A Year in Review

Throughout 2017, we’ve shared a variety of records and stories from the National Archives Catalog. From newly digitized records to researcher tips, from historic recipes to transcription missions, each of our newsletters aims to share a little more about the National Archives.

As we reflect on this past year, we wanted to reshare some of our most memorable topics. Catch up on some of our favorite and most popular newsletters from the past year, and be sure to share with a friend!

Two Steps Every Researcher Should Take

You’ve determined your research topic and gathered information, but are you ready to visit a National Archives facility to conduct your research in person? Before you arrive, be sure to follow these two steps to ensure success!

1. Search the National Archives Catalog
2. Contact National Archives staff before your visit
Citizen Archivist Resources

Whether you are a new transcriber, or looking for ways to become more involved, our Citizen Archivist Resource page is designed to provide helpful information, tips and tricks, instructional videos and more. What do you think? Do you have ideas for additional instructional videos? What else would you like to see on our Citizen Archivist Dashboard? Let us know at catalog@nara.gov

Dawes Rolls

Have you ever searched the Dawes Rolls? The Rolls contain over 101,000 names and can be searched to discover
the enrollee's name, gender, blood degree, and census card number. Census cards often provide additional genealogical information and can contain references to earlier rolls, such as the 1880 Cherokee census. We've put together a handy tutorial to help you get started. Head over to our NARAtions blog for step-by-step instructions for searching the Dawes Rolls by name.

World War I Centennial Research Portal

The National Archives holds a wealth of records and information documenting the U.S. experience in World War I, including photographs, documents, audiovisual recordings, educational resources, articles, blog posts, lectures, and exhibits. In commemoration of this event, we've launched a World War I research portal with the goal of creating a central space for all National Archives resources and content.
related to World War I for use by researchers, students and educators, and those curious about the War.

Recipes

A FAVORITE RECIPE OF ROSALYNN CARTER

"Plains Special" Cheese Ring

1 pound grated sharp cheese
1 cup finely chopped nuts
1 cup mayonnaise
1 small onion, finely grated
Black pepper
Dash cayenne
Strawberry preserves, optional

Combine all ingredients but preserves, seasoning to taste with pepper. Mix well and place in 5 or 6 cup ring mold. Refrigerate until firm, for several hours or overnight.

To serve, unmold, and if desired, fill center with strawberry preserves, or serve plain, with crackers.

The National Archives contains many food related records, including recipes from the White House chefs and First Families. We hope you find inspiration from these historic recipes and photographs. Enjoy!

Navy Deck Logs
Many of you research in our series Logbooks of the U.S. Navy Ships and Stations, so we wanted to alert you that 614 new deck logs (41,409 pages!) have been added to the series from the following ships:

- Bennington (CVS-20)
- Doyen (APA-1)
- Firedrake (AE-14)
- Kitty Hawk (CVA-63)
- Klondike (AR-22)
- Mattaponi (AO-41)
Haleakala (AE-25)
Hulbert (AVD-6)
Hulbert (DD-342)
Hull (DD-350)
Humphreys (APD-12)
Humphreys (DD-236)
Hunt (DD-674)
Huse (DE-145)
Hutchins (DD-476)
Independence (CVA-62)
Kawishiwi (AO-146)
Kearsarge (CVS-33)
Kemper County (LST-854)
Mauna Loa (AE-8)
Mazama (AE-9)
Paricutin (AE-18)
Pillsbury (DE-133)
Pyro (AE-24)
Rainier (AE-5)
Santa Barbara (AE-28)
Suribachi (AE-21)
Vesuvius (AE-15)
Widgeon (MSC-208)
Wilhoite (DER-397)
Wrangell (AE-12)

Looking for other ships? Use this [webpage](#) to see which ship's deck logs have been digitized as part of the National Archives' multi-year project.

Have a question? Find answers on History Hub!
History Hub is a support community for history enthusiasts, researchers, citizen archivists, family historians, and archival professionals. Visit us at now at [history.gov](http://history.gov).

Questions or comments? Email us at [catalog@nara.gov](mailto:catalog@nara.gov).