

Dear Alumni and Friends,

The purpose of this newsletter is to let you know about the life and work of alumni, about the work of faculty, about the state of the department as I see it, and most important, to keep in touch with people who shared a considerable portion of their lives with us. Some of you went on to teach and to do research in academic institutions, other work in industry or in government jobs, and still others went on to pursue advanced degrees. We note with pleasure that regardless of the type of employment, many of our alumni not only use the knowledge and skills they acquired at CU, but also contribute to new knowledge. With great pleasure, we acknowledge that in their professional lives, our alumni go beyond what we, as faculty, were able to offer. Here are some of the achievements of our Ph.D. alumni as I was able to gather from the notes you sent us (in alphabetical order):

Immanuel Barshi (MA 1991, Ph.D.1997) has recently published a book that provides guidance to graduate students on ways to combine applied work with theoretical work at a low cost.

Eunil Kim (Ph.D. 1992) has been elected President of the Korean Association of English Language and Literature.

Adam Hodges (Ph.D. 2008) edited a volume, *Discourses of War and Peace*, published in 2013 by Oxford University Press.

Robert Koops (Ph.D. 1990), who recently published *Grammar of Kuteb*, is working on a Kuteb Dictionary.

Lal Zimman (Ph.D. 2012), **Jenny Davis** (MA 2007, Ph.D. 2013) and **Joshua Raclaw** (MA 2008, Ph.D. 2013) just won the 2014 Ruth Benedict Book Prize, granted by the American Anthropological Association, for their new edited volume, *Queer Excursions: Rethorizing Binaries in Language, Gender, and Sexuality* (Oxford University Press).

Georgia Zellou (Ph.D. 2012) is now Assistant Professor of Linguistics at the University of California in Davis.

As you will see from the Alumni Notes, our MA graduates have been able to find jobs where they use the skills acquired in the program and often pursue advanced degrees. Graduate research in the department is supported by grants that faculty receive and by the Graduate Research Fund that helps students with hiring research subjects, fieldwork, and presenting papers at national and international conferences.

We currently have a highly enthusiastic group of students, eager to engage in research, capable of contributing to the field of linguistics and capable of applying their knowledge in a variety of nonacademic endeavors. Two of our current PhD students,

Faculty Notes

Andrew Cowell has received a joint grant from the National Science Foundation and National Endowment for the Humanities to produce a lexical database and dictionary of the Arapaho language. His book "Arapaho Stories, Songs and Prayers" came out this year from University of Oklahoma Press.

Zygmunt Frajzyngier published the following articles in 2014:
Frajzyngier, Zygmunt. 2014a. Functional syntax in historical perspective. In *Routledge Handbook of Historical Linguistics*. Claire Bowern and Beth Evans (eds.), 308-325.
Frajzyngier, Zygmunt. 2014b. The limitative anaphors. In Kraska-Szlenk, Iwona and Beata Wójtowicz. *Current research in African Studies. Papers in Honor of Mwalimu Dr. Eugeniusz Rzewuski*. Warsaw: Elipsa, 93-106.
Frajzyngier, Zygmunt. 2014c. What motivates morphological copying? A review article of Martine Vanhove, Thomas Stolz, Aina Urdze, and Hitomi Otsuka. (eds.) 2012. Morphologies in contact. *Journal of Language Contact*, 7.2. 392-407.

In June 2014, Zygmunt participated in the June workshop of the CORTYPO project at LLACAN in Paris. Together with Roger Prafé and **Megan Schwabauer**, a linguistics major student, he has been preparing electronic and hardcopy versions of the Hdi-English-French Dictionary. All entries in the electronic copy are linked with sound recordings and some are linked with photographs.

During the 2014-2015 academic year, **Laura Michaelis** is a faculty fellow in CU's Center for Humanities and Arts, writing a book-length work that applies a formalized version of Construction Grammar, called Sign Based Construction Grammar, to the study of grammatical innovation. In spring of 2014, she w1 0 0 1 4500478(p)-3(ro)-mtiootee to 2the an

THANK YOU TO ALUMNI AND FRIENDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

There is always a need for funds to support academic departments. As we strive for the best opportunities for our students, we depend on the caring and generous nature of alumni and friends like you to meet ever increasing financial needs. If you would like to contribute to the Linguistics Department, please visit the departmental website at www.colorado.edu/linguistics/donate and click on the link for the fund you wish to support. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

Nine Students Choose the Thesis Option to Complete the MA Degree

For the academic year 2013-2014, the thesis option for the Masters degree has once again proven to be a popular choice among Linguistics MA graduate students with 9 students researching, writing and defending an MA thesis. The following MA students successfully completed the MA thesis requirement with the advice of a faculty advisor and two committee members:

Ksenia Bogomolets *"Acoustic correlates of Arapaho prominence"*, Professor **Andy Cowell**, Advisor.

Keri Griffith *"Strategies to Undo Markedness: The LGBTQ Use of Heteronormative Script and Social Injustice Narratives at a Civil Union Meeting"*, Professor **Kira Hall**, Advisor.

Mariah Hamang *Language Through the Body: The*

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Plethora of Linguistics Circle Talks

The Department of Linguistics had the good fortune to host numerous Linguistics Circle Talks this past academic year. Linguistics Circle is a colloquium /workshop series sponsored by

Alumni Notes

Sean Allison (Ph.D. 2012) lives in Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada. He is an Assistant Professor at the Canada Institute of Linguistics (CanIL) on the Trinity Western University Campus in Langely, BC where he teaches courses in Syntax and Semantics and Topics of Morphology and Syntax. He will teach Survey of Linguistics Theories in spring of 2015. He is the language development coordinator for Makary Kotoko (Chadic, Cameroon) and is the linguistic consultant for SIL Cameroon. He is a member of SIL and Wycliff Bible Translators. His current research is in exploring the discourse functions of aspects of morphology and syntax of Makary Kotoko, along with a study of what linguists of different ilk consider to be the goals of linguistics.

Immanuel Barshi (MA 1991, Ph.D.1997) has recently published his doctoral dissertation in a book entitled *Misunderstandings in ATC Communication: Language, Cognition, and Experimental Methodology*, Ashgate, publisher. The book was co-authored by Candace Farris whose contributions resulted from her MA Thesis.

Meg Billings (BA 1979) completed an MA in TESOL at UCLA following graduation from CU. She was an ESL teacher at Kanda Institute of Foreign Languages in Japan for two years and a foreign lecturer in Waseda University for four years. She is now working at a private independent high school in the Pacific Northwest, pioneering their international program and directing the ESL program.

Steven Bryner (Minor 2008) lives in Glenwood Springs, Colorado and is the owner of STU Enterprises, a marketing and Adventure Center, Glenwood Canyon Resort, City of Glenwood Springs, among many others.

Jacey Cargill (BA 2014) following graduation, began working for a translation company, LUZ, in Lafayette, Colorado. She is the project coordinator with a team that supports their biggest language experts from all over the world, use foreign language, and learn more about business. She says that she satisfies her radio program that she get can her hands on.

Eleanor DePuy (MA 1977) reported the sad news that her husband passed away from leukemia in March 2013 and that her son, Dave, is battling advanced gastric cancer. She volunteers as a victim advocate for the Boulder Police Department and is a respite companion for a shut-in. She and her daughter, Nancy, live in the same house that was purchased by them when they moved to Boulder in 1963.

Julia Fisher (MA 1993, Ph.D. 1998) was on sabbatical from Coker College, in Hartsville, South Carolina, for the spring semester, 2014, and conducted a study of memory processes for therapeutic horseback riders, with special attention to autistic children. The work was accepted for a presentation at the International Congress for Applied Psychology in Paris in July. She continues to ride in 50 mile endurance races with her Arabian mare and passed the 1000 mile mark in competition miles on September 20 at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville NC. She returned to work at Coker College this fall.

Gail Georgeson (MA 2011) has been teaching in the Program for Writing and Rhetoric at CU since graduating. She has taught international students in First Year Writing and has enjoyed working with the diverse group of students on a variety of writing and rhetorical skills. Since she has a background in law (J.D. George Washington University) she has had the opportunity to teach an upper division class on legal reasoning and writing. Students have participated in arguments based on current legal issues.

David Hankin (BA 2013) has begun classes at UT Law this fall. He had been working as a butcher in Santa Monica, California, for the past year. He says he misses college dearly.

Eunil Kim (Ph.D. 1992) is a professor at Pukyong National University in Korea. Eunil was elected President of the New Korean Association of English Language and Literature for a one year term.

Mary Kirchman Range (MA 2014) is working in the Chicago area as a Translation Project Manager at a company that does organizational development surveys, called Human Synergistics International. She makes sure that their products are translated into over twenty languages consistently and accurately.

Robert Koops at the Gallup branch of the University of New Mexico for 7 years, but he now teaches the course online. He has been working on a dictionary of Kuteb to follow his grammar of Kuteb (Benue-Congo, Nigeria) that was published a couple of years ago. He consults on Bible translation projects in Nigeria and teaches Navajo reading and is learning to speak Navajo.

Holly Krech (Ph.D. 2004) is currently a professor in the Psychology Department at Bethany College in Kansas. She teaches, among other things, Cognitive Psychology and Statistics. She and her husband, Benjamin, have four children, ages 3 to 7, and they live in a 110 year old house near the church where her husband works. She says that their days are filled with home improvement projects and

Mark Kulkin (BA 2001) began a full time job in the CU library system following graduation, but moved to Rhode Island in 2005. He assists in the administration and management of the Blais Family Library on the Worcester campus of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences University. He was married in 2007 and has a five year old son. He loves to spend time with his family. He still collects

Dr. Alan Bell. He

LINGUISTICS EVENTS SCHEDULE
Upcoming events in the Department of Linguistics, including Linguistics Circle Talks, are listed on the website at www.colorado.edu/linguistics/talks. Linguistics Circle Talks are usually held on alternate Mondays from 4:00-5:30 p.m. and will be held in Hellems 267 for fall 2014. Refreshments are served.

has found, after collecting thousands of words over many years, that speech errors always occur only a few syllables

GRADUATES 2013-2014**BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE**

Austin Alverson
 Nikkia Ballantyne
 Andrea Boyd
 Chelsea Buchler *magna cum laude*
 Stephanie Burroughs
 Jacey Cargill
 Jobi Carter *with distinction*
 Hayley Coniglio *with distinction*
 Janette Cottrell
 Meghan Damour
 Alison Dearborn
 Kathleen Flaherty
 Mary Frongillo
 Keegan Funderburk
 Margaret Godsil
 Erin Greenhalgh *with distinction*
 Benya Horowitz *with distinction*
 Lindsey Hullinger *with distinction*
 Sean Kelly
 Alexander McBroom
 Austin Miller
 Tara Moriarty
 Elena Norman *with distinction*
 Jennifer Page
 Tu Phan
 Christopher Sawyer
 Crystal Schablitzky *with distinction*
 Kerra Schroeder
 William Schutze Jr
 Megan Smith
 Darya Tarasova
 Hilary Terrell *with distinction*

CONCURRENT BA/MA

Alexei Bazhenov
 Dillon Ekle *with distinction*
 Silver Kang *with distinction*
 Irina Vagner *with distinction*



**CONGRATULATIONS
TO ONE AND ALL!**

