

HISTORYCENTER



A BUSY FALL AT THE HISTORY CENTER

No matter the season, we're always busy developing exhibits and programs at the History Center. This fall features a new book, a day dedicated to Westinghouse employees, and a public commemoration of George Washington's fateful crossing of the Allegheny River.

We've decided to extend two popular exhibits: *Rediscovering Lewis & Clark: A Journey with the Rooney Family* and *Eye of the Storm: Unknown Stories of the Civil War* will both run through January 4, 2004.

The History Center will pay tribute to the amazing accomplishments of George Westinghouse and the company he started with a day honoring current and former Westinghouse employees. On October 4, those employees and their families will receive free admission to the History Center for a fun day of special programs and fond memories.

Don't forget RADical Weekend 2, which encourages attractions funded by the Allegheny County RAD tax – including the History Center – to open their doors to generous public supporters. The History Center will hold a free admission day on Friday, October 3.

On October 18, the History Center, along with partners including the Boy Scouts and PennDOT, will commemorate the 250th anniversary of George Washington's crossing of the Allegheny River with a re-enactment event at 11 a.m. on the 40th Street Bridge in Lawrenceville. The bridge is near where Washington not only crossed, but actually fell into the river and nearly drowned.

Also this fall, the History Center will publish *The Strip District: Around the World in a Neighborhood*, a wonderful book co-written by History Center Project Associate Lauren Uhl. Look for details in the next newsletter and magazine.

Andrew E. Masich,
President and Chief Executive Officer
Historical Society of Western Pennsylvania

The state seals that line the 40th Street Bridge in Lawrenceville were removed and are being restored by PennDOT and the Boy Scouts. The seals represent the original 13 colonies and Allegheny County.

PennDOT



HISTORYCENTER INFORMATION

1212 SMALLMAN STREET, IN THE STRIP DISTRICT, (412) 454-6000
www.pghhistory.org

PARKING

\$3 for four hours in the lot at 12th & Smallman Streets with History Center validation.

HOURS

Museum and Shop: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., daily.
Library & Archives: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.
Center closed on Easter, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

ADMISSION

Members: Free
Adults \$6; Students/Seniors \$4.50; Ages 6-18 \$3;
Ages 5 and under Free. Wheelchair accessible.
Café on site. Discovery Place for children.

GROUP SALES

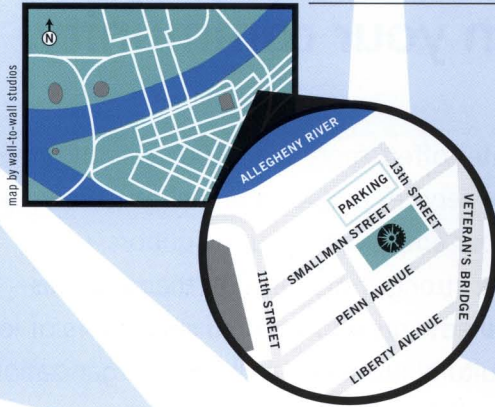
Discounted rates. Advance booking required. Call (412) 454-6304.

MUSEUM SHOP

History-related gifts and souvenirs. Members enjoy a 10% discount.

FACILITY RENTAL

Your special event or wedding is a historic occasion. A timeless and distinctive setting, with superb dining provided by Common Plea Catering, the History Center is the perfect place to host your next banquet, party, reception, seminar, or meeting. Call (412) 454-6435 for information and reservations.



Fall '03 Exhibits AT THE HISTORY CENTER

LED BY THE SPIRIT: 125 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE AT DUQUESNE UNIVERSITY OCTOBER 1 – DECEMBER 14, 2003

REDISCOVERING LEWIS & CLARK: A JOURNEY WITH THE ROONEY FAMILY THROUGH JANUARY 4, 2004

EYE OF THE STORM: UNKNOWN STORIES OF THE CIVIL WAR THROUGH JANUARY 4, 2004

ONGOING EXHIBITS:

KIDSBURGH

POINTS IN TIME: BUILDING A LIFE IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA, 1750 – TODAY

DISCOVERY PLACE

PRINE COLLECTION OF WOODWORKING PLANES

GLASS: SHATTERING NOTIONS

HEINZ 57

WROUGHT METAL TREASURES FROM THE BLUM COLLECTION



Smithsonian Institution

A Smithsonian Associates Civil War E-Mail Newsletter at <http://civilwarstudies.org/features.htm> includes an article on the influence of Civil War soldiers on the evolution of baseball in America.

The Smithsonian exhibit, *The American Presidency: A Glorious Burden* will open at the History Center in January 2004. Visit <http://americanhistory.si.edu/presidency/home.html> to learn more about the exhibit.

Mayor Albert P. Delsandro
of Donora, Pa., with
President John F. Kennedy.



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