

**American Dialect Society Annual Meeting 2008
Chicago, January 3–5**

At the annual meeting of the Linguistic Society of America

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOTEL: Previously announced for the Palmer House Hilton, because it is undergoing renovation all sessions have been moved to the **Hilton Chicago**, 720 South Michigan Avenue, across the street from Grant Park and the lake. *Members who already made reservations have had them automatically transferred from the Palmer House to the Hilton Chicago.* ADS members are eligible for special LSA rates: \$104 per room per night, or \$139 a night for an Executive Room on the upper floors, with concierge service, continental breakfast, and evening hors d'oeuvres. To get these rates, identify yourself as an "LSA meeting participant" when you call 312-922-4400 or 1-800-HILTONS. For further details, go to the LSA website, www.lsadc.org.

REGISTRATION: As guests of the Linguistic Society, we must register with them. Thankfully, ADS members may register at the LSA members' rate, even if they are not LSA members: \$100 for regular members, \$40 for students, \$75 for emeriti. Deadline for preregistration at these rates is December 17. For details and to register, go to the LSA website.

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.

LUNCHEON: At 12:15 p.m. Saturday, January 5. The speaker will be **Richard W. Bailey** of the U of Michigan. His topic: "English in America: Chicago." Luncheon price: \$40. Reservations may be made in advance with ADS Executive Secretary Allan Metcalf by e-mail at americandialect@mac.edu.

Menu: Sautéed Conrad Chicken Breast Atop Wilted Spinach, with Lemon & Garlic Sauce; preceded by Traditional Caesar Salad with House Made Jumbo Croutons; followed by Creamy, Light & Lemony Cheesecake; accompanied throughout by Rolls & Butter, Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee & Assorted Teas. A cash bar will be available for other beverages.

Words of the Year: As we have done every year since 1990, we will look back at the preceding year and choose Words of the Year. The nominating meeting is at 5:15 p.m. Thursday, and the final vote at 5:30 p.m. Friday (see schedule below). All members and friends are invited to participate.

Name of the Year: At the start of our WOTY session on Friday, we will also host the American Name Society's vote on Name of the Year 2006. ADS members and friends are welcome to participate in this vote too.

BYOB Reception: After the Friday voting on Words of the Year, you're invited to our annual Bring-Your-Own-Book reception just across the hall in the Astoria Room from

6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Bring your new book or books; we'll have tables along the walls where you can display them. The reception is co-sponsored by **Duke University Press**, publisher of our journal *American Speech*, and by **Visual Thesaurus**, which will also offer complimentary annual subscriptions to ADS/LSA members.

NOMINATION for ADS office: The election takes place at the Annual Business Meeting on Thursday afternoon. The Nominating Committee (Michael Montgomery, chair; Joan Hall, Matt Gordon) proposes the following nomination:

Executive Council for the years 2008 through 2011: **Benjamin Zimmer**, editor for American dictionaries at Oxford University Press.

Additional nominations could be made by petition. However, none had been received by the December 19 deadline.

Name Society Meet and Greet Reception: Alleen and Don Nilson, co-presidents of the American Name Society, invite ADS members to that society's Meet and Greet Reception (cash bar) from 9 to 10:30 p.m. Thursday evening in the Astoria Room.

Future LSA-ADS meetings: 2009 January 8–10 **Portland** Hilton; 2010 January 7–9 Hilton **Baltimore**.

PROGRAM

Thursday, January 3

Meetings in Private Dining Room 2, Third Floor, Hilton Chicago

Executive Council Meeting, 1:00–3:00 p.m. Open meeting; all members welcome. Presiding: ADS President **William A. Kretzschmar, Jr.**, U. of Georgia.

Annual Business Meeting, 3:00–3:30 p.m.

Most of the business of the Society is conducted at the preceding Executive Council meeting, to which all members are invited (see above). This meeting hears a report on that one and also votes on the Nominating Committee's recommendation for ADS Executive Council member (see above).

Session 1: 4:00–5:00 p.m.

1. English and Danube Swabian German: Lexical Exchanges in Pre-1945 Southeastern Europe, and in the Post-1945 United States. **Ludwig Deringer**, RWTH Aachen U., Germany.

2. Cross-dialect Accommodation in Speech Production and Perception. **Chris Koops**, Rice U.

Words of the Year Nominations, 5:15–6:45 p.m.

Open meeting of the New Words committee; ADS members and friends welcome. Chair, **Wayne Glowka**, Reinhardt College. This meeting reviews nominations for Words

of the Year 2007. Final candidates will be identified in preparation for the vote at 5:30 p.m. Friday.

Name Society Meet and Greet Reception, 9:00–10:30 p.m., Astoria Room, Third Floor, Hilton Chicago

Members of ADS, and of other “Sister Societies,” are invited to this cash bar sponsored by the American Name Society.

Friday, January 4

Meetings in Private Dining Room 2, Third Floor, Hilton Chicago

Session 2: 9:00–10:30 a.m. Sponsored by the ADS Committee on Teaching. Chair: Anne Curzan, U. of Michigan.

3. What Counts as Success for a Linguistically Informed Curriculum? **David W. Brown**, U. of Michigan.
4. The Very Big Class Project: Meaningful Primary Sociolinguistic Research in Introductory Classes. **Gerard Van Herk**, Memorial U. of Newfoundland.
5. ~~Talkin’ Trash: The Course.~~ **Bethany K. Dumas**, U. of Tennessee. CANCELED

Session 3: 11 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Chair: Kathryn Remlinger, Grand Valley State U.

6. Stylistic Variation among Semi-Speakers of an Endangered Dialect of Louisiana French. **Katie Carmichael**, Tulane U.
7. An Ethnophonological Study of French in Louisiana. **Tom Klingler**, Tulane U.
8. Ethnic origin and the Relation of Montreal English to Canadian English. **Charles Boberg**, McGill U.

Session 4: 2:00–3:30 p.m. Chair: Lauren Hall-Lew, Stanford U.

9. Regional Variation and the Low-back Merger: A Study of Indianapolis, Indiana. **Deena Fogle**, McGill U.
10. The Low Back Merger in Vermont. **Julie Roberts** and **Molly Madore**, U. of Vermont.
11. *Car*-backing and Other Low-vowel Phenomena in Chicago English. **Corrine McCarthy**, George Mason U.

Session 5: 3:45–5:15 p.m. Chair: Susan Tamasi, Emory U.

12. The *stuff* of change: General Extenders in North American English. **Sali Tagliamonte** and **Derek Denis**, U. of Toronto.
13. ~~Article article article: Faithfulness Meets Well-Formedness (again).~~ **Arnold Zwicky**, Stanford U. CANCELED
14. Reneging: Hypernegation and Hyponegation in Vernacular and Regional English. **Laurence Horn**, Yale U.

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

Words in half a dozen categories as well as a Word (or Phrase) of the Year will be chosen from the slate of nominees determined at Thursday evening's meeting. Before each vote, brief statements will be invited from advocates for or against the candidates. The hour will begin with the American Name Society's vote on its choice of Name of the Year. All ADS members, ANS members, and friends are welcome to participate.

Reception in Astoria Room, Third Floor, Hilton Chicago

Bring-Your-Own-Book Exhibit and Reception, 6:30–7:30 p.m.

Co-sponsored by **Duke University Press** and **Visual Thesaurus**. See introductory information.

Saturday, January 5

Meetings in Private Dining Room 2, Third Floor, Hilton Chicago

Session 6: 8:30–10:00 a.m.

15. Reshaping Dialect Awareness. **Kathryn Remlinger**, Grand Valley State U.; **Joseph Salmons**, U. of Wisconsin, and **Luanne Von Schneidmesser**, *DARE*.

16. UP Vowels. **Wil Rankinen**, Michigan State U.

17. *Jak jest Twój angielski?* The Pronunciation of English in Hamtramck, Michigan. **Megan Firestone** and **Emma Giese**, Michigan State U.

Session 7: 10:30 a.m.–12:00 noon.

18. Settlement Patterns and the Eastern Boundary of the Northern Cities Shift. **Aaron J. Dinkin**, U. of Pennsylvania.

19. Written American Dialects. **Jack Grieve**, Northern Arizona U.

20. Fast Talkers Versus Slow Talkers: Speech Rate across Dialect, Generation, and Gender. **Joseph Salmons**, U. of Wisconsin; **Ewa Jacewicz** and **Robert Allen Fox**, Ohio State U.

Luncheon in Astoria Room, Third Floor, Hilton Chicago

Annual Luncheon, 12:15–1:45 p.m. Speaker: **Richard W. Bailey**, U of Michigan. Topic: English in America: Chicago.

(See introductory information. Make luncheon reservations in advance with Executive Secretary Allan Metcalf, americandialect@mac.edu.)

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Session 8: 2:00–3:30 p.m.

21. Frequency, Phonological Variation, and Lexical Exceptions: Evidence from Mexican American English. **Robert Bayley** and **Brandon Loudermilk**, U. of California, Davis.

22. Chicano English in Southern California in its Broader Cultural Context. **Fredric W. Field**, California State U., Northridge.

23. African American English in Central Pennsylvania's Lower Susquehanna Valley: Regional Accommodation. **Jennifer Bloomquist**, Gettysburg Coll.

Session 9: 4:00–5:30 p.m.

Panel: Re-examining Language Data in the Study of American English Dialects. (18)

Panelists: **Tyler Kendall** (chair), Duke U.-North Carolina State U.; **Todd Cooper**, Univ. of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; **Christine Mallinson**, Univ. of Maryland, Baltimore County, and **Walt Wolfram**, North Carolina State U.