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Gillian Gallagher (MIT), "Preaspiration in Sauk (Algonquian)"

Wilson Silva (U Utah), "Comparative Study of the Evidential Systems of

the Tukanoan Languages"

Papers rescheduled:

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Gabriela Caballero (U CA-Berkeley), "Output optimization and truncation in Choguita Rarámuri (Tarahumara)" -- Now to be presented on Thursday, January 3 at 4:30 pm, in the session on Phonetics and Phonology (Part 1).

Donna B. Gerdtz (Simon Fraser U), "Halkomelem Limited Control as Speaker's Viewpoint" -- Now to be presented on Saturday, January 5, at 9:00 am, in the session on Evidentials and Modality.

\* Ken Hale Prize submission deadline extended  
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The deadline for submission of nominations for this year's Ken Hale Prize has been extended to Nov. 21, 2007. Nominations should be sent to Lyle Campbell (lyle.campbell@linguistics.utah.edu) in Word, pdf, or rtf format. For details, see <http://www.ssila.org/> (click on "SSILA Awards").

SSILA's Ken Hale Prize is presented in recognition of outstanding community language work and a deep commitment to the documentation, maintenance, promotion, and revitalization of indigenous languages in the Americas. The Prize, which carries a \$500 stipend, honors those who strive to link the academic and community spheres in the spirit of Ken Hale. Recipients can range from native speakers and community-based linguists to academic specialists, and may include groups or organizations. No academic affiliation is necessary.

Nominations for the prize may be made by anyone, and should include a letter of nomination stating the current position and affiliation, if appropriate, of the nominee or nominated group (tribal, organizational, or academic), and a summary of the nominee's background and contributions to specific language communities. The nominator should also submit a brief portfolio of supporting materials, such as the nominee's curriculum vitae, a description of completed or on-going activities of the nominee, letters from those who are most familiar with the work of the nominee (e.g. language program staff, community people, academic associates), and any other material that would support the nomination. Submission of manuscript-length work is discouraged.

The new deadline for receipt of nominations is November 21.

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259.1 Correspondence  
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\* Re: Archiving practices  
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From Lisa Conathan (lisa.conathan@gmail.com) 5 Oct 2007:

Carolyn O'Meara's inquiry about archival practices (SSILA Bulletin #258.1) presents the opportunity to remind linguists of the importance of planning for the long-term preservation of their language documentation materials.





6. Swintha Danielsen. 2007. Baure: An Arawak language of Bolivia. [Indigenous Languages of Latin America (ILLA) vol. 6]. Leiden: CNWS Publications. 502 pp., Eur 45. (ISBN 978-90-5789-155-7)

For detailed descriptions of the contents of these publications, and for information about the other publications in the series, visit <http://www.cnwspublications.com>

Volumes 1-5 are now available as a set for Eur 100 (regular price: Eur 144). Volume 6 will be available for Eur 36 (a 20% discount) until Dec. 15, 2007.

Orders can be placed at the website above or with CNWS Publications, P.O. Box 9515, 2300 RA Leiden, The Netherlands (fax +31(0)71 527 29 39; e-mail [cnwspublications@let.leidenuniv.nl](mailto:cnwspublications@let.leidenuniv.nl)).

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259.3 Upcoming Meetings  
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\* ICSNL-43 (North Vancouver, BC, July 25-27, 2008)  
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From Kimary Shahin (kns3@sfu.ca) 8 Oct 2007:

Dwight Gardiner will be organizing the 43rd International Conference on Salish and Neighboring Languages, to be held at Capilano College in North Vancouver, July 25-27, 2008. Plans are in the works for University of Oregon to host the 44th ICSNL in 2009.

At this year's business meeting, some important changes to the format of the conference were adopted. In particular, the decision was made for next year's conference to move from the traditional "preprints" formula to a more conventional format, with a proceedings volume to be published following the conference. There are two main reasons for the change:

--The ease with which material can be posted on the web means prior distribution of abstracts, handouts and complete papers can now be more efficiently handled electronically than by the old method of distributing preprints via surface mail. Authors of conference papers will still be required to post abstracts on the conference website prior to the conference, and will be encouraged to post papers or at least handouts as well.

--Moving to a proceedings rather than a "precedings" relieves the time pressure on both authors and the UBCWPL editors, while preserving the important archival role of the "Papers for the ICSNL", which now represent nearly fifty years of accumulated scholarship on Salish and neighboring languages. The proceedings will continue to be published by UBCWPL, with a submission deadline in October.

We hope these changes will increase the accessibility of conference material without compromising the grand tradition of the ICSNL.

\* California Indian Conferences: locations for 2008-2010



región de Cuetzalan. Un estudio de caso desde una perspectiva microdialectológica"

John Sullivan, "La estructura de los capítulos verbales en el 'Diccionario monolingüe del náhuatl moderno de la Huasteca'"

Presentación del libro/BOOK PRESENTATION: "Estructura, discurso e historia de algunas lenguas yutoaztecas", Ignacio Guzmán Betancourt y José Luis Moctezuma Zamarrón (coords.), INAH, 2007

Domingo 18 de noviembre / Sunday, November 18  
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Mercedes Tubino & Heidi Harley, "Causees in Hiaki indirect causatives: optional, obligatory, or forbidden?"

Martínez Fabián Constantino, "La interrelación definido/indefinido, singular/plural en Yaqui"

Edgar Martín del Campo, "How to Smell Like a Vulture: Irregular and Reanalyzed Prefix Patterns in Eastern Huasteca Nahuatl"

Paula Gómez, "Adquisición de la morfología verbal"

Ana Aurora Medina Murillo, "Las consonantes glotales en el guarijío de la sierra (warihó)"

Ken Hill, "On the phonology of the Hopi song register/ De la fonología del registro de las canciones del hopi"

Claudia Jean Harris Clare, "El silencio en la comunicación guarijío"

José Luis Moctezuma & Bárbara Cifuentes, "Lenguas y números. Análisis censal de lenguas yutoztecas"

Jane Hill, "Proto-Uto-Aztecan Contact with Proto-Western Otomangean? Corn, Green, Pot, Clay"

Lilián Guerrero, "Verbos cognitivos, una perspectiva histórica y sincrónica"

Brian Stubbs, "The Uto-Aztecan velar nasal"

Karen Dakin, "Epéntesis en el náhuatl: Algunas consideraciones nuevas desde la variación dialectal"

David Shaul, "Comparative Tepiman Mythology and Beyond"

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259.4 Positions Open  
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\* Native American Linguistics and Semantics, Arizona State University  
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From Elly van Gelderen (ellyvangelderren@asu.edu) 12 Oct 2007:

Required: Ph.D. in Linguistics or a related field; college level teaching

experience appropriate to rank; and a compelling record of ongoing, high-quality research and publication in Native American Linguistics and formal semantics. Desired: Proficiency in one or more Native American languages.

Initial teaching load is 2/2 for tenure-track faculty with a significant research agenda. Teaching opportunities are at undergraduate, Master', and PhD levels. The appointment will be in the department of English (<http://www.asu.edu/clas/english>). Arizona State University is a large metropolitan university with programs in linguistics housed in various departments. The candidate would contribute to teaching in existing programs as well as help develop new programs.

Applicants must send: Cover letter, vita, at least three letters of recommendation, and a brief sample of relevant academic writing. Application Deadline (no faxes or e-mails): postmarked by November 9th, 2007; if not filled, then every Monday thereafter until the search is closed. All applications acknowledged. A background check is required for employment. Arizona State University is an equal employment employer (AA/EOE).

The reading of applications will begin on November 13th, 2007. Dossier requests will then be made. A short list of 6-10 applicants will be made and telephone screening will be conducted in early December. Following telephone screening a short list of two candidates will be invited to campus for two-day interviews with the search committee, the Department Personnel Committee, the Chair of the English Department, the Dean of the Division of Humanities of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, graduate students, and others. All final candidates will be asked to present a paper (job talk).

Address for Applications:

Chair, Native American Linguistics and Semantics Search Committee  
Department of English  
Arizona State University  
Tempe, AZ 85287-0302

Application Deadline: 9 November 2007 (open until filled).

\* Postdoctoral Research Fellows, RCLT, La Trobe University, Australia  
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From Alexandra Aikhenvald (A.Aikhenvald@latrobe.edu.au) 18 Oct 2007:

Applications are invited for two three-year Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in the Research Centre for Linguistic Typology, La Trobe University, Victoria, Australia. They are to commence on 1st March 2008, or soon thereafter.

Applicants should have been awarded their doctorate within the last five years. They should have experience of linguistic fieldwork and will, ideally, have already completed a grammatical description of some previously undescribed language (not their native language) in terms of basic linguistic theory. The University may consider cases in which the period is in excess of five years due to special circumstances. Applications will be considered from candidates whose thesis is currently under examination. Applicants must hold a doctoral degree or have equivalent qualifications at the date of appointment. A



Fellowship will not normally be awarded to an applicant who already holds an appointment within the University.

The successful applicant will work as part of a team with Professor Alexandra Y. Aikhenvald, Professor R.M.W. Dixon, and other members of the Research Centre. Ideally, we are looking for one Postdoctoral Research Fellow who will work on a language from South America and one who will work on a language from New Guinea. However, in exceptional circumstances, applicants with primary interest in another area will be considered. Each appointee will undertake extensive fieldwork and will produce a comprehensive description of some previously undescribed language. The choice of language will be made after discussion between the successful applicant and Professors Aikhenvald and Dixon.

Each Fellowship will be a three-year appointment and is intended to advance the research activities of the University by bringing to or retaining in Australia a promising scholar.

The remuneration package is \$65,610 to \$70,427 per annum (the Australian dollar is currently worth approximately \$.92 US), which includes 17% employer superannuation.

Before making a formal application, potential applicants should communicate with Professor Alexandra Aikhenvald at:

a.aikhenvald@latrobe.edu.au.

Closing date: Close of Business, Friday, 7th December 2007

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259.5 New on the Web  
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\* South American website updated and "wikified"

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From Eduardo Rivial Ribeiro (kariri@gmail.com) 4 Oct 2007:

Thanks for publishing my note on the Biblioteca Curt Nimuendaju in the most recent issue of the SSILA Bulletin (#258.4). I'm now writing to invite readers to take a look at our website, "Etnolingüística: línguas indígenas da América do Sul" (<http://www.etnolinguiistica.org>), which was recently updated. It offers a compilation of links to periodicals, thesis, news articles, and other online resources for indigenous South American languages. The site is now "wikified," making it possible for any member to help us keep it up-to-date. (Membership is by a brief application.)

\* New Mixtec grammar on SIL-Mexico website

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From Albert Bickford (albert\_bickford@sil.org) 8 Oct 2007:

I am pleased to announce the posting of the following item to the SIL-Mexico website, and encourage others to pass on word of its availability:

Judith Ferguson de Williams, "Gramática popular del mixteco del municipio de Tezoatlán, San Andrés Yutatío, Oaxaca"  
<http://www.sil.org/mexico/mixteca/tezoatlan/G009a-GramMixTez-mxb.htm>

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this publication.

--Albert Bickford  
Linguistics Electronic Editor  
SIL-Mexico

\* Beaver language website  
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From Patrick Moore (pjmoore@interchange.ubc.ca) 15 Oct 2007:

SSILA members who are interested in the Northern Athabaskan languages might enjoy the Beaver website we just completed for Doig River First Nation and the Virtual Museum of Canada. It is now at its permanent web address:

<http://www.virtualmuseum.ca/Exhibitions/Danewajich/>

The stories and songs presented here are associated with eight key places within Beaver (Dane-zaa) territory and result from collaborative work carried out the summer of 2005.

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259.6 E-Mail Address Updates  
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The following additions or changes have been made to the SSILA e-mail list since the last Bulletin. ("At" has been substituted for "@" to discourage the harvesting of addresses by spammers.)

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Leopold, Robert ..... leopold at si.edu  
Moreton, Rebecca Larche ..... mlrlm at olemiss.edu  
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