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Collection Summary

Title: Rosa Parks Papers

Span Dates: 1866-2006

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1955-2000)

ID No.: MSS85943

Creator: Parks, Rosa, 1913-2005

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Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Civil rights activist. Correspondence; family papers; writings; notes; statements; programs; medals, resolutions, and other honors; financial, employment, health, and estate records; drawings; photographs; address books; appointment calendars; memorabilia; magazine and newspaper clippings; books; and other printed matter documenting her personal life and civil rights activism.

Online Content: The papers of Rosa Parks are available on the Library of Congress Web site at <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/collmss.ms000037>.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Arberry family.

Carr, Johnnie Rebecca, 1911-2008.

Clark, Septima Poinsette, 1898-1987.

Conyers, John, Jr., 1929-

Durr, Virginia Foster.

Edwards family.

Gray, Fred D., 1930-

Haley, Alex.

Killens, John Oliver, 1916-1987.

King, Coretta Scott, 1927-2006.

King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968--Interviews.

King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968.

McCauley family.

McCauley, Leona Edwards, 1888-1979--Correspondence.

McCauley, Sylvester James, 1915-1977--Correspondence.

Mitford, Jessica, 1917-1996.

Moore, Audley, 1898-1997.

Morris, Edita, 1902-1988--Correspondence.

Nixon, Edgar Daniel--Interviews.

Parks family.

Parks, Raymond A. (Raymond Arthur), 1903-1977--Correspondence.

Parks, Rosa, 1913-2005--Interviews.

Parks, Rosa, 1913-2005--Medals.

Parks, Rosa, 1913-2005.

Percival family.

Rustin, Bayard, 1912-1987.

Stokes, Olivia Pearl, 1916-

Terkel, Studs, 1912-2008.

Thomas, Clarence, 1948-
Williams, Aubrey Willis, 1890-1965.
Williams, Aubrey Willis, 1890-1965. Aubrey Willis Williams oral history interviews and writings.

Organizations

Hampton Institute.
Highlander Folk School (Monteagle, Tenn.)
March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom (1963 : Washington, D.C.)
Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change.
Mississippi Freedom Project.
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.
Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom (1957 : Washington, D.C.)
Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development.
Southern Christian Leadership Conference.
St. Matthew African Methodist Episcopal Church (Detroit, Mich.)

Subjects

African American churches.
African American youth.
African Americans--Civil rights.
African Americans--Religion.
African Americans--Segregation.
African Americans--Social conditions.
African Americans--Societies, etc.
African Americans.
Boycotts--Alabama.
Civil rights demonstrations--Alabama.
Civil rights demonstrations--United States.
Civil rights movements--United States.
Civil rights--United States.
Civil rights.
Congressional Award.
Montgomery Bus Boycott, Montgomery, Ala., 1955-1956.
Poor People's Campaign.
Presidential Medal of Freedom.
Race discrimination--Southern States.
Race discrimination--United States.
Segregation--Southern States.
Segregation--United States.
World War, 1939-1945--Participation, African American.

Places

Michigan--Religion.
Michigan--Social life and customs.
Southern States--Race relations.
Southern States--Social conditions.
United States--Race relations.
United States--Social conditions.
United States--Social policy.

Titles

Rosa Parks Papers at the Library of Congress

Occupations

Civil rights activists.

Provenance

The papers of Rosa Parks, civil rights activist, were placed on deposit at the Library of Congress by the Howard G. Buffett Foundation in 2014, and converted to a gift in 2016.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. Some photographs have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. Sound recordings have been transferred to the Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Rosa Parks Papers.

Other Repositories

Other papers of Rosa Parks can be found at the Walter P. Reuther Library, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan.

Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of Rosa Parks in these papers and in other collections in the custody of the Library of Congress is reserved to the Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division for further information..

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Rosa Parks are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Date	Event
1913, Feb. 4	Born, Tuskegee, Ala.
1914	Moved to Pine Level, Ala.
1924-1929	Attended the Montgomery Industrial School, Montgomery, Ala.
1932	Married Raymond A. Parks (died 1977)
1933	Received high school degree
1943	Selected as secretary, NAACP Montgomery, Ala., branch
1949	Became an advisor to the Youth Council of the NAACP Montgomery, Ala., branch

1955	Attended a workshop at the Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tenn., in August Arrested on December 1 and charged with violating Montgomery, Ala., segregation laws by refusing to give up her bus seat to a white passenger Participated in organizing a boycott of the Montgomery bus system
1956	Lost her job in January as an assistant tailor at the Montgomery Fair department store, Montgomery, Ala. Arrested along with other boycott organizers for violating anti-boycott laws
1957	Moved to Detroit, Mich. Participated in the Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom
1957-1958	Hostess, Holly Tree Inn, Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.
1958	Returned to Detroit, Mich.
1963	Participated in the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom
1965	Participated in the Selma-to-Montgomery March
1965-1988	Worked in Congressman John Conyers's district office in Detroit, Mich.
1979	Awarded the NAACP Spingarn Medal
1987	Founded the Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development
1992	Published with Jim Haskins <i>Rosa Parks: My Story</i> . New York: Dial Books
1994	Published with Gregory J. Reed <i>Quiet Strength: The Faith, the Hope, the Heart of a Woman Who Changed a Nation</i> . Grand Rapids, Mich.: Zondervan Publishing House
1996	Awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom Published with Gregory J. Reed <i>Dear Mrs. Parks: A Dialogue with Today's Youth</i> . New York: Lee and Low Books
1999	Awarded the Congressional Gold Medal
2005, Oct. 24	Died, Detroit, Mich.; lay in honor in the United States Capitol Rotunda

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Rosa Louise Parks (1913-2005) span the years 1866-2006, with the bulk of the material dating from 1955 to 2000. The collection documents many aspects of Parks's private life and public activism on behalf of civil rights for African Americans. An array of personal papers contains family papers, correspondence, writings, notes, statements, event programs and invitations, tributes, medals, photographs, printed matter, books owned by her, and a variety of employment, financial, health, and residential records that reveal much about the material conditions of her life. Events surrounding her arrest in 1955 for violating Montgomery, Alabama, segregation laws by refusing to give up her seat to a white passenger, as well as the subsequent Montgomery Bus Boycott, are described in many of her writings, notes, and correspondence from 1955 to 1956. The collection is arranged in eleven series: [Family Papers](#); [General Correspondence](#); [Subject File](#); [Writings, Notes, and Statements](#); [Events](#); [Resolutions and Other Honors](#); [Miscellany](#); [Printed Matter](#); [Books Owned by Parks](#); [Medals](#); and [Oversize](#).

The [Family Papers](#) open a window into some of Rosa Parks's most important relationships. The series contains her correspondence with family members, most notably her husband Raymond A. Parks, her mother Leona McCauley, and her brother Sylvester McCauley. Correspondence with her husband and mother contains the largest number of letters written by her in the collection. Her letters to Raymond Parks date between 1957 and 1958 when she was living and working at the Hampton Institute in Virginia and he was living in Detroit. Written in the aftermath of the bus boycott, the letters reveal the personal toll those events took on both of them and the emotional hardship of their separation. Rosa Parks's back-and-forth correspondence with her mother Leona McCauley is more voluminous and spans several decades, largely from the late 1940s to McCauley's death in 1979. The letters were written during periods when they were apart from one another, most significantly between 1956 and 1958 during Rosa Parks's speaking tours and employment at the Hampton Institute. James McCauley, Parks's father, was not a consistent part of her life, a circumstance he reflects on in a letter written to her in 1950. Letters by Sylvester McCauley largely concern his efforts to convince his sister to move to Detroit. Correspondence with extended family consists of letters from nieces, nephews, aunts, cousins, and other family members. Also included in the series are other family papers that shed further light on the lives of Parks's husband, mother, father, and brother. Raymond A. Parks's papers include several letters from friends and acquaintances, as well as employment records, barber licenses, photographs, certificates, Masonic dues books, and receipts, including one from their move to Detroit in 1957.

Among Leona McCauley's papers is an exchange of letters in 1956 with writer and political activist Edita Morris. Some of Sylvester McCauley's papers relate to his military service in World War II.

The [General Correspondence](#) series is arranged in four files: an alphabetical file, a chronological file, greeting cards, and letters and drawings from children. The alphabetical file contains letters from prominent individuals and those who played a significant role in Parks's life. Among them are Johnnie Rebecca Carr, a prominent member of Montgomery's civil rights movement; Septima Poinsette Clark of the Highlander Folk School; Virginia Foster Durr, a white civil rights advocate living in Montgomery; and Fred D. Gray who represented Parks after her arrests in 1955 and 1956. Also included is a note from civil rights leader Audley Moore, better known as Queen Mother Moore. A postcard written by Martin Luther King, Jr., while traveling in Europe in 1957 was kept by Parks in a keepsake portfolio that is currently filed in the Miscellany series. The postcard was transferred to the alphabetical correspondence file during processing. Letters signed "Galatas" are from a childhood friend living in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The alphabetical file features several letters written by Parks in 1956-1957, including one to "Anne," possibly Anne Braden, and another to Jessica Mitford, both of which describe events during the Montgomery Bus Boycott.

A chronological file of largely incoming correspondence spans the years 1948-2006, but is more heavily weighted toward the last decades of Parks's life. The earliest correspondence in the 1940s and 1950s contains invitations to weddings and graduations, but also letters from friends and others, some of which make reference to civil rights issues. Later correspondence is composed principally of letters from organizations, event planners, some friends and acquaintances, and private individuals who wrote to express their admiration for her. Many of these letters contain requests for her to appear at events, to grant permission to quote from her interviews and writings, and to comment on scripts and other writings sent to her by the authors. A large file of greeting cards contains well wishes sent by friends and the public on her birthday, holidays, and during her periodic illnesses. Letters from school children, often illustrated, convey endearing, unselfconscious expressions of admiration.

The [Subject File](#) focuses more narrowly on Parks's affiliation with several organizations and institutions, her participation in major civil rights events, and various efforts to honor her. Material on her institutional memberships ranges from the Masonic Order of Eastern Star to St. Matthew Church in Detroit. Many of the programs from her home church contain her notes and annotations. Included among the material from the Highlander Folk School is a 1963 flyer condemning it as "a communist training school" and reprinting an often-reproduced photograph of Parks, Martin Luther King, Jr., and others at the school's twenty-fifth anniversary in 1957. Files are also featured from leading civil rights organizations including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Notable among the major civil rights events documented in the file is the Montgomery Bus Boycott. Most of this material dates from the boycott itself and includes draft instructions to car-pool drivers and passengers written in Parks's hand and a Montgomery Fair department store date book for 1955 that Parks used as a notebook during 1956. In it are lists of names, including drivers during the boycott, as well as notes and reflections during that critical year. These items suggest the active role she played in helping to organize the boycott. Other material on the boycott includes a series of typescripts of writings and interviews by Aubrey Willis Williams, most of which are annotated and corrected by Parks. Interview transcripts consist of those between Williams and Martin Luther King, Jr., Edgar Daniel Nixon, and Parks. Articles and a series of chronologies, most of which are attributed to Williams and annotated by Parks, concern Parks's arrest, the subsequent bus boycott, and race relations in the South in general. Material relating to the Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom in 1957 includes advice to her from Bayard Rustin. Ephemera documents her participation in other key events and includes a copy of the first organizing manual for the March on Washington in 1963 and her name tag and identity card from the Mississippi Freedom Summer Project in 1964 and the Poor People's Campaign in 1968. Also explored in the [Subject File](#) are efforts to honor Parks, among them the creation of two national committees, the renaming of a Detroit street in her honor, the establishment of a scholarship named for her, and the awarding of the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1996 and Congressional Gold Medal in 1999. A small file stemming from her work in Congressman John Conyers's Detroit office and files from the Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development, an organization founded by her to promote youth development and civil rights education, round out the series.

Rosa Parks's [Writings, Notes, and Statements](#) are organized as a separate series and span several decades from her arrest on December 1, 1955, to her final years at the end of the twentieth century. The series includes galleys and other items from three co-authored books by her; drafts of writings from around 1956-1958; prayers and spiritual reflections; statements honoring John Conyers and opposing the appointment of Clarence Thomas to the Supreme Court; and notes that range from note-taking at meetings to random personal reflections to mundane jottings. A notebook, probably dated 1956, records in

part her travels to California where she had numerous speaking engagements and attended the NAACP annual convention in San Francisco. Perhaps most notable among her writings are two folders of handwritten, draft accounts of her arrest, the subsequent bus boycott, and the dynamics of race relations in the South. Although undated, some of these drafts are written on the back of 1956 letters, envelopes, and a program. It is likely that many of them were written that year, possibly for speeches given by Parks. Some may have been written between 1957 and 1958 when Parks was living and working at the Hampton Institute. Also of note are drafts of autobiographical writings in which Parks explored the impact of racism and discrimination on her own life. It is uncertain why she wrote these drafts. Some may have been written as notes for interviews or speeches, or she may have considered writing her memoirs in either article or book form.

Many of Parks's speaking engagements, the honors she received, and events she attended are documented in an [Events](#) series that contains programs, invitations, flyers, and other publicity material. The file is arranged in two sections: events featuring or honoring Parks and a general file for events that she most likely attended even though her name does not appear in the programs. Items from events featuring or honoring Parks trace the evolving way Parks was remembered and honored by the American public. Some of the earliest events were organized as fund-raising benefits to assist the Parks family as it struggled financially in the aftermath of her arrest. Later events focused more exclusively on celebrating her as an iconic national hero and the "mother of the civil rights movement." The programs in the general file are useful in documenting the organizations, people, and movements she supported by her mere attendance. The collection also includes numerous resolutions, tributes, honorary degrees, and other honors awarded to Parks. These are arranged as a separate series and are housed among the collection's [Oversize](#) material.

A [Miscellany](#) series documents many day-to-day and material aspects of Rosa Parks's life including her employment, financial status, health, memberships, donations, household furnishings, residences, and circle of friends, family, associates, and contacts. Employment files largely consist of pay stubs and vouchers, including those from the Montgomery Fair department store where Parks was employed as an assistant tailor at the time of her arrest. Income tax records track the financial status of the Parkses from 1943 to 1987 and expose the couple's prolonged financial struggle following Rosa Parks's arrest in 1955. Other records including insurance and banking records and receipts for household goods and rent provide further insight into their financial conditions and coping strategies. Rosa Parks's web of personal connections is partially documented through address books, invitation lists, and telephone messages. Telephone messages dated 1974-1975 in particular provide a glimpse into the casework handled by Parks and other staff in Congressman John Conyers's Detroit office.

The [Printed Matter](#) series contains material about Parks and collected by her. Collected material focuses on such topics as civil rights, Martin Luther King, Jr., and religion. It also includes commemorative stamps sent to her by others and magazines and newspapers she presumably read and saved. Magazines and newspapers with articles about Parks or briefly mentioning her are arranged separately within the printed matter. The collection also contains books owned by Parks. Some of the earliest publications were owned by family members whose names are written in the books. Prominent among the family-owned books is a Bible recording births, deaths, and marriages of members of the Percival, Arberry, and Edwards families. Copies of the family register pages have also been made available in the [Family Papers](#) series. Some of the later books contain inscriptions to Parks by Fred D. Gray, Alex Haley, John Oliver Killens, Coretta Scott King, Olivia Pearl Stokes, and Studs Terkel, among others.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in eleven series:

- [Family Papers, 1900-2005](#)
- [General Correspondence, 1928-2006](#)
- [Subject File, 1937-2005](#)
- [Writings, Notes, and Statements, 1956-1998](#)
- [Events, 1951-2005](#)
- [Resolutions and Other Honors, 1967-2006](#)
- [Miscellany, 1934-2005](#)
- [Printed Matter, 1947-2005](#)
- [Books Owned by Parks, 1866-2001](#)
- [Medals, 1996-1999](#)
- [Oversize, 1900-2006](#)

Description of Series

Container

Series

BOX 1-3

Family Papers, 1900-2005

Correspondence, certificates, memorials, notes, financial records, employment records, insurance documents, medical records, photographs, news clippings, and other material pertaining to the family of Rosa Parks.

Arranged in two parts: letters to and from Rosa Parks, and other family papers. Letters to and from Parks are arranged alphabetically by name of immediate family member, with letters from extended family grouped together in a chronological arrangement. Other family papers contain material belonging to and documenting the lives of Parks's husband, mother, brother, and father. They are arranged alphabetically by name of family member and alphabetically thereunder by topic or type of material.

BOX 3-13

General Correspondence, 1928-2006

Correspondence, greeting cards, and children's drawings.

Arranged in four parts. An alphabetical file containing correspondence from individuals prominent in Parks's life is arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent. A chronological file of largely incoming letters, a file of greeting cards, and letters and drawings from children are each arranged chronologically.

BOX 13-18

Subject File, 1937-2005

Correspondence, memoranda, invitations, notes, writings, interview transcripts, programs, flyers, name tags, newsletters, an instructional kit, an organizing manual, lists, certificates, song sheets, petitions, photographs, a collection of labor and political buttons, and other material pertaining to Parks's affiliation with various organizations and institutions, her participation in major civil rights events, and efforts to honor her.

Arranged alphabetically by name of organization, institution, or event, by topic, or by type of material.

BOX 18-19

Writings, Notes, and Statements, 1956-1998

Book galleys, drafts of writings, notes, notebooks, interviews, prayers, spiritual reflections, and statements by Parks.

Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

BOX 19-22

Events, 1951-2005

Event programs, flyers, tickets, and other printed matter.

Arranged in two parts: events featuring or honoring Parks and a general file of events that she most likely attended even though her name does not appear in the programs. Each part is arranged chronologically within.

BOX 22

Resolutions and Other Honors, 1967-2006

Resolutions, tributes, certificates, honorary degrees, and poetry honoring Parks. Arranged alphabetically in the following categories: congressional; institutions and organizations; miscellaneous; poetry; states, cities, and local communities; and wooden plaques and framed certificates.

Items are arranged alphabetically within each category by name of organization, institution, person, or state. *See Oversize*

BOX 22-26

Miscellany, 1934-2005

Financial, employment, insurance, estate, and medical records, appointment calendars, address books, biographical material, business cards, lists, keepsake portfolios, membership and other cards, telephone messages, a recipe, a questionnaire, sample stationery, and other material documenting Parks's daily life and material circumstances.

Arranged alphabetically by type of material or topic.

BOX 26-30

Printed Matter, 1947-2005

Magazines, newspapers, pamphlets, brochures, a book, commemorative stamps, calendars, and various printed ephemera either pertaining to or collected by Parks.

Arranged alphabetically by type of material or topic.

BOX 30-40

Books Owned by Parks, 1866-2001

Books owned by Parks. Some of the books are inscribed with the names of family members.

Others contain inscriptions to Parks by the author or the person giving her the book.

Arranged alphabetically by name of author or title.

BOX VA1

Medals, 1996-1999

The Congressional Gold Medal and Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Arranged alphabetically by name of the medal.

BOX OV 1 -OV 17

Oversize, 1900-2006

Oversize material consisting of resolutions, tributes, certificates, honorary degrees, correspondence, writings, political ephemera, labor and campaign buttons, a calendar, a family Bible, and newspapers.

Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were removed.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1-3	<p>Family Papers, 1900-2005</p> <p>Correspondence, certificates, memorials, notes, financial records, employment records, insurance documents, medical records, photographs, news clippings, and other material pertaining to the family of Rosa Parks.</p> <p>Arranged in two parts: letters to and from Rosa Parks, and other family papers. Letters to and from Parks are arranged alphabetically by name of immediate family member, with letters from extended family grouped together in a chronological arrangement. Other family papers contain material belonging to and documenting the lives of Parks's husband, mother, brother, and father. They are arranged alphabetically by name of family member and alphabetically thereunder by topic or type of material.</p>
BOX 1	<p>Letters to and from Rosa Parks</p> <p>Extended family</p> <p>1948-1964 Digital content available</p> <p>1973-1976 Digital content available</p> <p>1977-1981 Digital content available</p> <p>1982-1985 Digital content available</p> <p>1986-1989 Digital content available</p> <p>1990-1993 Digital content available</p> <p>1994-1997 Digital content available</p> <p>1998-2005 Digital content available</p> <p>Undated <i>See also Oversize</i> Digital content available</p>
BOX 2	<p>McCauley, James (father), 1950 Digital content available</p> <p>McCauley, Leona (mother)</p> <p>1936 , 1946 Digital content available</p> <p>1948-1953 Digital content available</p> <p>1956 Digital content available</p> <p>1957 Digital content available</p> <p>1958 Digital content available</p>

Family Papers, 1900-2005

Container

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- 1961-1976
[Digital content available](#)
- 1977-1979
[Digital content available](#)
- Undated
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- McCauley, Sylvester (brother)
1944-1947
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- 1951-1957
[Digital content available](#)
- Parks, Raymond A. (husband)
1957
[Digital content available](#)
- 1958
1958, Jan.-Mar.
[Digital content available](#)
- 1958, Apr.-Oct.
[Digital content available](#)
- Other family papers
Copies of family register pages in family Bible, circa 1900-1941 *See also Containers 34 and OV 17, Holy Bible, C. H. Robinson*
[Digital content available](#)
- Edwards, Bessie D., memorial and clipping on her death, 1905
[Digital content available](#)
- Lists of family members, 1988, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- McCauley, James (father), 1961, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- McCauley, Leona (mother)
Correspondence with others
1956 , 1969-1975
[Digital content available](#)
- 1976-1979, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- Miscellany, 1954 , 1961-1963 , 1974-1980, undated *See also Oversize*
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 3** McCauley, Sylvester (brother)
Correspondence with others, 1944-1945 , 1951 , 1957
[Digital content available](#)
- Miscellany, 1915 , 1943-1949 , 1961
[Digital content available](#)
- Parks, Raymond A. (husband)
Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America and Its Jurisdiction, 1945-1946
[Digital content available](#)
- Barber's licenses and a note about barber's examination, 1957-1960 , 1968
[Digital content available](#)

Correspondence with others, 1946 , 1952-1959

[Digital content available](#)

Death of, 1977

[Digital content available](#)

Employment, 1950-1959

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Income tax records *See Container 24, same heading*

Insurance

1942-1951

[Digital content available](#)

1944-1947 , 1956

[Digital content available](#)

International Railway Correspondence Institute, diploma, 1928

[Digital content available](#)

Miscellany, circa 1955 , 1965 , 1977

[Digital content available](#)

Notebook, undated

[Digital content available](#)

Photographs, circa 1923 , 1947 , 1970s

[Digital content available](#)

Receipts

Barber supplies, 1951 , 1964-1966

[Digital content available](#)

Medical, 1956-1957 , 1965-1977

[Digital content available](#)

Miscellaneous, 1940-1947 , 1956-1959 , 1974

[Digital content available](#)

Move to Detroit, Mich., 1957

[Digital content available](#)

Percival family, two news clippings, undated

[Digital content available](#)

BOX 3-13

General Correspondence, 1928-2006

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BOX 3

Alphabetical file

"Anne," draft letter by Parks possibly to Anne Braden, 1956

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Bond, James and Julian, 1986

[Digital content available](#)

Bond, Marion O., undated

[Digital content available](#)

Bush, George W., Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006, 2006

[Digital content available](#)

General Correspondence, 1928-2006

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BOX 4

- Carr, Johnnie Rebecca, 1962, 1990
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- Clark, Septima Poinsette, 1961 , 1972
[Digital content available](#)
- Clinton, Bill, 1993-2000
[Digital content available](#)
- Conyers, John, 1965 , 1971 , 1982-1987, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- Durr, Virginia Foster, 1954-1962 , 1973-1981 , 1990, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- Fonda, Jane, and Tom Hayden, holiday greeting, 1983
[Digital content available](#)
- "Galatas," 1928-1932
[Digital content available](#)
- Gore, Al, 1996
[Digital content available](#)
- Gray, Fred D., 1975-1977 *See also Container 31, Daniels, Pearl Gray*
[Digital content available](#)
- Hooks, Benjamin and Frances, holiday greeting, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- Jackson, Jesse, holiday greeting and campaign ephemera, 1987-1988 *See also Oversize*
[Digital content available](#)
- John Paul II, Pope, letter from Parks, 1999-2005
[Digital content available](#)
- King, Corretta Scott, birthday greetings, 2000-2001 *For additional material see Container 15, Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change*
[Digital content available](#)
- King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1956-1957, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- Mitford, Jessica ("Decca" Treuhaft), letter from Parks, 1956
[Digital content available](#)
- Moore, Audley, 1957
[Digital content available](#)
- Posey, Webster W., letter from Parks, 1957
[Digital content available](#)
- Randolph, A. Philip, 1976
[Digital content available](#)
- Rangel, Charles B., 1997
[Digital content available](#)
- Chronological file
- 1948-1949
[Digital content available](#)
- 1954-1955
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- 1956-1957
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- 1958-1959
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General Correspondence, 1928-2006

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	1997, May
	Digital content available
	1997, June-Dec.
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General Correspondence, 1928-2006

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	1999 Digital content available
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	2001-2006 Digital content available
	Undated Digital content available
	Greeting cards
	1981-1986 Digital content available
	1987 Digital content available
	1988
	1988, Mar. Digital content available
	1988, Dec. 7-16 Digital content available
	1988, Dec. 17-30 Digital content available
	1989 Digital content available
BOX 8	circa 1980s
	Folder 1 Digital content available
	Folder 2 Digital content available
	Folder 3 Digital content available
	1990 Digital content available
	1991 Digital content available
	1992
	1992, Jan.-July Digital content available
	1992, Dec.
	Folder 1 Digital content available
BOX 9	Folder 2 Digital content available
	Folder 3 Digital content available

General Correspondence, 1928-2006

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Contents

	1993
	Digital content available
	1994-1995
	Digital content available
	1996
	Digital content available
	1997
	1997, Feb.-May
	Digital content available
BOX 10	1997, Aug.-Sept.
	Digital content available
	1998
	Digital content available
	1999
	Digital content available
	circa 1990s
	Folder 1
	Digital content available
	Folder 2
	Digital content available
	Folder 3
	Digital content available
	Folder 4
	Digital content available
	Folder 5
	Digital content available
BOX 11	2000
	2000, Jan.
	Digital content available
	2000, Feb.
	Digital content available
	2000, May-Aug.
	Digital content available
	2000 , 2001-2004
	Digital content available
	2005
	Digital content available
	circa 2000s
	Digital content available
	Undated
	Folder 1
	Digital content available
	Folder 2
	Digital content available
BOX 12	Letters and drawings from children
	1986
	Digital content available

General Correspondence, 1928-2006

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Contents

	1990-1993	Digital content available
	1994	Digital content available
	1995	Digital content available
	1996	
	1996, Jan.-June	Digital content available
	1996, July-Sept.	Digital content available
	1997	Digital content available
	1998-1999	<i>See also Oversize</i>
		Digital content available
	2000	
	2000, Jan.	Digital content available
BOX 13	2000, Feb.	
	Folder 1	Digital content available
	Folder 2	Digital content available
	Folder 3	<i>See also Oversize</i>
	Folder 4	Digital content available
	2000, Mar.-May	Digital content available
	2000, June	
	Folder 1	Digital content available
	Folder 2	Digital content available
	2002-2003	<i>See also Oversize</i>
		Digital content available
	2005	Digital content available
	Undated	Digital content available
BOX 13-18	Subject File, 1937-2005	
		Correspondence, memoranda, invitations, notes, writings, interview transcripts, programs, flyers, name tags, newsletters, an instructional kit, an organizing manual, lists, certificates, song sheets, petitions, photographs, a collection of labor and political buttons, and other material pertaining to Parks's affiliation with various organizations and institutions, her participation in major civil rights events, and efforts to honor her.
		Arranged alphabetically by name of organization, institution, or event, by topic, or by type of material.

Subject File, 1937-2005

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BOX 13	Churches St. Matthew African Methodist Episcopal Church, Detroit, Mich. 1965-1976 Digital content available 1981-1986 Digital content available
BOX 14	1987-1992 Digital content available 1993-1995 Digital content available 1996-1998 Digital content available 1999-2002, undated Digital content available Unidentified donation list, 1986 Digital content available Various other churches 1954-1985 Digital content available 1986-1997 Digital content available 1998-2002, undated Digital content available Congressional Black Caucus, directory and program, 1993 Digital content available Congressional Gold Medal, guest list, 1999 <i>See also Container VA 1, same heading</i> Digital content available Conyers, John, congressional office Constituent and other mailings, 1972-1990 Digital content available Memoranda and correspondence, 1970-1987 Digital content available Detroit Meals on Wheels Program, 1988-1989 Digital content available Encampment for Citizenship, civil liberties workshop kit, 1955 Digital content available Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tenn., 1958-circa 1968 Digital content available
BOX 15	Labor and political buttons, 1937-1947 , 1980s, undated <i>See Oversize</i> March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, 1963 , 1988 Digital content available Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, 1971-1996 Digital content available Mississippi Freedom Summer Project, name badge and event invitation, 1964 Digital content available Montgomery Bus Boycott

Subject File, 1937-2005

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Contents

Instructions to car-pool drivers and passengers, 1955-1956

[Digital content available](#)

Montgomery Fair date book, used as a notebook by Parks, 1955-1956

[Digital content available](#)

Printed matter, 1956 , 1976

[Digital content available](#)

Typescripts annotated by Parks, circa 1956

Interviews by Aubrey Willis Williams

King, Martin Luther, Jr.

[Digital content available](#)

Nixon, Edgar Daniel

[Digital content available](#)

Parks, Rosa

[Digital content available](#)

Writings

Attributed to Aubrey Willis Williams

Folder 1

[Digital content available](#)

Folder 2

[Digital content available](#)

Unattributed

[Digital content available](#)

NAACP

1955-1959

[Digital content available](#)

1962-1972

[Digital content available](#)

1984-1997

[Digital content available](#)

National Committee for the Rosa L. Parks Foundation, 1981-1982

[Digital content available](#)

National Committee for the Rosa L. Parks Shrine, 1976-1980

[Digital content available](#)

National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare, petition signed by Parks, 1988

[Digital content available](#)

Order of Eastern Star, 1947 , 1972, undated

[Digital content available](#)

Organizational flyers and mailings, 1960-1976 , 1985-1995, undated

[Digital content available](#)

Packet relating to Lynette Williams, Cathy M. Garrett, and the Voices of Civil Rights project, 1981-2004

[Digital content available](#)

BOX 16

People's Party, 1971

[Digital content available](#)

Police evidence property tag for a revolver, 1941

[Digital content available](#)

Prayer Pilgrimage for Freedom, 1957

[Digital content available](#)

	Presidential Medal of Freedom, 1996
	Certificate <i>See Oversize</i>
	Medal <i>See Container VA I, Presidential Medal of Freedom</i>
	Photographs
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Program
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States, 1995
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development
	1988-1995
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	1996-1997
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	1998
	1998, Mar.-Apr. <i>See also Oversize</i>
	<u>Digital content available</u>
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	<u>Digital content available</u>
BOX 17	2000-2005
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	Undated
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Rosa Parks Boulevard, Detroit, Mich., 1976
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Rosa Parks Middle School, Olney, Md., 1995
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Rosa Parks Scholarship Foundation, 1996, undated
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Rosa Parks v. LaFace Records, 2004
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Song sheets, undated
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Southern Christian Leadership Conference
	General
	1965-1985
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	1986-1998
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Poor People's Campaign, Parks's identification card, 1968
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	Southern Poverty Law Center, 2000
	<u>Digital content available</u>
	United Community Services of Metropolitan Detroit, 1971-1972
	<u>Digital content available</u>
BOX 18	Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich., 1968, undated
	<u>Digital content available</u>

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Wilmington Ten, 1974-1976

[Digital content available](#)

Women's Conference of Concerns, 1973

[Digital content available](#)

BOX 18-19

Writings, Notes, and Statements, 1956-1998

Book galleys, drafts of writings, notes, notebooks, interviews, prayers, spiritual reflections, and statements by Parks.

Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

BOX 18

Books

Dear Mrs. Parks: A Dialogue with Today's Youth, galleys, 1996

[Digital content available](#)

Quiet Strength: The Faith, the Hope, the Heart of a Woman Who Changed a Nation

Adaptation by Von H. Washington, 1996

[Digital content available](#)

Galleys, 1994

[Digital content available](#)

Publicity packet, 1994

[Digital content available](#)

Rosa Parks: My Story, flyer, review, and invoice, 1992-1998

[Digital content available](#)

Drafts of early writings *See also Oversize*

Accounts of her arrest and the subsequent boycott, as well as general reflections on race relations in the South, 1956-circa 1958, undated

Folder 1

[Digital content available](#)

Folder 2

[Digital content available](#)

Autobiographical, circa 1956, undated *See also Oversize*

[Digital content available](#)

Fragments on the Freedom Train, undated

[Digital content available](#)

Interviews

Miscellaneous, 1975, undated

[Digital content available](#)

Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Mass., Black Women Oral History Project, 1978

[Digital content available](#)

Notebooks

circa 1956

[Digital content available](#)

1961-1962, 1985-1990, undated

[Digital content available](#)

Notes

Collaborations with Elaine Steele, 1995-1998, undated

[Digital content available](#)

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General

Writings, Notes, and Statements, 1956-1998

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Contents

	1956-1964 , 1972-1990 Digital content available
	Undated Digital content available
	Prayers and spiritual reflections, 1989-1990, undated Digital content available
	Statements Nomination of Clarence Thomas, 1991 Digital content available
	Tribute to John Conyers, 1979 Digital content available
BOX 19-22	Events, 1951-2005 Event programs, flyers, tickets, and other printed matter. Arranged in two parts: events featuring or honoring Parks and a general file of events that she most likely attended even though her name does not appear in the programs. Each part is arranged chronologically within.
BOX 19	Featuring or honoring Parks 1956-1959 Digital content available 1960-1966 Digital content available 1970-1979 Digital content available 1980-1983 Digital content available 1984 Digital content available 1985-1986 Digital content available 1987 Digital content available 1988 Digital content available 1989 <i>See also Oversize</i> Digital content available 1990 Digital content available
BOX 20	1991-1992 Digital content available 1993 Folder 1 Digital content available Folder 2 <i>See also Oversize</i> Digital content available 1994 Digital content available

	1995	Digital content available
	1996-1997	Digital content available
	1998	Digital content available
	1999	Digital content available
	2002-2005	Digital content available
	Undated	Digital content available
	General	
	1951 , 1957-1958	Digital content available
	1966-1969	Digital content available
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BOX 21	1974-1976	Digital content available
	1976-1979	Digital content available
	1980-1984	Digital content available
	1985-1987	Digital content available
	1988-1989	Digital content available
	1991-1995	Digital content available
	1996-1997	Digital content available
	1998	Digital content available
BOX 22	2003-2004	Digital content available

BOX 22 **Resolutions and Other Honors, 1967-2006**

Resolutions, tributes, certificates, honorary degrees, and poetry honoring Parks. Arranged alphabetically in the following categories: congressional; institutions and organizations; miscellaneous; poetry; states, cities, and local communities; and wooden plaques and framed certificates.

Items are arranged alphabetically within each category by name of organization, institution, person, or state. [See Oversize](#)

Resolutions and Other Honors, 1967-2006

Container	Contents
BOX 22	Resolutions, tributes, certificates, honorary degrees, and poetry honoring Parks. See Oversize
BOX 22-26	Miscellany, 1934-2005 Financial, employment, insurance, estate, and medical records, appointment calendars, address books, biographical material, business cards, lists, keepsake portfolios, membership and other cards, telephone messages, a recipe, a questionnaire, sample stationery, and other material documenting Parks's daily life and material circumstances. Arranged alphabetically by type of material or topic.
BOX 22	Addresses, telephone numbers, and names Address book no. 1, 1980s, undated Digital content available Address book no. 2, 1980s, undated Digital content available Loose notes, 1997, undated Digital content available Airline tickets and other travel-related ephemera, 1967-1968 , 1984-1994, undated Digital content available Appointment calendars 1989 Digital content available 1991 Digital content available 1997 Digital content available Automobile records and drivers licenses 1968-1988 Digital content available
BOX 23	1991-1996 Digital content available Banking Personal Canceled checks and deposit slips 1966-1969 Digital content available 1971-1977 Digital content available 1978-1982 Digital content available 1983-1994 Digital content available Check and deposit registers 1957-1960 , 1970-1972 Digital content available 1973-1974 Digital content available 1979-1982 Digital content available

Miscellany, 1934-2005

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	Digital content available
BOX 24	Statements and bank communications
	1956 , 1964-1979
	Digital content available
	1980-1997
	Digital content available
	Rosa and Raymond Parks Institute for Self Development, canceled checks, 1987-1989
	Digital content available onsite
	Biographical and bibliographical information, circa 1965 , 1987, undated
	Digital content available
	Business cards of
	Others, 1993-1995, undated
	Digital content available
	Parks, undated
	Digital content available
	Christmas card sent by Parks, 1986
	Digital content available
	Employment
	Applications, 1959, undated
	Digital content available
	Flack's, Montgomery, Ala., undated
	Digital content available
	Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va., 1957-1960
	Digital content available
	House of Representatives, 1965 , 1977-1989
	Digital content available
	Montgomery Fair, Montgomery, Ala., 1950s
	Digital content available
	Estate, will, and funeral, 1978-1987 , 2005, undated
	Digital content available
	Financial notes and calculations, 1959 , 1979 , 1998, undated
	Digital content available
	Income tax records for Raymond and Rosa Parks
	1943-1957
	Digital content available
	1958-1965
	Digital content available
	1966-1987
	Digital content available
BOX 25	Invitation lists, 1988 , 1996-1998
	Digital content available
	Keepsake portfolio A
	Contents
	Drawing, undated
	Digital content available
	Holiday greeting cards and printed matter, 1994, undated
	Digital content available

- Postcard from Martin Luther King, Jr. [See Container 4, King, Martin Luther, Jr.](#)
- Emptied portfolio, undated
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Keepsake portfolio B
 - Contents
 - Notes and draft letters, circa 1997-1998
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Printed matter, 1998-2003, undated
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Emptied portfolio, undated
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Life insurance, 1948 , 1956-1968 , 1977-1980
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Medical
 - 1956-1958 , 1965-1973
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - 1979-1999
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - 2004, undated
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Membership cards and dues, 1961-1975 , 1985-1996
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Receipts
 - Cernitin American sale receipt books, 1985-1986
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Donations, 1963-1969 , 1978-1997
 - [Digital content available](#)
- HOUSEHOLD FURNISHINGS AND APPLIANCES
 - Bishop-Parker Furniture Co., 1934-1935 , 1947-1950
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - G. A. C. Credit Corp., 1952
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Miscellaneous, 1957-1972
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Money orders, 1957-1969 , 1990
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Poll tax, 1957
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Recipe for featherlite pancakes, undated
 - [Digital content available](#)
- Residences
 - Correspondence and related items, 1957-1960 , 1982-1986
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Rent receipts, 1959-1960 , 1966-1967 , 1978-1986
 - [Digital content available](#)
 - Riverfront Condominiums Project, Detroit, Mich., notice of intent to convert, 2004
 - [Digital content available](#)

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Miscellany, 1934-2005

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	Self-help questionnaire, circa 1994 Digital content available
	Social security, 1940 , 1986-1991 Digital content available
	Stationery, undated Digital content available
	Telephone messages, 1974-1998, undated Digital content available
	Transportation passes, 1978 , 1998 Digital content available
	Voter registration card, 1962 Digital content available
BOX 26-30	Printed Matter, 1947-2005 Magazines, newspapers, pamphlets, brochures, a book, commemorative stamps, calendars, and various printed ephemera either pertaining to or collected by Parks. Arranged alphabetically by type of material or topic.
BOX 26	By topic Civil rights, 1950s-1983 Digital content available Detroit, Mich., 1960s Digital content available King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1969-1970 , 1986 , 1993, undated Digital content available onsite
BOX 27	Religion Church, Forrest, <i>Bringing God Home: A Traveler's Guide</i> , undated Digital content available Miscellany, 1957-1997, undated Digital content available <i>Our Daily Bread</i> series, 1995-2005 Digital content available onsite Commemorative stamps sent to Parks, 1964-1984 Digital content available Depictions of Parks Calendars, 1981, 2000 <i>See also Oversize</i> Digital content available Card, 1994 Digital content available Magazines Mentioning Parks 1960-1962 Digital content available
BOX 28	1974-1976 Digital content available onsite 1981-1984 Digital content available onsite

	1994-1995
	Digital content available onsite
	1998
	Digital content available onsite
	Not mentioning Parks
	American Association of Retired Persons publications, 1997-1998
	Digital content available onsite
	<i>Crisis</i> , 1968 , 1973 , 1997
	Digital content available onsite
	<i>Ebony</i>
	1958 , 1968-1974
	Digital content available onsite
BOX 29	1977
	Digital content available onsite
	1997
	Digital content available onsite
	1998
	Digital content available onsite
	<i>Freedomways</i> , 1971-1972
	Digital content available onsite
	Miscellaneous, 1963 , 1977 , 1998
	Digital content available onsite
	Miscellaneous, 1964-1998, undated
	Digital content available onsite
BOX 30	Newspapers
	Mentioning Parks
	1956-1962
	Digital content available
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	Digital content available
	1980-1989
	Digital content available
	1992-2005 <i>See also Oversize</i>
	Digital content available
	Undated
	Digital content available
	Not mentioning Parks
	1947
	Digital content available onsite
	1951-1959
	Digital content available onsite
	1967-1969
	Digital content available onsite
	1972-1977 <i>See also Oversize</i>
	Digital content available onsite
	1981-1986
	Digital content available onsite

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[Digital content available onsite](#)
Undated
[Digital content available onsite](#)
- BOX 30-40** **Books Owned by Parks, 1866-2001**
Books owned by Parks. Some of the books are inscribed with the names of family members.
Others contain inscriptions to Parks by the author or the person giving her the book.
Arranged alphabetically by name of author or title.
- BOX 30** Adkins, Bill, *From Africa to Bethlehem*, inscribed by the author, 1993
[Digital content available](#)
African Methodist Episcopal Church hymnal, undated
[Digital content available](#)
Ali, Zulu, *Black Man's Religion: Islam or Christianity?*, inscribed by the author, 1997
[Digital content available](#)
Andrews, R. McCants, *John Merrick: A Biographical Sketch*, 1920
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 31** Bonner, John, *A Child's History of the United States*, vol. 3, part 2, 1866
[Digital content available](#)
C. S. Hammond & Co., *Hammond's Self-Revising Superior Atlas of the World*, 1944
[Digital content available](#)
Carson, Clayborne, and Kris Shepard, editors, *A Call to Conscience: The Landmark Speeches of Dr. Martin Luther King*, inscribed by Coretta Scott King, 2001
[Digital content available](#)
Chopra, Deepak, *Creating Affluence: Wealth Consciousness in the Field of All Possibilities*, inscribed by the author, 1993
[Digital content available](#)
Daniels, Pearl Gray, *Portrait of Fred D. Gray: Minister, Civil Rights Lawyer, and Alabama Representative*, inscribed by the author and Fred D. Gray, 1975 [See also Container 4, Gray, Fred D.](#)
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 32** Duvall, Carol, *Wanna Make Something Out of It? How to Turn Household "Junk" into Beautiful Handicrafts*, inscribed by the author, 1972
[Digital content available](#)
Eliot, George, *Silas Marner*, 1898 , 1938
[Digital content available](#)
Emerson, Henry P., and Ida C. Bender, *Modern English*, book 2, 1908
[Digital content available](#)
Esler, L. A., *Presidents of Our United States*, 1936
[Digital content available](#)
Gandhi's Letters to a Disciple, inscribed by Olivia Pearl Stokes, 1950 , 1957
[Digital content available](#)
Gideons International, *The New Testament of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ*
1957
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 33** 1965
[Digital content available](#)

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- Good, Warren R., and Hope H. Chipman, *Plane Geometry*, 1933
[Digital content available](#)
- Gray, Fred D., *Bus Ride to Justice: Changing the System by the System*, inscribed by the author, 1995
[Digital content available](#)
- Hajj, Attallah, *Ancestral Voices*, 2000
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 34
Haley, Alex, *Roots: The Saga of an American Family*, inscribed by the author, 1976
[Digital content available](#)
- Holy Bible*
C. H. Robinson and Co., with a register of family births, marriages, and deaths, 1900 *See Oversize* ; *See also Container 2, Copies of family register pages*
[Digital content available](#)
- World Syndicate Publishing Co., 1901 , 1963-1968
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 35
Killens, John Oliver, *Youngblood*, inscribed by the author, 1954-1956 , 1987
[Digital content available](#)
- Knox, N. L., *Elementary Lessons in English*, part 1, *How to Speak and Write Correctly*, 1886
[Digital content available](#)
- Lamparski, Richard, *Whatever Became Of . . . ?*, inscribed by the author, 1973
[Digital content available](#)
- Lawrance, Marion, *How to Conduct a Sunday School; or, Twenty-eight Years a Superintendent*, 1905
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 36
MacArthur, John, *The MacArthur Study Bible*, inscribed by Lois Harris, 1997
[Digital content available](#)
- Macoy, Robert, *Adoptive Rite Ritual: A Book of Instruction in the Organization, Government and Ceremonies of Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star*
McCauley, Leona, copy, 1945 , 1964-1967
[Digital content available](#)
- Parks, Rosa, copy, 1945
[Digital content available](#)
- McClure, A. K., *Lincoln's Own Yarns and Stories*, fragment, 1900
[Digital content available](#)
- Meriwether, Louise, *Daddy Was a Number Runner*, inscribed by the author, 1970
[Digital content available](#)
- BOX 37
Michigan Barber School, *Modern Textbook of Barbering*, 1957
[Digital content available](#)
- New Testament*, published by the Haskins Service, undated
[Digital content available](#)
- Parks, Rosa
Quiet Strength, author's copy, 1994 , 2000
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- Rosa Parks: My Story*, inscribed by Tim Rosarito, 1991-1992
[Digital content available](#)
- Pigee, Vera, *The Struggle of Struggles*, part 1, inscribed by the author, 1975
[Digital content available](#)

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	Robinson, Jo Ann Gibson, <i>The Montgomery Bus Boycott and the Women Who Started It: The Memoir of Jo Ann Gibson Robinson</i> , 1987 Digital content available
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BOX 39	Sweeney, W. Allison, <i>History of the American Negro in the Great War</i> , 1919 Digital content available Terkel, Studs <i>Division Street: America</i> , inscribed by the author, 1973 Digital content available <i>Hard Times: An Oral History of the Great Depression</i> , inscribed by the author, 1972 Digital content available
BOX 40	Williamson, Marianne, <i>The Healing of America</i> , inscribed by the author, 1997 Digital content available Yette, Samuel F., <i>The Choice: The Issue of Black Survival in America</i> , 1971 Digital content available
BOX VA1	Medals, 1996-1999 The Congressional Gold Medal and Presidential Medal of Freedom. Arranged alphabetically by name of the medal.
BOX VA 1	Medals Congressional Gold Medal, 1999 <i>See also Container 14, same heading</i> Digital content available Presidential Medal of Freedom, 1996 <i>See also Container 16, same heading</i> Digital content available
BOX OV 1 -OV 17	Oversize, 1900-2006 Oversize material consisting of resolutions, tributes, certificates, honorary degrees, correspondence, writings, political ephemera, labor and campaign buttons, a calendar, a family Bible, and newspapers. Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were removed.
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	Alphabetical file
	Jackson, Jesse, holiday greeting and campaign ephemera, 1987 (Container 4)
	Digital content available
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BOX OV 6	Resolutions and Other Honors (Container 22)
	Congressional
	Bilbray, James H., 1989
	Digital content available
	Ford, Harold, 1988
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	Lautenberg, Frank, 1990
	Digital content available
	Mineta, Norman Y., 1993
	Digital content available
	Reid, Harry, 1989
	Digital content available
	Stokes, Louis, 1977 , 1996
	Digital content available
	Institutions and organizations
	African American Roundtable of Santa Clara County, Calif., 1993
	Digital content available
	Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Eta Rho Omega Chapter, San Jose, Calif., 1993
	Digital content available

	Association of Teacher Educators, 1995 Digital content available
	Bryant College, Smithfield, R.I., 1995 Digital content available
	Congress of Racial Equality of California, undated Digital content available
	Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio, 1977 Digital content available
	Edward Waters College, Jacksonville, Fla., 1994 Digital content available
BOX OV 7	Hebrew Union College, Jewish Institute of Religion, New York, N.Y., 1987 Digital content available
	Langston University, Langston, Okla., 1998 Digital content available
	Lincoln University, Lincoln University, Pa., 1992 Digital content available
	Massachusetts Civil Liberties Union Foundation, 1987 Digital content available
	Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga., 2002 Digital content available
	Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada, 1998 Digital content available
	NAACP, Monroe County, Mich., branch, 1995 Digital content available
	National Political Congress of Black Women, Metropolitan Montgomery Chapter, undated Digital content available
	National Urban League, 2004 Digital content available
	Project Love: Remember the Children Foundation, 1997-2000 Digital content available
BOX OV 8	St. Matthew African Methodist Episcopal Church, Detroit, Mich., 1999 Digital content available
	Soka Women's Junior College, Tokyo, Japan, 1993 Digital content available
	Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Ala., 1988 Digital content available
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	University of Michigan, Dearborn, Mich, 1991 Digital content available
	Veterans Medical Center, Tuskegee, Ala., 1988 Digital content available
BOX OV 9	Miscellaneous
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	City council, Toronto, Canada, 1999 Digital content available

	Collins and Wolff families, 1997 Digital content available
	National Aeronautics and Space Administration 1994 Digital content available
	1996 Digital content available
	Smith, Carolyn and Kim, 2001 Digital content available
	Social workers and welfare professionals, undated Digital content available
	Poetry
	Forte, Roland A., 1973 Digital content available
	Foster, Connie I. and Michael R., 1997 Digital content available
	Greene-Washington, Dauress, 2001 Digital content available
	Jones, Nikka S., undated Digital content available
	Kerrin, Mark T., 1996 Digital content available
	Thornton, Samuel Ray, 1998 Digital content available
	States, cities, and local communities
	Alabama and Alaska, 1985 , 1995-1996 Digital content available
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	1985-1992 Digital content available
BOX OV 10	1993-1994 Digital content available
	1995 Digital content available
	1997-1999, undated Digital content available
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