NOTES AND NEWS

FREDERICK C. LUEBKE AWARD

We are pleased to announce that the 2004 Frederick C. Luebke Award for outstanding regional scholarship has been awarded to Jill E. Martin, of Quinnipiac University, for her essay, “‘The Greatest Evil’: Interpretations of Indian Prohibition Laws, 1832-1953,” (Winter 2003, Vol. 23/No. 1). The prize, named for the founder of the Quarterly, is given each year for the best article published in the Great Plains Quarterly. The Frederick C. Luebke Award includes a cash stipend of $250.00.

CALL FOR PAPERS:
“EDUCATION ON THE GREAT PLAINS”

The Great Plains Quarterly will be publishing a special issue on Education and the Great Plains. Submissions appropriate for this issue may include historical studies of education or educators, research on educational content or pedagogy related to the Plains, analyses of literary accounts of education, and studies focusing on education relevant to specific racial, ethnic, and other cultural groups located in the Great Plains. The initial deadline for submissions will be July 1, 2004. Manuscript and submission guidelines can be found at: <http://www.unl.edu/plains/publications/GPQ/gpqinst.html> Send your submissions or questions to: Charles A. Braithwaite, Editor, Great Plains Quarterly, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, NE 68588-0313, (402) 472-6178, <cbraithwaite2@unl.edu>

HOMESTEAD HERITAGE CENTER

The Homestead National Monument of America, Beatrice, Nebraska, will be developing a new “Homestead Heritage Center” to house the monument’s collections, interpretive exhibits, theatre, public research facilities, and administrative offices. The Homestead Heritage Center will include a new research facility within the building to act as a repository for the monument’s homestead records and other items of homesteading literature. This center will serve as a location where students of all ages can engage in learning more about the homestead story. A “School of Traditional Homesteading Folk Arts” program will be established to give the public an opportunity to learn old homesteading folk crafts. Distance learning technology will also connect the center to schools near and far. University of Arkansas professor Elliott West has joined the Homestead Heritage Center project team to provide research assistance to Nash Brookes Inc., the professional firm contracted to plan and design interpretive and historical exhibits for the future facility. For more information, go to: <http://www.nps.gov/home/home.htm>

THE PRAIRIES: LOST AND FOUND

The Canadian Studies Program at St. John’s College, University of Manitoba, will be hosting a multidisciplinary conference September 23 to 25, 2004 in Winnipeg, Canada. Sarah Carter and Aritha van Herk, both from the University of Calgary, are the keynote speakers. For more information, please contact: Len Kuffert, St John’s College, (204) 474-8106, <kuffertl@ms.umanitoba.ca>. Registration forms can be downloaded at: <http://www.umanitoba.ca/colleges/st_johns/conference/2004_Sep_regform.pdf>.