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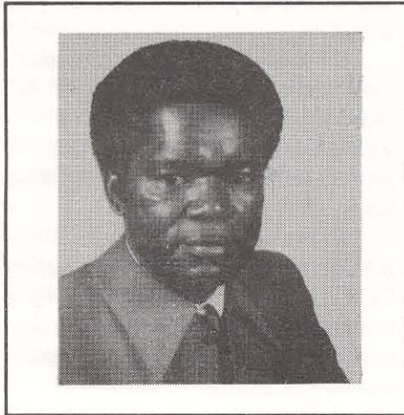


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Greetings from the Director...



Professor Eyamba Bokamba

It is indeed a great pleasure to have this opportunity to send you greetings from this office and to inform you about some of the major developments that have occurred in your *Alma Mater* in recent months.

As you learned in the fall issue of this newsletter, Prof. Braj B. Kachru retired in August 1991 as Director of DEIL and returned to full time teaching in the Department of Linguistics. I succeeded him as Director. The major aims of my administration are three-fold: (1) to secure a *de jure* departmental status for our unit, (2) to increase the integration of the Intensive English Institute into DEIL by coarticulating the teaching, research, and administration of the two programs, and (3) to build the over-all curriculum of DEIL (i.e., including the Institute) to a position of pre-eminence in the country by eventually offering a doctoral program in second language acquisition with particular emphasis on English as an international language.

These objectives will be achieved by building on the excellent foundation laid by Professors Braj and Yamuna Kachru in the past seven years.

Developments that have already occurred in this regard include a proposal to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for the *de jure*, instead of the current *de facto*, departmental status, increased integration of the administration of DEIL and the Institute at all levels, hiring of a second secretary in the Institute, promotion of faculty research interest in the teaching and learning that take place in the Institute, hosting of the nationwide administration unit for university and college intensive English programs (UCIEPS), and the forthcoming renovation of the DEIL/IEI Language Laboratory with state of the art instructional computer equipment this summer. There is also a plan under way to appoint an Assistant Director for the Institute and a DEIL/IEI Language Laboratory Director this fall.

A number of other plans, including the expansion of special Institute summer programs in EFL for overseas institutions in Africa, Asia, and the former Eastern Europe, and the extension of DEIL linkages for internships with institutions in these regions are also under consideration and make for a very exciting future.

Since you are in the field where English is being "consumed" daily, your suggestions as to what type of programs may serve you or your country's needs best within the envisaged developments here will be most welcomed. So, please write to us.

Faculty Update

Professor Braj B. Kachru gave the Annual Humanities Lecture of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Humanities Council on April 14. The title was, "World Englishes: Agony in Ecstasy."

Professor Larry Bouton was a plenary speaker at the Annual AFinLa Conference at the University of Oulu, Oulu, Finland, last November. The title of his presentation was "Culture, Pragmatics, and Implicature."

Professor Fred Davidson presented "Designing an 'Intelligent' SLA Research Computer Database" at the Theory Construction and Methodology in Second Language Research Conference at Michigan State University last October.

Professor Wayne Dickerson has an article, "Orthography as a Pronunciation Resource," as Chapter 12 of *Teaching Pronunciation: A Book of Readings*, Adam Brown (Ed.), Routledge, 1991.

Professor Molly Mack is the organizer of the first Neurolinguistics Colloquium ever to be held at a AAAL Conference. Professor Mack's contributions to the Division include chairing the SLATE Colloquium Series, the DEIL Admissions Committee, and the DEIL Awards Committee.

Professor Numa Markee has had his book, *Innovative Curricula*, accepted for publication by Oxford University Press.

Professor Mary Temperley has an article, "The Articulatory Target for Final -s," included in Chapter 15 of *Teaching Pronunciation: A Book of Readings*, Adam Brown (Ed.), Routledge, 1991.

Alumni Update

Lin Lougheed (1973) is living in Washington, DC. He is President of Instructional Design International, and a materials writer.

Winston Priest (1973) — formerly listed "among the lost" in our "Whatever Happened To..." feature — reports that he has been living in Japan since 1974. He is working as an editor for Time-Life Books and other publishers.

Bill Pech (1975) is Director of Curriculum and an instructor in the International English Language Institute at Western Washington University. The Institute's special relationship with Japan takes Bill there twice a year. He and his wife, Nancy, live in a rural setting with one horse, two dogs, two cats, four children, and fifteen ducks!

Linda Reingardt (1977) is with the English Language Institute at the University of Pittsburgh. She is currently on leave, teaching in Czechoslovakia with USIS.

Bob Erickson (1978) is at Keio University in Japan. He writes that he has fond memories of his days at Illinois, and that he enjoys reading about his old friends in *DEILing You In*. He also passes along the information that "the ESL job situation in Japan is very tight these days."

Tom Callaghan (1978) has taught English around the world, including Saudi Arabia and the Philippines. He is now settled in Chicago where he lives with his wife, a former IEL student from Iran, and their three-year-old daughter. He is now a policeman for the Windy City!

Rick Burnson (1980) is a Faculty

Associate at the University of Wisconsin at Madison. He teaches and administers programs for international teaching assistants.

The University of Missouri at Columbia is under a definite DEIL influence. Three alumnae, **Nancy Price (1980)**, **Susie Sullivan-Tuncan (1988)**, and **Irene Juzkiw (1975)** are all teaching ESL in their English Language Support Program. Irene is the Director of the program.

In addition to teaching ESL, **Kristin Lems (1983)** has continued her singing career in the Chicago area. She and her folksongs, which currently are "mostly for children," were highlighted in a recent *Chicago Reader* article.

Tim Collins (1987) is working with National Textbook Company. He lives in Chicago.

Christine Olson (1990) has returned to Illinois from Spain, where she was teaching ESL. She is now living in Libertyville.

Nobuko Chikamatsu (1990) is in SLATE at UIUC. She is teaching Japanese, and recently helped organize an All-Campus Language TA Meeting.

Victor Brown (1991) is teaching English as a Second Language in Saudi Arabia.

From the Editors

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at the 1992 TESOL Convention in Vancouver. We enjoyed renewing DEIL ties, and catching up on everyone's latest news.

In this issue of *DEILing You In*, we have included an information form for you to fill out. If you have not been in touch with us recently, we urge you to complete this form and send it to us. We are anxious to confirm addresses and to keep up to date on you and your activities.

It has been particularly difficult for us to locate and confirm addresses for those of you who are overseas. We would like to echo Dr. Bokamba's encouragement to write to us and let us know what you are doing.

As always, we also solicit comments on and ideas for features in *DEILing You In*. We hope that this newsletter will serve not only to keep you informed about your classmates and former professors, but also to stimulate you in your professional endeavors.

Best wishes,

Laura D. Hahn, Editor

Wayne B. Dickerson, Consulting Editor

Whatever Happened To...?

Aurea Pereira (1968)
Brenda Kent (1971)
Sami Samra (1973)
Margaret Saidane (1976)
Patrick Cox (1978)
Miguel Angel Pabón (1979)
Juris Laing (1987)

We have lost track of these DEIL alumni.
If you know where anyone is, please let us know!

Alumni Textbooks

Several DEIL alumni have recently published textbooks or have contributed articles to ESL texts. We have heard about the following of late:

Wendy Hyman (1986) is a co-author (with her sister, Lori Diefenbacher) of *Singing U.S.A.: Springboard to Culture* published this year by Heinle and Heinle. The book combines pronunciation exercises and songs with readings on American history and culture.

Neil Heyen (1982) has co-authored a pre-intermediate level business English text entitled *Ready for Business*, published by Longman in 1990.

Several other DEIL alumni have written articles for the *Vistas* series, a set of ESL notional/functional textbooks. The editor is H. Douglas Brown, a former director of the

Division. Contributors to this series include **Tony Silva** (1981), **Amelia Kreitzer** (1983), **Bradly Reed** (1984), **Nancy Schaefer** (1984), **Jean Svacina** (1983) and **Kathy Varchetto** (1983). The *Vistas* series was published this

year by Prentice Hall Regents.

DEIL congratulates these and other alumni who have been successful in such challenging endeavors.

Graduate Student Awards

The Division is pleased to announce the graduate student awards for 1992. Recipients of the awards will receive a certificate, as well as a cash award of \$100. In addition, their names will be engraved on a plaque placed in the Division office. The awards and their recipients for 1992 are:

The DEIL Peter Strevens Award for Academic Excellence
Jim McCullough

The DEIL Silver Anniversary Award for Excellence in ESL Teaching
Julie Hutchin

DEIL is enthusiastic about the valuable contributions these individuals have made to the Division, and to the field of EIL. A Peter Strevens Award Fund has been established at the University of Illinois Foundation for those who are interested in making a donation that would support these awards. The address is University of Illinois Foundation/224 Illini Union/1401 W. Green Street/ Urbana, Illinois 61801.

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Alumni Update Form

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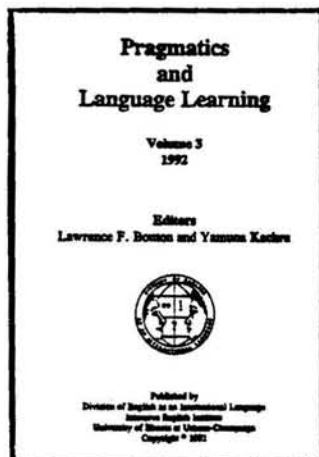
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1991 - 1992 DEIL Alumni Committee:

Laura Hahn
Wayne Dickerson
Eyamba Bokamba
Laurie Blakely

Addresses of other DESL/DEIL graduates you know, especially recent changes:

Pragmatics and Language Learning



Pragmatics and Language Learning consists of papers selected each year from those presented at the annual conference sponsored by the Division of English as an International Language and the Intensive English Institute at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Its editors are Larry Bouton and Yamuna Kachru. The purpose of this monograph series is to serve as a forum for research into the pragmatics of the language learning process (especially English) and to encourage the interaction of scholars involved in pragmatics and in language pedagogy in a common effort to increase the level of communicative competence achieved in the language classroom. Individual papers may focus on any of the following or related topics:

1. the contributions of pragmatics to our understanding of what we mean by communicative competence
2. research into specific facets of English discourse
3. contrastive pragmatics
4. analysis of discourse patterns found in the language classroom

Pragmatics and Language Learning is published each spring. You are welcome to submit articles for consideration, and to purchase copies of the journal. Copies can be obtained at a cost of \$8.00 each by writing to: Editors, *Pragmatics and Language Learning*, DEIL, 3070 Foreign Languages Building, 707 South Mathews, Urbana, Illinois 61801.

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