Baptism of Links & Letters

Links & Letters 1, which deals with Topics in Linguistics, was presented to society on May 27th 1994. Representatives from the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, (Vice-rector de Serveis, Dr. Jordi Berrio), Servei de Publicacions (Sr. Josep M. Riera, Sr. Carlos Alonso), Deganat of the Facultat de Lletres (Dr. Guillermina Cenoz and Dr. Josep M. Brucart), Editorial Board, students and friends joined together to usher our new offspring into the world. Words of welcome were pronounced, songs of joy were sung, opportunities to win grand prizes (i.e., back copies of the old Anuari d'Anglès) were organized, and finally a cava and cheese aperitif ended the event on a happy note.

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Recent Research

Publications

Our colleague, Aránzazu Usandizaga, has recently published *Amor y literatura*. La búsqueda literaria de la identidad femenina, (Barcelona: Promociones y Publicaciones Universitarias, SA, 1993). This book, which has been awarded a prize by the Ministerio de Cultura, analyzes the role of female characters in Western literature.

Our colleague, Guillermina Cenoz, together with her husband, Fernando Huerta, who teaches in the Schools of Journalism and Translation, have together prepared a Spanish language edition of Ivy McClelland's Spanish Drama of Pathos 1750-1808. This book is due to appear in March 1995, published by Liverpool University Press.

James Nolan, who is a visiting lecturer from the United States, has published two recent books. He has translated, edited and written the introduction to Longing: Selected Poems of Jaime Gil de Biedma, (San Francisco: City Lights Books, 1993) and he is the author of Poet-Chief: The Native American Poetics of Walt Whitman and Pablo Neruda, (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 1994).

A Catalan translation of poems by some of the leading British, Irish and American poets of this century has recently been published by Edicions 62. Among the translators are our colleagues Anna Campillo, Hortènsia Curell, Joan Curbet, Josep Ma Jaumà, Mireia Llinàs, Sara Martín, and Esther Pujolràs. D. Sam Abrams (ed.), *Poesia anglesa i nord-americana*, Barcelona: Edicions 62, 1994.

Theses

During 1993 two theses were read in the area of literature and culture.

Núria Ribera Górriz, Anais Nin. Writing as a Waking Dream.

Felicity Hand, Translated People. A Sociocultural Analysis of Asians in Great Britain and a Study of British Responses to Post-War Migrants from the Indian Subcontinent.

Forthcoming Events

Culture and Power

On 21st & 22nd September 1995 the English Department is organizing a two-day symposium on Cultural Studies with the theme «Culture and Power». Contributions are welcome on any aspect of British or American culture. For further information and enquiries please contact:

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Forthcoming Issues of Links & Letters

Issue 3 Pragmatics

Issue 3 will contain articles by leading specialists in the field of Pragmatics. Topics dealing with Context, Formal Pragmatics, Relevance Theory will be included. There will be an interview with Jef Verschveren on Pragmatics: The State of the Art, a commented bibliography on Pragmatics and reviews of recent books in this field.

Issue 4. Literature and Neo-Colonialism

Issue 4 will be devoted to literature and neo-colonialism, which may be considered to cover quite a large section of the globe, including the former British colonies and not forgetting Ireland. We welcome articles on writers from these countries but we also understand neo-colonialism in the broadest sense of the word.

Masters Degree in Applied Linguistics and English Language Teaching

With the inauguration of the Masters Programme in Applied Linguistics, in September 1991, the Departament de Filologia Anglesa i Germanística at the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona is now able to offer further opportunities for postgraduate study. This Masters Degree is the result of a departmental initiative to respond to the frequently voiced need for higher level professional training in language teaching methodology, and to extend departmental research interests into the theoretical issues relating to the teaching and learning of foreign languages.

The programme consists of a core of obligatory subjects covering fundamental issues in applied linguistics, plus a selection of optional subjects offering more specialised insights into various areas. Course titles include Classroom Observation, Second Language Acquisition, Methodology, Stylistics, Structure and Use of English, Third Generation Tasks, Sociolinguistics, Survey of Methods, Culture and Literature, Phonology, Classroom Research, Discourse Analysis, Research Methods, Cognitive Psychology and Language Learning, Cross-Cultural Management and Innovation, and English for Specific Purposes. However, since the Masters Degree is entirely self-financing, the question of accountability to participants' professional and academic needs is of particular importance, and suggestions offered by participants themselves are a useful contribution to determining the development of the programme. For this reason, the existing range of courses is not to be regarded as definitive, and it is intended that the programme contents will evolve in line with current trends and accumulated feedback and experience.

The programme brings together a group of teaching staff not only from the Departament de Filologia Anglesa i Germanística but also from other departments of this university, from other institutions in Barcelona, and from overseas. For practical reasons, and in recognition of the fact that participants are actively working as teachers in and around Barcelona, the degree is organised as a part-time study programme, and extends over two years. This format has the advantage of allowing participants to use their teaching contexts as a testing ground for methodological innovations, and as a source of ideas to be developed in the various written assignments which contribute to the academic assessment of the various courses.

Intended candidates are practising teachers of English at BUP, COU, and university levels, working in either private or state centres, either in general or special English language teaching. Further information can be obtained by contacting:

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Article: Manuscripts submitted as articles should have a length between 15 and 20 pages including notes, references, and all graphic material.

Book review: Book reviews must not exceed 4 pages and should be related to the topic of the issue.

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A letter, word, phrase, or sentence cited as a linguistic example or subject of discussion appears in *italics*. Phonetic (IPA) or phonemic transcription should be enclosed in brackets or slant lines. A gloss and a translation must accompany examples from languages other than English.

(1) Zij moet appels eten. She must apples eat She must eat apples

(2) Amáyí á mwáná uyu á-ma-mu-zûnza mother of child this SM-habit-OM-mistreat The mother of this child mistreats him

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c) For articles in books:

HOCKETT, Charles F. (1964). «The proto central Algonquian kinship system». Goodenough, W. (ed.). Explorations in cultural anthroplogy, 239-258. New York: McGraw-Hill.

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