Dear Colleagues,

As part of our program of periodic reminders and updates for LSA members, please see the announcements -- grouped by category -- below.

2012 ANNUAL MEETING

Organized Session Proposals due Friday, April 22 Abstracts for organized sessions and satellite workshops for the 2012 Annual Meeting are due by 5:00 PM U.S. Eastern Time on Friday, April 22. For more information, see https://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual12-call.cfm and https://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual12-workshops.cfm.

Call for Abstracts
Abstracts for papers and posters for the 2012 Annual Meeting may be submitted online between June 1 and July 31. For more information about abstract design and submission, see https://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual12-abgguide.cfm.

Reviewers Sought for Annual Meeting Abstracts The Program Committee of the LSA is seeking member volunteers to review abstracts for the 2012 Annual Meeting. Volunteers should hold the Ph.D and may be practicing or retired linguists. Reviewers will be asked to read no more than 20 abstracts in the latter part of August, with a turnaround time of about two weeks. Reviewers will be assigned abstracts based on their reported interests and areas of expertise.

If you are interested, please complete the survey at http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/8YM3KPY by May 1. We will do our best to accommodate all volunteers who meet the criteria to review abstracts, although variations in area needs may mean that some volunteers will be underused or unused. All volunteers will hear back from the Program Committee by mid May in any case, and volunteers who will be rating abstracts will be sent further instructions during the summer about how to create or update their reviewer profiles on the LSA website, and about when and how to access the abstracts to be rated.

2011 LINGUISTIC INSTITUTE, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

Online Registration Now Open
Registration for the 2011 Linguistic Institute, 'Language in the World', to be held at the University of Colorado at Boulder July 7-August 2, is open through June 1 at the Institute website, (https://verbs.colorado.edu/LSA2011/index.html). Those planning to attend the 2011 Institute as either student or affiliate are urged to read the student FAQ (https://verbs.colorado.edu/LSA2011/students.html) and registration FAQ (https://verbs.colorado.edu/LSA2011/registration-faq.html) prior to beginning the registration process. International students and affiliates are also encouraged to consult the Visa FAQ at https://verbs.colorado.edu/LSA2011/students-visa.html.

Institute Fellowships
ACTFL LIAISON SOUGHT
The LSA is seeking an individual to represent the Society as a liaison to the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) at the ACTFL Annual Meeting in Denver from November 18-20. The Liaison would be expected to represent the LSA and its activities at the ACTFL meeting, and would be supplied with appropriate materials to do so. Since liaisons are not reimbursed, this would be an ideal position for an LSA member who already lives in the Denver area or is planning to attend this meeting in any case. A formal report is desirable, but not required. If interested, please contact David Robinson at drobinson@lsadc.org by April 29th.

NOMINATIONS FOR LEONARD BLOOMFIELD BOOK AWARD DUE MAY 2
The Linguistic Society of America (LSA) is accepting nominations for its prestigious Leonard Bloomfield Book Award, given annually for the volume which makes the most outstanding contribution to the development of our understanding of language and linguistics.

Nominations may be made by publishers of linguistic works as well as LSA members. With certain exceptions, all authors of nominated books must be current members of the Society. Books should have been published after February 28, 2010 but before May 31, 2011.

Four copies of any nominated volume should be sent by May 2, 2011 to the LSA Secretariat: Attn: Leonard Bloomfield Book Award Committee; Linguistic Society of America; 1325 18th St NW., Suite 211; Washington, DC 20036-6502

We encourage you to consider nominating one of your own or a colleague’s titles for this award. Authors and publishers of winning books are invited to be recognized at the Awards Ceremony held during the LSA Annual Meeting.

For more on the Leonard Bloomfield Book Award and the LSA’s other awards and honors, see https://lsadc.org/info/lsa-awards.cfm.

LSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, APRIL 30-MAY 1, 2011, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA
The Executive Committee of the LSA will meet on April 30 and May 1, 2011, at the Hilton Minneapolis in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Any LSA member in good standing is welcome to attend the Executive Committee meeting as an observer. If you are interested in doing so, please contact Alyson Reed, the LSA’s Executive Director, at areed@lsadc.org.

LSA RESOLUTION FORWARDED TO WHITE HOUSE
The Resolution for U.S. Government Action to Support the Preservation and Revitalization of Native American Languages, sponsored by the LSA’s Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation, approved by the Executive Committee, and adopted by the LSA membership earlier this month, has been forwarded to the White House and federal agencies for appropriate follow-through and response. Read a copy of the letter at http://lsadc.org/info/documents/2011/resolutions/obama-letter-final.pdf.

-Other LSA Resources-
Several LSA members have recently received such honors as election to American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a Humbolt Research Fellowship, and Canada’s prestigious Killam Prize. Read more in the “Laurels to Linguists” section at www.lsadc.org. If you would like to have your own or someone else’s achievement mentioned, please e-mail lsa@lsadc.org.

The LSA Ethics Discussion Blog provides an opportunity for you to contribute to the ongoing discussion on this important topic. Check out this blog and the LSA’s other interactive resources at http://www.lsadc.org/info/res-interactive.cfm.

The LSA accepts job advertisements online, in print, and at the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in advertising a job position, please e-mail Rita Lewis at rlewis@lsadc.org.

The LSA maintains listings of conference announcements, grant opportunities, in memoriam notices, and other news items of interest. To submit a listing, e-mail lsa@lsadc.org.

The LSA maintains an online depository of syllabi, exercises, handouts, and other pedagogical documents at http://lsadc.org/e-learning/admin/index.cfm (Login to LSA website required).

The LSA administers an online Book Exchange for individuals wishing to donate or request linguistic books or other materials. More information is available at http://www.lsadc.org/book-exchange/.

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

Other meetings and calls for papers (http://www.lsadc.org/info/meet-other.cfm);

Jobs (http://www.lsadc.org/info/jobs-index.cfm)

Guide to grants, fellowships, and awards (http://www.lsadc.org/info/pubs-dirs-grants.cfm)

"In Memoriam" listings for recently deceased LSA members (http://www.lsadc.org/info/res-news.cfm).

Sincerely,

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