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The Newsletter of the Senator John Heinz History Center



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We pledge allegiance to it, we parade it, and we display it on occasions both solemn and celebratory.

The American flag represents the nation and its people, patriotism, and pride, but has also served as a divisive symbol during times of war and strife.

This fall, the Senator John Heinz History Center will open a new exhibition, *Stars & Stripes: An American Story*, which details the more than 200 year history of one of our most enduring symbols.

The exhibit opens at the History Center on Sept. 10, during the 10th anniversary weekend of the terrorist attacks on the U.S.

Featured in the History Center's first floor McGuinn Gallery, this 7,000 square foot exhibit will include a variety of objects, images, and archival materials from the History Center's collections, as well as items on loan from the Smithsonian Institution and The National Gallery of Art, along with private collectors, including noted flag expert and Pittsburgh native, Dr. Peter Keim.

Beginning with the nation's first flag, *Stars & Stripes: An American Story* will help unravel the myths and reality surrounding its creation. A Grand Union flag and a selection of 13-star flags from the Keim collection will offer a look at the inspiration for early flags. The exhibit also features the story of the War of 1812 and the writing of the "Star Spangled Banner" by Francis Scott Key.

Highlights include a fragment of the Star Spangled Banner from the Smithsonian's collection and an early edition of the song's sheet music from 1814.

Additional areas of the exhibit will examine the flag during times of conflict, as a symbol of pride and power to some and a symbol of oppression to others. Featured flags will include examples of the "stars and

bars" Confederate flag, funeral flags, and a handmade flag created by American soldier Joseph Fennimore on loan from the Smithsonian.

Other unique items include a flag created by Betsy Ross's granddaughter (Rachel Albright), a two-sided 36/37-star flag, and flags representing key moments in early American history, such as the Battle of Bull Run.

Posters from WWI and WWII and an original Uncle Sam costume worn by an East Liberty war bond salesman will show the role of the flag during wartime as the preeminent symbol of our nation, both for our allies and our enemies. Flags representing the Civil War and the civil unrest of the 1960s and 70s

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Stars & Stripes: An American Story

Opening Day Commemoration and Member Preview
Sept. 10, 9:00 a.m.

As part of the opening commemoration activities for *Stars & Stripes: An American Story*, the History Center will unfurl a giant 60 foot American Flag on the façade of the museum, with the help of local first responders, including police, fire, and EMS professionals.

A local band will perform patriotic music along with the national anthem and "The Pledge of Allegiance." History Center members will be invited to the outdoor event, along with local first responders, and elected officials.

Following the ceremony, members will be invited inside the History Center to be the first to see the *Stars & Stripes: An American Story* exhibition. Light refreshments will be provided.

The commemoration will take place from 9-10:00 a.m. on Sat., Sept. 10. See page 3 for more details.



SENATOR JOHN HEINZ
HISTORY CENTER
IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

SPORTS ARTIFACT SPOTLIGHT

Professional baseball, football, and hockey can all trace their early history to Western Pennsylvania. But most local sports fans will be surprised to learn that our region is also the birthplace of Mixed Martial Arts (MMA).

The first "Battle of the Tough Guys" took place at the New Kensington Holiday Inn on March 19, 1980. Promoted by Bill Viola, a black belt karate instructor, and Frank Caliguri, also a black belt and owner of the Academy of Martial Arts, the first bout of their multi-day event featured car salesman Mike Murray against laborer Dave Jones in the lightweight division. Jones defeated Murray by technical knockout in the third round in



Bill Viola, Frank Caliguri, Mike Murray, and Dave Jones unveil the new Mixed Martial Arts display at the Sports Museum.

New Sports Museum Display Explores Local Roots of Mixed Martial Arts

By: Anne Madarasz, co-director, Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum

what has been identified as the first MMA match of its kind in the United States.

Caliguri and Viola developed rules and regulations to guide their "Tough Man Contest," described as "the martial arts way of fighting as it's done in the Orient."

The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum recently unveiled a new display on the early roots of Mixed Martial Arts featuring uniforms and protective gear as well as original programs, posters, photographs, and ticket stubs.

The collection, donated by Murray and Viola, provides documentation of the organization of the sport, as well as the promotion of competitive amateur events in the early 1980s.

For more information on the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org and click on the Sports Museum tab.

New SmartSteps Exhibit Encourages Health and History



History Center President and CEO Andy Masich joins UPMC Health Plan Chief Financial Officer Scott Lamie and Steelers Quarterback Charlie Batch at the starting line of the new SmartSteps exhibit.

The History Center recently partnered with UPMC Health Plan to launch *SmartSteps*, a fun and fit new exhibit that blends health and history in the museum's stairwell.

SmartSteps features colorful murals, artifacts, health information, and fascinating facts about Western Pennsylvania history on each of the History Center's six floors.

Visitors can keep track of their step count through several numbered steps that correspond to notable Pittsburgh facts and figures. For instance, step #3 highlights the three rivers, step #21 denotes Roberto Clemente, and step #57 is for Heinz.

The exhibit is part of the national initiative "Let's Move! Museums & Gardens," started by First Lady Michelle Obama and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The campaign is designed to provide opportunities for museum visitors of all ages to learn about healthy food choices and to promote physical activity through interactive exhibits and programs.

The *SmartSteps* exhibit also ties into the History Center's health and fitness initiatives, which include healthier eating options at MixStirs Café, a Health and the Body section inside the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum, a new curator of food and fitness, and the upcoming "History and Fit" tours set to debut in 2012.

Ready for Some Football? The Sports Museum Has You Covered!

Football is back and the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum is the best place to get ready for the upcoming season.

Visitors to the Sports Museum will rediscover the incredible tradition of Western Pennsylvania football, from the Friday Night Lights of high school football to the Super Bowl Steelers on Sunday.

Check out the "Cradle of Quarterbacks" section to learn about more than 50 professional signal-callers from our region, including Johnny Unitas, Joe Namath, Joe Montana, and Dan Marino.

Tackle the Pittsburgh Steelers' six championships by trying on a Super Bowl ring, making a perfect pass to Lynn Swann and John Stallworth, or getting up-close with the Steel Curtain.

Don't miss Steelers items you won't find anywhere else, such as the field turf and Franco Harris' cleats from the "Immaculate Reception," Ben Roethlisberger's glove from Super Bowl XL, or the full-size black and gold car from "The Ultimate Steelers Fan." For more information, call 412-454-6000 or visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org.



Pirates legend Al Oliver joined Sean Gibson, president of the Josh Gibson Foundation, and Steelers Hall of Famer Franco Harris at the Sports Museum to help kick off a year-long celebration marking the 100 year anniversary of Josh Gibson's birth. As part of the commemoration, the Sports Museum will unveil a new life-like figure of Josh Gibson along with a new Negro League baseball exhibit next spring.

Nearly 1,500 Visitors Bring Their Prized Possessions to Pittsburgh's Hidden Treasures

A baseball signed by legendary slugger Babe Ruth and a rare powder horn from the Revolutionary War era were among the thousands of items brought to the History Center as part of the fourth annual "Pittsburgh's Hidden Treasures: An Antiques Appraisal Show" event.

Nearly 1,500 visitors came to the History Center with their most prized possessions and met with nearly 50 professional appraisers from a variety of disciplines. The visitors also received important preservation tips from Gail Joice, an expert conservator from the Smithsonian Institution.

KDKA-TV's Dave Crawley and History Center President and CEO Andy Masich roamed the museum to get the inside story on visitors' items, which ranged from paintings and militaria to sports memorabilia and much more.

The most unique items from the event will be featured as part of special 30-minute programs on KDKA beginning this fall, hosted by Andy Masich and KDKA's Ken Rice.

For more information on "Pittsburgh's Hidden Treasures," please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org.



KDKA's Mary Robb Jackson and appraiser Michael Kraus discuss a visitor's military medals and diary.



History Center President and CEO Andy Masich learns the story behind a visitor's rare coin.

"Pittsburgh's Hidden Treasures" will air on the following Mondays at 7:30 p.m. on KDKA-TV:

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| Oct. 10, 2011 | March 12, 2012 |
| Nov. 14, 2011 | April 16, 2012 |
| Dec. 12, 2011 | May 21, 2012 |
| Jan. 23, 2012 | June 11, 2012 |
| Feb. 20, 2012 | |

History Center Members - We Want You!

Members are invited to celebrate the opening of *Stars & Stripes: An American Story* and reflect upon our nation's most enduring symbol as we open the exhibit on the 10th anniversary weekend of the terrorist attacks on our nation.

On Sat., Sept. 10, the History Center will open at 9:00 a.m. for members and special guests to be a part of a meaningful commemoration ceremony (see page 1 for details) and have a first look at our newest exhibition.

A members-only hospitality lounge will be stationed near the exhibit from 9-11:00 a.m. Renowned flag historian, Peter Keim, will be on hand inside the exhibit to answer members' questions from 10-11:00 a.m.

For additional questions or information about becoming a History Center member, please contact Megan Kuniansky at 412-454-6436 or

membership@heinzhistorycenter.org.



Assisting the History Center Through EITC

Help your company receive valuable tax credits, while supporting the History Center's education programs at the same time. By giving through the Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program (EITC), eligible businesses are awarded significant tax credits for their philanthropic efforts.

For more details, please contact Natalie Taylor at 412-454-6325 or ngtaylor@heinzhistorycenter.org.

Mark Your Calendar!

History Uncorked
Feb. 2012
Senator John Heinz History Center



20th Annual History Makers Award Dinner
Fri., April 13, 2012
Westin Convention Center Hotel

For more information about these events, including sponsorship and tickets, please contact Alexis Tragos at 412-454-6324 or altragos@heinzhistorycenter.org.

Special Thank You

Three major gifts were recently awarded to the History Center for 2011 including a generous gift of \$300,000 from the Richard King Mellon Foundation, \$200,000 from an anonymous donor, and \$150,000 from the Eden Hall Foundation.

Andy Masich, president and CEO, recognized the generous steadfast support of these major donors and extended the grateful appreciation of the History Center's Trustees and staff in making these gifts possible.

History Center Year End Report

The History Center recently completed its 2011 fiscal year. Over the next two pages, please enjoy a quick look back at some of the highlights from the past twelve months. With blockbuster exhibitions, award-winning events, and educational outreach, the History Center continues to reach new and diverse audiences, with much more to come over the next year!

Attendance

History Center visitors - a new record!

252,955

350,000

Visitors to *Soul Soldiers* during a seven city museum tour across the U.S.

517

Students with disabilities who attended the second annual "Ability Pittsburgh" event

1,379

Visitors to the fourth annual "Pittsburgh's Hidden Treasures" event

36,301

Attendees at student and youth programs at the History Center

1,438

Students and visitors who attended National History Day

129,323

Visitors who enjoyed the *Vatican Splendors* exhibition this fall

200

Artifacts from the Vatican as part of the *Vatican Splendors* exhibition



93

Original media stories showcasing the *Vatican Splendors* exhibition

Vatican Splendors

1,407

New History Center members during *Vatican Splendors*

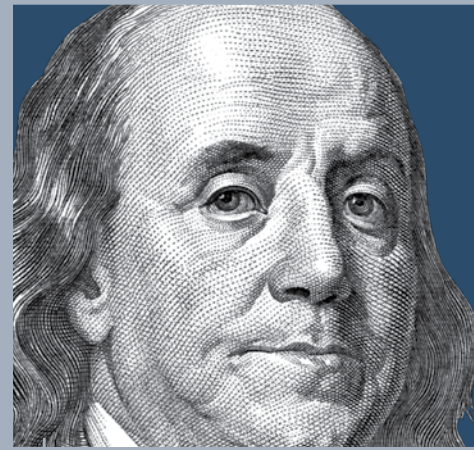
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Group tours from 13 states during *Vatican Splendors*

12

New exhibits launched this year

Exhibits



157

Artifacts featured in the *Ben Franklin: In Search of a Better World* exhibition

150

Years of the PA Civil War 150 commemoration (2011-2015)

123

Stairs in the new *SmartSteps* exhibit

100

Years commemorated with the *America's Best Weekly: A Century of the Pittsburgh Courier* exhibition

Contributions

\$7 million

Raised for the History Center this year

\$345,000

Raised by the 19th Annual History Makers Award Dinner



\$400,000

U.S. Department of Education Grant earned to support the upcoming *From Slavery to Freedom* exhibition

Events

35

Bridal party photos in the Racer car



508

Rental events and meetings

28

Cookie tables set up for weddings

31

Weddings held at the History Center

1,429

Attendees at the 13th annual History Uncorked

35,355

Rental event attendees

5

New virtual exhibit tours available at www.heinzhistorycenter.org

Media

21,250

e-newsletter subscribers

2,100

Facebook fans

5,117

Twitter followers

Membership

6,065

History Center members - a new record!

600

Memberships purchased by UPMC Health Plan

714

Members attended the Ben Franklin Tavern Reception



Awards



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National design awards earned by Western Pennsylvania History magazine

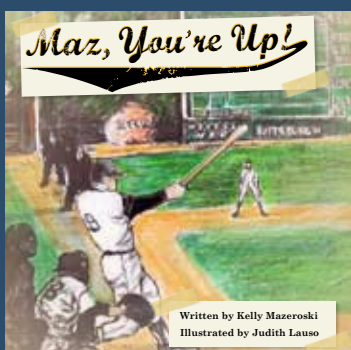
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National History Day competition winner who also won the local competition at the History Center, sponsored by Bayer Material Science

Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum

592

Students who attended the second annual WPIAL Summit on Sportsmanship at the Sports Museum



\$12.95

Cost of the new children's book, "Maz, You're Up!" published with author Kelly Mazerowski

1

Wedding ceremony held inside the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum



9

Uniform number of Bill Mazerowski, the Sports Museum's newest life-like figure



Fort Pitt Museum

19,478

Visitors to Fort Pitt Museum



8

Historic rifles showcased in the *American Frontier Rifleman* exhibition

13

Stars and stripes featured on the Fort Pitt Museum's new 80-foot tall garrison flag

Meadowcroft

8,235

School children who visited Meadowcroft Rockshelter & Historic Village

12

Number of countries visitors came from

15,659

Visitors to Meadowcroft Rockshelter & Historic Village

45

Number of states visitors came from



Library & Archives

2,000

Images digitized and added to the Historic Pittsburgh website

\$15,000

Awarded by the Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh for education outreach

\$88,000

Awarded by the Historical Publications and Records Commission to catalog more than 600 collections over the next two years

Patriotism on Display: Visitors Help Raise New 36-foot American Flag

Several hundred visitors including local Boy Scouts, representatives from the History Center, Daughters of the American Revolution, Pennsylvania DCNR, and the National Flag Foundation helped the Fort Pitt Museum raise a new 36-foot American flag in Point State Park on the Fourth of July.

More than 50 volunteers helped to hoist the 13-star garrison flag, which is the same size and star pattern as the flag that originally flew over Fort Pitt more than 200 years ago. The flag currently flies next to the Fort Pitt Blockhouse and will eventually become a permanent fixture of the Pittsburgh skyline.

As part of the ceremony, the Fort Pitt Museum also raised historic French and British flags, representing the three-sided struggle for control of the Forks of the Ohio during the French & Indian War. Costumed colonial re-enactors fired a musket volley as “Chester” and “The Star Spangled Banner” were played to honor America on its 235th birthday.

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Special Events Highlight Fall Season at Meadowcroft

Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village, a museum of the History Center, will host its popular American Indian Heritage Weekend and insider tours with Dr. James Adovasio this fall.

The National Historic Landmark, located in Avella, Pa. in Washington County, features a massive, 16,000-year-old rock overhang used by the region's earliest inhabitants for shelter.

In addition to ancient history at the Rockshelter, visitors can also step back in time at Meadowcroft Historic Village, which carefully recreates all of the charming qualities of an Upper Ohio Valley Village from the mid-19th century.

Visitors to Meadowcroft's annual **American Indian Heritage Weekend** on Sept. 24-25 will experience a variety of activities in the recreated 16th century Indian Village.

Native artisans dressed like their ancestors will demonstrate hands-on activities that show how the region's early inhabitants lived. Visitors can explore the interior of a wigwam, inspect carefully recreated prehistoric artifacts, learn about American Indian agriculture, and try their hand at using an atlatl, a prehistoric spear thrower.

In Oct., Meadowcroft Rockshelter will host two **exclusive tours with lead archaeologist James M. Adovasio, Ph.D.**, who achieved international acclaim during his excavation of the Rockshelter in 1973.

Dr. Adovasio will present a lecture and lead a behind-the-scenes tour of the Rockshelter at 10:00 a.m. on Sat., Oct. 1, and Sat., Oct. 29.

To make your reservation for either tour, please contact Frances Skariot at 724-587-3412 or frskariot@heinzhistorycenter.org.

For more information, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org and click on the Meadowcroft tab or call 724-587-3412.



New Members

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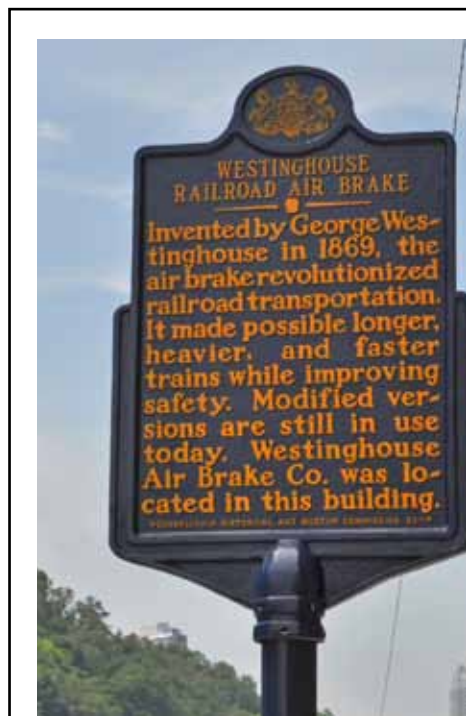
Unseen Civil War Images Featured in Upcoming Book

A new book published by the History Center this spring will feature rare and rarely seen images from the Civil War. “The Civil War in Pennsylvania: A Photographic History” will feature 400 images gathered by authors Michael G. Kraus, David M. Neville, and Kenneth C. Turner from private collections.

The large-format book, funded by the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, the Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation, and the National Endowment for the Humanities, is being published as part of Pennsylvania Civil War 150, the state's four year (2011-2015) commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.

The History Center will publish a second book in early 2013 titled, “The Civil War in Pennsylvania: The African American Experience,” which will examine the stories of African American soldiers and civilians during the war.

For more information on these books and other Civil War commemoration activities at the History Center, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/civilwar.



The History Center recently unveiled a new Pennsylvania Historic Marker on the site of the former Westinghouse Air Brake Company. Located outside the Pittsburgh Opera building at the corner of 25th St. and Liberty Ave. in the Strip District, the new marker recognizes Westinghouse's invention of the air brake, which greatly improved rail safety. A full collection of Westinghouse items can be found at the History Center.

Museum Acquisitions

- Kathleen Boldy**
A wood sign reading: "Handwoven Cakes/Clean as a whistle"
- Janet Davis**
Quilt, late 19th century
- Richard M. Fanzier**
Mini Safety Appliance hand operated carbon monoxide indicator/ tester and case
- Fredrick Favo**
Olympic silver medal and pin from the 1924 Olympic Winter Games
- Gregg Ficery**
A collection of Pirates baseball cards
- Ted R. Harbai**
T-shirts, "glad rags," and fan towels for the Pittsburgh Gladiator arena league team
- Suzan Holt**
Two tins of Zatek Cocoa and a Union Club Olives glass bottle
- Denny Korker**
Folding metal chair from Forbes Field
- Susan Kuscher**
T-shirt and towel from Penguins last win at Mellon Arena, May 8, 2010
- Martin and Linda Kuzmowski**
A piece of stanchion from first event held at the Civic Arena
- John and Clara Larkin**
Plaque from East River Tunnel, 1914
- Macy L. Levine, M.D.**
Spencer microscope, physician parking tag, and dermatographometer, all used by donor in his medical practice
- Judy Hosana Marston**
Sweatshirt
- Bernard Matthews**
St. Canine state championship trophy, 1955
- Judge John McBride**
Souvenir plates
- McKeesport Heritage Center**
Collection of nine medals and three buttons documenting Pittsburgh Volunteer Firefighting conventions
- Barry Mitnick**
Collection of performance pieces belonging to Aspiwall based magician Harry Albacher
- Harriet Naser**
Carnegie Steel Company bell and gavel used to call the board meetings to order
- Tom Ostlick Jr.**
Kaufmann's credit card, Horn's credit card
- Pittsburgh Glass Center**
A glass bowl made at the request of President Obama as a gift to the Finance Ministers for the G-20 summit in Pittsburgh
- Mike Sabo**
A glass dental tray made by the H.C. Fry Glass Company
- Beverly Scott and Eileen Scott Harrington**
GAR medals, buttons, and tin box
- Slippery Rock University Foundation**
A donation of Catholic sisters habits and health care equipment
- Jean W. Thomas**
Hard hat and safety glasses from UN visit to US Steel's Homestead Works, June 12, 1977
- University of Pittsburgh**
Basketball and net from the 2009 City Game
- William Watt**
Seven auto racing trophies
- Steve Weiner**
Lula's skyscraper scooter
- Jean Woods**
A collection of garments belonging to the donor's late mother, Louise Irwin Woods



Library & Archives Acquisitions

- The following books have recently been added to the History Center's collection:
- Echo (Stowe High School yearbook) 1966. Gift of Michael Truby.
- Student as Soldier. Gift of Allegheny College.
- Early Methodist Circuits. Gift of Helen Clear.
- Germanic Genealogy. Gift of Julian Falk.
- Fisherman's Cause: American Commerce in the Revolution. Gift of Marianne Magra.
- My Life as a Juggler. Gift of Joseph Pagnato.
- Pennsylvania's Revolution. Gift of Penn State Press.
- Black Book of Localities whose Jewish Population was Extirminated by the Nazis. Gift of the Jewish Chronicle.
- Parchmans in America. Gift of L. Gerald Parchman.
- Peaceable Kingdoms Lost: The Paxton Boys. Gift of Oxford University Press.

- Archives Acquisitions from May 2011 through July 2011:
- Robert Chamowitz
Chamowitz-Eger Papers and Photographs
- R. Bruce Williamson
C. Doyle and Dianne Steele Family Papers and Photographs, c. 1827-1999
- Judith Stauffer Basso (Mrs. Alessandro)
Judith Stauffer Basso Family Papers, c. 1785-c. 1870
- Francine Talano
James J. Lynch Photographs, 1941-1942
- St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church
St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church Photographs, 1927-1992
- Debra Bailey and Jodi Linder
Leonard Schwartz Papers and Photographs, 1944-2000
- Field Gather
Glenshaw Glass Company Photographs, c. 1900, 1931
- Joe Negri
Joe Negri Collection, 1970-2008
- Joseph D'Andrea
Italian Sons and Daughters of America Records, 1930-1986
- Jean Zelnovics, President
Pittsburgh Concert Society Records, 1948-2000

Interact with History Without Leaving the House

Recently, the History Center released a humorous “Ben Walking” YouTube video - similar to late-night talk show host Jay Leno’s “Jay Walking” segments - in conjunction with the recent *Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World* exhibition.

History Center President and CEO Andy Masich hit the streets of Pittsburgh to find out how much (or how little) people know about our country's beloved Founding Father.

To watch the video, visit www.youtube.com/heinzhistorycenter and please share the link with friends and family!

If you missed the *Benjamin Franklin* exhibit, make sure to check out the virtual tour on the History Center's website.

Enjoy enhanced video and audio clips, photographs, and Franklin fun facts by moving the camera up-and-down and side-to-side, as well as zooming in and out.

To coincide with the opening of *Stars & Stripes: An American Story*, the History Center will also launch a microsite and virtual tour of the exhibition.

To begin your virtual experience, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org.



New Underground Railroad Exhibition to Open in 2012

From Slavery to Freedom: The Underground Railroad and the Legacy of Freedom in Western Pennsylvania is an upcoming long-term exhibition that will open in Nov. 2012 and highlight the history of abolitionism, the Underground Railroad, and the impact of 19th century activism on the quest for civil and human rights in Western Pa.

The *From Slavery to Freedom* exhibit will feature nearly 60 documents from the Allegheny County recorder of deeds, currently housed in the History Center's Library & Archives, that will shed new light on the profile of slavery and freedom in Allegheny County.

Also featured will be a new lifelike museum figure of Martin Delany, a local abolitionist, doctor, publisher, and soldier who became the first African American field officer in the United



States Army during the Civil War.

In addition to the exhibition, the History Center is developing a variety of public programs, curricula, and publications in partnership with Carnegie Mellon University, the University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh Public Schools, the Afro-American Historical & Genealogical Society, The Art Institute of Pittsburgh, PA Civil War 150, and a variety of scholars.

From Slavery to Freedom is funded with support from the U.S. Department of Education Underground Railroad Program.

For more information about the exhibit, please contact Samuel Black, curator of the African American collection, at swblack@heinzhistorycenter.org or 412-454-6391.

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will illustrate the symbolism of the flag as a divisive symbol as Americans battled over unpopular wars and issues of equality at home.

Modern depictions of the flag are also included, such as the “Moonwalk” pop artwork from Andy Warhol and a unique lead relief flag created by Jasper Johns.

Through *Stars & Stripes: An American Story*, several interactive stations and video presentations will

help bring the symbolism of the flag to life for visitors. Highlights include touch interactives on materials used to create flags, patriotic and protest photos from the 1860s and 1960s, and an interactive area on proper flag etiquette.

For updated exhibit information and related events, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org/flags.

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HISTORY CENTER EXHIBITS

First Floor

NEW! *Stars & Stripes: An American Story* (opens Sept. 10); *John Heinz: A Western Pennsylvania Legacy*; *Kidsburgh* (mezzanine); *Vintage Vehicles*

Second Floor

Pittsburgh: A Tradition of Innovation; *Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum*

Third Floor

Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum; *Discovery Place*; *Prine Collection of Woodworking Planes*; *Rediscovering Lewis and Clark: A Journey with the Rooney Family*; *Outdoor Advertising*

Fourth Floor

Angels of Mercy - Sisters in Healthcare in Western Pennsylvania (through May 2012); *America's Best Weekly: A Century of the Pittsburgh Courier*; *Special Collections Gallery*; *Glass: Shattering Notions*; *Heinz 57*; *The Stories That Touch Our Lives*; *Images from the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette 2010* (through Nov. 2011)

Fifth Floor

Clash of Empires: The British, French, and Indian War, 1754-1763

Sixth Floor

Wrought Metal Treasures from the Blum Collection

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Calendar of Events

Visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org for the latest information on upcoming events.

Opening Day Commemoration - *Stars & Stripes: An American Story*

Sat., Sept. 10, 9 - 10:00 a.m.

See page 1 for details.

American Indian Heritage Weekend

Sat., Sept. 24, 12 - 5:00 p.m.

Sun., Sept. 25, 1 - 5:00 p.m.

Meadowcroft Rockshelter and Historic Village

See page 6 for details.

Live and Learn Weekend

Fri., Oct. 14, 6 - 8:00 p.m.

Sat. Oct. 15, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Explore the connection between our past and our present through book discussions and a visit to a historic library. This Live and Learn Weekend features the book "Confederates in the Attic" and a trip to the Carnegie Free Library in Carnegie to visit the GAR Espy Post.

New Orleans Steamboat Marker Dedication

Sat., Oct. 15, 2:00 p.m.

Commemorate the 200th anniversary of the historic first voyage of the steamboat New Orleans from its city of origin, Pittsburgh, with the dedication of a Pennsylvania State Historic Marker.

CCAHA Connecting to Collections Workshop

Tues., Oct. 25

Join us for a CCAHA (Conservation Center for Art and Historic Artifacts) sponsored Best Practices Collections Workshop for museum volunteers and professionals.

Fifth Annual Quilter's Weekend

Sat., Jan. 21

Sun., Jan. 22

Join us for the fifth annual Quilter's Weekend and enjoy quilting displays, demonstrations, and hands-on activities.

A RADical Deal: Free Admission for All Visitors on Oct. 1

On Sat., Oct. 1, the History Center and Western Pennsylvania Sports



Allegheny Regional Asset District

Museum will open their doors for free admission as part of the Regional Asset District's annual RADical Days celebration. In addition to the free admission, a variety of local performing arts groups will entertain visitors in the History Center's Great Hall.

The following day on Sun., Oct. 2, the Fort Pitt Museum will celebrate RADical Days with free admission.

For more information, visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org or call 412-454-6000.

Celebrate the Holidays with the History Center

Join us for these holiday themed events:

Heritage Holidays

Sat., Nov. 12 - Sun., Nov. 13

Enjoy hands-on activities, ethnic music and dancing, live entertainment, and food sampling as we celebrate all the different holiday traditions in Western Pennsylvania.

Book Fair

Sat., Dec. 3

Celebrate the 10th anniversary of the History Center's Book Fair. Finish all of your holiday shopping in one trip while enjoying hot chocolate and meeting with more than 50 local authors.

