

Dear Colleagues,

As part of our program of periodic reminders and updates for LSA members, please see important updates -- grouped by category -- following this announcement from e-mail sponsor Cambridge University Press. Items in this Update include important updates about the Annual Meeting and a letter-writing campaign on behalf of Native American language revitalization.

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ANNUAL MEETING DEADLINES

The LSA's 86th Annual Meeting will take place at the Hilton Portland & Executive Tower in Portland, Oregon from January 5-8, 2012. If you have not already done so, please reserve your room at the hotel by December 15 and register for the meeting by December 23. It is especially important to register for the meeting by December 23rd in order to avoid paying substantially higher onsite registration rates, and to reserve your hotel room by the December 15th deadline in order to secure a room at the \$99/night LSA rate. More information about the Meeting, including a preliminary program and links to registration and hotel reservations, is available at <http://www.lsadc.org/info/meet-annual.cfm>). We look forward to seeing you there.

SECRETARY-TREASURER POSITION

The LSA is pleased to announce that Patrick Farrell (University of California, Davis) has been nominated to stand for election in the fall of

2012 for the position of Secretary-Treasurer of the LSA. Dr. Farrell was selected by a search committee from among candidates proposed by the LSA membership. If elected, he will serve in this capacity for a term of five years. The Secretary-Treasurer is the chief financial officer of the Society and serves on the Executive Committee. The LSA thanks all those who nominated themselves or another member for this position.

LETTER-WRITING CAMPAIGN TO PRESIDENT OBAMA The LSA's Committee on Endangered Languages and their Preservation (CELP) is spearheading a campaign to encourage members to write to President Obama in support of funding for the revitalization of Native American languages.

More information, as well links that will be helpful in formulating a letter and in contacting the President, is available in the LSA's Online Action Center at <http://www.lsadc.org/info/action-center.cfm>.

MEETING OF THE NEW COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC POLICY All interested members are invited to attend the meeting of the revamped Committee on Public Policy, which will take place on Saturday, January 7 from 3:00 to 4:00 PM in the Cabinet Room on the 3rd floor of the Hilton Portland.

ADDITIONAL LSA AWARDS

The LSA is pleased to announce two further awards, which will be presented at the Awards Ceremony on Saturday, January 7 at 5:30 PM at the Hilton Portland.

The Linguistic Service Award, which honors members who have performed distinguished service to the Society and the discipline, will be presented to Paul Newman (Indiana University) for the many years of pro bono legal advice he has given in his capacity as Special Counsel to the Society. .

The Best Paper in Language 2011 Award, given for the best paper published in the journal in any given calendar year, will be presented jointly for "On the informativity of different measures of linguistic acceptability" (Thomas Weskott and Gisbert Fanselow) and "A test of the cognitive assumptions of magnitude estimation: Commutativity does not hold for acceptability judgments" (Jon Sprouse).

YEAR-END DONATIONS

Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to the LSA. Your contributions make it possible for us to support a wide range of activities designed to promote the discipline of linguistics and to assist linguists - especially student members - in the exercise of their profession. More information about the LSA's contribution funds is available at <http://lsadc.org/secure/payment/paycontributions.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.

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>).

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