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GREAT PLAINS STUDIES SYMPOSIA

The program committee and the staff of the Center for Great Plains Studies thank all presenters at the twentieth annual symposium, Politics and Culture of the Great Plains. Thanks, as well, to the many people who attended the sessions of the conference.

Our twenty-first symposium, Literatures of the Great Plains, will be held 3-5 April 1997. Interested scholars should submit proposals of 150-200 words plus a brief vita by 1 July 1996 to Frances W. Kaye, Center for Great Plains Studies, 1213 Oldfather Hall, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, Nebraska 68588-0314; (402) 472-3082; FAX (402) 472-0463; e-mail: cgps@unlinfo.unl.edu.

BOOK AWARDS

David Wishart, the editor of the *Encyclopedia of the Great Plains*, has won the John Brinckerhoff Jackson Prize for his book *An Unspeakable Sadness: The Dispossession of the Nebraska Indians* (University of Nebraska Press, 1995). Given by the Association of American Geographers, the prize honors serious but popular books about the human geography of the United States.

John Wunder, director of the Center for Great Plains Studies, has won the Phi Alpha Theta Award for the best history book published by an established scholar for his book *Retained by The People: A History of American Indians and the Bill of Rights* (Oxford University Press, 1995).

CALLS FOR PAPERS

The Western Literature Association invites papers, readings, and other presentations on the topic of Western American Literature for a conference to be held jointly with the Western History Association in Lincoln, Nebraska, 2-5 October 1996. Please send manuscripts of no more than ten double-spaced pages, accompanied by a 125-word abstract to Susanne George, English Department, University of Nebraska at Kearney, Kearney, Nebraska 68849; (308) 865-8867. Deadline is 15 June 1996.

West River History Conference welcomes papers on all aspects of the history and cultures of the Dakotas and Northern Plains for a conference to be held in Keystone, South Dakota, 12-14 September 1996. Interested presenters should submit a paper title by 15 July 1996 to Herb Blakely, 710 Harmony Rd., Box Elder, South Dakota 57719, (605) 923-1188 or Berverly Pechan, P.O. Box 658, Keystone, South Dakota 57751, (605) 666-4447.

The American Society for Environmental History invites papers and session proposals for its conference on the topic "Government, Science, and the Environment" to be held 5-9 March 1997 in Baltimore. Proposals should contain six copies each of a cover sheet; a 100-word abstract of the session and a 250-word abstract of each paper; and a two-page curriculum vita, including address and phone number, for each participant. Send by 1 August 1996 to Jeffrey Stine, National Museum of American History, MRC 629, Smithsonian

Institution, Washington, DC 20560, (202) 357-2058.

CANADIAN STUDIES GRANT PROGRAMS,
1996-97

The Government of Canada offers various grants for the study of Canada to graduate students, faculty, and institutions. Information and applications are available from the Office of Grants and Sponsored Research at most universities, from Canadian Consulate Generals, or from the Academic Relations Office, Canadian Embassy, 501 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, DC, (202) 682-1740; <http://www.cdnemb-washdc.org>

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center at the University of Oklahoma seeks applicants for its Visiting Scholars Program, which provides financial assistance to researchers working at the Center's archives. Awards of \$500-\$1000 are

normally granted as reimbursement for travel and lodging. For more information, please contact the Archivist, Carl Albert Center, 630 Parrington Oval, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019, (405) 325-5401.

Richard Popp is the new South Dakota state archivist. He supervises a seven-member staff who collect, preserve, and provide access to historical records pertaining to the state of South Dakota and its people.

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF AFRICAN AMERICAN ASSOCIATIONS

The historical *Encyclopedia of African American Associations* is seeking scholars interested in contributing assigned essays to a single-volume reference work on associations established by African Americans and interracial groups working in the interest of African Americans. For further information, please contact Nina Mjagkij, History Department, Ball State University, Muncie, Indiana 47306, 00n0mjagkij@suvc.bsu.edu