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3,700 Hear President Vicente Fox at the 12th Boe Forum

A capacity audience was in attendance in the Elmen Center on November 1 to hear Vicente Fox, former president of Mexico, address one of the most pressing issues in the United States today—immigration. With his wife Marta at his side, Pres. Fox spoke of his belief that Mexico and the United States can solve the issue of immigration—both legal and illegal—to the benefit of both nations.

In this 12th Boe Forum, sponsored by the Center for Western Studies, Pres. Fox pointed out that Mexico has the utmost importance to the United States, as a trading partner and supplier of immigrant labor, a nation with vast resources of oil, gas, minerals, and other essential raw materials.

Mexico has long been the leading import partner of the United States, and its trade with both the U. S. and Canada has tripled since the implementation of NAFTA ten years ago.

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Former president of Mexico Vicente Fox and his wife Marta at the 2007 Boe Forum.

28th Annual Artists of the Plains Art Show & Sale February 15-17

Plan now to join us for the Center for Western Studies' 28th Annual Artists of the Plains Art Show & Sale February 15-17. This will be the second year it will be held at the Holiday Inn City Centre in downtown Sioux Falls.

"We had a very positive response last year from the artists about the downtown location," Paul Krueger, director of development, said. "The traffic was steady all weekend and sales were strong. Being in an area with other art galleries, stores, and restaurants makes it an ideal venue."

The mission of the show is to promote quality work by local and

regional artists. The work is on display and for sale. There is also a silent auction. Admission is free.

This year's event will again feature up to 25 local and regional artists. Last year the artists represented seven states.

"This is a quality show," Krueger said. "We hear that over and over again from people who attend."

Artists have until December 1 to submit an interest form. The Art Committee will then select the artists to invite. The goal is to have a variety of artists with both two- and three-dimensional work.

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Christmas Luncheon Offers Yang Yang's Art and Ron Robinson's Music

The Center's annual early Christmas event this year on December 8 will bring our members and friends together with an art expert, Gerald Czulewicz, speaking about the brilliant work of former Augustana art professor Yang Yang, and with a musical sampler of original music by the composer of

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When Vicente Fox ran for the office of President of Mexico in the year 2000, his goal was to put the wealth of



Augustana President Rob Oliver and President Fox.

the country, the raw materials and the products of its farms and factories, to better use. His election was the largest landslide vote for an opposition party in Mexican history, and it broke the monopoly that the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party had held on the nation for seventy years.

During his term as president the Mexican economy improved dramatically in many sectors. According to the Mexican Central Bank the inflation rate went down from 11 percent in January 2000 at the start of his term to 4.05 percent in December 2006, at the end of his term. In 2006 Mexico created an estimated one million more jobs, a record, minimum wages increased at a rate of 34 percent, the number of registered taxpayers grew by 35 percent, and the Mexican Stock Exchange reached record heights.

But one of Fox's knottiest problems remained: throughout his term of office, Pres. Fox worked for negotiations with the United States that would address the problem of illegal immigration to this country, including comprehensive immigration reform. Among the problems to be addressed are the rights of undocumented immigrants in the U.S. and the goal of economic development of the regions in Mexico that contribute substantially to illegal

immigration. These problems still persist and continue to be a major concern of relations between the two countries.

In his new book *Revolution of Hope*, autographed copies of which CWS had available before Fox's talk, Pres. Fox sums up the immigration issue in this way:

What would God think of his people building a wall between them to keep the rich on one side, in isolated splendor, and the poor on the other side, in desperation and misery? What would Father Schiefer, the Jesuit priest, advise the leaders of Mexico to do today? Would he tell us to wash our hands of the poor and exile them northward—or to roll up our sleeves and build an

economic union to make their futures as bright in Mexico as they are in the United States?"

Pres. Fox's conclusion is clear:

together our leaders must negotiate the answer for the benefit of both our beloved countries.

Pres. Fox has left a remarkable legacy as a leader of his country. His visit to Sioux Falls as the twelfth Boe Forum speaker was inspirational.



Mrs. Fox and Dr. Janet Blank-Libra.

CWS to Publish Biography of Explorer Joseph Nicollet

Out of print for several years, *Joseph Nicollet and His Map* will be published by the Center for Western Studies in 2008, pending funding. Originally published by the American Philosophical Society in 1980, Martha Coleman Bray's *Joseph Nicollet and His Map* is considered the standard biography of the French explorer and cartographer known for his work on the Upper Mississippi River. Historian Raymond J. De Maillie calls the book "a major contribution to our understanding of the scientific background of western expansion."

In 1999 CWS obtained the rights from the American Philosophical Society to publish any and all future editions of the book under the Center's imprint. The American Philosophical Society is the country's oldest learned society, founded by Benjamin Franklin in Philadelphia in 1745.

Nicollet was the first to identify the Coteau de Prairies region in eastern South Dakota and understand its

significance relative to the two river basins. On the occasion of the book's second edition in 1994, the book critic for the *Saint Paul Pioneer Press* wrote, "Basing her work on Nicollet's journals, survey documents, correspondence and published writings, Bray puts her readers into Nicollet's canoes as she vividly re-creates travels that would eventually lead to publication of 'Map of the Hydrographic Basin of the Upper Mississippi River,' a document basic to later exploration of the West and the only source of Indian names of landscape features of the regions."

Bray, former head of the Minnesota History Collection at the Minneapolis Public Library, revised her book in 1994. For the second edition, CWS partnered with the Joseph Nicollet Tower and Interpretive Center of Sisseton to distribute copies, an arrangement proposed at the time by CWS National Advisory Council member Harold Torness.

The Sun is About to Set

Don't pass up this opportunity to take advantage of a tax law that expires December 31, 2007. This law, known as the Pension Protection Act of 2006 allows donors to "rollover" gifts directly from their IRA to charities such as the Center for Western Studies. If you are 70½ and older, you may be able to take advantage of this tax-wise opportunity. Please call Paul Krueger, director of development, at 605.274.4005 for more information on how this may be a good fit for you.

Consider Joining the CWS Heritage Club

The Center's Development Committee and Board of Directors have set a goal of 30 new members and \$1 million in gift expectancies to its Heritage Club over the next five years. Consider leaving a legacy and assuring a strong CWS into the future by including the Center in your estate plans. The Center inducts new members each December at the Christmas Luncheon. There are currently 73 individuals in the CWS Heritage Club.

CWS BOOKS



A New South Dakota History

664 pages,
100 illustrations
\$39.95 (paper)
or \$59.95 (cloth)

Sioux Falls, South Dakota: A Pictorial History

New and Enlarged Edition
By Gary D. Olson and
Erik L. Olson \$39.95

20% off Through December

Endowment Campaign Exceeds \$300,000– 25 Percent of the Goal is Met

Recent gifts have lifted the Center's endowment campaign to more than \$300,000. The goal for the five-year campaign is \$1.2 million. As of mid-November just more than \$303,000 has been raised in gifts and pledges.

The Center is grateful to Mrs. Hazel Farrell, who recently gave \$50,000 toward the campaign. The gift, which will support the Art Program Endowment, was given in memory and honor of Dr. H.W. Bill Farrell, long-time Sioux Falls pediatrician and arts supporter. The Art Program Endowment will support art shows, gallery exhibits, and other arts-related activities. Over the years, Dr. Farrell gave the Center several original Oscar Howe pieces and other valuable art. The pieces are a significant part of the Center's permanent art collection and constitute the largest collection of Oscar Howe originals in Sioux Falls.

Dr. Farrell passed away in March at the age of 89. The Farrells received the Friends of the Center Award in 1998.

Besides the Art Program Endowment, the campaign includes raising money for the Archives and Library, the Dakota Conference, Publications, and the Fantle Building Fund.

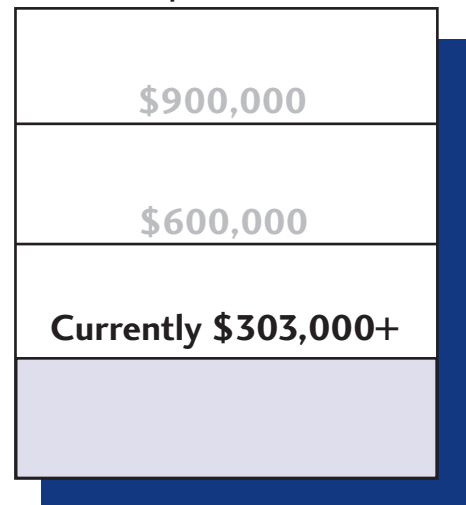
The Center is grateful to everyone who has supported the campaign so far and looks forward to continued progress toward the goal over the next few months.

If you are interested in finding out more about the campaign, please contact Paul Krueger, director of development, at 605.274.4005.



Members of the Dr. Bill Farrell family – and many of Bill's friends – met for lunch at the Center on November 2. The occasion was the establishing of a \$50,000 endowment fund in the name of Dr. Bill and Hazel Farrell. The stairway in the south gallery has been named in Bill's honor as well. Dr. Farrell is the donor of six pieces of Oscar Howe's art, including the famous "Indian Woman and Child" that was painted by Howe for Dr. Bill's waiting room. Mrs. Farrell, who had flown in from Santa Barbara for the ceremony, is seen here flanked by four of her "daughters": Carol-Anne Lonson (daughter), Beccy Farrell (Bill's daughter-in-law), Diane Peters (Bill's daughter), and Ann Perry Wendell (Bill's stepdaughter).

Goal \$1.2 million



The Center for Western Studies projected goal for the Endowment Campaign..

In the CWS Galleries...

THROUGH DECEMBER 31

Yang Yang: A Retrospective



Through December 31 the Center is displaying a retrospective of the work of Yang Yang, a 1987 Augustana graduate and former faculty member in the Art Department. Yang Yang creates figurative paintings and sculptures of unconventional forms. Lui Qi Wei, curator of the Museum of Fine Art in Shaanxi, describes Yang Yang's work as combining the quality of the "Oriental mystics with tragic

magnificence." The medium of Yang Yang's works range from works on paper and canvas to sculptural works in fiberglass, ceramic or bronze. An opening reception and gallery talk took place on October 4 during Viking Days. Catalogues and prints are available for sale in the CWS Book & Gift Shop.



JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2008

Impressions of Tribal Life

Reverend Ambrose Mattingly: Photographs from Blue Cloud Abbey's American Indian Culture Research Center Collection at the Center for Western Studies. The images, taken from glass-plate negatives, document Stephan Mission, on the Crow Creek Reservation (1895-1905). The framed enlargements were made by USGS EROS Data Center. The exhibit is being held in conjunction with the release of *Impressions of Tribal Life*, a book published by Eastman Kodak Co. using advanced digital press technology. CWS National Advisory Council member Jeff Hayzlett is chief business



development officer and vice president, Chairman's Office, Eastman Kodak Company. **An opening reception will take place on January 10 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. with a gallery talk at 5:00 p.m.**

MARCH-MAY 2008

Donald F. Montileaux

The Beginning to the End—Show & Sale

The ledger art that Donald F. Montileaux creates is a traditional and time honored form of 'art' that has been a part of tribal history for centuries. Before the arrival of non-Indians tribal history and events were recorded in pictographic style on buffalo and deer hides, and later on paper that was obtained from discarded ledgers and journals by storekeepers, bankers, and the like. The paper that Montileaux uses for his work are pages from ledgers that are dated anywhere from 1890 to 1940. The medium he uses is very much like what was used then—prisma color pencil and India ink; he also creates work using acrylic on canvas. He has participated in the Center's Artists of the Plains Art Show & Sale for many years and received the Best of Show Award in 2007. He won ribbons at the Santa Fe Indian Art Market in 2006 for 1st Place in Drawing and Best of Division in Painting, Drawing, Graphics and Photography. Montileaux, an enrolled member of the Oglala Lakota Tribe, lives in Rapid City, SD.

An opening reception will take place on March 7 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. with a gallery talk at 5:30 p.m.

Kodak Produces Book of Historic Photos on Native American Life

Thanks to a unique collaboration between Kodak's Graphic Communications Group and the Center for Western Studies, photographs taken more than 100 years ago have come to life in a new photo book. *Impressions of Tribal Life* was produced on a KODAK NEXPRESS S3000 Digital Production Color Press.

Impressions of Tribal Life compiles photographs taken by Father Ambrose Mattingly, OSB, who came to the Crow Creek Reservation in South Dakota in

August 1888 as a priest with Immaculate Conception Indian Mission at Stephan. Among his many skills as a painter, carpenter, plumber, farmer, teacher, and doctor, Father Ambrose also pursued photography from 1895 to 1905, capturing images that reveal a great deal about life on the reservation.

The photo book features digital scans of glass plate images that have been enhanced by combining them with Native American artifacts to add color and texture. The U.S. Geological Survey

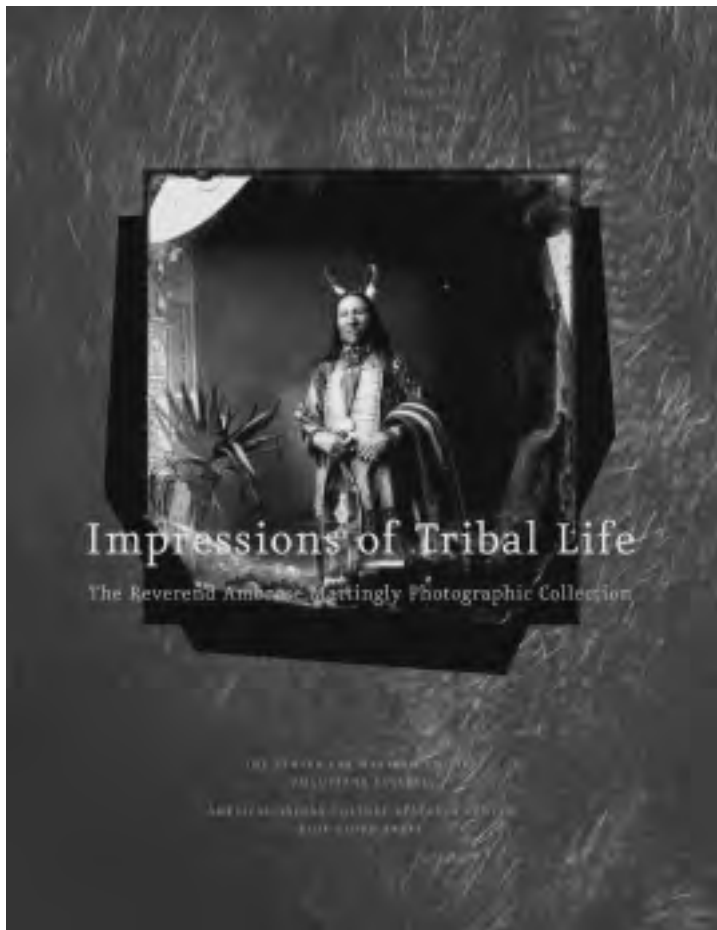
Office provided the scans, while the artifacts come from the personal collection of Kodak executive and CWS National Advisory Council member Jeffrey W. Hayzlett, who initiated the project. "This collaboration with Kodak allows us to showcase these historic photos and tell our stories to a wider audience through this publication," said Harry F. Thompson, Ph.D., director of research collections and publications at The Center for Western Studies.

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"As a book publisher, I appreciate the NEXPRESS system's capabilities to help us share the resources we have on Native American life in the Northern Plains."

Included in the book are an essay by Dr. Herbert T. Hoover on Catholic Indian boarding schools, a biography of Fr. Mattingly by Thompson, an excerpt from Vine Deloria, Jr.'s essay in *A New South Dakota History*, and a portion of a meditation by Fr. Stan Maudlin, founder of the American Indian Culture Research Center at Blue Cloud Abbey. For their



assistance in preserving the photos, Blue Cloud Abbey, USGS EROS Data Center, and Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate are acknowledged in the publication.

Impressions of Tribal Life, which was shown at Kodak's booth during Graph Expo in September in Chicago, will be available at the Center for Western Studies of Augustana College in January and February 2008, in conjunction with a gallery exhibition of Father Ambrose's framed photographs. Kodak will

continue to print books for the Center for Western Studies at the company's demonstration center in Rochester.

"*Impressions of Tribal Life* brings the remarkable photography of Father Ambrose to public consciousness after more than a century," said Hayzlett, Chief Business Development Officer and Vice President, Chairman's Office, Eastman Kodak Company. "It also demonstrates the opportunities for producing short run, high quality color photo books with a NEXPRESS press. We are proud to be part of this exciting project."

Father Ambrose kept records of his experiences in South Dakota, and makes specific reference to Kodak in one of his journal entries. The Father used a buggy drawn by two ponies, Pat and Buck, to travel as a missionary and to take photos on reservations including Lower Brule, Yankton, Cheyenne River and Standing Rock. One day, while trying to forge a flooded stream, Father Ambrose's buggy stuck fast on a frozen drift. Undaunted, the Father climbed into the water to unhitch the team and free the

buggy. Later, he wrote of this incident, "If gratitude is a virtue, then I claim the pennant for the practice of that virtue. For I was, I am, and ever shall be profoundly grateful that no one with a Kodak [camera] was on the scene."

The KODAK NEXPRESS S3000 Digital Production Color Press is the most productive digital color printing solution offered by Kodak, delivering 6000 offset-quality A4/letter sheets per hour (100 pages per minute) on a

very wide range of substrates. Ideal for large to very large commercial printers and photo services operations, the S3000 features a fully modular design



that makes it completely field-upgradeable for increased paper input or delivery capacity—or for the addition of a fifth imaging unit. Kodak offers an array of in-line and near-line accessories to improve productivity and support new applications.

About Eastman Kodak Company

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Dakota Conference Receives Funding

Grant requests for funding assistance for the Fortieth Annual Dakota Conference on the Northern Plains, April 25-26, 2008, have been awarded by the South Dakota Humanities Council, a state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and by the Augustana Mellon Fund Committee, which provides funding for humanities programs at the college.

Continuing the transportation theme

begun last year, which focused on railroads, the forthcoming Dakota conference, entitled "Rivers and Plains," will examine river transportation on the Northern Plains.

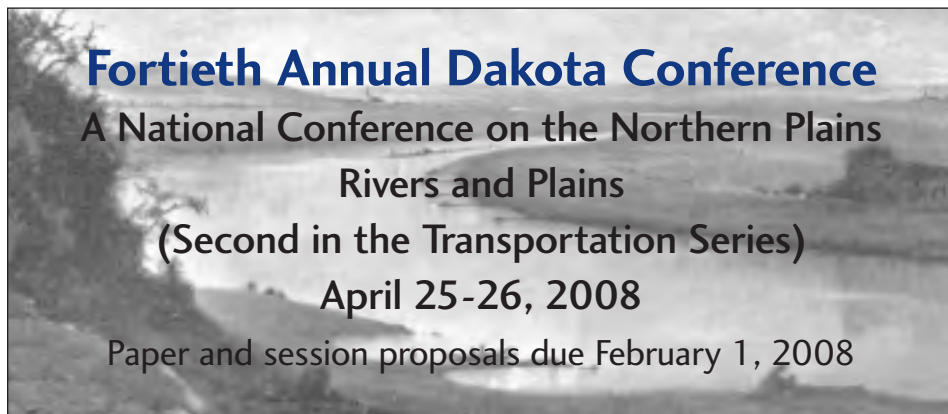
Featured speakers include Allison Hedge Coke, recently appointed Distinguished Reynolds Chair in English at the University of Nebraska-Kearney. She will read from her new book, *Blood Run*, which is a free-verse poem about the Oneota people who lived (and

traveled) along the Big Sioux River, east of Sioux Falls.

Archaeologists Dr. L.E. Bradley and Dr. Brian Molyneux, of the University of South Dakota Department of Anthropology, will speak about their research on steamboat transportation on the Missouri River. Also, USD professor emeritus of history Dr. Herbert T. Hoover will discuss his groundbreaking research on Missouri Valley Culture.

The deadline for paper and session proposals is February 1, 2008. Paper and session titles should be sent to harry.thompson@augie.edu, along with a brief summary of the paper or session and a few sentences about the presenter.

The conference will again feature the Northern Plains Autograph Party. Authors of recent books about the region are invited to contact Dr. Arthur Huseboe at arthur.huseboe@augie.edu to apply for consideration.



2007 Festival of Books Photo Gallery

Holding down the CWS fort at the Deadwood Festival of Books: CWS Chair Lynn Aspaas (left) and Board member Tony Haga (right). At center: Joe Mireau of Pine Hill Press, printer of many of the Center's books.



Lydia Whirlwind Soldier read from *Memory Songs* (CWS 1999) and was a panelist at the Festival.



Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve, CWS Council Member and National Humanities Medalist, spoke on "Indian History for Kids" at the Festival.



South Dakota Poet Laureate David Allan Evans, author of *The Bull Rider's Advice* (CWS 2004), spoke on "Technique of Awareness: Poetry and Art."



At the Deadwood Festival: CWS Council member Dr. Jerry Simmons congratulates Sherry DeBoer, the new executive director of the South Dakota Humanities Council, Festival sponsor.

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“Rainbow Café,” the Center’s musical dinner theater last June.

Following an early morning Board and Council meeting in the Board Room, the Fantle Building and the Gift Shop will be open to the public at 9:30 AM for viewing the Yang Yang show and for browsing in the Book and Gift Shop.

At 10:30 AM there will be refreshments and a gallery talk by Mr. Czulewicz. Available to autograph his CD “Rainbow Café” will be Ron Robinson, also the Center’s writer-in-residence and an emeritus professor of English. All of our Center’s members have recently received in the mail a copy of the CD and are encouraged to bring it along for Ron to sign. Additional copies are available in the Book & Gift Shop for \$15 each. (All merchandise is

20 percent off throughout December.)

The Members and Friends luncheon that follows at noon in the 3-in-1 Room of the Commons Building will include recognition of retiring Board and Council members, recipients of the Heritage Club Award and presentation of the Friends of the Center Award to two recipients: Dr. Arlen Viste, a stalwart

in the support of many CWS programs, and the Anson and Ada May Yeager family, whose vast collection of materials relating to Anson’s career and whose six-figure gift has helped to energize the Center’s current endowment campaign.

The luncheon is \$9.00 a person. Please make your reservations by December 3 by calling 274.4007.

Christmas Luncheon December 8th Schedule

- 9:30 AM Fantle Building is open for browsing and viewing the Yang Yang art
- 10:30 AM Refreshments, autographs by Ron Robinson, gallery talk by Gerald Czulewicz
- 12:00 Noon Luncheon and program, featuring talk by Mr. Czulewicz, music by Mr. Robinson and Dr. Lisa Grevlos
- 1:30–3:00 PM Open House continues in the Fantle Building, with gifts for Christmas at 20% off

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All artists are required to have a number of original pieces for sale.

The Center is grateful to Results Radio/Cumulus Media for being the overall sponsor again this year. Businesses or individuals interested in supporting the show or advertising in the program may contact Paul Krueger at 605.274.4005.

The Artists of the Plains Art Show & Sale is the longest running show of its kind in Sioux Falls.

If you wish to attend...

Holiday Inn City Centre–International Room
100 W. 8th Street

Friday, February 15, 7:00-9:30pm

Premier Showing & Reception and Awards Program

Saturday, February 16, 10:00am-6:00pm

Sunday, February 17, 10:00am-3:30pm

Admission is free!



CWS Teams Up with the Washington Pavilion

Teaming up with the Washington Pavilion of Arts and Science, CWS hosted a panel discussion on October 16 entitled “The Inner Meaning of Democracy: A Discussion of The American Soul.” The discussion was led by four panelists (pictured below l to r): South Dakota Symphony Conductor Delta David Gier, First Congregational Church Senior Pastor Rev. Kathryn Timpany, South Dakota State University professor emeritus of history Dr. John Miller, and CWS research and publications director Dr. Harry Thompson. Sheryl Baloun served as moderator. Several members of Sioux

Falls book clubs joined in the discussion.

The American Soul: Rediscovering the Wisdom of the Founders, by Jacob Needleman, was the topic of panel discussion. Needleman is a professor of philosophy at San Francisco State University and the author of many books. The book looks at the great iconic figures of American history and explores how their beliefs and spirituality shaped American

ideals. Needleman’s book was an integral component of a performance by the Cypress String Quartet at the Washington Pavilion on October 27.



Student Intern Working in Archives

Kelly Goertzen, a senior history major at Augustana College, was awarded a Mildred White Scholarship for the 2007-08 academic year. Kelly, who is from Woodbury,



Minnesota, is also registered for academic credit for the internship (HIST 395), which is part of the Northern Plains Studies program offered by CWS. Kelly is president of the Student History Club at Augustana.

With her faculty internship supervisor, Dr. Harry Thompson, she is studying the preparation of historical and cultural manuscripts for researchers. One large project she is working on is organizing the papers of journalist Anson Yeager, whose personal papers were recently donated to CWS.

In addition, she is transcribing a small collection of letters from the 1870s, written by an Episcopal missionary woman from Pennsylvania. These letters will be the basis for a paper she will deliver at the Dakota Conference in April.

Buffalo Chips...

Congratulations, a bit belated, to CWS board member **Rosemary Draeger**, the new president of the South Dakota Ornithologists' Union. Rosemary now belongs to the line of presidents that goes back to **Herbert Krause** in the 1950s and 1960s. Herb's ornithological writings have been ably gathered by CWS Council member **Ronald Nelson** and may soon turn out to be a book.

New books by CWS Council members are proliferating. Besides *Impressions of Tribal Life*, initiated by **Jeff Hayzlett**, **Tom Kilian** has issued a second volume of reminiscences about South Dakota—*Old Days on the Prairie*, “an attempt to recapture the flavor and feel and sense of what life was like in the years from about 1920 to 1940.” A third book to appear at the Center is **Robert Steensma's** *Wallace Stegner's Salt Lake City*, a book with meticulously selected black and white photos “that will appeal to all who have been moved by Stegner's fiction, nonfiction, or his urgent appeals for conservation.” Our Executive Director, **Art Huseboe**, claims that Kilian and Steensma deserve to be elevated to historical sainthood for these two books alone.

Congratulations to member **Peggy Kirby**, Augustana's golf coach. Last month the North Central Conference recognized her as the league's women's golf Coach of the Year for the first time in her career.

Council member **Jim Krause** wrote to us two weeks ago from Pauma Valley, right in the middle of the raging brush fires plaguing that area. Besides sending regrets for not being able to attend the

Boe Forum events, with **Pres. Vicente Fox**, Jim enclosed a clipping from a San Diego *Union-Tribune* columnist, praising Fox's able handling of his interview with TV host Bill O'Reilly.

Jim's cousin, **Bob Sellin**, from Rockford, Illinois, made a 500-mile dash with wife Wilma from there to Sioux Falls in order to hear Pres. Fox and his wife speak. Bob also had the chance to view the new video that tells the Center's story, which was shown for the first time just prior to the Foxes' talk. Especially interesting to the Sellins: the idea for a video came from a suggestion that Bob made three years ago.

CWS was a co-sponsor of the visit of **Dr. John W. W. Mann**, a guest lecturer invited to Augustana College by **Dr. Jeffrey Johnson**, assistant professor of history at Augustana, with the support of the History Department, Student History Club, and Union Board of Governors. The author of *Sacajawea's People: The Lemhi Shoshones and the Salmon River Country*, Dr. Mann teaches history at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. **Dr. Harry Thompson** gave Mann a tour of the Center's exhibits on the Lewis and Clark Expedition and Civil War letters and presented Mann with a copy of **Dr. Robert Steensma's** “*Drifting to an Unknown Future*”: *The Civil War Letters of James E. Northup and Samuel W. Northup*. Mann mentioned that one of his students is studying Wisconsin Civil War soldiers.

Council member **Roy Mayeske** e-mailed us a Boe Forum-related story. Back in the 1950s **Colin Powell**, our first Forum speaker, worked for several years for a Jewish store in the South Bronx. He picked up Hebrew in the process, and many years later, after the first Gulf War, when he was chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, he happened to visit Israel and was able to startle Prime Minister Shamir with the words, “Men kent reddem Yiddish” (We can speak Yiddish).

Congratulations to CWS Board member **Dr. Lynwood Oyos** on receiving the first Historic Preservation Award of the Minnehaha Century Fund from the **Minnehaha County Historical Society**. The award is given for “distinctive achievement in the



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preservation of the heritage of Minnehaha County through dedicated voluntary service.”

The South Dakota Gift Guide, an insert in the November/December 2007 issue of *South Dakota Magazine*, carries an ad promoting the Center's latest book release, *The Quartzite Border*, and *A New South Dakota History*—both at the 20 percent Holiday Discount.

Founder of the town of Strool, South Dakota, **Ben Strool** was an immigrant, homesteader, businessman, and politician. His remains lie in an unmarked grave in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Sioux Falls. An article by Janet Rathbun about the town of Strool and its namesake, originally presented at the Dakota Conference, was published in *South Dakota History* (Winter 2006). About half of the \$600 needed for the stone, incising, concrete base, and placement has been raised by **Janet and Grove Rathbun** and **Don Fjellestad**. Contributions to support the Ben Strool Memorial Stone, to be erected in Mt. Zion Cemetery, may be sent to Janet Rathbun, 1265 Duffer Dr., Rapid City, SD 57702.

Dr. Harry Thompson has been notified that his biography will be included in the forthcoming editions of Marquis' *Who's Who in America* and Thomson Gale's *Contemporary Authors*.

Several CWS members have passed away in recent months:

Reuben Anderson, formerly of Sioux Falls, died October 21, 2007, in Timber Lake, SD. He was 90. We extend our sympathy to his family.

Dorothy Hokenstad, age 90, of Sioux Falls, died October 1, 2007, at Good Samaritan Village. She was the first woman to serve on Augustana's Board of Regents and was a charter member of the Center for Western Studies, most recently serving on the National Advisory Council. She also served on the Augustana Alumni Council and the Center's Board of Directors. She and her late husband Merv have been generous donors to Augustana and CWS over years. We extend our

Herbert Bowden 1920-2007

We mourn the passing of Herb Bowden on October 25, long a member of the Center, and with his wife, Esther, the recipient in 2005 of the Friend of the Center Award. Herb was 87.



In 1970 Herb and Esther with their four sons moved their Sencore factory from Chicago to Sioux Falls, where with Herb as CEO and Esther as secretary they continued to grow their very successful electronics business. Within a short time they found themselves deeply involved in the business, cultural, and philanthropic life of this community.

Herb Bowden chaired the United Way here for three years, served on the Augustana College Board of Regents, and was presented with the Lefty Olson Award by the college in 1992. He was the small business

advisor to several of our senators; his business acumen was recognized by the awarding of Family Business Person of the Year in 1985, then Business Person of the Year for this ten-state region, and he was named South Dakotan of the Year by the University of South Dakota in 1990. In 2000 he was named to the South Dakota Hall of Fame.

Together Herb and Esther have become well known for the things they have done for disadvantaged children and for their church. The husband and wife team has directed fund-raising campaigns for Our Savior's Lutheran Church, for the Glory House half-way house for transitional prisoners, the turning Point facility for troubled youth; and they donated the Irving Park School to establish the very successful Bowden Youth Center.

Together Esther and Herb have been Heart Club members for the United Way. They have given a "naming gift" to help establish the Bowden Softball Field at Augustana College, and they are among the major donors to the Fantle Building for the Center for Western Studies. At their church, they served on many boards. Both have been supportive of the Children's Home Society and the Augustana College Booster Club; and both were benefactors of the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation.

Herb's funeral was on October 29, with burial following at Woodlawn Cemetery.

sympathy to her family.

Sally Mandsager of Loveland, CO, died on August 12, 2007. She was 78. We extend our sympathy to **Charles Mandsager** and his family.

One of the great names in South Dakota broadcasting passed away last month: **Wyn Speece**, "Our Neighbor Lady" on WNAX from 1939 to 2005. The Center honored her in 2001 when she was introduced that year at the June event, "The Big Broadcast: Reflections

of the Golden Age of Radio in South Dakota," written by Ron Robinson.

Lois Zebill, formerly of Sioux Falls, died September 18, 2007, in LaCrescent, MN. She was 88. We extend our sympathy to CWS members **Jon and Dr. Julie Zebill Oien**, and their family.

Correction: A gift in honor of **Jorgen and Rita Thompson** was also given by **Eloise Elmen**. We apologize for this omission in the summer newsletter.

Northern Plains Studies Program Expands

The Center for Western Studies has for many years provided programs in Northern Plains Studies, specifically through its archives, library, book publications, Dakota Conference, internships, exhibits, and Plains Indian Art Show and Sale. The Augustana Archeology Lab has also been long involved in the study of the region through its field work and anthropology courses. An important development, as announced by CWS board chair Lynn Aspaas at the Boe Forum on November 1, is that in October Augustana College approved a minor in Northern Plains Studies.

Originally proposed by CWS staff member Dr. Harry Thompson in his 2002-03 Granskou Award study, the minor in Northern Plains Studies offers the potential to bring together the programs of the Center, the Archeology Lab, and the several courses taught each year in history, literature, anthropology, and sociology. Thompson's study also demonstrated that the minor could be offered without adding faculty. Entitled

"Fulfilling Its Mission: Northern Plains Studies at Augustana," the report is available online at the following site: www.augie.edu/cws/northernplains.html.

Beginning in the fall of 2006, a group of interested faculty and administrators called the Northern Plains Studies Planning Committee met to discuss the details of how the proposed minor could be implemented. Working with the college's Curriculum Committee, CWS board member and NEH Chair in Regional Studies Dr. Michael Mullin proposed a sequence of courses intended to be especially attractive to foreign students, many of whom are eager to take a single-semester concentration of courses about the Northern Plains. The minor will require 18 credit hours of selected courses, including a course entitled "South Dakota and the Region: A Historical Approach," intended to meet state teacher certification requirements for secondary education history students.

National Advisory Council Member Featured in Magazine

The November/December 2007 issue of *South Dakota Magazine* includes an article about the career of Dr. Herbert T. Hoover, professor emeritus of history at the University of South Dakota and a long-time CWS National Advisory Council member.

Hoover is pictured in the article holding a copy of *A New South Dakota History*, to which he contributed several chapters. The article, written by Jon Lauck, notes that Hoover is in the process of depositing his photographic collection at the Center for Western Studies. This collection of over 1,500 images documenting the American Indian Renaissance in South Dakota, will join his earlier contribution of North American Indian Church peyote liturgical artifacts, on display in the Froiland Plains Indian Room.

Lauck writes, "After many years in the trenches of South Dakota history, Hoover joins the pantheon of the state's greatest historians, which includes Doane and Will Robinson, George Kingsbury, Herbert Schell, Howard Lamar, Gilbert Fite, Lynwood Oyos, Gary Olson, and John Miller. Never afraid to speak his mind, Hoover plans to continue his writing regimen and his contributions to South Dakota's

Delano Roosevelt Visits CWS



Delano Roosevelt, grandson of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, spoke at the Center on September 27 to a group of 50 people from the community. Dr. Sandy Jerstad, CWS Board member, arranged for the visit. Roosevelt spoke about his grandfather and grandmother, their family, and their connections to South Dakota.

CWS Video Debuts

Those attending the Boe Forum on November 1 saw the debut of the Center for Western Studies' video, which was produced by Lawrence & Schiller. The video, which is about eight minutes long, gives an overview of the Center, its mission, and programs. It includes footage of the Center's Fantle Building and interviews with Board members, students, faculty, and staff. The video is available to show to service groups and organizations. If you are interested in showing the video at an event, please call the Center. The video is a great tool to showcase CWS and its programs.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FALL-SPRING 2007-2008

NOVEMBER

22 Thanksgiving
30-December 2
"An Augustana Christmas"
program/College Board of
Trustees meet

DECEMBER

7 Christmas Open House at the
Center, 1-4 PM
8 Board and Council Retreat;
Jerry Czulewicz Gallery Talk-
"The Art of Yang Yang,"
CWS Members and Friends
Christmas Luncheon, songs by
Ron Robinson and Lisa Grevlos
from "Rainbow Café"
14 Reading Day
25 Christmas Day
31 "Yang Yang Retrospective" closes

JANUARY

4 "Impressions of Tribal Life"
photograph exhibit opens
7 Interim classes begin
10 Opening reception and gallery
talk "Impressions of Tribal Life"
photograph exhibit
23 Board of Directors meeting

FEBRUARY

2 "A Winter's Tale"-Library Assoc.
7 Classes begin
15-17 28th Annual Artists of the Plains
Art Show & Sale
27 Board of Directors meeting

MARCH

7 Donald Montileaux: "The
Beginning to the End" Show &
Sale opening reception and
gallery talk

26 Board of Directors meeting

APRIL

12-13 Book Sale-Mikkelsen Library
18-20 College Board of Trustees meet
23 Board of Directors meeting
25-26 40th Annual Dakota Conference
26 21st Annual Northern Plains
Autograph Party

MAY

10 Board and Council Spring
Retreat
16 Last day of classes
21 Reading Day
25 Augustana College Baccalaureate
and Commencement

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We are grateful to everyone who supported the 2007-2008 membership campaign so far. The fiscal year runs from August 1, 2007, to July 31, 2008. To date, we have **381** members and **\$60,676** in cash and pledges. Our goal is 800 members and \$150,000. Please renew your membership before the end of the calendar year! **Thank you for your support!**

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HOURS:

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Saturday: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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