NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) Regional Language Centre (RELC) will hold its 21st Regional Seminar April 21–25, 1986 in Singapore. The theme of the seminar is “Patterns of Classroom Interaction in Southeast Asia.” For information and invitations, contact: Director (Attention: Chairman Seminar Planning Committee), SEAMEO Regional Language Centre, RELC Building, 30 Orange Grove Road, Singapore 1025, Republic of Singapore.

The National Testing Network in Writing, The City University of New York, and Cuyahoga Community College announce the 4th Annual Conference on Writing Assessment on April 16, 17, and 18 in Cleveland, OH. This national conference is for educators, administrators, and assessment personnel and will be devoted to critical issues in assessing writing in elementary, secondary, and postsecondary settings. Discussion topics will include theories and models of writing assessment, assessing writing across the curriculum, the politics of testing, computer applications in writing assessment, the impact of testing on minority students and on ESL students, and research on writing assessment. The keynote speaker is Rexford Brown of the Education Commission of the States, and the closing speaker is Elaine Maimon of Beaver College. For information and registration materials, contact: Prof. Mary Lou Conlin, Cuyahoga Community College, 2900 Community College Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44115.

Teaching English in the Two-Year College will publish a special issue on “Film, Television, and Video: New Directions for the Teaching of English” in December, 1986. Types of papers welcome are: reports on substantive research in the field; essays giving a theoretical framework for integrating visual media into the teaching of English; pedagogical descriptions of specific approaches (thematic, structural, rhetorical, linguistic, aesthetic) to the study of film, television, and video within the English curriculum. Authors are asked to use the MLA Handbook, 2nd ed. (1984), and submit two copies to: William V. Costanzo, Dept.
of English, Westchester Community College, Valhalla, NY 10595. For manuscript return, please include SASE. Deadline for submissions is April 1, 1986.

Southeastern Writing Center Association is holding its 6th annual conference April 17-19, 1986 in Mobile, AL. Its theme is “Beyond Basic Writing: What More Can Writing Centers Do?” Presentations will address the following topics: tutoring ESL and learning disabled students; competency testing; the writing center as the core of a writing across the curriculum program; using computers in the composing process; and ways to establish community outreach programs. For information contact: Renée Harper, Writing Lab, Bookstore Basement, University of South Alabama, Mobile, AL 36688.