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The LSA Update is a periodic electronic newsletter for LSA members, featuring news and information about current activities, programs, publications, resources, and other items of interest to the membership.

Q: How many abstracts were submitted for the LSA's 2015 Annual Meeting?

A. 403  B. 503  C. 603  D. 703

(See answer below, immediately above "Other LSA Resources.")

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2015 Annual Meeting News

The 2015 Annual Meeting will take place from January 8-11 at the Hilton Portland & Executive Tower in Portland, Oregon. Abstract submission for the Meeting ended July 31. Click on the link above for more information on plenary speakers, meeting registration rates, hotel reservations, and more.

- Abstract acceptance notifications will be sent during the week of September 15.
- Meeting registration will take place from October 1 through December 19. LSA members will receive discounts of up to forty percent over nonmember rates.
- Hotel reservations will be accepted from September 1 through December 6. The rate will be $119/night single/double/triple/quad.
- Watch this space for information on new activities at the Meeting, including two film

Available for Sponsored E-mail

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screenings, activities for first-time attendees, a Wikipedia edit-a-thon, and more.

- Student members will have the opportunity to volunteer eight hours of work at the Meeting in exchange for complimentary registration.

**New Information for Submissions to Language**

As of August 1, *Language* is no longer accepting submissions via e-mail. Online submissions will be accepted beginning August 15. For more information on submitting via the new system, read more.

**Back-to-school Supplies: Support the LSA with AmazonSmile**

Through the AmazonSmile program, you can designate the Linguistic Society of America to receive (as a donation) 0.5% of the price of all Amazon purchases you make. Your purchase costs remain the same, and there’s no need to bookmark any long URLs or remember any codes—just click this link or follow the instructions at smile.amazon.com to sign up.

**Tell Congress To Support Native American Language Revitalization**

The LSA and CELP (the Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation) are working to support two Congressional bills which seek to enhance efforts to revitalize Native American languages. We are asking all interested LSA members to write to their members of Congress to share their thoughts on this legislation. You can contact your representatives through http://bit.ly/LSACELP (with a template letter provided) and learn more about the relevant legislation on the LSA website.

**LSA Solicits Donations for Charles Fillmore Student Fellowship Fund**

This fund, established in memory of our late colleague and former (1991) President, is supported by individual donations made in honor of Dr. Fillmore. It will support the Charles Fillmore Student Fellowship to the LSA's Linguistic Institutes. The fund has reached approximately one-tenth of its $50,000 goal. The LSA invites colleagues, students, friends and extended family to make donations to this new Fillmore Fellowship Fund in his honor. Donate now ...

**LSA Adopts Statement Endorsing US Ratification of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities**

On July 29, the LSA’s Executive Committee wrote to members of the U.S. Senate to endorse the ratification by the United States of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, especially with regard to the access by persons with a condition impacting language use, to education, medicine, employment, and full participation in civil and personal life. Read more ...

**2014 ACLS Fellowship Competitions Open**

The 2014-15 ACLS fellowship competitions are now open. ACLS offers fellowship programs that promote the full spectrum of humanities and humanistic social sciences research and support scholars at the advanced graduate student level through all stages of the academic career. Comprehensive information and eligibility criteria for all programs can be found here.

The LSA has been a member of ACLS (the American Council of Learned Societies) since 1928 and has nominated linguists to serve on review panels for the relevant competitions.
**Answer to This Update's Multiple-Choice Question**

C: 603 abstracts were submitted for the 2015 Annual Meeting. The Program Committee, with the aid of over 200 external abstract reviewers, will select 186 abstracts for presentation as 20-minute papers, and 150 for presentation as posters. View a video about Portland, Oregon -- our host city -- [here](#).

-Other LSA Resources-

WILMA, the Women In Linguistics Mentoring Alliance, provides women in linguistics with mentors to help them with professional development skills and advice at all stages of their careers: from undergraduates to women in senior positions. [Read more ...](#)

The LSA accepts job advertisements online, in print, and at the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in advertising a job position, please visit our [self-service job listing submission form](#), or e-mail [Rita Lewis](#).

The LSA maintains listings of conference announcements, grant opportunities, in memoriam notices, and other news items of interest. [Submit a listing](#).

The LSA's [Book Exchange](#) facilitates the transfer of no-longer-wanted publications from LSA members to linguists, often in other parts of the world, who have need of them.

The [Linguistic Academic Depository](#) provides convenient access to curricular materials of all types shared by LSA members.

Be sure to visit the LSA website for the most current information on:

- Other meetings and calls for papers;
- Linguistics resources
- Jobs;
- Grants, fellowships, and awards.

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