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Oregon Writers' Conference

The Eugene chapter of Women in Communications is sponsoring its third annual **Oregon Writers Conference** on Saturday, October 29th at the Valley River Inn.

Morning sessions will allow participants to meet a number of local editors including Russ Heggen (*Oregon Coast* magazine), Karen Meats (*Lane County Living* magazine), and Ken Doctor (*Oregon* magazine). There will also be opportunities to attend small group sessions on self-publishing, writing for the juvenile market, and writing genre fiction.

Afternoon events feature a panel discussion on creativity and more small group sessions on a variety of subjects: travel writing, humor, historical novels, and playwriting, among others. Consultants in attendance include Marje Blood, Jim Cloutier, Dorothy Velasco, Lesley Conger, Mike Helm, and Kay L. McDonald.

The registration deadline for the conference is October 26, and more information can be obtained by calling Kathryn Hubbell at 747-0149.

UNICEF

The annual trick-or-treat for UNICEF needs volunteers. If you would like to participate, UNICEF collection materials are available the last three days before Halloween at the United Methodist Church, 14th and Olive Sts. Call 345-3696 for more information.

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Friends of the Museum of Natural History

A combination of support from the Friends of the Museum of Natural History, the Bowerman Foundation, and the local community has enabled the University of Oregon's Museum of Natural History to continue to provide a varied program of exhibits and workshops.

Recent educational programming has included the Macedonian Bridal Costumes exhibit, the traveling performances of *An Evening with Thomas Condon*, workshops on animal movement and Native American family traditions, and field trips to discover "rock art" and marine fossils.

The Friends of the Museum are conducting a membership drive to increase community support and will hold their first annual membership meeting on Sunday, October 23 at 4 p.m. Don Hunter, audio/image specialist, will premier his three-screen, six-projector show on Mt. St. Helens and the Volcanic Cascades. Refreshments and a schedule of the year's events will be available.

Card Contest

Denali, a literary-arts publication, is accepting submissions for a holiday card contest. The theme is peace and/or winter. This competition is open to students and non-professionals, and the deadline is October 31. The categories are prose, poetry, photography, and graphic arts. The first, second and third place entries will be published on holiday cards and a \$25 first prize will be awarded in both art and literature. Call 747-4501 for more information.

Process-oriented Psychology Group

Emmy Bramble has recently returned from Zurich, Switzerland, where she studied at the Jung Institute and especially with Dr. Arnold Mindell (who recently visited Oregon). Ms. Bramble's specialty is working with life processes, that is, how our body-signals (illnesses, dreams, etc.) reveal our unconscious. She will hold a Process Group on Mondays through November 28. Cost is \$12 per session or \$49 for five sessions. Call 344-4114 for preregistration.

Pacific Northwest Computer Graphics Conference

State-of-the-art computer graphics, used in everything from animation and live-action commercial productions to surgical planning and athletic shoe design will be reviewed at the second annual **Pacific Northwest Computer Graphics Conference** set for Oct. 24-25 in Eugene.

Hosted by the University of Oregon, the event titled **Applications on the Leading Edge** will be held at the Eugene Conference Center-Hilton Hotel complex. Some 700 people from such fields as graphic design, science and medicine, land planning, business and industry, communications, and academia are expected to attend.

Opening the conference will be Gene Youngblood, internationally recognized consultant, author and professor at the California Institute of the Arts, Valencia. He will present an overview of the evolution of computer graphics technology during the next 15 years and its impact on the visual arts including graphics, animation and digital scene simulation.

Presentations during the two-day conference will include the topics of land planning applications, interactive computer graphics, human figure animation, and the use of computers in architectural design.

A special two-hour showing of selected films and video works is set Monday evening at the Silva Concert Hall in the Hult Center for the Performing Arts.

In addition, an exhibit of non-commercial computer graphics works as well as a demonstration of the latest computer graphics hardware and software are planned.

Conference participants may register for one or both days, with fees including registration and meals ranging from \$50 to \$110. Discounts on registration fees will be given to UO faculty, staff and students.

Non-registrants are invited to tour the vendor and exhibit area at no cost. Admission to the Monday evening film and video showing will be \$5, however.

For more information, contact the Office of University Relations, 111 Susan Campbell Hall, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403, (503) 686-5555.

The Future Expo A Family Event

In the past, space travel, satellite communications, robots and lasers were ideas out of *Buck Rogers*. But today people routinely receive cash around the clock from electronic bank "employees" (ATM's), speed through supermarket lines equipped with laser scan check-out stands, and encounter "The Computer" at work, in the school and at home. People have grown quite accustomed to viewing live sports and entertainment from around the world via satellite, or recording the program on their home video system. What does all this mean to you, your family, your business, and the future of Lane County?

Find out at the first **Future Expo**, November 11-13, at the Lane County Fairgrounds. An exciting array of attractions, exhibits and speakers is planned to satisfy our growing curiosity about the future, our local economy, and how our lives are being changed and challenged by advances in electronics and high technology.

Lane County 2001 is the subject of the WISTEC "Invent the Future" contest. Elementary school classes county-wide will exhibit table-top displays depicting Lane County in the year 2001. Computer prizes have

been provided for three winning schools by Team Electronics of Salem (Apple IIe), Midland-Cascade (Franklin Ace 1000), and Computer and Software Brokers (Texas Instruments 99/4A with speech synthesizers).

Adults will have a chance to win a free Atari 600XL, provided by Computer Palace and a Kaypro II business system provided by Contemporary Computers. Many computer-related exhibits, including a demonstration of computer products by Eugene 4J students and computer graphics from the University of Oregon and computer organizations will make this an excellent opportunity to learn more about the world of computers.

In addition, there will be talking robots, lasers, state-of-the-art office products and equipment, and some unique examples of local high-tech enterprises. Color slides of outer space and the earth, local and other video, and presentations about the Space Shuttle, Southern Willamette Research Corridor and more promise an exciting and informative event.

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