

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The National Testing Network in Writing, Dawson College, and The City University of New York announce the **SEVENTH ANNUAL NTNW CONFERENCE ON WRITING ASSESSMENT** on April 9, 10, and 11, 1989 in Montreal, Canada. This national conference will be devoted to critical issues in assessing writing in elementary, secondary, and postsecondary settings. Keynote speakers include **John Dixon, Peter Elbow, Peter Evans, Alan Purves, Leo Ruth, Helen Schwartz, Bernard Shapiro, Edward White, and Janet White.** Contact: Linda Shohet, Dawson College, 3040 Sherbrooke Street W., Montreal, Quebec, Canada, H3Z 1A4.

The Writing Centers Association, East Central Region, announces its **Eleventh Annual Conference**, to be held May 5-6, 1989, at Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, OH. The theme of the conference is "Empowering Our Writing Centers, Empowering Our Students." Persons interested in participating should submit a substantive, one-page proposal (plus 3 copies) *by December 16, 1988.* Contact: Ulle E. Lewes, Writing Resource Center, Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware, OH 43015.

Focuses is a new semiannual journal devoted to varied special interests in writing as a discipline. It is a forum for scholars who link their propositions about rhetorical theory with composition programs and practice in the classroom and in the writing center. For more information on submissions and subscriptions, contact: William C. Wolff, Editor, *Focuses*, Dept. of English, Appalachian State University, Boone, NC 28608.

The Western Ohio Journal, annual publication of WOCTELA (Western Ohio Council of Teachers of English/Language Arts), seeks manuscripts for a special issue: "Mystery, Fantasy, Science Fiction." Idea exchange articles (elementary through college), criticism, fiction, poetry, reviews, announcements, and drawings are welcomed. Contact: Jim Brooks, DEV Studies, Sinclair Community College, 444 West Third Street, Dayton, OH 45402. *Deadline is January 1, 1989.*