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VISITING LECTURERS

In addition to the following definite arrangements, the Bulletin is aware of several more pending visits which are still in the negotiation stages. We will publicize these in forthcoming issues as soon as the details are final.

ULRICH PLENZDORF

This spring, 1975, Ulrich Plenzdorf will be the writer-in-residence at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio, where Christa Wolf was visiting writer last spring. The visit was arranged by Professor Joseph R. Reichard, chairman.

STEPHAN HERMLIN

Stephan Hermlin will be visiting lecturer at the University of Cincinnati during the fall and winter quarters of 1975-76. In fall, he will teach "Baroque Literature" and "Literature of the GDR"; in spring, a writers' workshop on style and structure for graduate students and a course on cultural accomplishment of the GDR, with emphasis on the arts. Request for further information or invitations should be addressed to Professor E. Friedrichsmeyer or Chairperson Helga Slessarev.

GÜNTER KUNERT

Günter Kunert who taught at the University of Texas last year will make a lecture tour of the United States in fall of 1976. We will publish more information on this as it becomes available. Anyone needing information this far in advance should write A. Leslie Willson, Chairperson University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas 78712.

DR. HEINZ FÖRSTER

Dr. Heinz Förster, the instructor in charge of American Area Studies at Karl Marx Universität in Leipzig, is planning a trip to the United States this fall. He is anxious to visit as many colleges and universities as possible to familiarize himself with our curriculum, admission procedures, classroom methods, etc. He would, of course, also be glad to report on the structure and conduct of higher education in the GDR to any group of faculty members or students who might be interested in discussing such materials. If it is possible for you to invite him to visit your institution for either or both of these purposes please write to him directly.

THE FIRST VISIT OF PHILOSOPHERS FROM THE G D R

The philosophic community in the United States will now have its first opportunity to meet with philosophers of the German Democratic Republic in normal professional discussion. Newt established diplomatic relations have made it possible for GDR philosophers to accept scholarly invitations to this country on the same terms as philosophers from the other countries where socialist government are in power, with the proviso that,
before visas can be issued, special certification should be made that the visit is "in the national interest". Two GDR philosophers, leading figures in contemporary philosophic developments in their country, will be heard in the SPSM symposium on "Philosophy in the GDR" at the forthcoming annual meeting of the American Philosophical Association, Western Division April 24-26, Chicago. Professor Erich Hahn, Chairman of the Scientific Council for Philosophical Research of the GDR, will present a paper entitled, "Historical Materialism, Philosophy of History and Socialist Society". Professor Alfred Kosing, President of the Federation of Philosophical Institutions of the GDR, will present a paper on "Epistemology and Science". Both philosophers speak fluent English, and will be glad to visit different campuses during their stay in this country, from April 26 to May 14. Those interested in inviting them to give a lecture or talk on their campus, or to participate in a conference, should communicate with John Somerville, 1426 Merritt Drive, El Cajon, California 92020, indicating preferred dates.

USEFUL ADDRESSES

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CURRENT GDR PUBLICATIONS

Other current GDR publications are handled by BÜCHEXPORT, Volkseigener Aussenhandelsbetrieb der DDR DDR- 701 Leipzig, Leninstr. 16. However, this agency usually directs American inquiries to purchase through their U.S. representative, which issues a separate (but not very up-to-date) catalog of GDR-Literature: Adler's Foreign Books, Inc., 110 West 47th St., New York, N.Y. 10036.

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