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CALL FOR PAPERS: "RHETORIC ON THE GREAT PLAINS"

The Great Plains Quarterly will be publishing a special issue on rhetoric, oratory, and communication on the Great Plains. Submissions appropriate for this issue include studies of great orators, e.g., William Jennings Bryan, Standing Bear, analyses of important rhetorical contexts, e.g., Wounded Knee, the Treaty of Laramie, and ethnographies of communication focusing on specific racial, ethnic, and other cultural groups located in the Great Plains. Authors wishing to have their essays considered for this special issue should indicate so on their cover letter, and follow the submission guidelines as presented on the inside back cover of the journal. For more information, contact the Editor of the Great Plains Quarterly <cbraithwaite2@unl.edu>. Deadline for submissions for this special issue will be 1 June 2001.

SACRED LANDS: PLAINS INDIAN SEMINAR

The Buffalo Bill Historical Center presents the 24th annual Plains Indian Seminar, 14-17 September 2000. The conference explores Sacred Lands within the landscape of the Great Plains. Lecturers from around the country will present papers and exchange ideas in an effort to recognize, appreciate, and perpetuate America's Native arts, cultures, and histories. This year's seminar will include a special exhibition on Arapaho and Shoshone of Wind River, and tours of the newly renovated Plains Indian Museum. A field trip to the site of the Medicine Wheel in the Big Horn Mountains is also scheduled. A limited number of partial and full scholarships are available—particularly for Native American students. For more information, contact Lillian Turner, Public Programs Director, Buffalo Bill Historical Center, Cody, WY 82414 <programs@bbhc.org>.

ASSOCIATION FOR CANADIAN STUDIES COLLOQUIUM

The Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS) will host its third biennial ACSUS-in-Canada Colloquium 15-16 September 2000 at the Palliser Hotel in Calgary, Alberta. For more information, contact David Archibald at (202) 393-2580, <calgary@acsus.org>.

NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS HISTORY CONFERENCE

Minnesota State University, Mankato, will sponsor its 35th annual Northern Great Plains History Conference 28-30 September 2000 at the Holiday Inn, Mankato. Information web page: <www.und.edu/org/ngphc>.

INTERNET RESOURCES ON THE GREAT PLAINS

[The Great Plains Quarterly will be listing interesting and informative web sites related to the history, culture, and literature of the Great Plains. If you know of sites that should be included, please forward them to <gpq@unl.edu>.

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GREATPLAINS.ORG
<http://www.greatplains.org>

This site serves the people of the Great Plains, whether they be private citizens, business owners, elected or government officials, or scientists, in achieving long-term sustainability of the land and its natural resources. Inside you will find a wealth of information ranging from "how-to" extension information to inventories and atlases of Great Plains natural resources to interactive forums and discussion areas for sharing information. The site includes links to state and provincial government Web sites as well as publications, reports, data, and maps covering the Great Plains.

OMAHA INDIAN MUSIC
<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/omhhtml/omhhome.html>

The American Folklife Center of the Library of Congress has a site, which features traditional Omaha music from the 1890s and 1980s. The multiformat ethnographic field collection contains recordings collected between 1895 and 1897, 323 songs and speeches from the 1983 Omaha harvest celebration pow-wow, and 25 songs and speeches from the 1985 Hethu'shka Society concert at the Library of Congress. Segments from interviews with members of the Omaha tribe conducted in 1983 and 1999 provide contextual information for the songs and speeches included in the collection. Supplementing the collection are black-and-white and color photographs taken during the 1983 pow-wow and the 1985 concert, as well as research materials that include fieldnotes and tape logs pertaining to the pow-wow.

THE NORTHERN GREAT PLAINS, 1880-1920
<http://www.lib.ndsu.nodak.edu/ndirs/>

The Institute for Regional Studies at North Dakota State University has two collections of photographs available on-line. The collections contain 900 photographs of rural and small town life at the turn of the century. Highlights include images of sod homes and the people who built them; images of farms and the machinery that made them prosper; and images of one-room schools and the children that were educated in them.