

SIXTH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE GDR NEW HAMPSHIRE WORLD FELLOWSHIP CENTER

The 1980 New Hampshire Symposium scheduled for the week of June 13-20 at the World Fellowship Center, Conway, N.H. is soliciting papers on the following topics:

The Teaching of GDR Literature and Culture
Contemporary Music of the GDR
Humor and Satire in GDR Literature
Reception of GDR Literature in other countries
GDR Reception of Foreign Literature
Economic, Social and Political Institutions in the GDR

Mass Media in the GDR
GDR Poetry in the 1970's
Methods and Problems in Interpreting GDR Literature

Recent developments in GDR Literature
Proposals and summaries of papers should be submitted to the prospective workshop organizers by February 15, and completed papers by April 15.

Otto Emersleben, a writer from Greifswald and Dr. Fritz Hennenberg and Roswitha Trexler, musicians from Leipzig will be attending the Symposium. For addresses of workshop organizers and additional information on the Symposium please contact

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EUROPEAN STUDIES CONFERENCE

The fifth annual European Studies Conference will be held from October 9 to 11, 1980, in Omaha, Nebraska. This conference, sponsored by the University of Nebraska at Omaha, is an interdisciplinary meeting with sessions devoted to current research, research techniques, and teaching methodologies, as well as traditional topics. The Conference focuses on Europe from the Atlantic to the Urals.

Abstracts of papers and/or suggestions for panels should be submitted by May 1, 1980, to Dr. Patricia Kolasa, Department of Educational Foundations, or Dr. Bernard Kolasa, Department of Political Science, University of Nebraska at Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska 68182.

INTERNATIONAL ANNA SEGHERS CONFERENCE

An International Anna Seghers Conference in honor of Seghers' eightieth birthday is being sponsored jointly by the Department of Germanic and Slavic Languages and Literatures and the Comparative Literature Program at the University of Maryland from November 19 to 22, 1980.

Suggestions and proposals for specific topics and papers are welcome. The International Congress has set up the following framework: Pre-Exile Seghers, Seghers in Exile, Seghers' Return and Seghers and Film. A detailed program is now in preparation and will be mailed promptly to all interested participants. Graduate students are invited to attend.

Several spaces on the program will be reserved for graduate students and a special graduate student congress is also planned. Inquiries should be addressed to:

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RECENT CONFERENCES

KARL ARNOLD STIFTUNG DDR LITERATUR UND GERMANISTIK

Die 3. Jahrestagung des "Arbeitskreises für DDR-Literatur und DDR-Germanistik" hat in Bonn-Bad Godesberg vom 7. bis 9. Dezember, 1979 stattgefunden. Hauptthema der Veranstaltung war "Die deutsche Misere als Thema der Gegenwartsliteratur." Auf dem Programm standen folgende Beiträge:

"Kulturpolitik seit 1971," "Die deutsche Misere," "Proletarische Öffentlichkeit--Begriff aufgehobener deutscher Misere und der Literatur in der DDR," "Brecht's Vorschläge zur Überwindung der 'Deutschen Misere' (1948-1956)," Bemerkungen zu "Heiner Müller: Germania. Tod in Berlin," "Deutschland Thematik bei Biermann und die Rezeption in der DDR und der Bundesrepublik Deutschland." Die wissenschaftliche Leitung übernahmen P. G. Klusmann, Bochum und Heinrich Mohr, Osnabrück.