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An Update on the Columbia School Linguistic Society

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Seventh Institute, August 2014

The Society will hold its Seventh Institute for the Study of Form, Meaning, and Human Behavior in Language Aug. 19-21, 2014, at the New York City College of Technology (CUNY) in Brooklyn. The theme is the teaching of introductory linguistics.. Scheduled speakers include Mary Carpenter (CCNY), Ellen Contini-Morava (UVA), Alan Huffman (CUNY), Robert Leonard (Hofstra), Wallis Reid (Rutgers), and Rachel Varra (CCNY). There will also be general discussion of relevant issues. The planning committee has consisted of Tulay Altin, Eric Chambers, Andrew McCormick, Ignacio Montoya, and Nadav Sabar, with Huffman as campus coordinator and Joseph Davis also participating. For registration, and as details emerge, see the Society web site or, directly, <http://altint7.wix.com/cslsi>.

University Seminar

The principal seminar this fall will be given on Dec. 11 by Dan Everett (Bentley Univ.), tentatively beginning at 5 p.m., followed by a dinner at Faculty House.

The principal seminar of the spring was given on Mar. 28 by Bob de Jonge (Univ. of

Groningen), on “The relevance of relevance in linguistic analysis: Spanish simple past tenses.”

Other seminars this past spring included: Joseph Davis on Italian, Radmila Gorup on Serbo-Croatian, and Alan Huffman on English. Nadav Sabar gave the final seminar related to his CSLS Fellowship for the 2013-14 year, on English *any* and *some*.

Email Wallis Reid at wallis.reid@gse.rutgers.edu for dates and information about seminars, which are co-chaired by Radmila Gorup.

Twelfth Conference: 2015

The next conference will be held Feb. 14-16, 2015, at Columbia University, under the auspices of the University Seminars. Organizers are Radmila Gorup, Ricardo Otheguy, Joss Ruggles-Sackler, and Nancy Stern.

Graduate Student Fellowship

The Society has awarded its second anonymously funded research fellowship. The recipient is Nadav Sabar, a doctoral student in linguistics at the Graduate Center (CUNY), who also won the Society's first

fellowship, in 2013. Sabar has proposed an analysis of the English lexical items *seem*, *look*, and *appear*. The mentor will again be Ricardo Otheguy, who will convey the readers' and the Executive Committee's recommendations and will oversee the project in general. This year, as last, submissions were read by a panel of three members of the Society. This year, the process was open to applicants from outside the New York metropolitan area. Congratulations, Mr. Sabar! We look forward to another round of insightful analysis, both at seminar and potentially in publication.

CS News Solicited

Members are always encouraged to help us keep our web site up to date. Please e-mail Nancy Stern at nstern@ccny.cuny.edu with advance information about upcoming events such as presentations that others might wish to attend. Let us know of any publications, appointments, promotions, and awards. Links to personal web pages can be posted. Thanks to Michael Kaplan for assistance.

Discussion List

Our electronic discussion list is at <https://list.mail.virginia.edu/mailman/listinfo/csling>. For information: Betsy Rodríguez-Bachiller at b.r.bachiller@gmail.com.

Robert L. Belknap

The Society notes the passing of Robert L. Belknap, Professor Emeritus of Russian in the Department of Slavic Languages at Columbia University. When he was outgoing Director of the University Seminars, Professor Belknap facilitated the initiation of the University Seminar on Columbia

School Linguistics. At the symposium held at the University in May 2013, in celebration of the publication of a volume of William Diver's papers, Professor Belknap offered personal remembrances of his late colleague.

News from Members

Paul (Hershl) Glasser is freelancing and will be teaching Yiddish in Poland this summer. He will start on an MBA at Rutgers University this fall.

Ricardo Otheguy is Principal Investigator of CUNY-NYSIEB (New York State Initiative on Emergent Bilinguals), which works with teachers and principals to improve the education of language minority children in New York State. Ricardo has three publications in press, to appear in 2014.

Ricardo Otheguy and Nancy Stern published "Scholars and citizens: Judging the unfortunate term 'Spanglish,'" *Anthropology News*, December 2013.

Jaseleen Ruggles-Sackler completed her Ph.D. at the Graduate Center of CUNY with a dissertation titled "The Degree of Certainty System in Written Spanish in Mexico." Joss presented data related to the dissertation at several seminars at Columbia.

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