Resources for National History Day
from the
State Library of Pennsylvania
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Main Page for State Library

http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/bureau_of_state_library/8811

FAQ's (located on our home page)

http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/http://www.portal.state.pa.us:80/portal/server.pt/gateway/PTARGS_0_123531_1211317_0_0_18/FAQ%20Page.pdf

Collections of the State Library

http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/collections/8728

How do I search for newspaper microfilm in the Newspaper collection?

http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/collections/8728/instructions_for_searching_newspapers/524084

Live far from the State Library? No problem! Like many resources from the State Library, newspaper microfilms are available through interlibrary loan. Your local library can help you borrow the microfilm you want from the State Library.

www.armyheritage.org

http://pa.nhd.org
Electronic Resources

Many of the materials in the online catalog are also available in electronic format. Look for Web link in the search results that will take you directly to the document. Many of our U.S. and Pennsylvania government documents are available online.

The staff at the State Library also recommends the following websites for primary materials:

Ben's Guide (resources by grade for U.S. Government information)
http://bensguide.gpo.gov/

Library of Congress: American Memory Project:
http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html

Browse Topics (information on a wide variety of topics from government sites)
http://www.browsetopics.gov/

Other recommended websites for information including “Places for Kids” and “Places for Teachers” are listed under our “Recommended Websites”
http://www.portal.state.pa.us/portal/server.pt/community/recommended_websites/8740
Pennsylvania Digital Repository

There is also a list of digitized projects that have been completed by the State Library and others with lots of primary materials. http://205.247.101.31/index.php

Commonly Pennsylvania Topics:

Paxton Boys

A Narrative of the Late Massacres in Lancaster County of a Number of Indians, Friends of the Province (1764); Thomas Barton. Available electronically:


The conduct of the Paxton-men, Impartially Represented (1764) by Benjamin Franklin.


Title IX (women in intermural sports)

The State Library is a full law library that students would be able to get a copy of the actual law.

Underground Railroad

Network to Freedom (National Park Service)

www.armyheritage.org

http://pa.nhd.org
http://www.nps.gov/subjects/ugrr/index.htm

Main Genealogy Microfiche LH13557

_Dorothea Dix_

An address by a recent female visiter to the prisoners in the Eastern Penitentf r of Pennsylvania, Printed by Joseph and William Kite, No. 50 North Fourth Street, Philadelphia. 1844. Rare Books/Special Collection PV 58 no.4

Annual reports for many of the different state hospitals for the Insane where Dorothea Dix tried to reform conditions. Rare Books/Special Collections Library

_Benjamin Franklin_

Account books kept by Benjamin Franklin ... Notes by George Simpson Eddy. Rare Books/special Collections Library 973.3 F854 1928

An account of the newly invented Pennsylvania fire-place (facsimile edition of information from 1744. Rare Books/Special Library Collection 093 P. F854d 1744

The State Library collects many secondary materials about Benjamin Franklin since he, as the clerk of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, is credited with starting the State Library. All materials can be found at the following number in our Open stacks: 973.3F85

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