

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** Southeastern Writing Center Association

**WHERE:** Omni Hotel in Charleston, South Carolina

**WHEN:** Conference: March 3-6, 1988

**WHAT:** The 8th Annual Southeastern Writing Center Association Conference

**AGENDA:** Conference theme is THE COMPOSING/COMPUTER CONNECTION. Any subject that has to do with writing centers and effective writing will be considered.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Conference organizers encourage participation by professionals and peer tutors as well as administrators.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Angela W. Williams, The Writing Center, The Citadel, Charleston, SC 29409

**TELEPHONE:** (803) 792-3194

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** The American Classical League Institute

**WHERE:** University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee

**WHEN:** Proposals: February 1, 1988; Conference: June 22-25, 1988

**WHAT:** The 41st Annual American Classical League Institute and Workshops

**AGENDA:** Individual papers and workshop format presentations are solicited in the following areas: Latin authors such as Caesar, Catullus, Ovid, and Horace; aspects of classical culture including religion, history, sports, and slavery; methods of teaching reading; the improvement of reading skills; increasing enrollment in Latin studies; instructional games and puzzles for the classroom; computer-assisted instruction in the Latin classroom; and, Roman remains and monuments such as Pompeii, Ostia, and in the provinces. Proposals on other topics are welcome and are invited from teachers at all levels.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Prospective participants should submit a 100-300 word description with title for an individual paper presentation or a workshop. Audiovisual equipment requirements must be indicated as well. Computer workshops should indicate the type of PC needed. Unless specified, workshops will be one hour in length and papers 20 minutes in length.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Professor Judith Lynn Sebesta, ALC Vice President, Department of Classics, University of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD 57069

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** Jerusalem TEFL-TESOL Conference Organizers

**WHERE:** Jerusalem, Israel

**WHEN:** July 10-14, 1988

**WHAT:** The Second Jerusalem TELF-TESOL Conference

**AGENDA:** Plans are now being made for the second TEFL-TESOL Conference to be held in Jerusalem, Israel. Those wishing specific information about the conference should write to the contact person listed below.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Joan Paulin, P.O. Box 7663, 91076 Jerusalem, Israel

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** The Society of Federal Linguists

**WHERE:** Washington, D.C.

**WHEN:** Now available

**WHAT:** *Career Opportunities for Linguists in the Federal Service*, a book that looks at language jobs available in the U.S. Government

**AGENDA:** Available in paperback, this publication contains the proceedings of a public forum sponsored by the Society of Federal Linguists and the texts of actual speeches by recruiters and supervisors of linguists from those

Federal Government agencies that employ the majority of language workers in government such as the CIA, FBI, Voice of America, NSA, State Department, and Foreign Broadcast Information Service.

**NOTEWORTHY:** This book is specifically designed for U.S. citizens fluent in one or more foreign languages who are interested in learning about the prospects of employment in the U.S. Government. Each copy of the paperback is \$7.00 which includes postage and handling. Checks or money orders should be made payable to Society of Federal Linguists.

**CONTACT:** SFL Career Book, P.O. Box 7765, Washington, D.C. 20044

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** The National Information Center for Educational Media

**WHERE:** Albuquerque, New Mexico

**WHAT:** *Film & Video Finder*, 1st Edition, 1987, ISBN: 0-89320-110-3, 2,200 pages

**AGENDA:** This publication unifies the contents and subject headings of thousands of catalogues. Included in the index are 16mm, 1/2", 1/4", Beta, VHS, and optical disk sources dealing with instruction, documentaries, continuing education, classic features, and children's programs.

**NOTEWORTHY:** This index covers both film and video with over 90,000 citations which describe contents, audience level, film or video format, running time, date of release, and name and address of purchase/rental source. This index also contains over 1600 familiar subject headings for precise retrieval, cross references for key word access, and arrangement of subjects by common curriculum areas.

**COST:** \$295.00

**AVAILABLE FROM:** NICEM, P.O. Box 40130, Albuquerque, NM 87196

**TELEPHONE:** (505) 265-3591

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** National Information Center for Educational Media

**WHERE:** Albuquerque, New Mexico

**WHEN:** Now available

**WHAT:** A-V Online on Silver Platter CDROM Compact Disk and Silver Platter Software

**AGENDA:** Use your microcomputer to locate videotapes, disks, 16mm films, filmstrips, audiocassettes, and slide sets. A-V Online is the foremost audiovisual database; it is now available on Silver Platter compact disc. A-V Online incorporates cataloguing from the Library of Congress, publishers' catalogues and library collections. Citations include annotations and subject descriptors, audience level, and name and address of commercial source. A-V Online is the database of the National Information Center of Educational Media (NICEM).

**NOTEWORTHY:** Completely annotated bibliographic descriptions and addresses of the sources of over 360,000 audiovisual programs. Average retrieval time: 15 seconds. The A-V Online database is also available through Dialog Information Service. Coverage includes materials in English, Spanish, French, German, and other languages. A-V Online CDROM operates on any IBM compatible microcomputer having at least 512K RAM. Silver Platter software available for CDROM players manufactured by Hitachi, Phillips, Sony.

**COST:** \$795.00

**AVAILABLE FROM:** NICEM, P.O. Box 40130, Albuquerque, NM 87196

**TELEPHONE:** (505) 265-3591

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** The American Association of Teachers of German (AATG)

**WHERE:** Cherry Hill, New Jersey

**WHEN:** Now in operation

**WHAT:** A job placement information center (PIC)

**AGENDA:** To help locate German teachers for elementary and secondary schools, colleges, and universities, on both the national and international scene.

**NOTEWORTHY:** The service is free to all schools and colleges. A bi-monthly bulletin of new positions is distributed among regional PIC contracts and potential teaching candidates.

**CONTACT:** AATG, 523 Building, Route 38, Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

**TELEPHONE:** (609) 663-5264

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** The Council of Chief State School Officers

**WHERE:** Washington, D.C.

**WHEN:** Now available for purchase

**WHAT:** Japanese Database

**AGENDA:** This resource guide for teaching about Japan was developed with funding from the U.S.-Japan Friendship Committee. The information in the guide is organized around five major categories applicable to Japan: specialists on Japan studies; sources of information; curriculum materials; innovative programs; and, exchange programs.

**NOTEWORTHY:** The 429-page guide is only \$20.00.

**CONTACT:** Council of Chief State School Officers, 400 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20001

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** Northeast Conference Media

**WHERE:** Middlebury, Vermont

**WHEN:** Now available

**WHAT:** *A CLASS ACT*, on videocassette

**AGENDA:** *A Class Act* is not a video about languages. It is a video about teachers and foreign language teaching as a career with special opportunities that are intrinsic to the profession.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Professionally filmed with practicing teachers and former teachers in the work place, *A Class Act* will help teachers illustrate some of the motivation behind successful foreign language teachers; it offers a special way to reach your promising students or to show your community why foreign language teaching is a class act. This video can be ordered for sale only by telephone with Visa or Mastercard for only \$29.00 (postpaid). Mail orders must be prepaid (for NC Media to pay shipping) or accompanied by a numbered institutional purchase order (add \$5.00 shipping and handling). Specify VHS, Beta, or 3/4" format.

**CONTACT:** Northeastern Conference Media, P.O. Box 623, Middlebury, VT 05753

**TELEPHONE:** (802) 388-4017

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** CALICO

**WHERE:** Hilton Hotel, Salt Lake City, Utah

**WHEN:** February 23-27, 1988

**WHAT:** The Annual CALICO Symposium

**AGENDA:** A forum for discussing state-of-the-art technology in a variety of disciplines, with a view to adapting that technology to the more effective teaching and learning of languages.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Included in the symposium are hands-on workshops, papers, demonstrations, panels, and special interest group meetings

**CONTACT:** CALICO, 3078 JKHB, BYU, Provo, Utah 84602

**TELEPHONE:** (801) 378-7079

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** Northeast Conference

**WHERE:** New York Hilton, New York City

**WHEN:** Thursday to Sunday, April 7-10, 1988

**AGENDA:** The four-day conference program begins on Thursday morning with preconference workshops and continues through Sunday noon. Exhibits, pedagogical workshops, special interest rap sessions, the general session, and exhibitor sessions take place all day on Friday and Satur-

day. Pedagogical workshops, exhibitor sessions, and rap sessions are included in the registration fee. The dozens of pedagogical workshops will provide a forum to explore the theoretical and practical aspects of integrating the teaching of culture into the foreign language classroom. Other presentations, many in the target language, will offer updates on contemporary culture or new ways of teaching cultural aspects of literary texts. Special interest rap sessions offer less formal opportunities for those with particular concerns to discuss. Preconference workshops require the payment of tuition in addition to the conference registration fee. Topics to be announced in December again include the Outreach Workshop Training Program. Exhibits of textbooks, periodicals, realia, computer software, audiovisual materials and equipment, foreign study programs, etc., are open Thursday from 4:00 - 8:00 PM; Friday from 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM; and Saturday from 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

**NOTEWORTHY:** The Northeast Conference is the largest conference in the United States devoted to effective teaching and learning of languages, all those commonly taught in this country, ancient and modern, including English as a Second Language. It is attended by some 3,000 colleagues from across the nation and from abroad. Members comprise hundreds of educational institutions and associations.

**CONTACT:** Northeast Conference Registration, Box 623, Middlebury, VT 05753

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** Holmes and Narver Service

**WHERE:** Orange, California

**WHEN:** Now accepting applications and résumés

**WHAT:** Jobs for U.S. Citizens in the USSR

**AGENDA:** Holmes and Narver Services, Inc. is now actively recruiting U.S. citizens for potential positions in the USSR. Employees with Russian language competencies are needed to fill key jobs at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow and consulates in Leningrad and Kiev.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Jobs available include translators, librarians, secretaries, word processors, cashiers, drivers, electricians, carpenters, plumbers, custodians, and cooks.

**SEND RESUMES TO:** Holmes and Narver Services, Department M, P.O. Box 6240, Orange, California 92613

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** The International Television Network

**WHERE:** Salt Lake City, Utah

**WHEN:** Now in operation

**WHAT:** International programming of movies, series, documentaries, and specials from countries around the world

**NOTEWORTHY:** Program reception is free. Information is currently available about area affiliates and programming.

**CONTACT:** Arlene Hansen, Ste. 1000, Kennecott Building, Salt Lake City, UT 84133

**TELEPHONE:** (801) 321-7779

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** The Freshman Writing Program

**WHERE:** The University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California

**WHAT:** *The Writing Instructor*, an innovative quarterly publication for composition professionals at both the secondary and university levels

**WHEN:** Now

**AGENDA:** Committed to the field of writing and composition instruction, TWI publishes articles grounded in rhetorical and educational theory. Its editorial board is made up of professional writing instructors, many of whom are involved in graduate studies in composition and linguistics.

**CONTACT:** *The Writing Instructor*, c/o The Freshman Writing Program, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA 90089

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** Shenandoah College and Conservatory

**WHERE:** Winchester, Virginia

**WHEN:** Now accepting submissions

**WHAT:** Call for papers

**AGENDA:** *Syntax in the Schools*, published by Shenandoah College, is seeking papers on pedagogical grammar. Articles may concern teacher preparation, the theory of pedagogical writing, the theory of thinking, or suggestions about books that other teachers may want to read. *Syntax* is devoted to coordinating grammar instruction, levels K-College.

**NOTEWORTHY:** *Syntax* is particularly interested in teachers' descriptions of and attitudes toward what they are currently doing. Subscriptions are \$2.00 per year (four issues).

**CONTACT:** Ed Vavra, Shenandoah College, Winchester, VA 22601

**Announcing...**

**WHO:** Institute of Advanced Studies, The National Foreign Language Center

**WHERE:** at Johns Hopkins University, Washington, D.C.

**WHEN:** Now accepting 1988 applications

**WHAT:** Limited residential research fellowships in foreign language pedagogy

**AGENDA:** The NFLC conducts empirical research and development in the teaching of foreign languages. Its aim is to improve the spoken and written use of foreign languages in the United States. Supported by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the Center funds scholars to work at its Institute of Advanced Studies for Research on Foreign Language Pedagogy. This institute provides a residential environment where scholars, teachers and administrators interested in improving foreign language competence can pursue their research and share their findings with others concerned with similar language issues.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Projects selected for research fellowships should have a high priority from a national perspective; focus on improving the nation's overall language teaching system; and address questions relatively unattended elsewhere. Preference will be given to applicants whose research is most relevant to the Center's formative research agenda which is as follows:

- empirical and analytically oriented studies which assess current and potential use of foreign languages as related to the national system of foreign language training;
- development of valid strategies and instruments for measuring foreign language competence of individuals and the effectiveness of programs of instruction;
- research in developing and evaluating teaching and learning methods inside and outside the classroom including applications of multi-media technology CAI, intelligent tutoring and expert systems;
- research on problems of translation and interpretation with regard to surmounting language and cultural barriers.

**ELIGIBILITY:** In addition to foreign language scholars, practitioners and administrators involved in all levels of the education system, the Institute welcomes applications from specialists in a variety of disciplines, such as humanists, social scientists, and policy makers. All applicants should have a demonstrated interest in improving foreign language competence.

**DURATION:** Appointments will be made for up to twelve months, usually beginning in September. First appointments are scheduled for September 1988.

**STIPEND:** The Center will attempt to meet the Fellow's previous year's earned income to a maximum of \$35,000 per year, pro-rated based on length of appointment. Applicants are encouraged to seek additional help.

**OBLIGATIONS:** The duration of the Fellowship is to be spent in residence; that is, Fellows will live in the Washington, D.C. area and conduct their research at NFLC. Fellows will help guide the Center's research programs, sharing ideas

and information. In addition, they will organize and participate in seminars and present at least one public lecture.

**SELECTION:** Fellowships will be awarded on the basis of the applicant's research experience and abilities, and their commendations accompanying the application.

**CLOSING DATE:** January 10, 1988 (for September 1988 applications). There is no application fee.

**CONTACT:** The National Foreign Language Center at Johns Hopkins University, 1619 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

### **Announcing...**

**WHO:** Antenne 2, Paris, and The University of Maryland Baltimore County

**WHERE:** Paris and Baltimore, Maryland

**WHAT:** FRANCE-TV, a French language television magazine, broadcast via satellite, produced by Antenne 2 studios in Paris, to keep viewers abreast of major events, news, issues, and cultural events in France, and to give the French perspective in the international arena

**AGENDA:** Telecasts for the remainder of the school year will be, as announced, on the FIRST Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm EST. Reception is from satellite Westar 4-99 degrees, Transponder 10D, Channel 19 (4080) MHz). FRANCE-TV Magazine is underwritten by Antenne 2, Médiante Films, the French Ministry of External Relations, UMBC, and now the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education.

**NOTEWORTHY:** Starting with the November telecast, FRANCE-TV Magazine and UMBC are now providing program information and instructional materials on FRANCE-TV Magazine, as well as a forum to discuss the program and general issues regarding foreign language instruction and technology through a Remote Bulletin Board System (RBBS). As a rule, instructional materials will be on the RBBS by the Friday following the Wednesday telecast.

**RBBS:** RBBS is an electronic means of exchanging information between a computer and remote terminals or PCs via a modem. The best known models in the U.S. are The Source and CompuServ, and in France, the Minitel. The computer at UMBC is dedicated to the viewers of FRANCE-TV Magazine. RBBS provides program information through summaries in both English and French of past and current transmissions, and instructional materials based on the current telecast. It provides a variety of pedagogical activities which progress from comprehension to practice exercises, through themes and topics of conversation and, finally, to cultural role-plays and simulations. The last section focuses on various features, practices, and patterns of living in American and French cultures. From their terminals, users will be able to download these files, save them to disk, and print them at their work stations. After some further selection or some editing, these materials can be reproduced on the school ditto machine or copier for use in the classroom. The files will be indexed for appropriate selection according to segments concerned and level of study, and will serve as an actual study guide to accompany FRANCE-TV Magazine.

**WIN A TRIP TO FRANCE:** At least 8 winners of the FRANCE-TV "jeuconcours" will receive air fare and lodging for a trip to France, where they will be welcomed upon arrival for an eight-day stay in Paris, and thereafter to the provinces. This trip must be taken between June and September of next year. Winners will be selected from four categories: high school students, college and university students, high school teachers, and viewers unaffiliated with an educational institution. In order to participate in this contest, you must watch the January, February and March programs which will contain a series of nine questions on French history, culture and the arts. Answers must be sent to FRANCE-TV Magazine by March 31. Winners will be announced in the May telecast.

**VIEWERS WITHOUT SATELLITE DISHES:** Contact your local public television station or cable company to see if FRANCE-TV

Magazine is already scheduled in your area. If not, encourage them to broadcast the program for your use as well as your colleagues'. UMBC has discretionary authority of the program over the distribution of the program in North America, and upon written request will authorize stations to transmit and retransmit the program free of charge, as well as authorize viewers to record and

retain the program in accordance with a new extended retention period.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Elizabeth Scali Pease, FRANCE-TV Magazine, AC IV, Room 214, University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, Maryland, 21228-5398

**TELEPHONE:** (301) 455-2963