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# SGL Newsletter

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## Reports and News

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### GLAC 2003

The ninth Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference took place at SUNY Buffalo, 25–27 April 2003. David Fertig and Robert Hoening did an excellent job of organizing GLAC. There were fifty-four papers given, with a considerable international participation (seven papers from outside the US). Invited speakers were Molly Diesing, Jay Jasanoff, and Theo Vennemann.

### Diebold Prize

The Diebold Prize, awarded annually to the student submitting the best paper based on a GLAC presentation, was won in 2003 by Thomas McFadden of the University of Pennsylvania with a paper entitled “On the Pronominal Inflection of the Germanic Strong Adjective”. A total of eight submissions were received. Congratulations to the winner and thanks to the adjudication committee: Sarah Fagan, John te Velde, and Robert Kyes!

### Elections

Elections to the Executive Committee for terms beginning in 2004 took place in Spring 2003. Sarah Fagan was elected as President, while David Fertig was elected and Joe Salmons reelected as Members-at-Large. We extend hearty thanks to Elly van Gelderen for excellent service as President of the SGL over the last three years. Thanks also to Greg Iverson, whose terms as Member-at-Large ended in Dec. 2003.

Marc Pierce is a member of the Executive Committee for a one-year term in 2004 as the representative of the Executive Committee of the Discussion Group for Germanic Philology of the MLA.

Nominations were solicited for two Member-at-Large positions on the Executive Committee for terms beginning in 2005, replacing Jeannette Denton and Mark Southern. Three candidates stood for election (closing date for ballots: April 20<sup>th</sup>) and the results will be announced at the Annual Business Meeting in Ann Arbor, May 8th.

### Announcements

#### Journal of Germanic Linguistics

Mark Loudon is stepping down after his five-year term as Editor of the *Journal of Germanic Linguistics* at the end of this year. The Executive Committee solicited applications for the positions of Chair of the Editorial Committee and Reviews Editor for the journal, and is pleased to announce that it has selected Robert W. Murray of the University of Calgary as Chair and Richard Page of Pennsylvania State University as Reviews Editor to five-year terms.

We are all grateful to Mark, who oversaw the transition to publishing of the journal by Cambridge University Press, for his excellent work as Editor. Many thanks are also due to Sarah Fagan, who has been Reviews Editor since 1995.

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## GLAC 10/SHEL3

The tenth Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference will take place from May 7-8 at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, as the site of GLAC 1 a most appropriate location for our tenth anniversary. This year, GLAC is being twinned with SHEL (Studies in the the History of the English Language), which sets an exciting precedent for future collaborative activities. SHEL 3 papers begin on Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup> and end on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Organizers are Robin Queen (GLAC) and Anne Curzan (SHEL). Lesley Milroy (University of Michigan) and Carol Pfaff (Freie Universität Berlin) are giving the plenary lectures at GLAC.

### Agenda Business Meeting

The Business Meeting of the Society for Germanic Linguistics will take place on Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 p.m. The Agenda for the Business Meeting is tentatively set as follows:

1. Minutes from the meeting 2003
2. Reports:
  - Elections
  - Finances
  - Journal
  - GLAC 10
  - Newsletter
  - Bylaws
  - Diebold Prize 2003
3. Future meetings
4. Maintenance of SGL website

### Future Meetings

The eleventh Germanic Linguistics Annual Conference will take place at UC Davis. GLAC 12 is set for the University of Illinois.

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