, and open government advocates





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# Contact us!

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Women Lumberjacks Carrying Logs at Turkey Pond, New Hampshire National Archives Identifier: 6883309



# 2018 Virtual Genealogy Fair



# Thank you for attending! Please stay tuned for the next session.

If we did not get to your question, you may submit it to catalog@nara.gov

Video recording and handouts will remain available at www.archives.gov/calendar/genealogy-fair



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