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## **Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum Unveils 1960 World Series Artifacts** ***-Bill Mazeroski's uniform and bronzed bat, on loan from the Tull Family Collection, will be on display in the Sports Museum through May 1-***

PITTSBURGH, March 26, 2014 – As the Pittsburgh Pirates prepare to open their most anticipated season in more than 20 years, the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum at the Senator John Heinz History Center today unveiled artifacts from one of the greatest moments in sports history – Bill Mazeroski's ninth inning home run which beat the New York Yankees in Game 7 of the 1960 World Series.

On loan from the Tull Family Collection, Mazeroski's iconic Game 7 uniform and bat, which have never been on display locally with the exception of a short stint at PNC Park last September, will be on view at the Sports Museum throughout the first month of the Pirates' season, beginning **today through Thurs., May 1.**

"We are thrilled that Pirates fans and visitors to the Heinz History Center will have an opportunity to see these important artifacts from the 1960 World Series," said Thomas Tull, chairman and CEO of Legendary Entertainment and part of the Steelers ownership group. "With the excitement surrounding the current Pirates team, we felt the time was right to loan these objects to the History Center and hopefully educate a new generation of Pirates fans about this incredible moment in sports history."

Mazeroski's Pirates uniform and bronzed 35-inch Louisville Slugger bat will be accompanied by several 1960 World Series items from the Sports Museum's collection, including the pitching rubber from which New York Yankees pitcher Ralph Terry served up the historic round tripper to Maz, as well as the first base he touched before rumbling towards home plate alongside a crowd of jubilant Pirates fans at Forbes Field.

Also featured alongside the World Series artifacts is Dick Groat's jersey from his 1960 Most Valuable Player season and a life-like museum figure of Mazeroski hitting the legendary home run.

Visitors to the 20,000 square-foot, two-floor Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum can see additional items from Pittsburgh's storied baseball past, including game-used jerseys and equipment from Pirates Hall of Famers such as Honus Wagner, Roberto Clemente, and Willie Stargell.

The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum is included with regular admission to the Heinz History Center: \$15 for adults, \$13 for seniors (age 62+), \$6 for students and children (age 6-17), and free for children (age 5 and under). For more information on the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum, please visit [www.heinzhistorycenter.org](http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org).

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**The Senator John Heinz History Center**, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution and the largest history museum in Pennsylvania, presents American history with a Western Pennsylvania connection. The Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum is a museum within a museum, comprehensively presenting the region's remarkable sports story through hundreds of artifacts and interactive experiences for visitors of all ages. The History Center and Sports Museum are located at 1212 Smallman Street in the city's Strip District, and are open every day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The History Center's museum system includes the Sports Museum; the Fort Pitt Museum in historic Point State Park; and Meadowcroft Rockshelter & Historic Village, a National Historic Landmark located in Avella, Pa. in Washington County. More information is available at [www.heinzhistorycenter.org](http://www.heinzhistorycenter.org).



From Wed., March 26 through Thurs., May 1, the Western Pennsylvania Sports Museum at the Heinz History Center will showcase artifacts from one of the greatest moments in sports history – Bill Mazeroski's ninth inning home run in Game 7 of the 1960 World Series (photo credit: Associated Press).



Mazeroski's uniform (right) and bronzed bat are accompanied by several 1960 World Series items from the Sports Museum's collection, including the pitching rubber, first base, and a life-like museum figure of Mazeroski hitting the legendary home run, alongside Dick Groat's jersey (left) from his Most Valuable Player season.