

(ARENA) government that effectively prevented relatives of war victims from pursuing retributive justice. Since then, it has been largely ordinary people participating in grassroots organizations who have taken the initiative to research the wartime past in order to foster a future that is no longer haunted by this past.

### Roseberry-Nash Graduate Student Award 2012

We invite submissions of papers for our seventh Roseberry-Nash Graduate Student Paper Award. Winners receive an opportunity to publish their papers in the *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*, and will be presented a cash award during the 2012 AAA meeting. At the time of paper submission, contestants must be enrolled in an anthropology graduate program, must not have submitted their dissertation, and include the name of one mentor. Paper must be between 4,000 and 6,000 words and written in English, French, Portuguese or Spanish. Contestants must be SLACA student members. The paper should be submitted before June 15, 2012 to Jason Pribilsky (pribiljc@whitman.edu).

Please send any comments, suggestions and ideas, including photos for future columns, to Annelou Ypeij at [j.lypeij@cedla.nl](mailto:j.lypeij@cedla.nl) or to CEDLA (Centre for Latin American Research and Documentation), Keizersgracht 395-397, 1016 EK Amsterdam, Netherlands.

## Society for Linguistic Anthropology

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### Report on the 2011 SLA Business Meeting

By James Stanlaw

The annual business meeting of the SLA in Montréal was attended by about 175 people, and proved once again to be an exciting time. Secretary-treasurer Angela Reyes began by telling us the good news: financially, the SLA is doing quite well, mostly thanks to the publishing arrangement with Wiley-Blackwell for the *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology (JLA)*. Memberships continue to be healthy: 712 as of October 2011 (up from 682 in 2010). Again, members are encouraged to have students and colleagues download *JLS* articles directly through AnthroSource as this increases both the SLA's prestige and revenue share.

Alexandra Jaffe (editor-in-chief) and Paul Garrett (associate editor) reported that the *JLA* is also doing well. The journal is maintaining its 75% rejection rate for the 75 manuscripts processed, and published 17 research papers. The August 2011 issue was a 122-page inaugural electronic special issue on "Racializing Discourses." The number of issues per year has been permanently expanded to three, with the new electronic issue at mid-year now being devoted to a single topic.

The SLA website (<http://linguisticanthropology.org>) has taken a quantum leap this past year thanks to the hard work of Leila Monaghan and Alex Enkerli. Alex has radically redesigned the site making it both more attractive and functional. Leila is being replaced as

Digital Media Editor by Chad Nilep, but she steps over to the *Anthropology News* online site as the "Language and Culture" editor.



**JLA Associate Editor Paul Garrett and Secretary-Treasurer Angie Reyes smile at the good news: the SLA is again quite solvent.** Photo courtesy SLA

The SLA Section Program Committee this year consisted of Jocelyn Ahlers (chair), and Colleen Cotter, Jennifer Dickinson, Mireille McLaughlin, Judy Pine, Robin Queen, Heidi Swank and Cala Zubair. There were submissions for 17 invited sessions, 34 volunteered panels and 46 volunteered papers. Almost all panels and papers were accepted. Of the 46 individually submitted papers, 35 were formed into six thematic sessions. For the first time this year, there was a graduate student essay contest roundtable with Miyako Inoue and Bambi Schieffelin acting as discussants.



**SLA "Web Guru" Alex Enkerli and outgoing Digital Media Editor Leila Monaghan.** Photo courtesy SLA

The 2011 SLA Graduate Student Essay Prize was awarded to Rebecca Pardo (U Pennsylvania) for her paper "There was Nothing Racial that I Said: Reality Television and the Metapragmatics of Racism." Three graduate honorable mentions went to Antonio Jose Bacelar da Silva (U Arizona) for "Dialogism in the Brazilian Black Movement's Affirmative Language Practices," Elizabeth Peacock (UC San Diego) for "Stance-Taking in a Social Minefield: Ukrainian Youth and Emigration Discourses," and Lynnette Arnold (UC Santa Barbara) for "Getting Your Hands Dirty: Participation in Ideology and Interaction at a California Bike shop." The Undergraduate Student Essay Prize went to Janet Connor (U Chicago) for her paper "National Standardization or Strength in Diversity? Language Ideological Debates in the South of France." The two honorable mentions went to Alex Warburton (U Chicago) for "That's Ama::zing, Jeremy: Parody and the Emerging Gendered Enregisterment of Creaky

Voice in American English" and Karen Kuhn (New York U) for "Portraits of the White Uniform: Linguistic Play and Cultural Symbols in a Catalan Sports-Comedy Series." Chris Ball—on behalf of committee chair Jillian Cavanaugh and members Nancy Lutz, Keith Murphy, Kate Remlinger, Shana Walton and Anthony Webster—made the award presentations.

Norma Mendoza-Denton announced that the 2012 Sapir Prize is accepting submissions for books published between mid-2010 through 2011. The deadline is April 1, 2012. From 2013 onwards this will be an annual prize.

Ana Celia Zentella reported that the 18 members of the Language and Social Justice Committee worked hard on several projects this past year, including convincing the US Census Bureau to stop using the classification "linguistically isolated," and encouraging the Associated Press to stop using terms like "illegal aliens" or "illegals" in favor of "undocumented workers."

Chaise LaDousa of the Nominations Committee reported that Niko Besnier won the AAA executive board linguistic seat, and Michelle Daveluy the AAA nominations committee linguistic seat. SLA member Monica Heller became AAA president-elect. Susan Seizer and Emily McEwan-Fujita joined the AAA's Committee on Gender Equity in Anthropology and Eric Johnson the Committee on Human Rights. Norma Mendoza-Denton took over the SLA presidency from Kit Woolard (with Paul Kroskrity becoming president-elect). Finally, Bonnie Urciuoli of Hunter College is taking my place as a contributing editor for the SLA for *Anthropology News*.

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## Society for Medical Anthropology

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### Making the Short-list and Landing the Job: SMA/NAPA Mentoring Program's Inaugural Event

By Mary Rebecca Read-Wahidi (U Alabama) and Kathleen Ragsdale (Social Science Research Center/ Mississippi State U)

SMA and the National Association for the Practice of Anthropology (NAPA) are collaborating on a joint SMA/NAPA Mentoring Program for students and early-career professionals. The program is the brainchild of, among others, SMA President Douglas Feldman (C Brockport SUNY), past SMA President Carolyn Sargent (Washington U in St Louis), NAPA President Tim Wallace (North Carolina State U) and past NAPA President Mary Odell Butler (U Maryland).

The inaugural SMA/NAPA mentoring event, "Making the Short-List and Landing the Job," was a special session at the AAA 2011 Annual Meeting in Montréal. Co-organized and chaired by Kathleen Ragsdale (SSRC/Mississippi State U) and Mary Rebecca Read-Wahidi (U Alabama), the session brought together an expert panel of senior-level academic and applied