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History Center Program to Celebrate Voices of Pittsburgh's Past
- Fifth annual Treasures in the Archives event will explore collections preserved in the
History Center's Detre Library & Archives -

WHAT: The Senator John Heinz History Center's Detre Library & Archives will share stories from Western Pennsylvania's rich history during the fifth annual **Treasures in the Archives** event on **Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10:30 a.m.**

The Detre Library & Archives cares for countless local voices from the past. Often captured on paper, in photographs, and on film, these voices are preserved as vibrant and thought-provoking portals into the region's history.

Treasures in the Archives is an opportunity to see highlights from one of the largest collections of historic materials about Western Pennsylvania and learn about the lives of Western Pennsylvanians through one-of-a-kind photographs and documents.

During the program, the archivists who work with these items every day will share the rarely heard stories behind some of their favorite collections.

Presentations will focus on a variety of stories contained within the archives, featuring stories pertaining to disability history in the region, the African American experience, and more.

This event is free and open to the public but does not include access to History Center exhibits.

Accessibility: ASL interpretation will be provided for this program.

More than 250 years of our region's history can be found at the Thomas and Katherine Detre Library & Archives. Founded in 1879, the Library & Archives' collections, located on the Smithsonian-affiliated History Center's sixth floor, are accessible to researchers, students, and the general public.

WHEN: **Saturday, Nov. 17**
10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

WHERE: Senator John Heinz History Center
Detre Library & Archives (sixth floor)
1212 Smallman Street

Pittsburgh, PA 15222

For more information, please visit www.heinzhistorycenter.org



The History Center's Detre Library & Archives will explore a selection of stories from the region's history during its fifth annual **Treasures in the Archives** event on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10:30 a.m.



The Heinz History Center' Detre Library & Archives will explore stories of the region's disability history and more during **Treasures in the Archives** on Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10:30 a.m. Pictured: A group of friends who met through the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf attending an unidentified retreat in the late 1910s. The "Pittsburgh Silents," as seen on the jersey of the second man from the right, was the name of a local basketball team composed of young deaf men. (Photo courtesy of Detre Library & Archives, Heinz History Center)

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