

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WHITMAN 2000: The Iowa/Beijing Conference

"Walt Whitman 2000: The American Poet in a Global Context," an international conference jointly sponsored by Peking University and The University of Iowa, will be held this coming October in Beijing, China. Conference Director is Ed Folsom of The University of Iowa, and Associate Director is Liu Shusen of Peking University. Confirmed speakers at this time include Roger Asselineau (University of Paris, Sorbonne), Sherry Ceniza (Texas Tech University), Betsy Erkkila (Northwestern University), Ed Folsom (University of Iowa), Ezra Greenspan (University of South Carolina), Walter Grünzweig (University of Dortmund), Guiyou Huang (Kutztown University), M. Jimmie Killingsworth (Texas A&M University), Jerome Loving (Texas A&M University), Robert K. Martin (University of Montreal), James E. Miller, Jr. (University of Chicago), Joel Myerson (University of South Carolina), Kenneth M. Price (University of Nebraska), Robert Strassburg (California State University, Los Angeles), M. Wynn Thomas (University of Wales), and Alan Trachtenberg (Yale University). There will also be a number of Chinese scholars on the program. Selected papers from the conference will be jointly published by Peking University Press and the University of Iowa Press.

Conference dates are October 18 through October 22, 2000. Those wishing to attend the conference should write to Professor Liu Shusen, Department of English, Peking University, Beijing 100871, China, or e-mail him at [lshuseng@pku.edu.cn](mailto:lshuseng@pku.edu.cn) to ask about hotel accommodations, conference costs, and visa arrangements. Special rates at hotels near Peking University will be available, and all participants are invited to conference meals and banquets. Exchange rates may vary between now and the time of the conference, but conference registration (including meals and sightseeing excursions) will be around \$250, and accommodations will run about \$250 for Wednesday arrival and Sunday departure.

Updated information will appear on the *Walt Whitman Quarterly Review* website (<http://www.uiowa.edu/~wwqr>). Please check the *WWQR* website regularly for the latest information about this groundbreaking international conference. Sponsors of the conference include, at The University of Iowa, the Arts & Humanities Initiative, the College of Liberal Arts, the Department of English, the *Walt Whitman Quarterly Review*, and the Center for Asian and Pacific Studies.