DIGITAL TREASURES FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING

TELECONFERENCE, October 10, 2003

What do Kitty Hawk, the Statue of Liberty, Mark Twain, the Battle of Gettysburg, Cheyenne Indians and the Space Shuttle have in common? They are all events, people and places that can come alive as primary source information through the Library of Congress’ acclaimed American Memory Collection and other digital library collections.

The award-winning Library Learning Network of the College of DuPage and the Colorado Digitization Program will present a national teleconference "Digital Treasures for Teaching and Learning" on Friday, October 10, from noon to 2:00 p.m. Eastern. The teleconference can be viewed live at libraries, universities, community colleges and other institutions with a satellite downlink. Presenters include Liz Bishoff, executive director of the Colorado Digitization Program, Denver; Cynthia Stout, Social Studies curriculum content specialist and participant in the Library of Congress American Memory Fellows Institute, Jefferson County Public Schools, Golden; and Beth Filar Williams, Library and Technology Consultant, Southwest Library System, Durango. Judy Graves, of the Library of Congress' National Digital Library Program, will lead an online tour of the American Memory Collection.

Teachers and librarians who have used the American Memory and other digital primary source materials also will be featured. Lesson plans, strategies and exercises for incorporating photos, maps and three-dimensional artifacts into student activities will be demonstrated. Participants will be able to submit questions to presenters for on-air discussion. A Webliography and other support materials will be available through the teleconference's Web site.

K-12 downlink sites are free, but you must register. For all other sites, registration charges for the program (normally $500) are waived if, when you register, you identify two K-12 institutions invited as guests. This conference encourages synergy between educational institutions at all levels and with support organizations like libraries. Invite your guests, register with us and enjoy the conference at no charge!

We are encouraging all sites to be open and would like to share information on your site with possible K-12 guests -- we will, of course, ask your permission first. We think you gain much by sharing the conference with your K-12 colleagues.

The University of Denver Penrose Library and the Colorado Digitization Program received a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to develop a state-based model for helping librarians, teachers and students take full advantage of the American Memory and other "digital treasures." Now in its 16th season, the Library Learning Network, a nonprofit service of the College of DuPage, Glen Ellyn, IL, provides high quality, affordable and convenient learning opportunities for library staff. For more information, see [www.cod.edu/teleconf](http://www.cod.edu/teleconf) or register below.

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