

# SIG NEWS/BUSINESS

**PM online!** This is the first online issue of *Pragmatic Matters*. The fall issue will be online as well, and in the Spring you'll get a hard copy. We hope you enjoy the enhanced features of online *PM* –longer articles and more graphics!

**PragSIG goes Swedish** Several PragSIG members made presentations at the International Pragmatics Association Conference in Göteborg, Sweden. These members include Yuriko Kite, Donna Fujimoto, Jack Barrow, Tim Greer, Debra Occhi, Donna Tatsuki, Sayoko Yamashita, and Megumi Kawate-Mierzejewska.

**A great mini-conference** was held jointly by Prag SIG, TOL SIG, the Graduate College of Education at Temple University Japan Campus, and JALT Tokyo and West Tokyo Chapters on June 24. Curtis Kelly, Sayoko Yamashita, Rieko Matsuoka, Eric Skier, Julia Harper-Tanaka, and Naoko Yamaga made presentations.

**Mark your calendars** for October sixth. Prag SIG, GILE SIG, CUE SIG, Teacher Education SIG, the PALE SIG, the Pragmatics Society of Japan, and the Osaka JALT Chapter will be holding a conference entitled Gender and Beyond at Temple University Osaka. **Janet Holmes** will give the opening plenary. Watch this website for further news: <http://jalt.org/groups/GALE>

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