Dear Colleagues,

As part of our program of periodic reminders and updates for LSA members, please see the announcements -- grouped by category -- below. I would like to draw your attention to several time-sensitive issues, which you can read about in more detail below:

- Abstract submission for the 2012 LSA Annual Meeting, which will take place in Portland, Oregon from January 5-8, will be available online from June 1 – July 31.
- Nominations for the majority of the LSA’s Awards – the Early Career Award, the Kenneth L. Hale Award, the Linguistic Service Award, the Linguistics, Language, and the Public Award, and the Victoria A. Fromkin Lifetime Service Award – are being accepted through July 1.
- Registration for the LSA’s 2011 Linguistic Institute has been extended through July 5. Campus housing arrangements may be made through June 13.
- The Slate of Candidates for at-large members and officers of the LSA’s Executive Committee is available for viewing at http://lsadc.org/info/lsa-candidates-2012.cfm. Write-in nominations are being accepted through July 6.

2012 ANNUAL MEETING AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The 86th Annual Meeting of the Linguistic Society of America will take place from 5-8 January, 2012 at the Hilton Portland & Executive Tower in Portland, Oregon. Over 300 individual papers and posters will be presented at the meeting in addition to organized sessions, professional development sessions, student-themed events and a student lounge, job interviews, awards, and, of course, all-important networking with colleagues and friends. The LSA has negotiated a conference guest room rate of $99/night for a single or double room; online hotel room reservations will be available in September.

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 and links to submit an abstract, see https://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual12-abguide.cfm.

NOMINATIONS FOR LSA AWARDS DUE JULY 1

The Linguistic Society of America (LSA) is accepting nominations for several of its awards through July 1. These awards are:

- the Early Career Award, given for a new scholar who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of linguistics;
- the Kenneth L. Hale Award, for outstanding linguistic scholarship undertaken by a junior or senior scholar that documents a particular endangered or no longer spoken language or language family;
- the Linguistic Service Award, for distinguished service to the Society and the discipline;
- the Linguistics, Language, and the Public Award, for a body of work that has had a demonstrable impact on the public awareness of language and/or linguistics; and
- the Victoria A. Fromkin Lifetime Service Award, for individuals who have performed extraordinary service to the Society and the discipline throughout their career.
To nominate yourself or a colleague for any of these awards, send an e-mail to lsa@lsadc.org by the July 1 deadline with the words “2012 Award Nomination” in the subject line. Other details, including nomination requirements for the specific awards, are available at https://lsadc.org/info/lsa-awards.cfm. Note that individuals must be current members of the LSA in order to be considered for one of these awards. The awards will be presented during a ceremony preceding the Presidential Address in Portland on Saturday, January 7.

2011 LINGUISTIC INSTITUTE, UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO BOULDER

Online Registration Extended
Registration for the 2011 Linguistic Institute, ‘Language in the World’, to be held at the University of Colorado at Boulder July 7-August 2, has been extended through July 5 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.

Note that campus housing arrangements must be made by June 13.

SLATE OF CANDIDATES FOR 2012
The Nominating Committee of the LSA has submitted a Slate of Candidates for LSA Officers and at-large Executive Committee members for 2012. The Slate of Candidates may be viewed at http://lsadc.org/info/lsa-candidates-2012.cfm. Additional nominations may be submitted through July 6; instructions are given at the page linked above. The final slate of candidates will be submitted to the membership for online voting beginning in September 2011.

LSA ETHICS BLOG

The LSA Ethics Discussion Blog provides an opportunity for you to contribute ongoing discussions on this important topic. Currently, the Ethics Committee is liaising with the AAAS (and in particular its Science and Human Rights Program) as part of a survey on what it means to say that people have the right to enjoy the benefit of scientific progress in the context of linguistics. The AAAS has released a survey of 12 questions, and is now seeking the feedback of various professional organizations. The LSA Ethics Committee will be posting the survey questions on the blog, with some introduction, and would like feedback from readers. They will then collate responses into a report for the AAAS. Members are also welcome to submit their own reports. Check out this blog and the LSA’s other interactive resources at http://www.lsadc.org/info/res-interactive.cfm.

-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.

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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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