TEACHER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

**Act 48 Workshops**
- Teacher Workshop Series - spring, fall
- Southpointe workshops – Saturdays
- Summer Institute – annually
- On-site customized – upon request

**Act 48 In Your Classroom**
- Lesson plan field testing/assessment
- Oral History projects
- National History Day preparation
- Co-teaching with primary sources
- Primary source student research
- Finding and developing content
- Primary source pedagogy
- Educational technology and media

UPCOMING EVENTS

2011 Summer Institute

Dates and times to be determined

Fall Workshop Series to be announced

SENATOR JOHN HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

Making History - Upcoming Events at the Senator John Heinz History Center (http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org/)

An affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution, the History Center is Pennsylvania’s largest history museum and presents the most compelling stories from American history with a Western Pennsylvania connection.

DIRECTOR’S PICKS OF THE MONTH

TPS PARTNER SHOWCASE – TEACHER RESOURCES

The Northern Virginia Partnership is a unique collaboration among four public school districts in Northern Virginia--Alexandria City, Arlington County, Falls Church City, and Fairfax County--created to administer the Library of Congress Teaching with Primary Sources (TPS) program. The TPS Northern Virginia Partnership (TPS-NVA) began in November 2003 as part of the pilot program, An Adventure of the American Mind. TPS-NVA created a not-for-profit organization, Primary Source Learning, to further its goal of helping teachers effectively use Library of Congress digitized primary sources and other digital resources available on the Internet along with best instructional practices to achieve specific learning outcomes in the classroom. Innovative, collaborative professional development programs help participants investigate digital media that will connect to students’ lives and capture their natural desire to know and understand the world. TPS-NVA has served at least 8,000 local teachers in more than 300 schools through a continuum of professional development services to assist teachers in becoming patrons of the Library of Congress Web site.

Teacher Resources – Women’s History

http://www.womenshistorymonth.gov/teachers.html

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http://www.calu.edu/business-community/teaching-primary-sources/
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS – NEWS

World Digital Library

Mission
The World Digital Library (WDL) makes available on the Internet, free of charge and in multilingual format, significant primary materials from countries and cultures around the world. The principal objectives of the WDL are to:

- Promote international and intercultural understanding;
- Expand the volume and variety of cultural content on the Internet;
- Provide resources for educators, scholars, and general audiences;
- Build capacity in partner institutions to narrow the digital divide within and between countries.

This Site
The WDL makes it possible to discover, study, and enjoy cultural treasures from around the world on one site, in a variety of ways. These cultural treasures include, but are not limited to, manuscripts, maps, rare books, musical scores, recordings, films, prints, photographs, and architectural drawings.

Items on the WDL may easily be browsed by place, time, topic, type of item, and contributing institution, or can be located by an open-ended search, in several languages. Special features include interactive geographic clusters, a timeline, advanced image-viewing and interpretive capabilities. Item-level descriptions and interviews with curators about featured items provide additional information.

Navigation tools and content descriptions are provided in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish. Many more languages are represented in the actual books, manuscripts, maps, photographs, and other primary materials, which are provided in their original languages.

The WDL was developed by a team at the U.S. Library of Congress, with contributions by partner institutions in many countries; the support of the United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO); and the financial support of a number of companies and private foundations. Go to http://www.wdl.org/en/about/site.html

SENATOR JOHN HEINZ HISTORY CENTER

Heinz History Center – Sports Museum

You’re invited to a museum unlike any other. A place where you can enjoy the great works of Maz and Mario. Art and Arnie. Roberto and Franco. Suzie and Swin.


The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum, a state-of-the-art museum at the Senator John Heinz History Center, captures the unforgettable and almost forgotten tales of Pittsburgh sports through hundreds of artifacts, more than 70 hands-on interactive exhibits, and 20 audio-visual programs.

When it comes to sports pride and sports history, no other region in the world is like Western Pennsylvania. So, it is fitting that we would gather at a special place to honor, relive, and enjoy our sports heritage.

Come be part of the action – and celebrate Pittsburgh sports pride.

Go to http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org/sportsMuseum.aspx
SOCIAL MEDIA IN THE CLASSROOM

Library of Congress Blog posts - Who is Christine Sellers and what does she blog about Women's History Month?

Christine Sellers joined the Law Library of Congress as a Legal Reference Librarian in September 2009. In addition to her reference duties in the Law Library Reading Room, she is part of a team that develops new features for THOMAS and has compiled a report on the social media practices of Congress. Previously, she created the Law Librarians of Leisure blog and before that was a Senior Research Librarian at Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd, P.A. in South Carolina. She hates zoos and peas, but enjoys a good art museum and Thai food. Sellers holds a Bachelor's degree in art history and English from Wellesley College, as well as a Juris Doctor and a Masters of Library and Information Science from the University of South Carolina.

Women's History Month March 8th, 2011

TEACHER RESOURCES

California University has been established as a Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) location. The current exhibition is "Beyond: Visions of Planetary Landscapes."

Exhibition Information
The views of the solar system that one can see while standing here on Earth are often impressive, if not mindblowing. But from the inner solar system to its outer reaches, the closer and more detailed views of Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and the other planets that have been achieved during the Space Age show unparalleled beauty and visions difficult to fathom. This otherworldly view, collected during 40 years of robotic space missions and then processed into breathtaking images, is the subject of the new Smithsonian traveling exhibition Beyond: Visions of Planetary Landscapes. The exhibit paints a rarely seen and mesmerizing portrait of our solar system's diverse worlds and their moons.

Field Trip Planning
Join us by registering your educational field trip or school group for a tour of "Beyond: Visions of Planetary Landscapes." While on campus, groups can engage in various interdisciplinary activities related to the exhibition which are tied to the PA State Academic Standards. Curriculum materials related to this exhibition are available upon request. Field trip groups are able to visit the gallery outside of its normal operating hours. For more information or to register your group please complete the Field Trip Request Form and contact Walter Czekaj, University Exhibitions Coordinator, at 724-938-5244 or czekaj@cal.edu. The web site is http://www.calu.edu/business-community/sites/index.htm

OTHER NEWS

Women's History Resources

Examine print materials, photographs, and webcasts presenting women's sometimes-overlooked contributions to history; learn about women as diverse as Jane Addams, Dorothea Lange, Amelia Earhart, Rosa Parks, Harriet Tubman and Zora Neale Hurston.

Go to http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/themes/womens-history/

The following links are available at the web site and, collectively, they provide teachers and students with the resources necessary for in-depth study of the Women's movement: Primary Source Sets; Lesson Plans; Exhibitions and Presentations; Collection Connections; Search Terms; and, For Students.

Click on the For Students link for online activities and background information from the Library of Congress to help students learn more about women's history.