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LeniD: I think it's time to get started! Let's begin with introductions please...

LeniD: Name, what you do and where you do it.

CathyAB: I'm a preservice teacher from the University of Houston.

DianaAL: My name is Diana and I teach middle school social studies in Flagstaff, AZ

LeniD: I'm Leni Donlan. I coordinate the Learning Page project at the Library of Congress.

BJB2 waves hi. I'm an art teacher in Pennsylvania and a helpdesk volunteer for Tapped In

LeniD: Ahh...Diana, were you at our session in AZ this week?

DianaAL: No I was not...

DianaAL: where were you?

LeniD: Welcome, Cathy.

LeniD: I just returned home last night from Tempe. We did two sessions at the MEC conference at ASU.

CathyAB: Thanks..it's great to be here.

LeniD: What wonderful weather and reception we had! It was hard to leave.

ByronH joined the room.

LeslieSan joined the room.

DianaAL: We had a weird week up here at 7000 feet with a snow day on Monday... Arizona has a very diverse climate

LeniD: Welcome, Byron. We were just introducing ourselves.

LeniD: Hi Leslie. Would you please tell us what you teach/do and where you do it?

BJB2: a reminder that if you are new to Tapped In you may want to go to the Actions menu in the top right of your chat window and click on DETACH

BJB2 waves to Byron

ByronH waves back to BJ

BJB2 wonders if Byron and Leni have met?

LeniD: Tonight we will be talking about teaching Women's History with an assist from Library of Congress resources.

LeniD: I don't believe I have met Byron, BJ

BJB2 thinks Byron should introduce himself

ByronH: I don't think so either. I will at the LOC next month though.

LeniD: Please

LeniD: Please tell us more, Byron!

ByronH: Hello, I am Byron Holdiman. I am the Digital Preservationist for the Adventure of the American Mind project

ByronH: at California Univ of PA (training educators in using LOC online resources in the classroom)

LeniD: Diana...I remember seeing news of the snow on TV.

CathyAB: I'm really interested in learning more about LOC online resources...

LeniD: Aha! Byron, I was in Arizona with Elizabeth Ridgway, LC AAM coordinator earlier this week.

LeniD: And here we go, Cathy!

DianaAL: It was a truly fantastic surprise, one more snow day before spring...

ByronH: Ahh, I know that name. Have talked with Elizabeth many times.

CathyAB: Great!

BJB2 recommends that everyone fasten your seatbelts

ByronH: (and met her on my last trip to the LOC)

LeniD: As I was saying, I remember teaching history as the story of "old dead white men"...let's see how that can be changed, tonight

CathyAB: Here in Texas we call it "dates and dead people".

LeniD: LOL, BJ. Is everyone ready? I do go quickly, but a transcript will have all the links I show.

LeniD: Good one, Cathy

LeniD: Excellent, Byron. I'm sure you will be seeing her again, next week.

LeniD: How do you ensure that your students learn history from many perspectives and hear it through many voices?

BJB2: Leni will be showing urls...

BJB2: when she does, just click on them to open a new window

BJB2: you may need to hold down the ctrl key on your keyboard if you have a pop up blocker

LeniD: Think about my question as we view these resources....

LeniD: The Library of Congress can perpetuate the myth that history is the "story of dead white men" as many of the items in its holdings reflect the impact of men on the nation and the world.

LeniD: However, we also have many holdings that share the women's perspectives and roles over time. Tonight, I'll be sharing these with you.

LeniD: We'll start with some of the holdings of the Library's Prints and Photographs division (click on the thumbnails of images to get a larger image to view, print or save).

LeniD: Don't stay away too long, though

LeniD: Dorothea Lange's talent and "eye" are evident as she documents the life of migrant farm workers in Nipomo, CA in the mid-1930s.

LeniD: Her work is a powerful statement about the time. As you view this link, think about how Lange portrays a feminine point of view.

LeniD: http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/128_migm.html

BJB2 checks to make sure everyone got the url

ByronH is there

CathyAB: I'm good...

LeniD: Our nation's First Ladies have played a very important role in the shaping of the nation. Some have done so through public work and responsibilities, while others have offered more subtle influence. Here they are...

LeniD: http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/058_intr.html

LeniD: Hello Mary. We are viewing resources about Women's History from the Library of Congress. Welcome

LeniD: This collection of images depicts the struggle for women's rights.

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/picamer/paWomen.html>

LeniD: (Stop me for comments or questions, as needed, folks.)

LeniD: And here are the "Rosie" pictures - images relating to American women workers during WW II

LeniD: http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/126_rosi.html

BJB2 . o O (a reminder that all urls will be in your transcript)

LeniD: Votes for Women:

LeniD: The Struggle for Women's Suffrage

LeniD: http://www.loc.gov/rr/print/list/076_vfw.html

LeniD: Many American Memory collections offer "Special Presentations" that provide specialized information about the content of the collection.

LeniD: Here are some of these presentations that help tell the story of American women...

DianaAL: What I absolutely love about the LOC collection is the ability to bring my students very close to primary source documents and let them become their own historians.

LeniD: It is what we love about it, too, Diana.

LeniD: The Northern Great Plains: The Women Pioneers ...

LeniD: http://lweb2.loc.gov/ammem/award97/ndfahtml/hult_women.html

LeslieSan joined the room.

LeniD: African American Perspectives: The Progress of a People. Read about “Work Among Our Women”...

LeniD: <http://lweb2.loc.gov/ammem/aap/aapwomen.html>

BJB2: welcome back, Leslie

LeniD: Welcome back, Leslie.

LeslieSan: Thanks

LeniD: I'm sharing Library of Congress resources. You will find the ones you missed in the chat log we post on the Learning Page.

LeniD: Votes for Women: Timeline – One Hundred Years Toward Suffrage

LeniD: <http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/naw/nawstime.html>

LeniD: Words and Deeds: Women

LeniD: <http://lweb2.loc.gov/ammem/mcchtml/womhm.html>

LeniD: The following resources are from the Library's wonderful exhibitions.

LeniD: Women Come to the Front: Journalists, Photographers, and Broadcasters During WWII

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/wcf/wcf0001.html>

LeniD: Margaret Mead: Human Nature and the Power of Culture

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/exhibits/mead/>

LeniD: I asked earlier how you ensure that your students learn history from many perspectives and hear it through many voices. Has anything you've seen thus far inspired some lesson ideas?

BJB2 nods vigorously

LeniD: Good! The resources are only as good as the connections you make for your students

ByronH: I have a couple of teachers that are going through the AAM project that have a great example

LeniD: Galloping on...

LeniD: Do you want to share, Byron?

ByronH: They have divided their classes into different professions (women in politics, journalism, etc.)

ByronH: The students went onto the LOC site and found information about their area and then create a 20 minutes skit demonstrating the advancements of women in their area.

LeniD: Wonderful!

ByronH: On March 31, the students will be giving the skits at a 2 hour play to the public.

LeniD: Community public, Byron?

ByronH: Yes. I am so proud of these two teachers.

LeniD: Fantastic! I hope you will videotape and share the results of their effort.

LeniD: Did you know that a variety of cybercasts are available from the Library?

LeniD: The History of Household Technology With Constance Carter

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/rr/program/journey/household.html>

LeniD: Native American Women Writers Discuss New Book, Sister's Nation

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/locvideo/native/>

LeniD: Globalization and Women in Muslim Societies

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/locvideo/mslm/>

LeniD: Resourceful Women: A Library of Congress Symposium

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/rr/women/>

LeniD: Welcome back, Mary.

LeniD: Last, but not least ... I'd like to share resources from the Learning Page...

LeniD: From The American Memory Timeline...

LeniD: Reformers and Crusaders (1850-1880)

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/features/timeline/expref/crusader/crusade.html>

MarySt left the room (signed off).

LeniD: Traveling on the Overland Trails (1843-1860)

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/features/timeline/expref/oregral/oregont.html>

LeniD: Women in the Union Armies

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/features/timeline/progress/suffrage/suffrage.html>

LeniD: Women Pioneers - another Learning Page Feature Presentation

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/features/women/women.html>

LeniD: From our carefully vetted Internet Resources (links go outside the Library)...

LeniD: Women's History

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/start/inres/ushist/women.html>

LeniD: An activity for your students...

LeniD: Women's Words of Wisdom

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/features/womenswords/>

LeniD: Is everyone still with me? It's mighty quiet out there

ByronH still around

LeniD: Good to know, Byron

BJB2 thanks Leni for the women's words...I needed a quote for the March Newsletter

ByronH: These are great links. I have put together some at our website (www.cup.edu/education/aam) on our monthly features. These will be a great addition to what I have already gathered.

LeniD: I'm glad I could help, BJ. I have many favorites there.

LeniD: Thanks, Byron. Don't go yet...

LeniD: there is more to come...

LeniD: How about some lesson plans?

LeniD: For grades 6-12...Women: Struggle and Triumph

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/lessons/00/triumph/index.html>

LeniD: Women, Their Rights, and Nothing Else (grades 9-12)

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/lessons/99/suffrage/intro.html>

LeniD: For grades 4 - 6 - Voices for Votes: Suffrage Strategies

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/lessons/00/suffrage/index.html>

LeniD: (I'm poking around your web site, Byron. It offers a lot!

LeniD: Stand Up and Sing (grades 7-12)

LeniD: <http://www.loc.gov/learn/lessons/99/sing/intro.html>

ByronH: Thanks Leni. That is great to hear.

LeniD: I'll be looking around more carefully. Thanks for sharing.

LeniD: And now...

LeniD: fanfare...

LeniD: More fanfare...

LeniD: Brand new and making its public premier tonight...

LeniD: Pages from Her Story

LeniD: http://www.loc.gov/learn/features/pages_herstory/

BJB2 applauds!

LeniD: Thanks Would love to hear whether this appears useful and how you might use it.

ByronH: Wow, this is fantastic!!!

LeniD: Thanks, Byron. That's music to my ears.

ByronH: One of the teachers wants to do time periods next year instead of occupations for the skits. This will be a wonderful resource for her to use.

LeniD: Excellent.

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LeniD: Cathy... any reactions from you?

LeniD: That's it, folks! Thanks for visiting tonight.

BJB2: Thanks, Leni

JeffC: Thanks Leni... as usual I enjoyed the sties.

BJB2 . o O (my head is swimming)

LeniD: Please join us next month at 8:00 P.M. ET on April 21, when we will be talking about resources dealing with Literature and Poetry.

BJB2: coolness.

LeniD: Thanks, Jeff and BJ

LeniD: See you then!

ByronH: Thank you for all of the resources. Hmm, cannot wait until next month.

BJB2 waves goodnight to Leni

LeniD: I look forward to seeing you again, Byron. Night all!

BJB2: Thanks, everyone for participating in the discussion.

ByronH: Nite Leni (and BJ)