Dear Colleagues,

As part of our program of periodic reminders and updates for LSA members, please see important updates -- grouped by category -- below. Items in this Update include news about the 2013 Annual Meeting, Awards Nominations, and more.

2013 ANNUAL MEETING CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The next LSA Annual Meeting will be held at the Marriott Copley Place in Boston, Massachusetts from January 3-6, 2013.

Abstracts for papers and posters for the 2013 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-annual13-abguide.cfm.

Proposals for Organized Sessions are also being accepted through May 15, 2012. For more information, see https://lsadc.org/info/meet-annual13-call.cfm.

NOMINATIONS FOR MOST LSA AWARDS DUE JULY 2

The Linguistic Society of America (LSA) is accepting nominations for several of its awards through July 2. 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.

Two other awards are not subject to nominations

- the Student Abstract Awards (1st, 2nd, and 3rd place) are given automatically according to abstract reviewers' blind rankings, and all abstracts authored solely by students are eligible;
- the Best Paper in Language award is chosen by the Awards Committee from among all papers published in Language in any given calendar year.
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 “2013 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. The awards will be presented during a ceremony preceding the Presidential Address in Boston on Saturday, January 5.

2013 LSA FELLOW NOMINATIONS

LSA members who have made distinguished contributions to the discipline may be recognized as Fellows of the Linguistic Society of America. Please consider nominating a colleague for this distinguished honor.

Nominations are being accepted through June 30. A letter of nomination is required. For more on LSA Fellows and the nomination requirements, please see https://lsadc.org/info/lsa-fellows.cfm.

2013 LINGUISTIC INSTITUTE UPDATES

Check out the latest updates on the 2013 Linguistic Institute (Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 24 – July 19) at http://lsa2013.lsa.umich.edu/. Mark your calendars now for this gathering, unique to the field, of students and scholars from the around the world.

MAILING ADDRESS UPDATES

The June issue of Language will ship early next month. Please make sure--particularly if you are receiving the journal in hard copy--that your mailing address is current by logging in to the LSA website and reviewing the mailing address listed in your profile.

“WHY MAJOR IN LINGUISTICS?” AND OTHER BROCHURES

The LSA's popular "Why Major in Linguistics? (and what does a linguist do)" brochures have recently been revised and redesigned. Thanks are due to the brochures authors, Monica Macaulay and Kristen Syrett, for their speedy work on the revision. Copies have been mailed to linguistics departments and programs throughout the US and Canada. If you would like additional copies for your institution, please e-mail lsa@lsadc.org and let us know how many copies we should send, and to what address.

In addition, we still have a small supply of some of the LSA's other FAQ brochures in hard copy, specifically, "Linguistics and National Security," "What is Sign Language?" and "What is Ebonics?" Please let us know if you would like hard copies of any of these; be sure to specify quantity (up to fifty) and address. They, and the LSA's other brochures, may also be viewed online at https://lsadc.org/info/ling-faqs.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.
LSA members interested in serving on any of the LSA’s open committees may contact the relevant committee chair at any time during the year. For more information on LSA committees, see https://lsadc.org/info/lsa-comm.cfm.

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). Upload your own materials to enhance the content of this professional resource.

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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