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235.0 SSILA Business

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\* Anaheim to be site of January 2007 meeting

The 2006-7 annual winter meeting of SSILA will be held in Anaheim, CA,

January 4-7, jointly with the annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America. All sessions will take place in the Anaheim Hilton, which, the LSA tells us, "has a swimming pool, fitness center, and a sufficient supply of sleeping rooms." The confirmed room rate is \$135 per night for single or double rooms.

For those of you unfamiliar with Southern California, Anaheim is located in Orange County about 30 miles east of Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) and 15 miles north of John Wayne-Santa Ana Airport, and is probably better known for being the site of Disneyland than for hosting scholarly conferences. The meeting had originally been scheduled to be held in New York City, but the strong possibility of a hotel strike (shades of our San Francisco/Oakland meeting in January 2005!) prompted the LSA to seek an alternative venue.

SSILA members will be able to preregister for the meeting on-line through the LSA website, beginning in late summer. Please check the LSA website (<a href="http://www.lsadc.org">http://www.lsadc.org</a>) for exact information about this and other meeting arrangements.

Many of you will be relieved to hear that, for this meeting, presenters will be allowed to bring their own LCD projectors for PowerPoint and other computer-based presentations. (Be warned, however, that neither SSILA nor LSA can take responsibility for your equipment, nor will we be able to provide any technical assistance, except in emergencies.) If you plan to use an LCD projector you should also bring your own laptop and cables, and should check the compatibility between laptop and projector before the meeting begins.

The Call for Papers for the Anaheim meeting will be distributed in May. Members interested in organizing special sessions should contact the chair of the Program Committee, Lyle Campbell, in advance (lyle.campbell@linguistics.utah.edu).

\* 2006 committees

SSILA President Lyle Campbell has appointed the following committees for 2006:

Ken Hale Prize Committee: Tony Woodbury (chair), Pam Bunte, Nora England, Zarina Estrada, Keren Rice

Mary R. Haas Book Award Committee: David Rood (chair), Andrew Garrett, Sérgio Meira, Douglas Parks, Tony Woodbury

Travel Committee: Steve Marlett (chair), Juliette Blevins, Harriet Klein

Program Committee for the January 2007 Meeting: Lyle Campbell (chair, ex officio), Leslie Saxon, Amy Dahlstrom, Monica Macaulay, Willem de Reuse

235.1 Correspondence

\* UNESCO Red Book adds Venezuela data

From Kazuto Matsumura (dootai@l.u-tokyo.ac.jp) 17 Feb 2006:

We are pleased to announce that the UNESCO Red Book of Endangered Languages was updated on 16 February to include information on the languages of Venezuela:

http://www.tooyoo.l.u-tokyo.ac.jp/Redbook/SAmerica/SA index.cgi

--Prof. Kazuto Matsumura

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\* Article on "Red Skins"

From Ives Goddard (GODDARDI@si.edu) 1 March 2006:

I have posted a version of my article, "I Am a Red-Skin': The adoption of a Native American expression (1769-1826)" (European Review of Native American Studies 19[2]:1-20, 2005), together with some supplementary materials, on my web page:

http://www.nmnh.si.edu/anthro/goddard/

The posted version has some underlining (indicating ms. additions) that disappeared from the publication.

--Ives Goddard Smithsonian Institution

#### goddardi@si.edu

\* Maya identification wanted

From Marie-Lucie Tarpent (Marie-Lucie.Tarpent@msvu.ca) 13 March 2006:

A few years ago I mentioned here that I had acquired a book with the Lord's Prayer in 250 versions, originally published by the Vatican in 1875 and probably reproducing some much older texts. I find it a wonderful source in teaching comparative linguistics.

Among the languages represented are (according to their Latinized names) "Mayice seu Yucatanice", "Poconchice seu Pocomanice", and "Kachice". The first two are presumably Yucatec Maya and Pocomchi/Pocoman, but I am not sure which language Kachice represents, although it does seem to be Mayan. I have some materials on Mayan languages (including Yucatec) but nothing which would allow me to identify "Kachice". Since I have found (thanks to some other SSILA members) that the identifications in the book are not always accurate, I include the first line of each version:

Mayice seu Yucatanice: Ca-yum ianech ti ca'anoob: Cilichthantabac a kaba....

Poconchice seu Pocomanice: Catat taxah vilcat; nimta incaharc, ihi avi....

Kachice: Ca-haua ze chossa' vancat, uzil atilambilta' a-Caba'.... (an apostrophe here represents the grave accent on the preceding vowel).

I thank in advance any Mayanists who can help. If anyone is interested in the texts themselves, I will gladly send them a copy.

> --Marie-Lucie Tarpent Halifax, Nova Scotia marie-lucie.tarpent@msvu.ca

\* Language maps on-line

From Mutur Zikin (muturzikin@hotmail.com) 11 March 2006:

Readers of the SSILA Bulletin might be interested in visiting my website:

# http://www.muturzikin.com/en.html

It features linguistic maps of Europe, Africa, South and Central America, Canada...and of my own Basque Country.

--Mutur Zikin muturzikin@hotmail.com

\* A German colleague introduces himself

From Jan Henrik Holst (webmaster@janhenrikholst.de) 3 March 2006:

I am a German linguist, working at the University of Hamburg. I am interested in phonetics, morphology and syntax from a typological point of view, and also the theoretical nature of sound laws. Although much of my work has focused on Indo-European and Uralic, I have a good deal of expertise in Eskimo-Aleut as well.

In my recent book, "Einführung in die eskimo-aleutischen Sprachen" (Hamburg: Helmut Buske Verlag, 2005), I present a long and intricate proof (in so far as one can speak of proofs in an empirical science like historical linguistics) that the Eskimo-Aleut languages are related to Wakashan. I discuss various methodological issues, and then present historical phonetics, 62 word equations and 9 suffix equations (9 is admittedly few, but Wakashan has melted down the former morphology to a great extent, so it's only partly my fault!). Whatever else I may have achieved in this book, I think it could be used effectively in arguing against Greenberg's mistaken ideas, in particular that there is no evidence that the Eskimo-Aleut languages have a genetic relationship to any of the "Amerind" languages.

I invite any readers of the SSILA Bulletin who are interested in the book or my work to visit my homepage:

# http://www.janhenrikholst.de

You will find me carrying on there against the nonsensical "reforms" to the German orthography that our politicians have recently decided to make obligatory in schools. These are in very large part based on the orthography reforms planned by the Nazis in 1944 but which did not see the light of day due to the end of the war. I'm quite furious and I'm trying to mobilize some protest among linguists.

Meanwhile, I would be very interested in communicating with others who are interested in further exploring the connection between Eskimo-Aleut and Wakashan.

--Jan Henrik Holst webmaster@janhenrikholst.de

\* For the record...

From Blair Rudes (BARudes@email.uncc.edu) 14 Feb 2006:

Thanks for printing the press release on my work on "The New World" in SSILA Bulletin #234. There is one minor correction to the notice. The press release says there are five state-recognized tribes in Virginia. There are actually eight state-recognized tribes (Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Mattaponi, Monacan, Nansemond, Pamunky, Rappahannock, and Upper Mattaponi).

--Blair Rudes
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From John D. Nichols (jdn@tc.umn.edu) 14 Feb 2006:

In the preliminary program distributed by the organizers of the Algonquian Revitalization conference at Mashantucket, and posted in SSILA Bulletin #234.3 ("Upcoming Meetings"), our presentation was incorrectly titled. It should be:

"Anishinaabe-wiinzowin: Ojibwe Personal Names in Language Revitalization."

--John Nichols and James Vukelich University of Minnesota-Twin Cities <u>jdn@umn.edu</u>

235.2	Upcoming Meetings

\* Dene Languages Conference (Yellowknife, June 13-15)

From Leslie Saxon (saxon@uvic.ca) 8 March 2006:

This is the first call for papers for the 2006 Dene Languages Conference, which will take place on 13-15 June 2006 in Yellowknife, NWT. The later dates we considered were impossible because of the need to book the Explorer Hotel.

We are asking for participation by speakers in 30-minute and 60-minute time blocks. The theme of the conference will be "Land and Language," and we hope you will be interested in contributing and attending.

Later on, the organizing committee will put out more information about local arrangements. I don't yet know what arrangements have been made with the Explorer Hotel. Here is its website:

http://www.explorerhotel.ca/

Here is a site with some links for tourist information:

http://www.explorerhotel.ca/keylinks.html

June in Yellowknife isn't really predictable for weather, but we might expect to find the wild roses out. Please contact me (<a href="mailto:saxon@uvic.ca">saxon@uvic.ca</a>) if you have any questions about program information. Looking forward to seeing you in Yellowknife!

El Encuentro de Lenguas Indígenas Americanas--Universidad Nacional de la Pampa, Santa Rosa, 15 al 17 de junio de 2006--se propone generar un espacio de discusión sobre una temática que en los últimos años ha cobrado gran dinamismo. Es por ello que se intenta establecer redes de interacción entre los investigadores que trabajan en la lingüística aborigen en Argentina y en Latinoamérica. La puesta en común de trabajos que se realizan en las distintas áreas temáticas y el debate sobre cuestiones de lingüística teórica y aplicada aportan tanto al desarrollo del campo como a impulsar nuevas investigaciones acerca de un área que ha sido por mucho tiempo postergada.

Han comprometido su presencia:

- Dra. Zarina Estrada Fernández, "Rasgos tipológicos de las lenguas yutoaztecas del noroeste de México".
- Dr. César Fernández, "Problemas de la interculturalidad en el mundo actual"
- Dra. Angelita Martínez, "Lenguas y variedades en contacto. Gramaticalización y frecuencia de uso".
- Dra. Cristina Messineo, "Aspectos teóricos, metodológicos y éticos en la documentación del arte verbal toba."

Los interesados en participar en las Comisiones de Ponencias deberán enviar el Resumen de su trabajo por correo electrónico a alguna de las siguientes direcciones electrónicas:

<u>anafg@ciudad.com.ar</u> (Dra. Ana Fernández Garay)
<u>malves@bariloche.com.ar</u> (Dra. Marisa Malvestitti)
<u>sc\_investiglapampa@cpenet.com.ar</u> (Lic. María Inés Poduje)

## o bien por correo postal a:

La Comisión Organizadora del ELIA Instituto de Lingüística Facultad de Ciencias Humanas Coronel Gil 353, 3er piso C. P. 6300, Santa Rosa, La Pampa (R.A.) ARGENTINA

Fecha de presentación: 31 de marzo a fin de ser incluido en Libro de Resúmenes.

The 10th meeting of the Foundation for Endangered Languages (UK) will take place at the Central Institute for Indian Languages in Mysore, India. The conference dates will be from Mon 23 to Wed 25 October, 2006.

The conference topic will be "Vital Voices: Endangered Languages and Multilingualism". We shall be putting out a call for abstracts in the next week or so.

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The Seventh High Desert International Linguistics Conference (HDLS-7) will be held at the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM, November 9-11, 2006.

With invited keynote speakers:

William Croft (University of New Mexico)
Sally Rice (University of Alberta)
Elizabeth Traugott (Stanford University)

We invite you to submit proposals for 20-minute talks with 10-minute discussion sessions in any area of linguistics - especially those from a cognitive / functional linguistics perspective. Papers in the following areas are particularly welcome:

Evolution of Language, Grammaticization, Metaphor & Metonymy, Native American Languages, Typology, Spanish and Languages of the American Southwest, Language Revitalization and Maintenance, Language Change & Variation, Sociolinguistics, Bilingualism, Discourse Analysis, Signed Languages, Language Acquisition and Computational Linguistics.

The deadline for submitting abstracts is Friday August 25th, 2006. Abstracts should be sent via e-mail, as an attachment, to <a href="https://doi.org/nd.1001/https://doi.org/

The e-mail and attached abstract must include the following:

- 1. Author's Name(s)
- 2. Author's Affiliation(s)
- 3. Title of the Paper
- 4. E-mail address of the primary author

The abstract should be no more than one page and no less than 11-point font. A second page is permitted for references and/or data. Only two submissions per author will be accepted and we will only consider submissions that conform to the above guidelines.

Notification of acceptance will be sent out by September 1st, 2006.

If you have any questions or need for further information please contact

us at hdls@unm.edu with "HDLS-7 Conference" in the subject line.

\* IX Encuentro de Lingüística (Hermosillo, Nov. 15-17) [2nd call]

The "IX Encuentro Internacional de Lingüística en el Noroeste" will take place at the Universidad de Sonora, in Hermosillo, Sonora, México, November 15, 16 & 17, 2006.

Invited speakers will include:

Marina Fernández Launilla (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid) Luis Fernando Lara Ramos (El Colegio de México) Marianne Mithun (UC Santa Barbara) Carmen Silva-Corvalán (USC)

Papers in all the areas of Linguistics (phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, discourse, lexicography, language acquisition, psycholinguistics, sociolinguistics, etc.) will be considered. Speakers may propose particular sessions; please, contact the Committee during the reception of the abstracts.

Deadline for abstract submission: May 1, 2006.

[Further details can be found in SSILA Bulletin #231.4 (19 Nov, 2005), or at the Encuentro website (<a href="http://www.encuentrolinguistica.uson.mx">http://www.encuentrolinguistica.uson.mx</a>).]

235.3 E-Mail Address Updates

The following additions or changes have been made to the SSILA e-mail list since the last Bulletin:

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