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Learning Styles Conference

A conference on teaching and learning styles of students pre-school through grade eight will be held October 5-7, 1990, at the Iowa Conservation Education Center in Guthrie Center. "Teaching and Learning Styles: Environmental Literacy for the '90's" will offer teachers the opportunity to spend a weekend learning new ways to meet the educational challenges presented by today's higher academic standards, economic problems and diverse student groups.

Featured speakers will be Denny Olson, a naturalist and actor; Susan Strauss, a storyteller and actor; and Claire Walker Leslie, a journal writer and educator. During sessions, participants will have the opportunity to be a part of a forum assessing the barriers and challenges of effective environmental education and developing visions for the future. In addition, teachers will learn to incorporate storytelling, dramatic arts, journal writing and hands-on activity into their curricula.

For more information and registration materials, contact Bob Rye, Administrator, Conservation Education Center, R.R. #1, Box 53, Guthrie Center, IA 50115, ph. (515) 747-8383.

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The Universe in the Classroom

The Astronomical Society of the Pacific in cooperation with the American Astronomical Society, the Canadian Astronomical Society and the International Planetarium Society offers a newsletter on teaching astronomy titled *The Universe in the Classroom*.

Each issue of the newsletter offers informative articles on astronomical subjects as well as various activities and resources for teachers and students. A recent issue focused on the Moon and included information regarding the surface of the Moon (comparing it to Earth), lunar craters and manned space missions to the Moon.

The newsletter is available without charge to teachers, school librarians, administrators and youth group leaders who request it on institutional stationary. For more information or to receive *The Universe in the Classroom*, contact the Teachers' Newsletter Department, A.S.P., 390 Ashton Ave., San Francisco, CA 94112.

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