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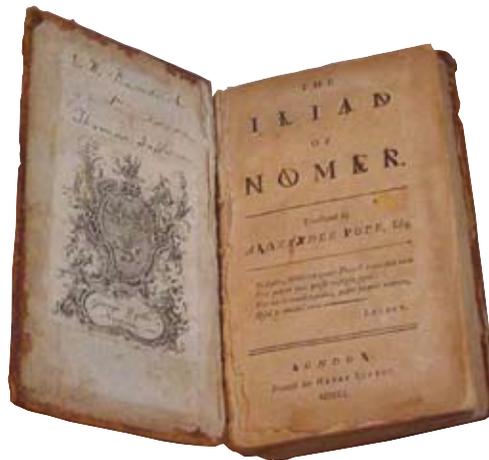
News & Notes

NEW SEMINAR SERIES

“At Home on Monticello Mountain,” a new series of seminars to be conducted this fall will offer participants in-depth looks at different aspects of life at Monticello during Thomas Jefferson’s time. The three half-day sessions, to be held on Saturdays in September and October, will feature lectures, discussions, and visits to areas of Monticello not normally open to the public. Topics will include “A Day in the Life of the Monticello Plantation” and “The Jefferson Family at Home.” The cost will be \$75 per session or \$210 for all three. The specific dates will be announced this summer. For information, call (434) 984-7504 or send an e-mail to msscottfleming@monticello.org.

LIBRARIES PROJECT ONLINE

The Thomas Jefferson’s Libraries Project—a searchable database of the books Jefferson owned, recommended, or knew about at different times in his life—has a new Web address: <http://tjlibraries.monticello.org>. Jefferson Library staff members have been working on the project since 2004, when it was initiated with Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) funding. Bibliographic information for Jefferson’s books is linked directly to transcriptions of book entries and images of Jefferson’s book lists, and



Jefferson’s copy of the *Iliad*. T:JF

users can see what books Jefferson shared in common with the likes of George Washington, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin. The database for Jefferson currently holds over 5,400 entries, and will expand to some 9,000 entries as the project progresses.

VISITATION INCREASE

The number of visitors to Monticello increased in 2009 for the second consecutive year and represented the highest annual attendance in five years. Monticello attracted 451,816 visitors during the calendar year, an increase of 4,302, or approximately 1 percent, over the 2008 figure (which was 1.3 percent higher than the 2007 total). The 2009 attendance was Monticello’s largest since

2004, when there were 458,865 visitors. Monticello has now attracted more than 27.5 million visitors since it was opened as a public attraction in 1924.

‘RETIREMENT SERIES’ VOLUME 6

Volume 6 of *The Papers of Thomas Jefferson: Retirement Series* has been published by Princeton University Press. The volume (705 pages, hardcover, \$110) covers the period from March to November 1813, when the young United States was fighting for its survival against Great Britain in the War of 1812, and includes 31 letters exchanged between Jefferson and John Adams. The Retirement Series is sponsored by the Thomas Jefferson Foundation and its editorial offices are located in Monticello’s Jefferson Library. All six volumes are available online at www.monticellocatalog.org.

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