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Newsletter of the Linguistic Society of Papua New Guinea

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Linguistic Society Annual Prize

The closing date for 1984 entries is 24th March, 1984. K50.00 is offered for the best written contribution to language studies within PNG. The paper must be original, at least 2,000 words long and written by a PNG citizen. It may be written in English, Pidgin or Motu.

Send entries to:

Secretary Linguistic Society of PNG P.O. Box 418 Ukarumpa via Lae

Pacific Languages: Directions for the Future

The University of the South Pacific and the East-West Centre will be jointly sponsoring a Pacific-wide conference in Vila, Vanuatu - July 1984. The aim of this conference is to make basic information available on the linguistic situation in each part of the Pacific. It will be directed towards Pacific Islanders in responsible decision-making positions with respect to the crucial importance of language as it relates to identity, pride, culture and development issues. It will involve primarily Pacific Islanders with interests and experience in these areas and some non-Pacific Islanders who will be invited to participate, or be granted observer status.

News from the University of the South Pacific

Terry Crowley took up the position of Coordinator of the Pacific Languages Unit (PLU) at USP in the second semester of 1983. Terry has been teaching "Introduction to Language Studies" to students in Vanuatu.

Solomon Islands, Kiribati and Cook Islands by correspondence and satellite hook-up. In the second semester this year the PLU will be offering a course entitled "Introduction to Language and Society". During the summer the following full credit courses will be run:

Translation Techniques - in Vanuatu and Tuvala - taught by Robert Early and Andy Gallman, SIL.

- Kiribati - Shelly Harrison, Univ. of W.A.

Workshop on Vernacular Curriculum Development - Vanuatu - John Lynch

1984 Congress

The 18th Annual Congress of the Linguistic Society will be held at the University of Technology in Lae. It will again be held in two sections:

Linguistics: 3,4,5 July TESL Workshop: 4,5,6 July

The Annual General Meeting of the Society and the conference dinner will be held on Thursday 5 July.

The theme for the conference will be "Language and Society". (Papers on other topics will be accepted).

Would people who would like to attend the conference or present a paper please fill in the form on the next page and return it to:

John Swan
Department of Language and social Science
University of Technology
P.O. Box 793
Lae

Participants are advised that they should try to make their own arrangements for accommodation, meals and transport. Limited accommodation may be offered on campus. Please contact John as soon as possible if you would like to take advantage of this.

STOP PRESS!! We are pleased to welcome Ger Reesink, SIL, as the editor for Volume 15 of Language and Linguistics in Melanesia.

1984 Congress Registration Form	
Name: Address:	
I would like to attend: Linguistics Conference TESL Workshop	
I would like to present a paper at: Linguistics Conference TESL Workshop (Tick appropriate boxes)	
Title of paper:	
Short abstract of Paper:	