

JAMES C. OLSON MEMORIAL AWARD

The **James C. Olson Memorial Award** proposed for creation in 2007. The award is to be given annually provided there is an appropriate candidate, would go to a Nebraska teacher who epitomizes the best Nebraska educators have to offer in engaging, inspiring, and guiding their students to discover, enjoy, and learn from the fascinating and important histories we share. The award consisting of a plaque and a lifetime membership with the Nebraska State Historical Society, would be limited to K-12 teachers who encourage and support their students in endeavors such as History Day, who use documents, oral history, or place in classroom projects, or who employ other imaginative or innovative methods to make Nebraska history come alive for their students. A committee drawn from the current NSHS Board of Trustees, the NSHS Emeritus Trustees, and the NSHS staff nominates/selects the recipient. This annual award is in the form of a plaque.

<i><u>Year</u></i>	<i><u>Recipient</u></i>	
2008	Jim Barstow, Lincoln	NSHS consumer; students do well at History Day; History Channel's Outstanding History Educator of the Year in 2006.
2007	Moni Hourt, Crawford	Success of History Day students.