GENERAL INFORMATION

All sessions will be held at the Marriott Oakland City Center, 1001 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94607; phone 510-451-4000. The hotel features an exercise room, heated outdoor pool and a full service business center. It’s across the street from Oakland’s Chinatown in one direction and the Old Oakland Historic District in the other.

Rooms at the Marriott are available at the special rate of $95 per night, single or double. Call 1-800-991-7249 between 6 a.m. and 11 p.m. Pacific Standard Time and ask for the “LSA 2005 Annual Meeting” rate. Reservations were subject to availability if received after December 15.

LUNCHEON: For $30 inclusive (check or cash to American Dialect Society), members and friends are welcome at the ADS Annual Luncheon to be held at Toppers, atop the Marriott, at 12:15 p.m. Saturday, January 8. The “plated” luncheon (that term means it’s served to you) is called “Sun and Sea” and includes a salad with Leaves of Butter Lettuce, Sun-dried Tomato, Roast Vegetables, Grilled Garlic Chicken and Fire Seared Prawns with Spicy Orange Vinaigrette; Bakery Rolls, Butter, Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee, Iced and Hot Teas; and for dessert, Lemon Zest Brulee Tart. It’s also available in a vegetarian version—just make your preference known in advance.

Food for thought: Speaker at the luncheon will be ADS President Michael Montgomery of the University of South Carolina: “The Voices of My Ancestors.”

Reservations: If possible, please make reservations in advance with ADS Executive Secretary Allan Metcalf at Allan@aol.com. It’s usually possible to accommodate last-minute latecomers, but advance reservations help ensure that there will be enough for all.

REGISTRATION: As guests of the Linguistic Society, we must register with them. Thankfully, ADS members may register at the LSA members’ rate, even if not LSA members. See the LSA website at www.lsaadc.org for details.

ADS registration: Additional and entirely optional, but those who attend ADS sessions are encouraged to register with the ADS Executive Secretary for $20, students $10. This helps defray the cost of our BYOB reception and earns you a distinctive decoration for your LSA badge.

BYOB Reception: After the Friday voting on Words of the Year, you’re invited to our annual Bring Your Own Book reception from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in Toppers, atop the Marriott. We’ll have tables available to display your books while you enjoy wine, cheese, soft drinks, crudités, and the view.

Words of the Year: As we have done every year since 1990, on Friday we will look back at the preceding year and choose Words of the Year, much as Time magazine chooses a person of the year—words that are new, or newly notable, or otherwise especially characteristic of the year. To
nominate a word in advance, send it to Wayne Glowka, chair of the ADS New Words Committee, at wayne.glowka@gcsu.edu. The nominating convention is at 10:30 a.m. Friday, and the final vote at 5:30 p.m. that day (see schedule below). All members and friends are invited to participate.

NOMINATIONS for ADS offices: Elections take place at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday morning. The Nominating Committee has announced the following candidates:

William A. Kretzschmar, Jr., University of Georgia: Vice President for the years 2005-06, to succeed to the presidency for the years 2007-08.

Patricia Cukor-Avila, University of North Texas: Executive Council member for the years 2005-08.

Erik Thomas, North Carolina State University: Nominating Committee for the years 2005-06.

As of December 23, the deadline for additional nominations, none had been made, so these will be the only candidates.

Future Annual Meetings: We will follow LSA to the Albuquerque Hyatt Jan. 5-8, 2006; the New York Hilton Jan. 4-7, 2007, and the Chicago Hilton Jan. 3-6, 2008.

PROGRAM

Thursday, January 6, 2005
All sessions in Rooms 210-211, Marriott Oakland City Center

Session 1: Usage, Labeling, and Lexicons, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Chair: Edward Finegan, Univ. of Southern California.


Session 2: Talkin’ and Testifyin’; Using Large Corpora, 1:00–2:30 p.m. Chair: Jesse Sheidlower, Oxford Univ. Press.


5. CANCELED “Testifyin Performance and Ideology in a Black Church.” Andrea Kortenhoven, Stanford Univ.

6. “Dialect Coding for Large Corpora.” Malcah Yaeger-Dror, Univ. of Arizona; J.P. Campbell, W.M. Campbell, P. A. Torres-Carrasquillo, and D. A. Reynolds, all of MIT Lincoln Laboratory.

Session 3: Southern Dialects—Black and White, 3:00–5:00 p.m. Chair: Beverly Flanigan, Ohio University.


Session 4: Special Presentation, 5:15–6:15 p.m.

11. Voices of North Carolina. Video that will be aired on PBS, featuring Outer Banks speech, Appalachian speech, metropolitan speech (Charlotte), Lumbee English, African American English in terms of dialects, as well as the state of the Cherokee language and Spanish. Walt Wolfram, North Carolina State Univ.

Friday, January 7

Council meeting in Room 212, Marriott Oakland City Center
Executive Council Meeting, 8:30–10:30 a.m. Open meeting; all members welcome. Presiding: ADS President Michael Montgomery, U. of South Carolina.

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Words of the Year Nominations, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon. Open meeting of the New Words committee; ADS members and friends welcome. Chair, Wayne Glowka, Georgia College and State University. This meeting reviews nominations for Words of the Year 2004. Final candidates will be identified in preparation for the vote at 5:30 p.m.

Session 5: Language Contact, 1:30–3:30 p.m. Chair: Kathryn Remlinger, Grand Valley State Univ.

15. “Spanish Dialect Contact in South Texas: Variable Subject Personal Pronoun Use by Puerto Ricans in San Antonio.” Robert Bayley, Carlos Martin Vélez-Salas, Belinda Schouten, and Norma Cárdenas, Univ. of Texas at San Antonio.

Session 6: Special Session, 3:45–5:15 p.m.: The Atlanta Survey Project. Chair: William A. Kretzschmar, Jr., Univ. of Georgia.

18. “Fixed-Format Elicitation in the Atlanta Survey Project.” Iyabo Osiapem, Univ. of Georgia,
19. “Vowel Formant Characteristics from the Atlanta Survey Project.” Mi-Ran Kim and Nicole Kong, Univ. of Georgia.
20. “Publication of Full Interviews from the Atlanta Survey Project.” William A. Kretzschmar, Jr., Univ. of Georgia.

Words of the Year Vote, 5:30–6:30 p.m.

Reception in Toppers Rooftop Ballroom, Marriott Oakland City Center
Bring-Your-Own-Book Exhibit and Reception, 6:30–7:30 p.m.
Saturday, January 8
Sessions in Rooms 210-211, Marriott Oakland City Center

Annual Business Meeting, 8:30–9:30 a.m.

Session 7: Regional Phonology, 9:45–11:45 a.m. Chair: Connie Eble, Univ. of North Carolina.
22. “Acoustic Characteristics of Utah’s card/cord Merger.” David Bowie, Univ. of Central Florida.
23. “Upper Midwest Obstruent Variation: There’s More of It Than You Might Think.” Thomas Purnell, Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison; Joseph Salmons, Univ. of Wisconsin, Madison; Dilara Tepeli, Univ. Bonn; Jennifer Mercer, Univ. of Wisconsin.

Luncheon in Toppers Rooftop Ballroom, Marriott Oakland City Center
Annual Luncheon, 12:15–1:45 p.m. Speaker: ADS president Michael Montgomery, Univ. of South Carolina. “The Voices of My Ancestors.” See above for information on menu and reservations.

Session in Rooms 210-211, Marriott Oakland City Center
Session 8: Promoting Awareness of Language Diversity, 2:00–4:00 p.m. Chair: Anne Curzan, Univ. of Michigan.
A panel co-sponsored by the American Dialect Society Committee on Teaching and by the Linguistic Society of America.