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Angela Bates
Nicodemus Historical Society
Bogue, KS 67625

Dear Ms. Bates:

Thank you for accepting to serve as a member of the advisory panel for our New Opportunities Program grant. The Society received this grant from the Mid-America Arts Alliance to fund a Black history play. Kay Kuhlmann and Kevin Willmott, both of Lawrence, have spent the last seven months working on this three act play. Kay wrote the act on Brown v. Topeka Board of Education, Kevin wrote the act on the buffalo soldiers, and jointly they produced the act on Nicodemus. They anticipate using a cast of seven.

As a member of our advisory panel, we are asking that you review and comment on the enclosed script. ~~We would sincerely appreciate receiving your comments by Friday, November 5.~~ Please mail them back to me in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

The playwrights have scheduled three community workshops in October to receive additional feedback from area residents. They will be advertised locally. Each workshop will include a readers theater followed by discussion. You are invited to attend any or all of the workshops which will be held at the following locations:

Nicodemus, October 23, noon, at the Nicodemus Community Center
Lawrence, October 24, 3:00 p.m., at the Second Christian Church
Topeka, October 30, 1:00 p.m., at the Kansas Museum of History

Our goal is to have the script finished by the end of November. We are currently working on securing funding to stage the play in February and March 1994. We hope to be able to offer performances in Lawrence, Topeka, and Nicodemus.

Please return the enclosed form with your comments. We need your social security number to be able to pay you your \$75 honorarium.

Thank you for your assistance with this project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Jennie Chinn at (913) 272-8681.

Sincerely,

Mary W. Madden
Education Supervisor/Project Manager