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* SSILA elections

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The Nominations Committee (John O'Meara, Monica Macaulay, and Willem de Reuse) has submitted the following slate of candidates for the SSILA offices to be filled in the 2004 election:

--For Vice President (2005) and President for 2006: Lyle Campbell

--For Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee (2005-07): Zarina Estrada Fernández

--For Secretary-Treasurer (2005): Victor Golla

--For Member of the Nominations Committee (2004-06): Carolyn J. MacKay or John McLaughlin

Individual members of the Society will receive a ballot with the October issue of the SSILA Newsletter, which will reach most of you within the next 10 days. Completed ballots must be received by December 31, 2004, in order to be counted. The results of the elections will be announced at the Business Meeting in San Francisco.

* The San Francisco meeting: miscellaneous information

Registration

While the programs of the LSA and SSILA meetings in San Francisco are separately organized, all meeting arrangements are handled by the LSA Secretariat and a single registration fee, collected by LSA, covers both meetings. This fee also covers the sessions of the other groups that are meeting concurrently with the LSA -- the American Dialect Society, the American Name Society, the North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences, and the Society for Pidgin and Creole Linguistics.

Participants are urged (although not required) to register in advance of the meeting. The preregistration rates are \$80 (regular), \$60 (retired), and \$35 (students/unemployed). The preregistration fee can be paid directly to the LSA (if you are a member of LSA as well as SSILA) or paid via SSILA. An SSILA preregistration form is enclosed with the October issue of the SSILA Newsletter, and should be returned with payment before December 3. Participants who do not preregister will be expected to register on-site. (The registration desk will open at 11 am January 6 and remain open through Saturday afternoon, January 8.) On-site registration fees are somewhat higher -- \$100 (regular), \$70 (retired), \$40 (students/unemployed) -- and credit card payments will not be accepted. A one-day on-site registration will be available for \$50.

Meeting program, abstracts posted at SSILA website

The complete program of the San Francisco meeting, with exact presentation times and short abstracts, has now been posted at the SSILA website (www.ssila.org).

Chairs still needed for several sessions

Several sessions still require a chair to be designated. If you are interested in chairing one of the following sessions, please contact the Program Committee (ssila@ssila.org) at the earliest opportunity.

My name is Marco K. Bicchieri. I am a first year Ph.D. candidate at Tulane University. I am pursuing a degree in Latin American Studies, concentrating on history and anthropology. I intend to develop a dissertation topic around the Garifuna of Honduras. At this time, my primary challenge is finding a place to study the Garifuna language for the coming summer. The grant application process begins after Christmas, but I have yet to identify a program. Ideally I would like to study in Honduras, so that I could begin making contacts and investigating topics of study in my future field area. However, if necessary I would study at an intensive program in Belize, at a university in the US, or elsewhere.

Do readers of the SSILA Bulletin know of any programs? I would appreciate any guidance.

--Marco Bicchieri
(mbicchie@tulane.edu)

215.2 AAA Meeting Cancelled, Replaced by December Meeting in Atlanta

On Friday (Oct. 29) the Executive Board of the American Anthropological Association announced that its tentative decision to cancel the mid-November Annual Meeting in San Francisco, and reschedule it in Atlanta in mid-December, was now final. Earlier in the week the possibility had been raised of shifting the meeting from San Francisco to nearby San Jose, but this proved to be impractical.

The 11th-hour decision to abandon the long-scheduled 2004 meeting site was sparked by a bitter labor dispute at San Francisco's major hotels, including the San Francisco Hilton, where the meeting was to have been headquartered. In response to an internal poll, hundreds of AAA members indicated that they were unwilling to cross picket lines to attend the conference, and some threatened to resign from the association if the meeting went forward as scheduled.

The Atlanta meeting will begin on Wednesday, December 15 and run through Sunday, December 19. For the most recent information on the shift of the meeting site, see the AAA website (www.aaanet.org).

Linguistic anthropologists planning to attend the sessions and other events organized by the Society for Linguistic Anthropology should contact the SLA President, Leanne Hinton (hinton@socrates.berkeley.edu), if they have not already heard from her via LingAnth and the SLA List.

The Hyatt Regency San Francisco -- where LSA, SSILA, and several other groups are scheduled to hold their joint annual meeting in January 2005 -- is involved in the same labor dispute. If there is no resolution to the dispute (a strike followed by a lockout) in the next two weeks, LSA and SSILA may have to consider the possibility of following the AAA's lead in seeking an alternate venue.

appointment. Applicants should submit hard copy of curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, 1-2 writing samples, and full contact information for three academic references to the Search Committee, Linguistics Department, UCSB, Santa Barbara, CA 93106-3100. Fax and e-mail applications not accepted.

Inquiries may be addressed to the above address or via e-mail to <lingsearch@linguistics.ucsb.edu>. Tentative deadline is November 12, 2004. However, the position will remain open until filled. Preliminary interviews will be conducted at the LSA/SSILA meeting in San Francisco, although attendance is not required for consideration. The department is especially interested in candidates who can contribute to the diversity and excellence of the academic community through research, teaching and service. UCSB is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

Address for Applications:

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* One-year faculty fellow, Native American anthropology, Colby College

From Jeffrey Anderson (jdanders@colby.edu) 13 Oct 2004:

The Department of Anthropology, Colby College, invites applications for a one-year faculty fellow position beginning September, 2005. Teaching experience is necessary. The successful candidate will be expected to teach an introductory language and culture course, an area course on indigenous North America, and two other courses chosen by the candidate in consultation with the department (preference given to area specialization in Native North America). Applicants should send a cover letter, curriculum vitae, evidence of teaching skills, and names of three references to Search Committee, Department of Anthropology, Colby College, Waterville, ME 04901. Review of applications will begin on November 1st and will continue until the position is filled. Promising candidates will be interviewed at the AAA meetings. Colby is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer, committed to excellence through diversity, and strongly encourages applications and nominations of persons of color, women, and members of other under-represented groups. For more information about the College, please visit the Colby Web site: www.colby.edu.

215.4 Upcoming Meetings

Santa Barbara, CA 93106

The deadline for submission of abstracts is Jan. 15, 2005. Notification of acceptance will be by e-mail by Feb. 15, 2005.

General Information: Santa Barbara is situated on the Pacific Ocean near the Santa Ynez Mountains. The UCSB campus is located near the Santa Barbara airport. Participants may also fly into LAX airport in Los Angeles, which is approximately 90 miles southeast of the campus. Shuttle buses run between LAX and Santa Barbara. Information about hotel accommodations will be posted on the web.

For further information contact the conference coordinator at <wail@linguistics.ucsb.edu> or (805) 893-3776, or check out the WAIL website under "events" at: <http://www.linguistics.ucsb.edu>

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