News and Announcements

The Conference on Basic Writing (CBW) is pleased to announce the winners of its first annual AWARD FOR INNOVATION. Please join us in congratulating

San Francisco State University, Literacy Unleashed An Integrated Approach to Reading and Writing. Application submitted by Professor Helen P. Gillotte-Tropp.

The University of Wyoming, The Synergy Project: A Learning Community for At-Risk and Basic Writing Students. Application submitted by Professor Kelly Belanger.

The application materials were judged on specific criteria: Originality – the creativity and uniqueness of the innovation; Portability – the extent to which the innovation lends itself to application in other institutions or contexts; Results and Benefits – specific details, data, and observations derived from the innovation, focusing on specific educational benefits to students. The winning schools will be presented with a plaque at the Special Interest Group (SIG) meeting at the 2004Conference of College Composition and Communication, in San Antonio. Winners also will be invited to give a brief presentation about their award-winning innovative program to SIG members. For more information on the Conference on Basic Writing, see: http://www.asu.edu/ clas/english/composition/cbw/

CONGRATULATIONS to both San Francisco State University and the University of Wyoming – and many thanks to everyone who submitted an award application.

Conference Announcement and Call for Proposals Assembly for the Teaching of English Grammar (ATEG) Fifteenth Annual Conference July 16-17, 2004, Seattle University, Seattle, Washington. Pre-Conference Mini-Course: July 14-15, 2004. We welcome proposals for the conference program on all grammar-related topics, both theory and classroom practice. Proposals may describe, analyze, and/or critique any and all aspects of the teaching of grammar in our schools, at all levels, from any perspective. Conference program proposals should be no more than one page, double-spaced, 12 pt. font. Send proposals by May 20, 2004 either electronically or by mail to: Kristin Denham, Dept. of English, 516 High St, Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225. Email: <u>kristin.denham@wwu.edu.</u> The Pre-Conference Mini-Course for K-12 and college teachers will focus on "Grammar in the Writing Classroom." Mini-course faculty will include grammarians, linguists, and teachers of writing and literature. Graduate credit through Central Washington University and clock hours will be available. The conference and pre-conference mini-course will be held on the campus of Seattle University, close to downtown Seattle. Seattle University dorm rooms will be available for \$26 per person (in a shared room; \$39 for a single room). Hotel space is reserved at the charming Inn at Virginia Mason, within walking distance of both Seattle University and downtown Seattle (\$85 for a room with two twin-size beds; \$105 for one queen-size bed; hotel prices do not include 15.8% tax). For information on conference registration and on the pre-conference minicourse contact: Michael Kischner, North Seattle Community College, Seattle, WA 98103. Tel: 206 528-4540. Email: mkischner@sccd.ctc.edu

39th RELC International Seminar on Innovative Approaches to Reading & Writing Instruction, Singapore – April 19-21, 2004. The Regional Language Centre (ELC), an educational project of of the Southeast Asia Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMO) will hold its annual International Seminar in Singapore from April 19-21. Plenary speakers include Dick Allwright, Anne Burns, Stephen Krashen, Paul Nation, Moses Samuel, and Ruth Wong. Registration deadline is March 27. Information at <u>admn@relc.org.sg</u> or www.relc.org.sg