

## Announcements

1.

**Seeking Editor for the *Minnesota English Journal*.** The position of Editor of the *Minnesota English Journal* will be vacant as of May 1, 1989, when the current editor completes his term. Members of the English profession in Minnesota who are interested in editing the *Minnesota English Journal* should send a letter of interest and a *vita* to the following address. Editing the journal requires service on the MCTE Advisory Board and the MCTE Publications Board. The deadline for applications is February 15, 1989. Please send applications to Richard Dillman, Editor, *Minnesota English Journal*, English Department, St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota 56301.

2.

**MCTE Spring Conference.** The MCTE annual spring conference will be held April 14 and 15, 1989 at the Sunwood Inn Motel and Convention Center, St. Cloud, Minnesota. MCTE invites proposals for twenty-five minute presentations, for sessions of three related presentations, or for workshops. Please send a brief description of your proposed paper, session, or workshop to the appropriate section chair by January 30, 1989.

## 1. Elementary Sessions

Joan Thames, Chair  
Groveland Park Elementary  
2045 St. Clair Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55105  
(612) 293-8760

## 2. Secondary Sessions

Bill Sullivan, Chair  
John F. Kennedy High School  
9701 Nicollet Avenue South  
Bloomington, MN 55420  
(612) 884-9571

## 3. College Literature

Mark Ludwig, Chair  
English Department  
St. Cloud State University  
St. Cloud, MN 56301  
(612) 255-4297

## 4. Community College

Judy Harris, Chair  
2819 34th Avenue South  
East  
Rochester, MN 55904  
(507) 289-6450

## 5. College Composition

John Schifsky, Chair  
 Department of Language  
 and Literature  
 College of St. Scholastica  
 Duluth, MN 55811  
 (218) 723-6096

Conference speakers include Lillian Bridwell Bowles, Gary Paulsen, and Marjorie Dörner.

3. **Minnesota English Journal Awards for Best Articles.** Two cash prizes \$75.00 each will be awarded for the two best articles of 1988-89. 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, though 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.
4. **Announcing the Journal Reader: Essays in Reader-Oriented Theory, Criticism, and Pedagogy.** Topics for forthcoming issues of *Reader* will include the following: The work of Louise Rosenblatt; relationships between reading and rhetoric; and reading and the theory of Roland Barthes. *Reader* is a semiannual publication aiming to generate discussion on reader-response theory, criticism, and teaching. Subscriptions are \$8.00 a year for individuals and \$10.00 a year for institutions (add \$2.00 for subscriptions outside the United States). For further information, contact Elizabeth A. Flynn, editor, Department of Humanities, Michigan Technological University, Houghton, Michigan 49931.
5. **Call for Papers for Children's Literature Association Conference.** The 1989 Children's Literature Association Conference to be held May 12-14 at Mankato State University in Mankato, Minnesota, will consider the theme, "Where Rivers Meet: Confluence and Currents." The conference committee encourages members and non-members to submit papers or proposals for workshops and panel discussions. Aspects of the conference theme include water themes or use of bodies of water in children's literature, collaborations by authors or authors and illustrators, textual collaborations such as friendships or important meetings, and origins of works of literature for children. All projects that approach children's literature from a serious critical standpoint will receive consideration, with preference given to those that relate to the theme.

Papers should be 8-10 pages double-spaced (20 minutes reading time) and should conform to the new MLA citation format. They should not have been read or published elsewhere. The author's name and address along with a brief abstract of the paper should appear only on the cover sheet, which will be removed for judging. Three copies of the paper and a SASE should be submitted.

Workshop and panel proposals should include a brief discussion of the topic and intended audience as well as a list of participants and their affiliations. Three copies of the proposal should be sent.

Papers and proposals will be accepted through January 20, 1989. They should be sent to Kathy Piehl, Box 19, Memorial Library, Mankato State University, Mankato, MN 56001.