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230.0  SSILA Business

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* Program of the Albuquerque meeting

71 papers are on the preliminary program of the 2006 Annual Winter Meeting
of SSILA, which will be held jointly with the LSA in Albuquerque, NM, from
Thursday, January 5 through midday Sunday, January 8. The tentative
schedule is below. A few small changes may still be made, but we do not
anticipate any major rearrangements.

Participants are reminded that they should preregister for the meeting
through the LSA. Also, a short (100-word) version of the presentation
abstract should be sent to the Secretary (golla@ssila.org) as soon as
possible, but no later than November 1. This is the abstract that will
be printed in the Meeting Handbook.

Hotel and transportation information can be found at the LSA website:

http://www.lsadc.org
Thursday evening, January 5

Syntax & Semantics of Verbs (5:00 – 8:00 pm)

[5:00] Carmen Jany, "Is there any evidence for complementation in Chimariko?"
[5:20] Zarina Estrada Fernandez & Lilián Guerrero, "Causation in Pima Bajo and Yaqui"
[5:40] Tim Thornes, "Causation in Northern Paiute"
[6:00] Kaoru Kiyosawa, "Salish applicatives and verb semantics"
[6:40] Andrew Koontz-Garboden, "Two classes of intransitive verbs in Ulwa"
[7:00] Marcus Smith, "Two lexical partitionings of one conceptual space"
[7:40] Pamela Munro, "Chickasaw positional verbs"

Friday morning, January 6

Formal Approaches to Morphology & Syntax (9:00 - 11:40 am)

[9:00] Angelina Chhtareva, "Chemehuevi causatives: a Distributive Morphology account"
[9:20] Shannon T. Bischoff, "Functional forms and formal functions: toward an account of clause structure in Coeur d'Alene"
[9:40] Michael Barrie, "On the Onondaga noun phrase"
[10:00] Ehren Reilly, "Functional verbs in polysynthetic languages: Mayan and Mixe-Zoquean"
[10:40] George Aaron Broadwell & Brook Danielle Lillehaugen, "Pied-piping with inversion in Tlacolula de Matamoros Zapotec"
[11:00] Cynthia Anderson, Christine Beier, I-Wen Lai & Lev Michael, "SOV versus SVO constituent order in Iquito (Zaparoan): a phonological explanation"

Diversity, Contact & Language Change (9:00 am - noon)

[9:00] Yolanda Lastra, "On-going changes in Jonaz-Chichimec"
[9:20] Zarina Estrada Fernandez, "Language contact in Sonoran Yaqui"
[9:40] Catherine A. Callaghan, "Evidence for an Esselen substrate in Utian"
[10:00] Verónica Grondona, "A unique multilingual situation: language contact in Misión La Paz"
[10:40] Sean O'Neill, "Language contact and linguistic diversity in NW California: gauging the direction of drift with the comparative historical method"
[11:00] Marianne Mithun, "Grammatical categories in contact: agents and patients in California"
[11:40] Shelley Tulloch, "Preserving linguistic diversity: beyond languages"

Friday afternoon, January 6
Tense & Aspect (2:00 - 3:40 pm)
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[2:00] Donna B. Gerds & Thomas E. Hukari, "From agent-oriented modality to aspect in Halkomelem"
[2:40] Judith Tonhauser, "Paraguayan Guaraní as a tenseless language"
[3:00] John P. Boyle, "The innovative future markers of Hidatsa"
[3:20] Clare Cook, "Plains Cree kî- as a temporal sequencer"

Historical Phonology (2:00 - 3:40 pm)
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[2:00] Sergio Romero, "Palatalization of k in K'ichee': a nearly-completed change and stylistic variation in Mayan"
[2:20] Natalie Operstein, "Two case studies in Zapotec historical phonology"
[2:40] Daythal L. Kendall, "The behavior of nasals in Santiam Kalapuyan: five phonological rules"
[3:00] Marie-Lucie Tarpent, "A new preposition in Coast Tsimshian? or external sandhi gone wild?"

Semantics of Nominals (4:00 - 5:00 pm)
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[4:00] Jeff Muehlbauer, "Genericity from the perspective of discourse in Plains Cree"
[4:20] Alison Rukeyser, "Metaphorical uses of Yup'ik extended demonstratives"
[4:40] Rosemary Beam de Azcona, "A Zapotec contribution towards the typology of inclusory constructions"

Names and Placenames (4:00 - 5:00 pm)
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[4:00] Leslie Saxon, "Nineteenth century placenames in the Dogrib region"
[4:20] Dave Shaul, "'Earth carries flowers on its back': reading native voice in mission records"
[4:40] Maggie Romani Miranda (U Ricardo Palma & U Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Peru), "The structure of Ashaninka place names"

Saturday morning, January 7

Word Order (9:00 - 10:20 am)
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[9:00] Rolando Felix Armendariz, " Constituent order and information"
[9:20] Ives Goddard, "Meskwaki evidence against basic word order"
[9:40] Amy Dahlstrom, "Scope of adverbs and topics in Meskwaki"
[10:00] Suzanne Gessner, "Variation in Athapaskan relative clause structures: findings from Dakelh"

Inverse Systems & Voice, Part I (10:40 -11:40 am)
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[10:40] Elisabeth Norcliffe, "Agent focus in Jakaltek"

Phonetics & Phonology, Part I (9:00 - 11:40 am)
[9:00] Robert M. Peachey & Alan C. L. Yu, "Laryngealized resonants in Washo"

[9:20] Sonya Bird, "Variable pronunciation of St'at'imcets glottalized resonants: implications for language documentation and teaching"


[10:00] Christian T. DiCanio, "Sensitivity of glottalization to prosodic structure in San Martin Itunyoso Trique"

[10:40] Ryan Shosted, "The acoustics of nasalized fricatives in Oto-Manguean languages: Coatzospan Mixtec and Chichimeco-Jonaz"

[11:00] Sharon Hargus & Virginia Beavert, "The Yakima Sahaptin absolutive prefix and word-initial glottal stop"

[11:20] Brianna G. Rauscher, "Degenerate feet and minimum word requirements in Iquitu"

Saturday afternoon, January 7

Inverse Systems & Voice, Part II (2:00 - 2:40 pm)

[2:00] Antoine Guillaume, "More on the typology of inverse systems: the Reyesano suffix -ta"

Phonetics & Phonology, Part II (2:00 - 2:40 pm)

[2:00] Jack B. Martin, "Tone and grades in Mikasuki"
[2:20] Siri G. Tuttle, "'I won't snore': syllabification in Ahtna prefixes"

Clitics & Agreement (3:00 - 4:00 pm)

[3:00] Swintha Danielsen, "Person cross-reference clitics in Baure (Arawak)"

[3:40] Jason Haugen, "On the development of pronominal clitics and affixes in Uto-Aztecan"

Language Preservation (3:00 - 4:20 pm)

[3:00] Wesley Y. Leonard, "Language development in a revitalization setting: the role of teaching"

[4:00] Colleen Fitzgerald & Daniel Lopez, "The importance of legacy documentation to the Tohono O’odham"

SSILA Business Meeting (4:30 - 6:00 pm)
Sunday morning, January 8

Evidentials & Discourse  (9:00 - 11:40 am)
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[9:00] N. Louanna Furbee, "Evidentials and the analysis of Tojolabal Maya interviews"
[9:40] Eleanor Blain, Clare Cook, Rose-Marie Déchaine & Jeffrey Muehlbauer, "Plains Cree evidentials: major and minor modes"
[10:00] Claudia Brugman & Monica Macaulay, "The discourse function of Karuk káruma"
[10:40] Anna Berge, "A study of the distribution and uses of Aleut verb moods in different discourse types"
[11:00] Jeanie Castillo, "The influence of grammatical structure on prosody: an analysis of intonation units in conversational Navajo"

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230.1 Correspondence
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* Word-formation typology

From Pavol Stekauer (STEKAUER@condornet.sk) 3 Oct 2005:

I am a professor of Linguistics in the Department of British and American Studies, Presov University, Slovakia. I have taken up a project focused on the typology of languages on the basis of their word-formation (derivative) characteristics, and would like to cover as many languages as possible. In this connection, I am hoping to get into contact with morphologists who would be willing to fill out my questionnaire for some of the indigenous languages spoken in America. Needless to say, their names will appear in any publication that may result from my research.

--Pavol Stekauer

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230.2 Positions Open
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* Linguistics (phonetics/phonology) at U of Oklahoma

From Marcia Haag (haag@nhn.ou.edu) 7 Oct 2005:

The University of Oklahoma invites applications for a tenure-track position at the assistant professor level in the Linguistics Program of the Department of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics. A Ph.D. in Linguistics required, with strong evidence of research and publication potential. Any research specialty is acceptable, but the appointed candidate will teach phonetics and phonology. The successful candidate must be general enough to teach most undergraduate courses as needed and
strengthen the undergraduate program in linguistics. Teaching load is five courses per year. Submit a letter of application and dossier (CV, recent teaching evaluations, and writing sample), and arrange to have three letters of recommendation sent directly to:

Marcia Haag  
Chair of the Search Committee  
Modern Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics  
University of Oklahoma  
Norman, Oklahoma 73019

by December 1, 2005. Initial invited interviews will be held at the LSA Annual Meeting in Albuquerque January 5-8. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. The University of Oklahoma is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity employer.

230.3 Upcoming Meetings

*Burgoa Linguistics Conferences (Oaxaca, beginning Oct. 21)*

From Michael Swanton (mwswanton@yahoo.com) 10 Oct 2005:

Biblioteca Francisco de Burgoa of the Universidad Autónoma 'Benito Juárez' de Oaxaca is initiating a conference series dedicated to the linguistics of the indigenous languages of the state of Oaxaca. The conferences are given at 7:00 PM at the Biblioteca Francisco de Burgoa, located in the Centro Cultural Santo Domingo, Oaxaca City.

The first two conferences in this series are:

Dr. Rosemary Beam de Azcona (Research Centre for Linguistic Typology, La Trobe University), "Sistemas tonales de las lenguas zapotecas de la sierra sur", October 21, 2005.

Dr. Loretta O'Connor (Hamburg University & Volkswagen Foundation), "La documentación lingüística del chontal de la baja: Métodos y motivos", November 18, 2005.

* Complex Predicates and Related Constructions (Houston, March 16-18)*

From David Katten (katten@rice.edu) 13 Oct 2005:

The Rice Linguistics Society will host a poster session to accompany the 11th Biennial Rice Symposium on Linguistics, to be held March 16-18th in Houston, Texas.

The theme for the poster session is "Complex Predicates and Similar Constructions". We invite papers from all areas and orientations of linguistics that touch upon the structure, meaning, usage, or development of complex constructions. These posters should complement the symposium topic of "Intertheoretical approaches to complex verb constructions".
The deadline for submissions is January 20, 2006, 5 p.m. central time zone.

Please submit a 300 word abstract in PDF format to <rls@rice.edu>  The filename should be AUTHORSNAME.pdf. Please include "poster session" in the subject. The e-mail body should include:

- Name of author(s)
- Paper title
- Institution(s) of author(s)
- E-mail address(es) of author(s)
- Postal address(es) of author(s)

Postal submissions will not be accepted.

Participants will be given a space approximately 6' by 4' to display their work.

Registration will be handled through the symposium. Poster presenters are invited to attend all symposium events. For more information, contact <rls@rice.edu> or visit the symposium website at:

http://www.rice.edu/lingsymp

* 52nd International Congress of Americanists (Seville, July 16-21)

The following symposia are being organized for the 52nd ICA in Seville next July. Those interested in participating should contact the symposium organizers at the addresses noted.

(1) "Lenguas chaqueñas en Argentina, Bolivia y Paraguay" [LIN. 12].

From Alejandra Vidal (vidal.alejandra@gmail.com) 4 Oct 2005:

El Simposio "Lenguas chaqueñas en Argentina, Bolivia y Paraguay: estudios descriptivos, tipológicos y comparativos" se realizará en el marco de 52 ICA entre los días 16 y 21 de julio del 2006 en la ciudad de Sevilla, España. Se invitan resúmenes para presentar trabajos sobre lenguas chaqueñas de Argentina, Bolivia y Paraguay.

El simposio aceptará ponencias que reflejen los resultados de las investigaciones en curso centradas en las lenguas chaqueñas, en una variedad de temáticas del campo de la lingüística descriptiva, histórica y tipológica, así como también de la sociolingüística y la dialectología. Se tendrán en cuenta especialmente aquellas que realicen abordajes de fenómenos específicos, sobre la base de datos recolectados en terreno. No se aceptarán ponencias ya publicadas. Las presentaciones pueden ser en castellano, inglés o portugués.

Las ponencias tendrán un extensión de 20 minutos con 10 minutos para preguntas y comentarios. Se seleccionarán en base a una evaluación del resumen, el cual no debe exceder 500 palabras. Se prefieren resúmenes enviados electrónicamente. La fecha límite para recibir los resúmenes
es el 10 de Noviembre de 2005. Por favor, sírvase mandar el resumen con copia a las siguientes direcciones:

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hklein@notes.cc.sunysb.edu

En el mensaje conteniendo el resumen por favor incluir:

Tema: Resumen 52 ICA

y la siguiente información (en este orden):

1. Título de Ponencia
2. Nombre y apellidos del(os) autor(es)
3. Afiliación institucional del(os) autor(es)
4. Dirección, teléfono, fax, y correo electrónico a donde se puede mandar la notificación
5. Un resumen de no más de 500 palabras (incluido en el mensaje y también como archivo Word. Nombre del archivo: Apellido Inicial de nombre. 52ica.doc)
6. Equipo necesario para la presentación

Se mandará notificación de aceptación ENTRE EL 15 Y 30 DE NOVIEMBRE.

A fin de realizar su inscripción, el participante de este Simposio deberá dirigirse al comité de organización del Congreso directamente. La condición impuesta por los organizadores es que todos los participantes en carácter de expositores abonen su inscripción antes del 31 de DICIEMBRE.

Para consultar condiciones de pago y tarifas, u otra información en general por favor dirigirse a:

http://www.52ica.com

(2) "Languages of Central America Caribbean Coast"

From Elena Benedicto (ebenedi@purdue.edu) 11 Oct 2005:

Organizers:
Elena Benedicto, Purdue University ebenedi@purdue.edu
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Symposium webpage: http://www.personal.us.es/tutatis/52ICA

The Central American Caribbean region is a highly multilingual and multicultural area, with a complex system of linguistic hierarchies and interactions. This linguistic and cultural complexity not only derives from the multiplicity of levels of linguistic interaction, but is compounded by the lack and dispersion of in-depth studies on the structure of the languages in particular as well as on the socio-linguistics of the situation and on aspects of "good-practices" in research.

This Symposium wants to be a meeting point for studies, from
different perspectives and approaches, on the indigenous and local languages of the Caribbean Coast (including Sign Languages). With that in mind, the Symposium will (non-exhaustively) articulate around three areas:

1. Basic linguistic descriptions which can advance the level of understanding of the structure of the languages of the region, and thus contribute to both typological and formal theoretical studies.
2. Socio-linguistic issues, including language policies and ways of articulating language-society.
3. Issues of 'good practices' in research methodologies, including the notion of empowerment and approaches of participatory research, how to integrate the input of the language community, the active participation and training of members of the language community in research projects, and ways in which linguistic projects can optimally be organized in the context of the Coast.

Abstracts can be sent for 30-minute talks, on either of the topics described above. Abstracts should not be longer than one page, with 1-inch (2.5 cm) margins on each side and font no smaller than 12pt. Title of the abstract should appear in the first line of the page, followed by the name of the author(s) in the second line.

No more than one single-authored paper and one co-authored paper can be accepted. ICA 52 will allow no more than two papers by the same author in any of the symposia.

Send abstracts (by e-mail) to: icacarib@purdue.edu
Deadline for abstracts: November 30, 2005
Notification of acceptance: December 5, 2005

Please note that the organizers of ICA 52 require that every participant presenting a paper register and pay by December 31st, 2005. You can check their website:

http://www.52ica.com/cuotasin.html

The organizers of ICA 52 have also set a (limited) program of grants to cover lodging expenses for participating speakers. Deadline for applications is also December 31st, and notification will be given by the end of January. For more information:

http://www.52ica.com/ayudas.html

The organizers of the Symposium will seek to supplement those grants for travel expenses for presenters who are members of an indigenous or local language community.

230.4 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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