The Native American Initiative

The Center for Western Studies inaugurated its Native American Initiative 2009-10 on November 18 with the lecture “Urban Native American Health Issues,” presented by Donna Keeler (Executive Director, South Dakota Urban Indian Health, Inc.) and Instructor Karla Abbott (Augustana College Department of Nursing). The talk was held in the late afternoon in the Madsen/Nelson/Elmen Galleries, Center for Western Studies, Fantle Building. Additional programs in the series are the following:

December 12 (12 noon): “Tribes as Sovereign Corporations: Inspiring Change”
Libby Traversie-Bayless (Director of Native American Services, Sioux Falls)
Morrison Commons, Augustana College

February 19-21: 30th Annual Artists of the Plains Art Show & Sale
Holiday Inn City Centre, Downtown Sioux Falls

March 29 (10 am): Augustana Chapel Service: “Native American Perspectives on the Season of Renewal” (In association with the Augustana Student Congregation)
Fantle Building for the Center for Western Studies, Augustana College

April 23-24: “Western Highways: Journeys through Space and Time”
42nd Annual Dakota Conference on the Northern Plains, with special sessions on “Plains Indian History: The Road Ahead” (Augustana NEH Chair in Regional Heritage Dr. Michael Mullin) and “The Journey to Wounded Knee Reconciliation”
Fantle Building for the Center for Western Studies, Augustana College

June 15: Recognition Dinner and Musical Program: “Celebrating the Art of JoAnne Bird”
Presentation of the Western America Award to JoAnne Bird
Morrison Commons, Augustana College

June 16-September 18: JoAnne Bird Retrospective Exhibit
Madsen/Nelson/Elmen Galleries
Fantle Building for the Center for Western Studies, Augustana College

September 24-26: South Dakota Festival of Books
Release of The Kingdom of Grass: Contemporary South Dakota Poetry (edited by Augustana Writer-in-Residence Patrick Hicks) and featuring Native American authors Allison Hedge Coke, Virginia Driving Hawk Snee, and Lydia Whirlwind Soldier, and A New South Dakota History (2nd edition), featuring Native American authors Vine Deloria, Jr., Virginia Driving Hawk Snee, and Herbert T. Hoover
Holiday Inn City Centre, Downtown Sioux Falls

For more information on these and other programs of the Center for Western Studies at Augustana College, see www.augie.edu/cws, call 605.274.4007, or e-mail cws@augie.edu. Visit the Froiland Plains Indian Room and CWS Gift Shop, featuring Native American-made silver jewelry, at 2121 S. Summit Avenue, Sioux Falls.

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Pakistan-Afghanistan at the Center of the World

Perhaps no previous Boe Forum speaker's appearance has been more timely in terms of world events impacting America than was former Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf's lecture at Augustana on October 2. Each day we read about the election of Hamid Karzai and the terrorist attacks on civilians in Pakistan. President Musharraf opened his remarks by observing that everything that is happening in the world seems to be happening in Pakistan and Afghanistan. With debate raging in Washington as to whether the United States should increase its troop level in Pakistan's neighbor Afghanistan and the tragic increase in loss of life through terrorism in one of the world's largest democracies, Pakistan, President Musharraf's sharing of his perspective on the Taliban and Al Qaeda in Pakistan and Afghanistan had the feel of a high-level briefing on a developing crisis in a Situation Room. Among his observations, he noted that it would be "disastrous" for the United States to pull its troops out of Afghanistan now.

During his speaking tour of the United States, President Musharraf spoke at Brown University (Providence), Marysville University (St. Louis), Robert Morris University (Pittsburgh), Widener University (Philadelphia), Stephenson University (Baltimore), and Trinity University (San Antonio), and met with members of the Obama Administration and the U.S. Congress. The story about his talk at Augustana in the Argus Leader was picked up by the Gannett Co. and the Associated Press and ran in USA Today and in several papers around the country, including the Miami Herald. Correspondents with the BBC also called the college to ask how they might get in contact with Musharraf for an interview.

In addition to his lecture and Q&A in the Elmen Center, with a near-capacity crowd of 3,500, President Musharraf met with 100 local high school and Augustana College students in a news conference format in the Fantle Building, arranged by Dr. Janet Blank-Libra, Augustana Dept. of English and Journalism and Nancy Davidson, VP for Enrollment. He then met privately with about 50 Augustana College student newspaper editors and students from Government and Religion departments in the Fantle Building. This was arranged through Dr. Murray Haar, Augustana Dept. of Religion, Philosophy and Classics, and by Dr. Joe Dondelinger, Augustana Dept. of Government and International Affairs. He signed copies of In the Line of Fire (a few copies of which are still available) before being interviewed by Katie Janssen of KELOLand TV for broadcast the following Sunday. President Rob and Angie Oliver hosted President and Mrs. Musharraf at a dinner and reception.

CWS Intern

Augustana sophomore Rachel Carsrud is the recipient of the Julius A. and Dorothy L. Jacobsen Scholarship and Internship, established at the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation. She has been processing the John R. Milton Papers, deposited at CWS in August by Dr. Milton's daughter Nanci Milton-Fitterman, of California. Milton, a member of the USD Department of English, was the founding editor of the literary journal South Dakota Review. Milton, himself, had made an earlier deposit of many of his papers and books at CWS.

Available through CWS

Lincoln Then and Now:
The Essays of Miles A. Browne

Miles A. Brown is the recipient of the 2009 Award for Distinguished Contribution to the Preservation of the Cultural Heritage of South Dakota and the Northern Plains given by CWS. Cost: $21.50

Stop by the CWS Gift & Book Shop or shop online at www.augie.edu/cws
CWS Endowment Campaign Reaches $781,000

Thanks to a generous estate gift from Dr. Lyndon & Shirley P. King, the Center’s endowment campaign has exceeded $781,000 in gifts and pledges. This is 65 percent of the $1.2 million goal. When the goal is met, the Center will receive $300,000 from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). The NEH matches gifts 4:1.

“We are grateful to the Kings for including the Center for Western Studies in their estate plan many years ago,” Dr. Harry Thompson, Interim Director, said. “It is a wonderful blessing that we are able to use their generous gift to benefit the Center’s Endowment Campaign, particularly the Archives & Library and Art Program & Educational Exhibits, Shirley’s passions at the Center. In addition, this gift will be matched by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Shirley would be pleased.”

The priorities of the endowment campaign are the Archives and Library program, Art Program and Educational Exhibits, Dakota Conference Program, the Publications Program, and the Fantle Building Fund.

“We are continuing to work hard to raise the more than $418,000 needed to complete this campaign, which will strengthen the Center into the future,” Paul Krueger, Director of Development said. “With the match provided by the NEH, this is a way to make gifts go even further. Please consider joining with us in meeting our goal and impacting the Center for Western Studies. And of course, thank you to everyone who has given so far.”

For more information about giving opportunities to the endowment campaign and NEH match, please contact Paul Krueger, Director of Development, at 605.274.4912 or 800.727.2844 ext. 4912.

Take Advantage of the IRA Rollover Before December 31st

Are you 70½ or older? If so, under extended law you can use funds from your IRA to make a gift to benefit the Center for Western Studies. You may contribute funds this way if:

- You are 70½ or older
- Your gifts total $100,000 or less in 2009
- You transfer funds directly from an IRA or Rollover IRA
- You make the gift to a qualified charity (This includes CWS but excludes gifts made to charitable trusts, donor advised funds, charitable gift annuities and supporting organizations.)

Contact your IRA administrator for forms necessary for the transfer or visit with your tax advisor for more information. For more information contact Paul Krueger, Director of Development, at 605.274.4912.

Include CWS in Your Estate Plan

Please consider including the Center for Western Studies in your estate plan. More than 79 individuals have already joined the Center’s Heritage Club and are helping to ensure a strong CWS beyond their lifetimes. This is accomplished through gifts by will, charitable trusts, life insurance, gift annuities or other means.

For more information about the Center’s Heritage Club and various giving options, please contact Paul Krueger, Director of Development, at 605.274.4912. Help us preserve the future today!

Augustana Academy for Seniors
Spring 2010 Series
Cultures in Turmoil: Bridging the Gap in South Dakota

Learn more about American Indian history and culture in South Dakota from speakers who bring life and professional experiences to share with Academy participants. How did we get here? Where do we go? Cost is $35 for the semester, which covers three lunches and programs (February 17, March 24, and April 21.) Seating is limited. For more information, please call the Augustana College Development Office at 605.274.5521, or go online at www.augie.edu/aas.

Thompson Named Associate Fellow at UN-L’s Great Plains Center

Dr. James Stubbendieck, Director of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln’s Center for Great Plains Studies, announced that CWS Interim Director Dr. Harry Thompson has been elected an Associate Fellow of the University’s Center for Great Plains Studies (CGPS), on the recommendation of the Nominating Committee of the Center’s Board of Governors.

Associate Fellows are persons not presently holding regular appointments at the University of Nebraska but who have a professional interest in the purposes and programs of the Center. Award-winning Native American author Allison Hedge Coke, holder of the Reynolds Chair in Writing at the
Papers and Funding Sought for the 2010 Dakota Conference

Returning for 2010 to the multi-year theme of transportation, the Dakota Conference will examine paths, trials, roads, and highways that crisscross the Northern Plains and their impact on the lives of indigenous and immigrant peoples of this expansive land. Previous conferences on the theme of transportation considered railroads (2007) and rivers (2008). Travel by foot, horse, cart, wagon, stagecoach, bicycle, motorcycle, and automobile – “from moccasins to motorcycles” – will be considered, but also spiritual and metaphorical road journeys. There will be sessions, for example, on “Plains Indian History: The Road Ahead” (Augustana NEH Chair in Regional Heritage Dr. Michael Mullin) and “The Journey to Wounded Knee Reconciliation.” Proposals for papers and sessions addressing any aspect of road travel in the Northern Plains are welcome.

Submission Requirements: Send a one-page paper or session proposal with title, brief description, and biographical sketch, along with presenter name, address, phone number, and e-mail address, to Dr. Harry F. Thompson, Dakota Conference Director, The Center for Western Studies, Augustana College, 2001 S. Summit Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57197 harry.thompson@augie.edu. Proposals are due on or before February 5, 2010. Please indicate whether you would also serve as a session chair. Cash Awards of $150 and $100 in academic, non-academic, student, and women's history categories are available.

Twenty-third Annual Northern Plains Autograph Party: Authors of new books (since 2008) and/or recent books fitting this year’s theme should request and return an application form by February 5, 2010. Invited authors agree to participate in the autograph party, make a 20-minute presentation in a regularly scheduled session, and pay the presenter registration fee of $45. Please send your request for an application to the conference director.

College Credit: Undergraduate and graduate credit available through Augustana College. Contact conference director.

Registration Fee: $45 if received by April 16, 2010 ($50 thereafter). Registration is free for full-time undergraduate students of any college or university and for current Augustana faculty, courtesy of a grant from the Augustana Mellon Fund Committee. Registration form, including meal costs, will be mailed with the program in March. Financial support of the conference will be acknowledged in the printed program if received by February 5, 2010.

Colton School’s Historical Marker Event

A Minnehaha County Historical Society and Colton Alumni-sponsored historic marker was dedicated in Colton and placed on a corner of the original school block. Dr. Loren H. Amundson, Class of 1949, was Emcee for the event at which Dr. Lyn Oyos, at left, retired member of the Augustana faculty who taught at Colton High School 1951-1955, shared stories and memories along with other former faculty and alumni. Attendees and former students continued on the top of page 5
During his visit to CWS in April for the Dakota Conference on Abraham Lincoln, Dr. Ed Bradley, an editor based in Washington, D.C., with the Papers of Abraham Lincoln project, was informed by Dakota Conference Director Dr. Harry Thompson that the CWS collections contained a note autographed by President Lincoln. The document was donated to CWS by Miles Browne as part of his large collection of books and related items on Abraham Lincoln.

Framed with an engraving of Lincoln, the note reads, “Springfield, Ill. / Nov. 30th 1860 / Chas. G. Palin, Esq. / Dear Sir—Herewith I send you my autograph which you request. / Yours Truly. / A. Lincoln.” Dr. Daniel W. Stowell, Director and Editor of the Lincoln project, which seeks to track down and record every known document associated with Lincoln, made an official request to obtain a copy of the note. Augustana senior history major Amanda Jenson, recipient of the Dr. Richard W. Solberg Endowed Internship, worked with Mikkelsen Library’s Media Services librarian Judith Howard to create a high-resolution color image of the document, which was then supplied to the Lincoln project.
Les Voorhis, an award-winning nature photographer, has been a professional photographer since 1990. After learning the ins and outs of the stock photography business as a photo editor and image library manager for Stock Imagery in Denver, Co, he decided to put his skills to the test with his own work.

Les’ published images have appeared in magazines, advertising campaigns, packaging, calendars, web sites and books. Clients include Bugle Magazine, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, National Forest Service, Colorado Outdoors, Game and Fish Publications, American Hunter Magazine, Pentax Corporation, Golden 411, Smith South-Western, and several others. He is on the staff of photomigrations.com online photo magazine and writes a monthly educational photo article. He also writes and shoots for the Black Hills Pioneer, a daily newspaper in northern South Dakota. Profotos.com selected him as a Top 100 Photographer in 2001. In addition, the Center will also exhibit jewelry by local artists Tara Barney, and Genevieve Echols. On display and for sale will be rings, necklaces, earrings, bracelets, and other artistic jewelry creations made from stone, glass, beads, gold, silver, feathers and a variety of other materials. All the jewelry is hand-crafted. A reception is scheduled for Thursday, December 3, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with a gallery talk at 6:00 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

Marian Henjum graduated from South Dakota State University with an art education degree. She is listed in Who’s Who in American Colleges and Universities and Outstanding Young Women of America. Upon graduation she was asked to teach at her alma mater. After three years as an SDSU art instructor, she moved to Sioux Falls. She started exhibiting, selling her work and winning awards in the 1960s. She has had 38 solo shows and her paintings are in public and private collections internationally, including six permanent collections. Recently Marian’s work was purchased for the South Dakota Capitol’s permanent collection.

On display with the Henjum paintings is an exhibition of blown glass by Fargo, North Dakota, artist Jon Offutt. Jon has a MFA degree from the College of Art and Design at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. For the past ten years he has owned and operated his own art studio, House of Mulciber in Fargo. He has exhibited his work and done demonstrations across the country. Museums in North Dakota, Minnesota, North Carolina, Florida, Texas, Kentucky, and Illinois own some of his pieces. The fluidity of Offutt’s blown glass artwork and Henjum’s watercolors perfectly complement each other. This is a rare and unique exhibition that you will not want to miss! A reception is scheduled for Wednesday, March 24, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. with a gallery talk at 6:00 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.
Reviews’ Comments on *A New South Dakota History*, 2nd Edition, a Great Holiday Gift Idea

Recipient of the 2006 Leadership in History Award from the American Association for State and Local History, “the most prestigious recognition for achievement in the preservation and interpretation of state and local history.”

“a gift to South Dakota” — *South Dakota Magazine* (2005)

“Almost no topic is neglected…an excellent resource made especially accessible by the topical chapters. Summing Up: Highly recommended. All libraries, especially those on the Great Plains, and for researchers at all levels.” — American Library Association’s *Choice* (2005)

“simply amazing…the amount and quality of information is indeed impressive…tells the story of South Dakota from a variety of perspectives in a manner that is at once both engaging and compelling…belongs in all South Dakota libraries.” — *South Dakota Library Association’s Book Marks* (2005)

“detailed, readable, and brings the South Dakota story in its many facets completely up to date, a great service to the public and to scholars working in the field of Great Plains, agricultural, or Native American history.” — *Great Plains Quarterly* (2007)

A New South Dakota History
2nd Edition
Cost: $30.00

Pictured above with the second edition of *A New South Dakota History* are (front, left to right) Eloise Elmen and Rita Elmen, and (back, left to right) Dr. Harry F. Thompson, CWS Interim Director and the book’s general editor, Richard Elmen, Robert Elmen, and Paul Krueger, Augustana College Director of Development.

CWS Call for Volunteers

Are you interested in history, art, archives, and books? Do you have some free time? The Center for Western Studies is always looking for new volunteers to work in a variety of jobs. Volunteers work weekdays, weekends, and special events. The best part is that you can set your own schedule. Work one day a week or five. Volunteers help the Center for Western Studies fulfill its mission of preserving and interpreting the history and cultures of the Northern Plains by assisting with cataloging artwork, installing exhibitions, processing archival collections, greeting visitors, and giving tours. Saturday volunteers are especially needed. Need more reasons to volunteer at the Center for Western Studies? Meet new people, make new

In Memoriam

**Bob Hazard**, Sioux Falls, August 30, 2009. Bob was a founding partner in Koch Hazard Architects, a leading architectural and design company in Sioux Falls. Among the many projects that Bob worked on are the restoration of the South Dakota State Capitol, the new Washington High School, Spearfish Middle School, and the new campus of the Children’s Home Society. Bob’s son, Jeff, was the lead architect in the design and construction of the CWS Fantle Building. His family graciously included CWS as a recipient of gifts in Bob’s memory.

**Dr. Duane Matz**, Minneapolis, August 17, 2009. Duane taught history at Augustana College for 30 years and served on the CWS Board of Directors for many years. A native of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Dr. Matz began teaching at Augustana in 1968. In 1994 he became the first recipient of the Frederick C. Kohlmeyer Distinguished Teaching Professorship, which recognizes and rewards outstanding teaching. Dr. Matz also served as Chair of the History Department and was a frequent participant at the Dakota Conference. Memorials may be directed to the Duane Matz History Scholarship at Augustana College.

**Anna Gurina Spilde**, October 17, 2009. Anna, who was 102, served as an organist at Pleasant Lutheran Church, Willow Lake, for 32 years before becoming an employee at Augustana College. She was a long-time CWS member. Her family graciously included CWS as a recipient of gifts in Anna’s memory.

**Dr. Roscoe E. Dean, Jr.**, Wessington Springs, October 27, 2009. Roscoe was a member of the CWS National Advisory Council during the Center’s formative years and a donor to the CWS art collection. Need more reasons to volunteer at the Center for Western Studies? Meet new people, make new

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Dr. James C. Gremmels, Glenwood, MN, September 25, 2009. Before becoming professor of English at the University of Minnesota-Morris, Jim was a celebrated basketball player, becoming the first inductee into the Augustana Hall of Fame and later an inductee into the South Dakota Hall of Fame (2007). Dr. Gremmels presented several papers at the Dakota Conference and participated in a session on Herbert Krause in 2006.

Dr. Loren Amundson received the Fifty-year Pin in recognition of his service to the medical profession in South Dakota. Dr. Amundson is active in several CWS programs. Thank you, Amundsons, and congratulations, Loren!

CWS Board member Pastor Dave Johnson of Sioux Falls received the Alumni Achievement Award at Augustana’s Viking Days Blue & Gold Gala on Saturday, October 17, 2009. Dave graduated from Augustana College in 1956. Congratulations, Dave!

CWS staff members Harry Thompson and Tim Hoheisel gave Jeanne Green’s Washington High School class a guided tour of the Center on September 16th. The students particularly enjoyed the Fantle Scandinavian Room and the Froiland Plains Indian Room exhibits.

Correction: In the previous newsletter, Loren and Mavis Amundson were inadvertently omitted from the list of members of the CWS Heritage Club. Please accept our apologies for the error. Thanks once again, Loren and Mavis, for your generosity!

Correction: In the previous newsletter, donors to the 2009 June Event Jim and Bonnie Ageton were incorrectly listed as Jim & Ruth Ageton. Please accept our apologies for the mistake.

Et Cetera…

Director Emeritus Arthur Huseboe is continuing his work on the Edgar Baker Greene manuscript and will be making membership phone calls in the near future. Thanks, Art! Art also celebrated his birthday at the Center for Western Studies on October 6. The Augustana String Quartet played for Art and his friends and family.

National Advisory Council member James Krause, of Pauma Valley, California, stopped at CWS in October on his way to Minnesota. Thanks to Jim and Bob Sellin, of Rockford, IL, both cousins of Herbert Krause, for their contacts with the Victor Lundeen Company. The Lundeen Co., a stationer and bookseller in Fergus Falls, MN, Krause’s hometown, held a book signing for the local author when Wind without Rain was published in 1939. Buzz Lundeen recently ordered copies of Binding in the Plains and Poems and Essays of Herbert Krause for the bookstore.

Dr. Lloyd Svendsbye, former President of Augustana College and a member of the CWS National Advisory Council, has published a memoir of two Norwegian immigrant families: his father and his maternal grandparents, who came to live in Hamlet, North Dakota, at the turn of the twentieth century. Titled “I Paid All My Debts,” the last spoken words of Dr. Svendsbye’s father, the book is published by Lutheran University Press.

The Center welcomed in September the annual meeting of the Sioux Falls Chapter of the Archaeological Society of South Dakota. The group used the Center’s galleries for their presentations.

Dr. Loren & Mavis Amundson of Sioux Falls received the Tuve Award from Augustana College on November 15 at the annual Scholarship Banquet. The award recognizes lifetime giving to Augustana of $100,000 or more. The Amundsons have been generous supporters of the College and CWS over the years. In addition they have established an endowment fund to support the Center’s archives and Dakota Conference at the Sioux Falls Area Community Foundation. Loren volunteers in the Center’s archives twice a week. At the recent annual meeting of the South Dakota State Medical Association,
Thank you to everyone who supported our 2008-2009 membership campaign. Our 2009-2010 fiscal year began August 1, 2009, and runs through July 31, 2010. Please renew your membership today or consider joining for the first time. Our goal is 800 members and $150,000. Thank you for your support!

Benefits of membership include: first notice and guaranteed tickets to the Boe Forum, all Center newsletters and catalogs, invitations to artistic, social, and educational events, a discount to use the Center’s archives, a 10% discount in the CWS Book & Gift Shop, and benefits of the Time Travelers Program.

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□ Yes, I would like to take advantage of the new CWS sustaining membership at $250 and above.

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□ Westerner $2,500-$4,999 □ Explorer $100-$249
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Friends, acquire new skills, learn about local history, and help preserve our past for future generations.

The Center’s staff is appreciative of volunteers’ time and would like to thank all those who help the organization succeed. Stan Christopherson is a volunteer who works 4-6 hours a week. He told us why he enjoys volunteering at the Center: “My volunteering time on Tuesday and Thursday mornings, along with extra time for special events and projects, is very rewarding. It has expanded my friendships with the Center’s staff, students, visitors, authors, and artists. I enjoy the hands-on projects with artwork, books, and papers to insure all who wish can view and further understand our Northern Plains history and cultures. I encourage others to volunteer and share your time, abilities and interests.”

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Please Support the 2009-2010 Membership Campaign

The annual Center for Western Studies membership drive is underway. We are grateful to the many individuals, organizations, and businesses that supported the Center in 2008-2009. Membership gifts from last year totaled nearly $130,000. As our fixed expenses increase, we need to exceed that amount this year.

Memberships are important to the operation of Center; we rely on donations from our generous members and supporters. Membership is central to our programs as well, and it is important now more than ever. Our membership year runs from August 1, 2009, to July 31, 2010. Renewal letters were mailed to current members in October. If you haven’t sent in your membership please do so soon.

The Center is a unique organization that conducts a variety of programs throughout the year. Membership donations go to support the operation of the Center, improve the archive, library, and art collection, provide educational programs, publish books, and provide art shows, workshops, seminars, presentations, and a variety of other projects. Members receive many valuable benefits. For example, the recent Boe Forum with Pervez Musharraf drew a crowd of thousands.

Center members received tickets for floor seats. Members receive a discount in the book and gift shop, and invitations to exhibit openings and special events.

A new membership benefit is the Time Travelers program, which gives members additional discounts at hundreds of museums across the country. For more information about Time Travelers, please visit www.augie.edu/cws/membership.html and click “Membership & Benefits.”

Another new membership option this year is our sustaining membership. Join at the Partner level—$250 or above every year for three years—and enjoy such added benefits as a 20% discount in the CWS Book and Gift Shop. Also, if you become a sustaining member you will receive only member benefit mailings and no further solicitations.

Please check the sustaining membership line on the reply card if you wish to take advantage of this new benefit.

Membership dues are the same as they have been in the past. The cost of joining is very reasonable and the benefits are increasing annually.