LSA Update #172: CoLang Scholarships, Call for Mentors, LSA Podcast...
CoLang 2020 Scholarship Applications Available

CoLang 2020 and the LSA are delighted to announce that scholarship applications are being accepted for CoLang2020.

CoLang is an international institute for language activists, teachers, linguists and students from language communities and academia to obtain hands-on skills in language documentation and revitalization as practiced in collaborative contexts, as well as in technology and basic linguistics in community-based research contexts. As a co-sponsor of CoLang since 2015, the LSA provides financial underwriting for student fellowships, in-kind promotional support, and contributes to the scholarly content of the Institute. Read more and apply ...

Interested in supporting student participation in collaborative language research? Consider a donation to our Emmon Bach Fellowship Fund, which is just shy of our goal to raise a $50,000 permanent endowment to support the very first named fellowship at CoLang.

LSA Mentoring Facility to Debut: Mentors Sought

The LSA is delighted to announce its newest member benefit: an online Distance Mentoring Facility which will enable LSA members to: 1) identify
themselves as mentees, mentors, or both, with specific areas of scholarly and professional concern, and 2) search the LSA member directory for a mentoring partner, or 3) ask to be matched with a mentoring partner by LSA staff/volunteers. As we prepare to debut the facility, we are requesting that potential mentors sign up by January 31. Read more and sign up...

New LSA Podcast Episode Features Mormon Missionaries
Listen to "Why Mormons are so good at languages," the latest episode of Subtitle, the LSA’s new podcast. Read more about Subtitle here, and donate here to support production costs of the podcast.

LSA-Supported Legislation Signed Into Law
The LSA is pleased to report that U.S. President Donald Trump has signed into law legislation long supported by the Society -- the Esther Martinez Native American Languages Programs Reauthorization Act - that extends federal grant programs aimed at preserving indigenous languages. Read more about the legislation and about the LSA’s advocacy work.

"I always like to look at these invaluable and comprehensive [books] because they highlight the extraordinary diversity of linguistic structures and expression, and they just bring out the beauty of language.” Meet our January Member Spotlight, Carmen Jany
Carmen Jany is a Professor of Linguistics and Spanish at California State University, San Bernardino and the new senior co-chair of the LSA’s Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation (CELP). Read more about her research, her advice for students, and her take on the LSA.

New Committee Leaders Take Office
New LSA Committee leaders and new at-large members of the Executive Committee (EC) took office at the conclusion of the 2020 Annual Meeting in New Orleans. The LSA thanks all outgoing committee chairs for their excellent service and welcomes the new ones. Read more about LSA governance and our committees.

LSA Intern News
The LSA welcomes Chanika Dorsey (pictured at left), a first-year linguistics graduate student at Gallaudet University, as our spring Intern.
We look forward to working with Chanika over the coming months and thank departing intern Tess Rademacher for her excellent service.

LSA 2020 Annual Meeting Wrap-Up

Over 1100 linguistics professionals and students attended the content-packed 2020 Annual Meeting from January 2-5 at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside. Peruse the Annual Meeting Handbook (.pdf) to see what you missed if you didn't attend, or to review what you saw if you did attend. Watch video content from the meeting, including invited plenary talks, the Presidential Address, and the Five-Minute Linguist. We'll see you next year in San Francisco (January 7-10, 2021).

View the minutes from the Annual Business Meeting held on January 3 in New Orleans.

Linguistics In The News

Some of the most popular recent news articles on linguistic topics:

- "Singular 'They' Is Voted Word of the Decade by U.S. Linguists" New York Times
- "Just 700 Speak This Language (50 in the Same Brooklyn Building)" New York Times
- "Jean Berko Gleason's Brief but Spectacular take on language" PBS NewsHour

Other LSA Resources

The LSA maintains listings of jobs, conference announcements, grant opportunities, in memoriam notices, and other news items of interest. Submit a conference listing or contact the LSA with news or other information.

LSA members can cause a portion of any purchase they make on Amazon.com to be donated to the LSA. Learn more, or make a tax-deductible donation.

Subscribe to RSS Feeds for the latest issue and the Table of Contents of Language.

LSA Student Members can submit their research to the Student Research Spotlight.

Visit the LSA website for information on other LSA resources, including:

- Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide
- Linguistic Academic Depository
- LSA Jobs Center

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