The LSA Executive Committee has appointed two new task forces in response to recent concerns.

**Task Forces Appointed**
The LSA Executive Committee (EC) has appointed the membership of two new task forces focused on concerns raised by the linguistics community about its media experts list and its procedures for sanctioning members for professional misconduct. The task forces will convene soon to begin their work, and ultimately make recommendations to the EC regarding the formulation of new procedures. [Read more ...](https://us10.campaign-archive.com/?e=[UNIQID]&u=001f7eb7302f6ad...)
Tina Tobey was born and raised in Texas. She’s used to non-Texans expecting her to know all about oil-drilling and ranching. And of course to speak "like a Texan." While she barely meets those expectations, Tina has come to realize that she speaks more Texas English than she thought. Also in this episode: how difficult is it to win an accent bias lawsuit? And to overcome our own accent biases? This is the fourth and final part in our series on speech, identity and bias.

Listen to 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. Transcripts of Subtitle episodes are being added in reverse chronological order -- look for links at the bottom of each episode description.

LSA Webinar News
See below for more information about several recent and planned LSA webinars.

The first two of a series of planned webinars on Racial Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in the Linguistics Curriculum took place on August 14 and August 20. This series of LSA webinars considers how linguistics instructors can give a more central role in their courses to scholarship from and about members of historically underrepresented groups and design them to be inclusive of diverse student backgrounds and experiences. Read more, view recordings of past webinars, and sign up for future webinars as they become available.

On August 21, authors of "From the world to word order: deriving biases in noun phrase order from statistical properties of the world" discussed their article, which will appear in Language Volume 96, Number 3 (September 2020). Read more ...

Finally, stay tuned for more information about a webinar during Peer Review Week in late September.

"The outreach efforts the LSA takes on in support of linguistic diversity, endangered languages, and language rights are ... critical." Meet the LSA's August Member Spotlight, Pattie Epps.

Pattie Epps (University of Texas at Austin) has been an LSA member for nearly 20 years. Epps has served on the LSA's Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation (CELP), has taught at two of the LSA's Linguistic Institutes, and is a frequent attendee at our Annual Meetings. Read more about her work with Nadëb, an indigenous language of the northwest Amazon; her advice for students; and her take on the LSA.

Language Publish-Ahead-of-Print Initiative
"From the world to word order: deriving biases in noun phrase order from statistical properties of the world," the article from Language Volume 96, Number 3 featured in our August 21 webinar, is available online now on Project MUSE, courtesy of the LSA's publish-ahead-of-print initiative.
In Memoriam: Geoff Nunberg
The LSA regrets to report that Life Member Geoffrey Nunberg, a linguist well known for his general audience publications and his regular radio commentaries on NPR’s Fresh Air, died on August 11 at his home in San Francisco. Read more ...

UCSC linguists receive $400,000 NSF grant for research on rarely studied languages
Please join the LSA in congratulating Maziar Toosarvandani (UC Santa Cruz), Ivy Sichel (UC Santa Cruz), and Matthew Wagers (UC Santa Cruz) on recently being awarded an NSF grant for research on rarely studied languages. Read more ...

Advocacy News
The LSA has endorsed a joint statement by the American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) on the key role of the humanities and social sciences in the United States. This statement may be of special interest to linguistics department chairs, program heads, and administrators as they seek to defend their constituencies from budget cuts in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. Read the statement.

AMP Registration
The 2020 Annual Meeting on Phonology (AMP) will be hosted September 18-20, 2020 by the Linguistics Department at the University of California, Santa Cruz. AMP 2020 will be held virtually, using the Zoom web conferencing platform. Registration is required, but free. Please register by September 13.

The LSA has published the Proceedings of the Annual Meeting on Phonology since 2013 and offers in-kind promotional and logistical support for the conference.

In Case You Missed It ...
- Check out our list of resources for linguists during the COVID pandemic.
- Submit your photos for use on the LSA website.

Linguistics In The News
Some of the most popular recent news articles on linguistic topics:
- "What 'Arrival' Gets Right -- and Wrong -- about Linguistics" National Public Radio
- "What Does BIPOC Mean?" Good Housekeeping
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.

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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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