Calendar

1988

**Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee**
- Mar 7–11 Beginning \TeX
- Mar 7–11 Intensive Beginning/Intermed. \TeX

**Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts**
- Mar 21–25 Beginning \TeX
- Mar 21–25 Intensive Beginning/Intermed. \TeX

**University of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois**
- Mar 21–25 Beginning \TeX
- Mar 21–25 Intermediate \TeX
- Mar 21–25 Advanced \TeX/\Macro

**Carleton University, Ottawa, Ont., Canada**
- Apr 25–29 Beginning \TeX
- Apr 25–29 Intensive Beginning/Intermed. \TeX
- Apr 25–29 Intensive Course in \LaTeX
- May 2–6 Advanced \TeX/\Macro
- May 2–6 \LaTeX Style Files
- May 9–12 \TeX Wizard Course, TV Guide Office, Radnor, Pennsylvania
- May 16 **TUGboat Volume 9, No. 2:** Deadline for receipt of manuscripts

**University of New Mexico, Albuquerque**
- May 16–20 Advanced \TeX/\Macro
- May 23–27 Beginning \TeX
- May 23–27 Intensive Beginning/Intermed. \TeX

**University of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois**
- Jun 6–8 **Expert Communication 88:** Artificial Intelligence in Electronic Publishing; San Jose, Calif. For information, contact Marion Elledge, Graphic Communications Association, Arlington, Va., (703) 841-8160
- Jun 20 **TUG:** Deadline for camera copy of papers to appear in Proceedings of **1988 Annual Meeting**
- Jul 18–20 **\TeX**88 Conference, University of Exeter, England. To be placed on the mailing list, contact Cathy Booth (Janet: booth.cm@uk.ac.exeter) or Malcolm Clark (Janet: texline@uk.ac.ic.cc.vaxa)
- Aug 1–5 ACM SIGGRAPH; Atlanta, Ga. For information, call (312) 644-6610

**T\TeX Users Group 1988 Conference**
**McGill University, Montréal, Québec**
- Aug 15–19 Intensive Beginning/Intermed. \TeX
- Aug 16–19 Short Course in META\Font
- Aug 22–24 **TUG Annual Meeting**
  See announcement, page 87.
- Aug 25–26 Short Course (topic to be announced)

**Sep 12** **TUGboat Volume 9, No. 3:** Deadline for receipt of manuscripts (tentative).

For additional information on the events listed above, contact the TUG office (401-272-9500, ext. 232) unless otherwise noted.

*Status as of 25 February 1988*
The 1988 TeX Users Group meeting will be held at McGill University in Montréal, Québec, Canada, from August 22nd to the 24th. There will be courses before and after the meeting (to be announced). Expect a separate announcement and registration forms later this Spring. The focus of this year’s meeting will be on TeX in a production environment. Judging by the amount of interest so far, it looks like we will have the largest number of papers ever presented at an annual meeting. A preliminary list of topics includes:

- TeX previewers
- Book production with TeX
- Implementing TeX in a production environment
- Producing families of manuals from the same sources
- TeX and the Macintosh: A clash of cultures
- SGML and TeX
- The art of teaching TeX for production
- Mathematics textbook publishing with Japanese TeX
- TeX extension for Semitic languages

Videotapes of Knuth’s Software Design Course Based on TeX: The Program

During Stanford’s Spring Quarter, 1987, Donald Knuth presented a special course, TeX: The Program: A case study in software design. This course consisted of nineteen 60–75-minute lectures, which were transmitted to remote locations and videotaped by the Stanford Instructional Television Network (SITN).

The implementation of TeX was discussed as an example of the design and documentation of a medium-size software system. Also discussed was the WEB system of structured documentation. With knowledge of the TeX and Pascal languages as a prerequisite, enough information about the innards of TeX was presented for students to learn to make extensions to the system. The text for the course was TeX: The Program.

Videotapes available for rent

TUG now has these lectures available on videotape and has permission to rent them to TUG members, although SITN has stipulated that TUG may not rent them to profit-making organizations. (Commercial organizations should contact SITN directly at Stanford University, Stanford, CA 94305.)

The videotapes are available in VHS format; it may be possible to make them available also in Beta format if there is sufficient demand. Due to anticipated scheduling requirements, the normal rental period will be six weeks. The rental fee for the 19 videotapes for that duration will be $800. (A longer rental period may be arranged and the rental fee will be prorated.) This includes all costs except shipping/handling/insurance charges for their return to TUG. 1988 TUG Institutional Members are entitled to a 20% discount. Professor Knuth’s book, TeX: The Program, the text for the course, may also be ordered from TUG.

If you feel this course might be useful to your organization, please contact Alan Wittbecker at the TUG office: 401-272-9500, ext. 232.