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Register here for one of the four Minicourses being offered at the LSA Annual Meeting.

LSA Weighs In on Linguistic Rights of Children
In response to a call for comments, the LSA has provided input to the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights on the protection of the rights of the child in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Read more ...

LSA Launches New Institute Fellowship
The LSA has launched a new student fellowship to be awarded in honor of the late Ken Hale. The Fellowship will be awarded to a graduate student attending the
Biennial Summer Linguistic Institute who is pursuing a course of study to document endangered languages and work with communities toward http://linguistics.mit.edu/wp-content/uploads/blackboard.jpg their preservation. To read more or to make a donation in support of this new fellowship, click here.

Call for Workshop Participants, Tribal Colleges & Universities

The LSA joined with its project partners to issue a call to students and faculty at Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) to apply to participate in a special workshop on language and linguistics at the LSA's upcoming Annual Meeting in Austin, TX. To learn more about the call and the Workshop, click here.

Proceedings of SALT 26 Published

The LSA is delighted to announce the publication of selected articles from the proceedings of SALT (Volume 26) from the conference on Semantics and Linguistic Theory, which was held at the University of Texas at Austin from May 12-15, 2016. Read more ...

LSA Annual Meeting Updates

Registration for the LSA’s 2017 Annual Meeting is available through December 18, and hotel reservations through December 14. A full schedule of Annual Meeting presentations is available here. Register for one of four Minicourses taking place early Thursday, January 5. Look in the coming weeks for information about local attractions, child care, sign language interpretation, and more.

Ballots Open through November 5

If you have not already done so, please cast your ballot for LSA Officers and Executive Committee members, the Editor of Language, and a change to the LSA’s bylaws. View the ballot here (login to the LSA website required).

News Stories Initiative Gains Momentum

The University of Maryland Department of Linguistics has renewed its annual $5000 pledge to the News Stories Initiative, an LSA-led effort to increase the quality of linguistics coverage by the popular news media. Read more about the Initiative here or make a contribution here.
LSA Represented at National Academies Retreat

Natalie Schilling, Associate Professor of Linguistics at Georgetown University and Member-at-Large of the LSA Executive Committee, participated in mid-September in a Documentary Filmmakers’ Retreat hosted by the National Academy of Sciences as part of their Science and Entertainment Exchange program. Read more ...

COSWL Data Collection on Gender & Linguistics

The Committee on the Status of Women in Linguistics (COSWL) has been involved in a concerted effort over the course of the last year to collect, summarize, and analyze data relevant to the distribution of gender in the field of Linguistics. These data include gender representation within Linguistic departments and programs, job searches and hires, conferences, and publications such as major peer-reviewed journals and handbooks in the field. Look for more information about COSWL’s data collection efforts to follow within the next few months! For more information, please contact the Chair of COSWL, Dr. Kristen Syrett.

Linguistics In The News

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

- "Y’all, You’uns, Yinz, Youse: How Regional Dialects Are Fixing Standard English" Atlas Obscura
- "Penn linguist determines tipping point for children learning to count" Penn Current
- "Why infants pay more attention to people who speak their native language" Los Angeles Times

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. 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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