

New and Announcements

April 11, 1992: Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association Conference will be held at Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, MD. The theme is "Converging Voices: Writing Centers in the 1990's." **For information**, contact: Carl Glover, Writing and Communications Program, Mount St. Mary's College, Emmitsburg, MD 21727 (301) 447-6122, Ext. 4884.

April 22-25: The 12th Annual Meeting of The Southern Writing Center Association will be held in Colonial Williamsburg at the Fort Magruder Inn and Conference Center. The theme is "Embracing Connections: The Past, Present, and Future of Writing Centers." **For information**, contact: Dr. Tom MacLennan, Director, The Writing Place, The U of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, NC 28403-3297.

May 29-31: The City University of New York's Office of Academic Computing, together with the **Research Foundation of CUNY, the National Project on Computers and College Writing, and the National Testing Network in Writing**, will sponsor "Computers Across the Curriculum: A Conference on Technology in the Freshman Year," to be held at the Marriott Financial Center Hotel in New York City. Designed for faculty, administrators, and researchers in higher education, the conference will highlight innovative approaches to incorporating state-of-the-art computer technology into curricula and pedagogy. Presentations will explore the inclusion of computer technology in: Developmental education, core curriculum, humanities and social sciences, library research, mathematics and sciences, and counseling and advisement. **For information and registration**, contact: Max Kirsch, Computers Across the Curriculum, The City U of New York/Office of Academic Computing, 555 West 57 Street/14th Floor, New York, NY 10019 (212) 541-0324.

June 18 & 19: The Association of Teachers of English Grammar is seeking presentations for the Third Annual Conference on "The Teaching of Grammar in Grades K-College," to be held at the Pennsylvania College of Technology in Williamsport, PA. Conference papers are sought in the following areas: textbook evaluations, classroom techniques, applied linguistics, teacher training, rhetoric and composition, reading skills, language development, and critical

thinking. Proposals should include A/V or computer needs, your name, address, phone number, and a short summary of the presentation. **Deadline:** April 1, 1992, but an extension is possible. **Contact:** Ed Vavra, Pennsylvania College of Technology, DIF 112, One College Avenue, Williamsport, PA 17701 (717) 326-3761 Ext.7736, FAX (717) 327-4503.

June 25–27: The 1992 Young Rhetoricians' Conference will hold its 8th annual celebration of the art of rhetoric at Monterey Peninsula College. Among speakers and workshops: Peter Elbow (U of Massachusetts) will speak as Rhetorician of the Year. Shirley Brice Heath (Stanford) will address the Friday Luncheon on the crisis of American public education and the responsibilities of the college teacher. Further talks will be given by Gabriele Rico on writing your way through personal crisis; Nell Pickett (editor, *English in the Two-Year College*) on how to publish and prosper in the two-year and four-year college; Hans Guth on redefining the canon; and Richard Graves (Auburn) and Susan Becker (Illinois Central) on exploring personal archetypes through writing. Workshops include the decentralized classroom/critical thinking/the bilingual student/rereading America. Humor Night will mourn "The Death of Literature." **For information**, contact: Maureen Girard of MPC (408) 646-4100.

July 8–11: The 11th Annual Penn State Conference on Rhetoric and Composition will be held in State College, PA. Among the featured speakers are: Donald McCloskey, Anne Ruggles Gere, Steven Mailloux, Jeanne Fahnestock, Richard Larson, Carolyn Miller, Christine Neuwirth, Gary Schumacher, and Bill Smith. Papers and workshops are scheduled on a wide range of topics, including rhetorical history and theory, the composing process, basic writing, writing in academic and nonacademic contexts, advanced composition, the rhetoric of science, writing across the curriculum, rhetorical criticism, writing pedagogy, computers and writing, technical and business writing, and so on. To obtain registration **information**, to volunteer to chair a session, etc., contact: Davida Charney, Dept. of English, Penn State U, University Park, PA 16802. (BITNET: IRJ at PSUVM)

October 2–3: The Midwest Writing Centers Association's 11th annual conference will be held in St. Paul, MN. The theme is

“Talking it Out: Writing Centers as Social Spaces.” Steve North of SUNY-Albany will be the keynote speaker. The proposal deadline: April 15. **For more information**, contact: Dave Healy, General College, 240 Appleby Hall, U of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455.

October 8–10: The 4th National Basic Writing Conference, co-sponsored by CBW (Conference on Basic Writing, a special interest group of CCCC) and NCTE, will be held at the U of Maryland in College Park, MD. David Bartholomae (U of Pittsburgh) and featured plenary panelists will address the theme “Critical Issues in Basic Writing: 1992.” How are we, our writing programs, and our institutions meeting or failing to meet the needs of at-risk students? Concurrent sessions and workshops will cover a wide range of topics related to basic writing programs and practices. **For information and registration**, contact: John Garvey, Education Director, NCTE, 1111 Kenyon Rd., Urbana, IL 61801 (217) 328-3870.