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“1862–2012” SYMPOSIUM

The Center for Great Plains Studies’ 38th Interdisciplinary Conference will be held March 28–30, 2012, on the University of Nebraska–Lincoln campus. The theme is “1862–2012: The Making of the Great Plains,” and is a collaboration between the Center and Homestead National Monument of America, National Parks Service. For more information, see the ad on page 84. Follow instructions on the web site <www.unl.edu/plains> to register for the conference.

DAKOTA CONFERENCE

The 44th Annual Dakota Conference: A National Conference on the Northern Plains will be held April 27–28, 2012, at the Center for Western Studies, Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The theme for the 2012 conference is “Wounded Knee 1973: Forty Years Later.” On December 29, 1890, Miniconjou Lakota chief Spotted Elk (Big Foot) and some 300 of his followers were gunned down on the banks of Wounded Knee Creek. Eighty-three years later, 200 Oglala Lakota seized and occupied the town of Wounded Knee, South Dakota, for 71 days. In observance of the 40th anniversary of the occupation of Wounded Knee in 1973, the 44th Annual Dakota Conference will address questions related to Wounded Knee 1973, the 1890 massacre, as well as aspects of Northern Plains American Indian history and culture. For more information, please contact: Tim Hoheisel, CWS Director of Outreach and Promotion at (605) 274-4005, or visit the web site at <http://www.augie.edu/cws/dakotaconference.html>.

CALL FOR PAPERS

North Dakota State University, Minnesota State University Moorhead and Concordia College will host the 47th Northern Great Plains History Conference at the Radisson Hotel in Fargo, North Dakota, September 26–29, 2012. Proposals for papers or sessions in any area of history are welcome as are offers to chair or comment. The best research paper presented by a graduate student at the 2011 Northern Great Plains History Conference will receive a $200 prize. The 2012 banquet speaker will be Professor John Milton Cooper, author of various books on the Progressive Era and most recently of Woodrow Wilson: A Biography. Please send a brief abstract and vita by April 2, 2012, to Mark Harvey, Department of History, North Dakota State University, Dept. 2340, P.O. Box 6050, Fargo, ND 58108-6050 or email to <Mark.Harvey@ndsu.edu>. Additional information is available at: <http://sbs.mnsu.edu/history/ngphc/mark_your_calendar.php>.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The 47th annual Western Literature Association conference will be held November 7–10, 2012, at Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas. The conference theme is “Literature, Social Justice, and Environment in Western Texts.” The 2012 conference welcomes proposals for inclusion in interdisciplinary panels that approach such topics across disciplines. Other topics may include: animals and animal studies in the West, Native literatures of the High Plains, art and artists/music and musicians of Texas and the West, Texas tall tales and western humor, Spanish exploration and colonization in Texas and the West, Mexico-Texans: Mexican American literatures in Texas, Western films and television. Submissions must include a 250-word abstract, author’s full name, affiliation, contact information, and A/V requests. Proposals for panels (four presenters) and roundtables must include an abstract and all above information for all presenters. Deadline
CALL FOR PAPERS

A conference will be held at Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania with the theme: “Woody Guthrie at 100: Woody’s Legacy to Working Men and Women.” The conference on September 7–9, 2012, will include performances and papers. Papers may address any aspect of Guthrie’s legacy and influence—with regard to folk music, art, literature, rhetoric, philosophy, media studies, politics, and culture; labor history; gender, free speech, and class issues; the history of social movements; the global fight against fascism; and/or the work of the many writers, artists, and musicians whom Guthrie inspired and influenced. Send 200-word abstracts by March 1, 2012, to: <woodyguthrie.psu.conference@gmail.com>. More information may be found at: <http://woodyguthrie.org/archives/newsletter/?p=824>.

JOHN NEIHARDT CONFERENCE

The 30th Annual Neihardt Spring Conference will be held April 28, 2012, at the John G. Neihardt Center, Bancroft, Nebraska. The theme of the 2012 conference is “The World during Neihardt’s Most Productive Years: 1900-1950.” Speakers include Thomas Thiessen on the Spanish American War; former Senator David Landis on George Norris and Populism; Sam DeLoria on John Collier and the Indian Reorganization Act; and Robert Schneiders on the Missouri River and the Army Corps of Engineers. The speakers will be interspersed with excerpts from Neihardt’s writings on each of the topics. For more information, please contact the Neihardt State Historic Site at (888) 777-4667, or by email at <neihardt@gpcom.net>. Visit the site at 306 W. Elm Street, Bancroft, NE, or the website at: <http://www.neihardtcenter.org/Events.html>.
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