SESSION 3.3: ACTIVITY: TIMELINE

Blizzard Presentations

Read, compare, contrast and create a timeline of the Blizzard of 1888 on sticky notes (this will make it easier to move the facts around as you find them). Use the Omaha World Herald article on January 12, 2013: **125 Years Ago** **Today, Blizzard of 1888** by David Hendee and **Reluctant Folk Hero** by Minnie Freeman, as well as the lyrics from **Thirteen Were Saved** by William Vincent. Students read the three (or more) accounts and note significant events on sticky notes then place them in order or the events.

Example of sticky notes and order of facts:

Thursday, January 12, 1888 a fierce blizzard slashed across the Great Plains for 12-18 hours.	Children went to school on January 12th.	At noon students played outside.
By 2 pm the temperature fell to -30 to -40 degrees. Some reported a clap of thunder.	Teacher took a ball of stout twine from her desk and tied the students together.	Roof blew off.
The group started toward the nearest house which was ¾ mile away with wind blowing in their faces and visibility of 4 to 5 feet.	Stuck together two by two and were told to hold on to the one just ahead of you.	The group made it to the farmhouse.