

# SIG NEWS/BUSINESS

**Reminder:** The next issue of *Pragmatic Matters* in the spring of 2009 will be a print edition.

The **Pragmatics SIG Annual General Meeting** was held on Saturday, November 1, during the JALT 2008 Conference in Tokyo. Officers for the coming year were (re)elected and included two new officers: Mark Holst as Publicity Coordinator and Sybil Armstrong as Newsletter Editor. Calls for Papers for up-coming PragSIG-related conferences were announced (see below for details), followed by officers' reports. Also, there was some discussion regarding a proposed third volume of Pragmatic Resources series. A theme and an editor are needed. Any takers out there? PragSIG welcomes your input and contributions!

## Call for Papers:

Temple University Japan Applied Linguistics Colloquium 2009, February 8<sup>th</sup>, at Temple University Japan campus in Tokyo. Co-sponsored by the JALT Tokyo Chapter and the Pragmatics SIG. Deadline for submission of abstracts is December 15, 2008. For more information, please contact Megumi Kawate-Mierzejewska at [mierze@tuj.ac.jp](mailto:mierze@tuj.ac.jp)

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual PanSIG Conference 2009, May 23-24 at Toyo Gakuen University, Nagareyama campus, Chiba. Jointly-sponsored by nine JALT SIGs including PragSIG. Deadline for submissions of abstracts is February 15, 2009. For more information, go to the PanSIG web site <http://pansig.org/2009/>

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