NEW WEB SITE

Over the past two years, Kathryn Kish-Sklar and Tom Dublin have been developing a Worldwide Web site that we hope will be of interest to teachers and students in U.S. Women's History. The site is "Women and Social Movements in the United States, 1830-1930," and consists of editorial projects of primary documents that speak to the history of women in reform movements in the U.S. We now have a sizable body of documents – 17 projects with roughly 320 documents – along with some graphics, links to other educational sites in women's history, and a search engine that makes material on the site quite accessible. We are hoping the materials will be valuable in high school and college courses in history.

Faculty are encouraged to use the primary documents for reading assignments in their courses or for possible student paper topics.

The site has recently been selected by the NEH - sponsored site, EDSITEment, as a top website in the Humanities and it will be getting some added visibility from that source. Binghamton undergraduates are currently working on new projects for the site and the site will add another 8 - 10 editorial projects during the upcoming spring semester. We would be pleased to hear from users of the site with suggestions for additional editorial projects. Also, faculty who develop assignments based on the site should send us copies which we will consider for a new "teachers' corner" to be added next summer. Any other comments or suggestions for the site are very welcome. Visit the website at http://womhist.binghamton.edu. Questions may be directed to Kathryn Kish-Sklar (kkslar@binghamton.edu) & Tom Dublin (tdublin@binghamton.edu).

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The Viking Millennium International Symposium.

A thousand years ago feels like yesterday at L'Anse aux Meadows, National Historic Site, on the tip of Newfoundland's Great Northern Peninsula. Mystery and pieces of history are revealed here at the only authenticated Norse site in North America. This is the setting, described in the Sagas, where the Vikings became the first European settlers in the New World and the first to make contact with the indigenous peoples of the Americas.

To celebrate the 1000th anniversary of this remarkable event, international scholars and Viking experts and enthusiasts will gather for ten days and address many aspects of Norse culture during the period of exploration that spurred the New World journeys of Leif Ericson and his family. The Viking Millennium International Symposium will present the most up-to-date research on topics ranging from the Sagas to recent archaeology. The Symposium has three major themes, presented in three parts, at three locations. Each portion of the programme can be experienced on its own, or as part of the entire experience that will take registrants from St. John's to the Northern Peninsula to the Labrador Straits to Corner Brook. This exciting conference will attract a wide audience of local, national and international attendees. It will be a once-in-a-millennium experience, not to be missed!

Date: September 15-24, 2000 Locations: St. John's; the Northern Peninsula; the Labrador Straits; and Corner Brook. Contact: Jennifer Deon, Coordinator (phone) 709-753-9262; (fax) 709-753-0879; (e-mail) nhpa@nfld.com; www.vikingssymposium.nf.ca.