



For the time being secretarial correspondence may continue to be sent to P.O. Box 555, Arcata, California. Doak will establish a new secretarial address shortly.

\* Beavert and Segovia share Hale Prize  
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The 2007 Ken Hale Prize Committee voted to split this year's Prize between Virginia Beavert, Yakama elder and teacher of Sahaptin at Heritage University, and Laureano Segovia, a native speaker of Wichi, a Matacoan language of the Chaco region of Argentina and Bolivia, who has been documenting his traditional language and culture.

\* 2007 SSILA election results  
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The results of the 2007 SSILA election were announced at the Chicago meeting. Elected Vice President for 2008 and President-elect for 2009-10 was Richard Rhodes (UC Berkeley). Elected to a 3-year term on the Executive Committee (2008-10) was Lucía Golluscio (U Buenos Aires). Elected to a 3-year term on the Nominating Committee (2008-10) was Juliette Blevins (MPI for Evolutionary Anthropology, Leipzig).

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262.1 Correspondence  
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\* Sign on to support Year of Languages!  
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From Inee Yang Slaughter (inee.slaughter@ilinactive.org) 3 Jan 2008:

Please visit our website (<http://www.ilinactive.org>) and click on the Year of Languages page to show your support for the United Nations proclamation of the "2008 Year of Languages" initiative. Sign on to the Support Network to demonstrate your participation in the united effort to preserve the diverse indigenous languages of the world.

Please share ideas of how you and your organization are promoting indigenous languages. The Indigenous Language Institute will announce the Support Network list on our website as people sign on.

Numbers matter...sign on today to make a difference!

-- Inee Yang Slaughter, Executive Director  
Indigenous Language Institute  
Santa Fe, New Mexico  
(inee.slaughter@ilinactive.org)

\* Eloise Jelinek  
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From Richard Demers (demers@email.arizona.edu) 29 Dec 2007:



--Seth Kramer, Daniel A. Miller, and Jeremy Newberger  
Ironbound Films, Inc.  
(<http://www.ironboundfilms.com>)

\* New posting on SIL-Mexico website  
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From Albert Bickford ([albert\\_bickford@sil.org](mailto:albert_bickford@sil.org)) 7 Dec 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:

<http://www.sil.org/mexico/chinanteca/tlatepuzco/S039a-DiccChinTlatepuzco-cpa.htm>

William R. Merrifield and Alfred E. Anderson, "Diccionario chinanteco de la diáspora del pueblo antiguo de San Pedro Tlatepuzco, Oaxaca" (#39 in the "Mariano Silva y Aceves" series of vocabularies and dictionaries in indigenous languages)

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this publication.

--Albert Bickford  
Linguistics Editor  
SIL-Mexico

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262.2 Positions Open  
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\* Curator, Anthropology (Linguist), Smithsonian Institution  
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From Robert Leopold ([leopold@si.edu](mailto:leopold@si.edu)) 4 Jan 2008:

The Department of Anthropology at the Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History is seeking a curator to develop and lead an endangered language program that will engage in research, documentation and preservation. Community engagement will be a major component of this position. In addition to conducting research, both in the field and drawing upon archival collections, the curator will develop strong interactions with communities faced with language loss while also addressing major research themes within linguistics and anthropology.

This curator will join a large and diverse department, currently with 72 full-time staff members, including 17 curators. The Department is organized into three research divisions: archaeology, physical anthropology and ethnology, along with Collections Management, the National Anthropological Archives, the Human Studies Film Archives, and the Repatriation Office. There are a number of programs within the three research divisions, including the PaleoIndian Program, the Asian Cultural Heritage Program, the Archaeobiology Program and the Arctic Studies Center. Some of the current research in the Department centers on humankind's earliest beginnings, the domestication of plants and animals, the rise of state-level societies, expressive culture in Africa



which look at language from the point of view of linguistic diversity (comparative syntax, areal typology, comparative phonology, language contact, typological psycholinguistics). The courses will be taught by linguists from the various Leipzig-based institutions and visiting scientists currently working in Leipzig. The participation fee is only EUR 35.

Organizers:

Prof. Martin Haspelmath (MPI-EVA)  
Prof. Balthasar Bickel (U Leipzig)  
Tyko Dirksmeyer (U Leipzig/MPI-EVA)  
Fachschaftsrat Linguistik (U Leipzig)

For more information, see

[http://www.eva.mpg.de/lingua/conference/08\\_springschool/index.html](http://www.eva.mpg.de/lingua/conference/08_springschool/index.html).

The registration (including affordable accommodation) is now open. The deadline for paying the accommodation fees is 15 February 2008.

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262.4 Upcoming Meetings  
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\* 4th CELCNA (Salt Lake City, March 28-30)

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From Tamrika Khvtisiashvili (t.khvtisiashvili@utah.edu) 10 Jan 2008:

The 4th Conference on Endangered Languages and Cultures of Native America (CELCNA-4) will be held March 28-30, 2008, at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution, American Philosophical Society, and CAIL (Center for American Indian Languages, University of Utah). The keynote speakers will be MaryAnn Willie (U of Arizona, Navajo Nation) and Michael Krauss (U of Alaska)??

Papers or posters are invited on any aspect of American Indian languages, in particular on documentation or revitalization. American Indian participants are especially invited. Papers will be 20 minutes each in length, with an additional 10 minutes for discussion.

The deadline for abstracts is Jan. 18, 2008. The Program Committee will announce results about Feb. 1. ??

Papers and posters can be presented in English or Spanish; abstracts can be submitted in English or Spanish. There will some be Spanish language sessions, and those working with indigenous languages of Latin America are encouraged to come and participate.

(?Habrán algunas sesiones en español, y por eso se invitan ponencias y posters en español; los abstracts también pueden ser enviados en español. Son muy cordialmente invitados todos los que trabajan con lenguas indígenas de América Latina.??)

A special workshop on teaching American Indian languages (and language revitalization) will be held on Thursday, March 27; all interested are warmly invited - no cost (just registration for CELCNA).

??Abstract guidelines: Abstracts, no longer than 500 words (a paragraph or



## Áreas temáticas del Congreso

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Adquisición de L1 y L2; Desarrollo de la lectoescritura; Discurso y gramática; Lexicografía; Lingüística clínica; Lingüística computacional; Lingüística histórica; Morfología; Pragmática; Psicolingüística; Semántica; Sintaxis; Sociolingüística

Asimismo, se podrán proponer mesas sobre temas específicos, previo registro al congreso, dentro del periodo de recepción de resúmenes.

El tiempo de exposición para la presentación de las ponencias será de 20 minutos exactamente, con un espacio de 10 minutos para sesión de preguntas y comentarios.

## Guía para el envío de resúmenes

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1. Los resúmenes se enviarán de manera anónima y podrán presentarse en español o inglés, las lenguas oficiales del congreso.
2. Especificar en el resumen si la presentación será oral o en cartel.
3. Se aceptará un máximo de un resumen por autor individual o dos en coautoría.
4. Las mesas pueden ser integradas con un mínimo de tres y un máximo de ocho ponencias.
5. Todos los resúmenes deberán ser enviados por correo electrónico en archivo adjunto en versión word o rtf y PDF
6. El resumen deberá tener una extensión máxima de 500 palabras, a interlineado sencillo con letra Times New Roman de 12 puntos.
7. En el texto del resumen deberá proporcionarse la siguiente información:

- i) Título del trabajo
- ii) Descripción del problema a tratar
- iii) Enunciación de los principales puntos o argumentos que se presentan
- iv) Ejemplos ilustrativos si el tema lo requiere
- v) Incluir un máximo de cinco referencias bibliográficas

## Guía para el envío de datos personales

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En el cuerpo del mensaje deberá proporcionarse la siguiente información personal:

- i) Título del resumen
- ii) Nombre completo del autor o autores de la propuesta de ponencia
- iii) Institución de adscripción
- iv) Áreas disciplinarias donde se ubica el resumen (2-3 áreas)
- v) País de procedencia
- vi) Correo electrónico
- vii) Teléfono, dirección postal institucional y dirección postal personal
- viii) Tipo de apoyo audiovisual o electrónico que requiera para su presentación

## Cierre de la convocatoria

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Los interesados deberán enviar su propuesta de resumen y datos personales antes del 2 de mayo de 2008 a la dirección de correo electrónico:

encuentro@guaymas.uson.mx



El Comité Organizador enviará el resultado del arbitraje de resúmenes a partir del 15 de agosto de 2008. Una vez que haya sido aceptada su propuesta de resumen y realice el pago de inscripción a su llegada al congreso, quedará formalmente inscrito.

#### Inscripción al Congreso

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Ponentes y asistentes: 1000 pesos mexicanos (100 USD)  
Alumnos de doctorado: 500 pesos mexicanos (50 USD)  
Alumnos de maestría y licenciatura: 200 pesos mexicanos (20 USD)

Una selección arbitrada de ponencias será publicada en la Memoria del X Encuentro Internacional de Lingüística en el Noroeste. Para su publicación las ponencias deberán tener una extensión mínima de 15 cuartillas y máxima de 20, a interlineado doble, en letra de 12 puntos de la familia Times New Roman. Las ponencias deberán entregarse al Comité Organizador a más tardar el 30 de enero de 2009, en formato electrónico, en versión Word o rtf y PDF

#### Información general importante

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El pago de inscripción al congreso da derecho a constancia, programa oficial, coctel de bienvenida y cena de clausura.

El día sábado 15 de noviembre se organizará un paseo a la playa "San Carlos, Nuevo Guaymas" y tendrá un costo de 100 pesos mexicanos (10.00 dólares). Este pago no incluye alimentación.

La inscripción y registro oficial de congresistas se realizará partir de las 9:00 horas del día 12 de noviembre de 2008, en el vestíbulo del Departamento de Letras y Lingüística, dentro del campus de la Universidad de Sonora.

A partir de enero de 2008 podrá consultarse la web oficial de nuestro congreso ([www.encuentrolinguistica.uson.mx](http://www.encuentrolinguistica.uson.mx)) donde podrán consultar información relevante sobre turismo, clima y hoteles disponibles en la ciudad de Hermosillo, así como también programa oficial, publicaciones del congreso, mapas e "Información de última hora".

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\* Latin American Linguistic Historiography (ALFAL 2008, Montevideo)  
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From Cristina Altman ([altman@usp.br](mailto:altman@usp.br)) 16 Dec 2007:

The Latin American Committee in Linguistic Historiography was established at the XIIIth International Congress of the Associação Latino Americana de Letras e Lingüística (ALFAL), held in Costa Rica in 2002, with the main objective of bringing together researchers -- Lusitanists, Hispanists and Americanists -- interested in the critical analysis of the Latin American research traditions, notably the reflection on the formation of the linguistic methods in the treatment of linguistic diversity as well as

language universality.

The core of the committee consisted of members of regional groups already integrated, like those of the ANPOLL Linguistic Historiography Workshop (National Association of Graduate Research in Languages and Linguistics), of the Center of Documentation in Linguistic Historiography of the University of São Paulo (CEDOCH-DL/USP), of the Group of Studies in Portuguese Language Historiography from the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, those of the Oslo Project on Missionary Linguistics (OSPRMIL) and those from others European and American institutions who interacted with these groups.

Three main lines of research were pursued by the researchers of the committee who, between 2002 and 2005, developed their projects in a integrated way and presented their partial results in the XIV ALFAL International Congress in Monterrey, México: the treatment of linguistic diversity; missionary linguistics and Portuguese grammaticography.

In 2006, researchers from the University of Amsterdam and from the Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Superiores em Antropologia Social (CIESAS) in Mexico City, developing the Revitalizing Old Linguistic Documentation project, and researchers from the Center of Documentation in Linguistic Historiography of the University of São Paulo (CEDOCH/USP), working on the Documenta Grammaticae et Historiae project, joined forces, motivated by their common interest in revisiting, restoring and preserving the documentation about the American Indian languages as well as studying the Portuguese and the Spanish spoken in the Americas.

As a result of these efforts, in 2008, during the XV ALFAL International Congress, to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, besides the established lines of research of the committee, we intend to emphasize the relevance of documentary research concerning American languages. It is our main objective to exchange experiences with researchers who are developing similar projects, or that are able to present results concerning the investigation dedicated to

- a) the elaboration of corpora concerning Native American languages, vital or endangered, but also dealing with Latin American varieties of Portuguese and Spanish;
- b) the edition, re-edition, and recovery of texts (notably grammars, dictionaries, glossaries) about these languages;
- c) critical studies of these texts (keeping in mind ways of grammar construction, descriptive techniques, the treatment of metalanguage, and the like).

Those interested in joining us are invited to make contact with the undersigned by sending the subject of their work and abstract describing the main lines of their research (max. 300 words), and their institutional addresses, no later than February 29, 2008.

--Professor Dr Cristina Altman  
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262.5 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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