## DUPREE CREATES AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTERNET RESOURCE

Looking for black history resources? Need an appropriate African-American quote or African proverb? Find these and more at "A Roadmap to African-American Resources" - <u>http://www.araadr.org/resorlik.htm</u>

The Web site's opening page informs that this is the 100th anniversary of "The Souls of Black Folk" by African-American writer W.E.B. Du Bois.

"Du Bois' 1903 book describes the 'invisibility' of black folk in society," said Santa Fe College Professor of Student Development Instruction Sherry DuPree, who created the Web site.

The site's Sociolinguistics, Literature section reveals that Du Bois founded the Niagara Movement in 1905, which merged with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in 1909.

The History: Western Hemisphere section of the site describes a traveling exhibit and lecture series on Florida's 1890-1920 "Back to Africa" movement led by African Methodist Episcopal Bishop Henry McNeal Turner, the "Black Moses."

DuPree started collecting African-American resources in 1995 as a result of research questions minority students asked her in her capacity of librarian.

"Web sites were coming in vogue then, but there weren't any that addressed African-American issues," said DuPree. "This is a true labor of love - I am constantly adding new sites and deleting outdated ones."

DuPree, formerly SFCC Library User Services Coordinator, also receives input from librarian friends. Each new site is evaluated for credibility before it is added.

Each section opens with an African-American quote or proverb related to its topic, and there are appropriate photographs and artwork.

There are links to primary and secondary documents, databases, archives, libraries, maps, images and more, including: news media, museums, educational institutions, history, genealogy, civil rights and academic disciplines. There is also a section dedicated to World Wide Web reference resources.

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Resources are categorized according to the Library of Congress Classification System, with the corresponding Dewey Decimal System number also given for each section.

"The site is handicap accessible, or 'Bobby Approved,' " said DuPree. "This means that people with vision problems can read it because the background is gray and certain colors are used as visual cues."

She has presented workshops on the use of her Web site since 1997.

DuPree has written many articles that appear in books related to African-American culture and history, and the charismatic movement. An article by DuPree appeared in Pneuma, the magazine of the Society for Pentecostal Studies, which she recently served as president.

She has compiled and published two annotated bibliographies related to holiness, Pentecostalism, and black churches.

A visit to her home page at <u>http://www.araadr.org/bio02.htm</u> provides more information on DuPree and her wide-ranging interests.

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