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Long Island Archives

*Newsletter of the Documentary Heritage Program
Long Island Library Resources Council*

Documentary Heritage Program Workshops for the Fall of 2007

Date: November 7, 2007 - *Grant Writing Session*

Place: TBA

Further information about this workshop will be on the LILRC website and on the registration form which will be mailed to those on our mailing list.

Spring 2008

Preservation of Scrapbooks-TBA

Preservation on a Shoe String-TBA

HOLD THE DATE: October 26, 2007

The 12th Annual Archives Week Leadership Conference will be held at Old Westbury Gardens, Old Westbury, New York. This is a breakfast conference held from 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Title:” *Dying to Know-Cemeteries as Archives*”.

Archives Month-October 2007

Archives Week has now been officially extended into Archives Month. It is not too early to begin planning your Archives Month Event. All historical societies, libraries, and historical organizations will be receiving a form on which to list events in celebration of Archives Month. Please fill out the form and return it to the Regional Archivist for inclusion in the Archives Month Calendar of Events. The calendar will be printed and mailed to those on the LILRC mailing list, and it will also be available on the LILRC website.

Conservation/Preservation

Picture Perfect: Photograph Preservation and Storage

Date: November 2, 2007

Place: Hofstra University Archives

619 Fulton Ave.

Hempstead, New York 11550

Time: 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Presenter: Prof. Geri Solomon, Assistant Dean of Special Collections/University Archivist,
Hofstra University

Sponsored by: The LILRC Conservation/Preservation Committee

National Historical Publications Records Commission (NHPRC) Update

On July 12, the Senate Appropriations Committee approved its version of the fiscal year '08 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations bill. The bill included \$10 million for the NHPRC, the same amount passed by the House. Unlike the House, the Senate Committee Report language does not direct how the funding should be allocated between grants and administrative costs. Read the full article:

<http://historycoalition.org/2007/07/13/senate-panel-provides-10m-for-nhprc-in-fy-08/>

Grants Information

Education Department Announces Teaching American History Grants <<http://historycoalition.org/2007/07/13/education-department-announces-teaching-american-history-grants/>>

Digitization and Long Island History

Over the last five years, LILRC has been promoting the use of digitization as a tool for providing access to historical information. To date over 16,718 images have been made accessible to the public including postcards, photos, a historical book, and newspapers from the late 19th and early 20th centuries. In the near future oral histories will also be available.

The LILRC Board of Trustees has opened membership in LILRC to all Nassau and Suffolk County historical societies at a special member rate. Membership in LILRC qualifies these organizations to become members of the LILRC Regional Digitization Program. The Program provides the software, hosting, and training in the process of digitization.

If you would like more information about the Program, you may call 631-632-6656 or e-mail: vantonuc@lilrc.org.

Looking Back

The LILRC Documentary Heritage Program Advisory Committee sponsored the “Stone Strategies” workshop which was held on July 11, 2007. LILRC and the Documentary Heritage Program Advisory Committee would like to thank the Jericho Public Library, and Betsey Murphy, Reference Librarian/L.I. Collection, for their help in presenting this workshop. We would also like to give a special thanks to Tom Abbe and the Jericho Quaker Meeting.

DHP Archivist Dianne McPherson, Erica Blumenfeld, Archivist, and Conservator C.R. Jones did an outstanding presentation on the documentation and preservation of historic tombstones.



Photo by Dianne MacPherson

Conservator C.R. Jones pictured here on left.



Dianne McPherson (Right) and C.R. Jones (Left)

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