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**HISTORY MUSEUM OF MOBILE SPONSERS CRASH COURSE IN
MOBILE HISTORY**

The History Museum of Mobile organized and hosted a one-day seminar, “A Crash Course in Mobile History,” for Grades 4th – 11th Social Studies Teachers on Friday, June 20, 2014. This seminar was free and listed on the South Alabama Research and Inservice Center’s (SARIC) web site (<http://www.southalabama.edu/saric/main.html>).

A total of 36 teachers learned about local history as well as its connections to state and national history. The History Museum provided information concerning its school group programs with the seminar participants. They also received a pre-visit packet with museum information and lesson plans that tie back to the exhibits.

“What an enthusiastic, focused group,” said David E. Alsobrook, director of the History Museum of Mobile. “We really enjoyed hosting them and look forward to doing it again next year.”

The morning sessions included “Southeastern Prehistory” with Dr. Philip Carr, a Professor of Anthropology and Associate Director of the Center for Archaeological Studies at the University of South Alabama, “Mobile during the Colonial Era” with Dr. Bob Faust, Instructor, History Department, University of South Alabama, and “The Antebellum Period in Mobile” with Dr. Harriet Amos Doss, Associate Professor of History, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

The afternoon presentations included “Mobile’s Civil War and Reconstruction” with John Sledge, local author and historian.

Dr. David E. Alsobrook, director of the History Museum of Mobile, ended the seminar with a presentation on “The Progressive Era in Mobile.” Jennifer Fondren, curator of education, also gave a tour of the museum to the participating teachers.

Speakers included resources and examples of primary resource material in their presentations.

“The event went very well,” said Jennifer Fondren, curator of education. “The speakers did an outstanding job, and we received a lot of positive feedback from the teachers. We did this event because we love our local history, and we wanted to support our local teachers by sharing resources with them that they can use in the classroom.”

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Located in the Old City Hall/ Southern Market at 111 S. Royal Street in downtown Mobile, the History Museum of Mobile documents the 300-year history of Mobile and the surrounding region. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. – 5 p.m. Admission to the museum is \$7 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens, and \$5 for students.

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