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CALL FOR SPEAKERS


The 2002 Plains Indian Seminar at the Buffalo Bill Historical Center will address the theme: Adversity and Renewal: Early Reservation Life on the Plains, 1880-1930. Suggested topics include early reservation art, museum collecting, social, ceremonial and economic exchanges, influences of missionaries and government policies, intertribal relations and exchanges, the Ghost Dance and other spiritual movements, effects of tourism, and renewal and revitalization of cultural traditions. Historian, anthropologists, educators, art historians, folklorists, artists, and other interested people are invited to submit a 250-word abstract along with a résumé by 1 February 2002. Scholars and educators from tribal communities are especially invited to participate. Address proposals or requests for further information to Lillian Turner, Public Programs Coordinator <lilliant@BBHC.ORG>.

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Community Effect in Rural Places is the theme of the 65th Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociological Society (Chicago, Illinois, 14-18 August 2002). This theme challenges us to explore the distinctiveness of rural communities, and papers are invited which not only examine how rural communities and their residents are shaped by their geography, history and culture, and reshaped by demographic, social and environmental change, but also to broaden the concept of a community effect to include the link between the characteristics of rural places and a wide range of issues. These issues include such important and timely rural concerns as how elderly are supported, children nurtured, poverty reduced, crime resisted, urban sprawl confronted, economic development managed and environmental problems addressed. Deadline for submission of paper proposals: 15 February 2002. Please submit proposals for research and interest groups sessions and panels. Submit abstracts for all other posters, papers, panels and sessions. You may submit your proposal abstract electronically. Send proposals, abstracts and offers to serve as a session chair or discussant as well as requests for more information on the 2002 annual meeting program to: Fred Lorenz, Program Chair, Iowa State University, Ames, IA 50011, Tel: 515/294-8314, Fax: 515/294-2303, e-mail: <folorenz@iastate.edu>.

CALL FOR PAPERS

In conjunction with the bicentennial of the Lewis & Clark Expedition (2003-2006) The Center for Great Plains Studies at Emporia State University plans a theme edition of Heritage of the Great Plains. Submissions of papers are invited on papers related to Lewis & Clark on the Great Plains from various academic areas, including but not limited to: anthropology, art, astronomy, biology, English, geography, geology, history, meteorology, sociology.
Target date for publication is 2004. All articles submitted will go through the usual peer review process for a refereed journal. Deadline for submission is 1 May 2003. Inquiries or proposals should be sent to: Heritage of the Great Plains, Center for Great Plains Studies, Emporia State University, Emporia, KS 66801 <mccoyron@emporia.edu>.

VISITING SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center at the University of Oklahoma seeks applicants for its Visiting Scholars Program. The program provides financial assistance to researchers working at the Center's archives. Awards of $500-$1000 are normally granted as reimbursement for travel and lodging. The Center's holdings include the papers of many former members of Congress, such as Speaker Carl Albert, Robert S. Kerr, Fred Harris, Elmer Thomas, Helen Gahagan Douglas, and Sidney Clarke. Topics that can be studied include the Great Depression, flood control, soil conservation, and tribal affairs. Most materials date from the 1920s to the 1970s. The Center's collections are described on the World Wide Web at <http://www.ou.edu/special/albertctr/archives/>. The Visiting Scholars Program is open to any applicant. Preference is given to those pursuing postdoctoral research. Graduate students involved in research for publication, thesis, or dissertation are encouraged to apply. Interested undergraduates and lay researchers are also invited to apply. To be considered, please send to the Center: (1) a description of the research proposal in fewer than 1000 words; (2) a personal vita; (3) an explanation of how the Center's resources will assist the researcher; (4) a budget proposal; and (5) a letter of reference from an established scholar in the discipline attesting to the significance of the research. Applications are accepted at any time. For more information, please contact Archivist, Carl Albert Center, 630 Parrington Oval, Room 101, University of Oklahoma, Norman, OK 73019. Telephone: (405) 325-5401. FAX: (405) 325-6419. E-mail: <kosmerick@ou.edu>.