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# NOTES AND NEWS

## 1999 CATHER SYMPOSIUM

The Willa Cather Pioneer Memorial and Educational Foundation and Occidental College in Los Angeles, California is sponsoring a scholarly symposium at Mesa Verde, Colorado, 20-24 October 1999. The event will be based on the mesa top about 4 miles from Tom's Cliff City, in the Far View Lodge resort. For more information, please contact John Swift, Department of English and Comparative Literary Studies, Occidental College, Los Angeles, California, 90041; (323)259-2804; <swiftj@oxy.edu>

## MISSOURI VALLEY HISTORY CONFERENCE

The 42nd Annual Missouri Valley History Conference will be held in Omaha, Nebraska, 11-13 March 1999. For more information contact Oliver B. Pollak, MVHC Program Coordinator, Department of History, University of Nebraska at Omaha, NE, 68182; email <opollack@cwis.unomaha.edu>

## CLAY EXHIBITS

A popular exhibit highlighting North Dakota clay and its many uses, ranging from pottery to industrial materials, is now featured at the North Dakota Heritage Center in Bismarck. This exhibit, *Earth, Water and Fire*, also includes several examples of clay objects from throughout the world, including ancient clay

tablets from Babylon dating to 2350 BC. The exhibit runs through 30 August 1999.

## NEW FELLOWSHIP

The Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) is pleased to announce a new fellowship program to honor the memory of Thomas O. Enders, former US Ambassador to Canada. The Thomas O. Enders Endowment will fund an annual award of up to \$30,000 (USD) for up to 9 months to support research on some aspect of Canadian Studies or Canada-US relations. Recipients must be US citizens or permanent residents. For more information contact David Biette, Executive Director of ACSUS, 1317 FSt, Suite 920, Washington, DC, 20004-1105; voice (202)393-2580; email <dbiette@nicom.com>

## RURAL WOMEN MEET

The Rural Women's Studies Association invites proposals for individual papers, presentations, sessions, and workshops for its conference at the Minnesota History Center, 22-25 June 2000. Proposals from interdisciplinary and cross-cultural perspectives, exploring all aspects of the lives of rural women, are invited. Please send 4 copies of a one-page abstract and cv by 15 October 1999 to Susan S. Rugh, Department of History, 323 KMB, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, 84602-4446.