

Announcements

1. **Minnesota English Journal Awards for Best Articles.** Two cash prizes of \$75.00 each will be awarded for the two best articles of 1987-88. These awards will be presented at the annual spring conference. Authors should follow the standard *Minnesota English Journal* submission rules. All articles published in *MEJ* will be considered eligible, although the publications board reserves the right not to grant an award if, in its judgement, none of the published articles meet the Publication Board's criteria or its standard of excellence.
2. **Call for Reviewers.** HELP! The *Minnesota English Journal* needs book reviewers. If you wish to review one or more books for us, please contact Richard Dillman, Editor, *Minnesota English Journal*, English Department, St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, MN 56301, (612) 255-3188. We would like to receive letters of inquiry with proposals for potential reviews.
3. **Literacy Conference.** The Right to Literacy, a conference sponsored by the MLA, Ohio State University, and the Federation of State Humanities Councils, will take place in Columbus, Ohio, on 16-18 September 1988. Members of the teaching profession at all levels, as well as others interested in the literacy movement, are encouraged to attend, or to propose individual papers or entire sessions devoted to one of the following areas of concern:

The Users of Literacy—explorations of the relations between literacy and thinking, literacy and citizenship, and literacy and culture.

Literacy and Its Enemies, Illiteracy and Its Friends—explorations of the ways that social forces and institutions affect literacy, with particular attention to the resistance that obstructs, or the "support" that trivializes, the pursuit of full literacy.

Becoming Literate Today—exploration of how children and adults learn to read and write in their native tongues or in second languages.

Struggles for Literacy Today—explorations of attempts to achieve literacy in different historical periods and different cultures.

The deadline for submitting proposals is 15 January 1988. Anyone should request a proposal form from Robert D. Denham, MLA, 10 Astor Place, New York, NY 10003.