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Message from the incoming chair:

Welcome to the Winter 2010 Ethno/CA newsletter,

I'm very pleased to join you as the new chair for our section. Given the theoretical underpinnings and substantive focus of our area I hardly need remind our members that this section only exists in the contributions of its members and their ongoing activities. I hope that you will not hesitate to contact me with your ideas about how we can grow our membership, continue to reward and otherwise support rigorous, intellectually sound scholarship, and attract and mentor new generations of scholars. And of course I also hope that you will respond as generously and positively as you can when one section officer or another contacts you about contributing to the running of this section. We have been very fortunate to have so many wonderful members contribute their time and energy to this section already; I hope that we can build on that tradition by involving even more of you in section activities in the years to come.

I am pleased to note that the call for papers for the 2011 conference (*tentatively scheduled* August 13-16) is now out (see the call in the newsletter); the deadline for submissions is January 13, 3pm EST; I hope you will start planning now. Please also encourage your graduate students to submit their work. Our sections are great places for everyone to publicize research and to get feedback on work in progress. I should add that in the past we have been able to use the number of high quality submissions our section receives as a basis for persuading the ASA to provide us with additional sessions. We need your submissions to make that work!

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Submissions for the next issue
(Spring / Mar-Apr)
should be sent

By: March 19, 2011

To: Geoff Raymond
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ASA/EMCA SECTION - Annual Meeting 2011

ASA 106th ANNUAL MEETING 2011:
Social Conflict: Dimensions and Arenas

Section on Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis

1. Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis

Session Organizer: *Virginia Teas Gill*,
Illinois State University

2. Section on Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis

Roundtables (one-hour). This
roundtable will be devoted to discussing
new or in-progress research; the panel is
open to all participants, though we
especially encourage submissions from
graduate students and recent PhDs.

Session Organizer: *Geoffrey Raymond*,
University of California-Sant Barbara

Submissions: **DUE January 13, 2010**
http://www.asanet.org/meetings/Call_for_Papers.cfm

Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis **Melvin Pollner Prize in Ethnomethodology**

This award honors the intellectual spirit and memory of Melvin Pollner and will be given to an outstanding book, article, or chapter that addresses issues relating to ethnomethodology in the inclusive sense reflected in Pollner's intellectual and research concerns. Publications from 2005-2009 are eligible for the award. Nominations should be submitted **no later than December 31, 2010** and should include

- 1) Full bibliographical information on the nominated publication;
- 2) A link to a web site where articles and/or chapters can be downloaded, a PDF copy of the manuscript, or a hard copy of the manuscript (copies of books need not be submitted with the initial nomination); and
- 3) A brief description of the publication's special contribution and how it reflects the spirit of the award

Send Pollner Prize nominations to: Rich Hilbert
rhilbert@gustavus.edu

JUST RELEASED BY THE ASA:

American Sociological Association to Move 2011 Annual Meeting From Chicago

Decision to Relocate Meeting a Response to Labor Dispute in Chicago Hotels

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 15, 2010 - The American Sociological Association (ASA) announced today that it will move its 2011 Annual Meeting from Chicago in response to a labor dispute involving hotels in the city, including those that had been scheduled to host the meeting. "A very protracted labor dispute between the service workers of UNITE HERE Local 1 and Chicago hotels has been taking place and there is no end in sight," said Sally T. Hillsman, ASA's Executive Officer. "Without any sign of an imminent resolution, the ASA Council voted unanimously to move the meeting from Chicago because ASA cannot guarantee that the facilities and environment necessary for a successful meeting will be available."

The Annual Meeting had been scheduled to take place from Aug. 13-16 at the Hilton Chicago and the Palmer House Hilton. ASA is currently involved in negotiations for an alternative site for the 2011 Annual Meeting and plans to announce the new location in the next few weeks. "ASA is exploring several exciting possibilities with an emphasis on minimizing disruption to everyone's plans," said Hillsman, who noted that the meeting will still take place in mid August, though the exact dates may change slightly.

The decision to move the meeting has not been an easy one," Hillsman said. "But, there was little alternative if we were to ensure the success of the meeting for all participants." Hillsman emphasized that it was essential for ASA to make the decision to relocate now, while there is still time to secure a first-rate site for the meeting. "We have waited as long as possible to see if the contract situation would be resolved in deference to our successful past partnerships with the city of Chicago and its hotels," Hillsman said. "Nine months from now, the labor situation could very well be resolved, but we aren't willing to take that risk. It simply would not be fair to our members." The contracts between Chicago union hotels and UNITE HERE Local 1 expired August 31, 2009. Since then, there have been 11 bargaining sessions, but contract negotiations have stalled. As scheduled, ASA still plans to hold its 2011 Annual Meeting in Chicago. "We look forward to returning to Chicago in the near future," Hillsman said.

To see the press release, visit:

http://asanet.org/press/ASA_2011_Annual_Meeting_Relocation_Press_Release.cfm

EMCA SECTION Announcements

WELCOME ... cont'd from page 1

As I have indicated to you in my last mail, this is also key time of the year for the administration of our section. The ASA's membership count (which determines our budget and session allocations for the annual meeting) takes place in December. It is important to renew your membership *before* the end of the year (this will also prevent you from being dropped from the ASA's mailing list). It's also good time to begin thinking about nominations for our sections awards: What book has made the most important contribution to our member's research? Does one of your graduate students have a paper that can be shaped up for submission to the Graduate Student Paper award? For information on where to submit nominations, see the section on "announcements" on this page.

I look forward to the next 2 years; I am very fortunate to be taking over a well-organized and very active section. We've been fortunate to enjoy the leadership provided by our outstanding co-chairs these past 2 years: Angela Garcia and Jack Whalen. I look forward to working close with them (and the other past chairs), the rest of our section officers, and you -- our members -- in making the most of this time. I'd very much appreciate your help in tackling the many challenges our section faces, and of course I look forward to sharing the many successes and achievements you will make possible during this time.

Yours sincerely,
Geoffrey Raymond
Associate Professor of Sociology,
UCSB

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(Spring/Mar-Apr) should be sent

By: March 19, 2010

To: Geoff Raymond
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Deadline for ALL EMCA Section Award(s) Nominations is
March 1, 2011!

Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis **Lifetime Achievement Award**

This award recognizes those who have made distinguished lifetime career contributions to the fields of ethnomethodology and/or conversation analysis. To nominate an individual for this award, please submit the following:

- 1) A letter detailing the nominee's contributions to EMCA;
- 2) Relevant supporting materials, including a list of the nominee's publications; and
- 3) At least two additional external letters speaking to the person's contributions and impact on the field(s)

*Send Lifetime
nominations to:*

Geoff Raymond
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Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis **Distinguished Publication Award**

This award recognizes an outstanding publication contributing to ethnomethodology and/or conversation analysis. The 2011 award will be given to a **book**. Eligible books for the 2011 award must be published between 2008 and 2010, inclusively. Authors can submit their own publications, or nominations can be made on their behalf. To submit a nomination, please email full bibliographic information on the publication.

*Send Publication
nominations to:*

Steve Clayman
clayman@soc.ucla.edu

Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis **Graduate Student Paper Award**

This award recognizes an outstanding paper written by a graduate student. Submitted papers should address ethnomethodological and/or conversation analytic topics and literature and should read well as stand-alone papers. Maximum length is 10,000 words. Published papers or those that have been accepted for publication are not eligible. Co-authored papers are acceptable as long as all authors are students. All identifying references to the author(s) should be removed from submissions. A total of \$300 is available to offset convention travel expenses for winning student(s).

*Send Graduate Student
[nomination] papers to*

Angela Garcia
agarcia@bentley.edu

Recap from ASA Atlanta 2010



*Ethnomethodology and
Conversation Analysis section's*
**Lifetime
Achievement
Award**

Emanuel A. Schegloff

The current and past chairs of the Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis section have unanimously selected Professor Emanuel A. Schegloff to receive this section's highest honor: the Lifetime Achievement Award. This award acknowledges Professor Schegloff as one of the founders of Conversation Analysis, and recognizes his prolific and singularly profound contributions to research in this area, and to the Social Sciences and Humanities more generally. From his earliest papers (some of which he co-authored with his late colleagues Harvey Sacks and Gail Jefferson) to his recently published landmark volume, *Sequence Organization* (2007), Schegloff has pioneered the method of analysis and substantive area for which this section is (in part) named. His analyses of the basic organizational contingencies that co-interactants must jointly confront, and his careful descriptions of the practices, and systems of practices (such as turn taking, sequence organization, repair, and so on), through which they are routinely managed, have provided an extremely generative and remarkably stable framework for the generations of scholars who have explored this domain over the past 40 plus years. Through his often witty and always elegantly composed articles and lectures he has done more than any other person to identify the basic dimensions of interaction as a, or perhaps *the*, "fundamental embodiment of sociality," and thus as "the infrastructure for social institutions, the natural ecological niche for language, and the arena in which culture is enacted." By any measure he has fashioned a truly remarkable body of work - one richly deserving of this Lifetime Achievement Award.

* The text of the talk accompanying the award's delivery at the conference was not available for inclusion in this newsletter. The current chair composed this brief appreciation in its place.

Outgoing Chair's report:

2009-10 was another productive year for our section, with exciting and very well attended sessions at the annual meeting and an effective awards program. We enjoyed various positive developments:

Election: An election for a new chair, new secretary/treasurer, and two new Council members was held. A transition between the new and existing Section officers was made and celebrated at the Business & Council meetings in Atlanta.

Chair-Elect

Geoff Raymond, University of California - Santa Barbara

Secretary/Treasurer

Erik Vinkhuyzen, Palo Alto Research Center

Council Members

Doug Maynard, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Robert Dingwall, University of Nottingham

Section Sessions: Our well attended section sessions included three sessions organized by Mercedes Rubio, an invited session organized by Tanya Stivers, and an open session in Ethnomethodology organized by Michael Lynch.

Section Reception: We planned and held a very successful and well-attended Section reception at the 2010 meetings. The reception was held off-site at an establishment near the conference hotel.

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Recap from ASA Atlanta 2010

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2010 Distinguished Publication Award

Committee: Esther Gonzalez-Martinez (chair), Robert Dingwall and Jack Whalen.

The committee received eleven nominations for the award. After reviewing the nominated articles, the committee selected

Watson, R. (2009), "Constitutive Practices and Garfinkel's Notion of Trust: Revisited", *Journal of Classical Sociology*, 9(4), pp. 475-499.



Rod Watson's text "Constitutive Practices and Garfinkel's Notion of Trust: Revisited" offers an illuminating presentation of Garfinkel's classic 1963 text on trust. It takes a critical look at the very abundant literature produced in recent years on the topic of trust, and shows to what extent Garfinkel's work is still profoundly original and relevant. Far from being satisfied with a rigorous conceptual discussion, Watson's work outlines new and innovative ways to empirically study trust once the phenomenon is respecified. In his article, Watson demonstrates his mastery in revisiting current sociological debates based in his profound understanding of the ethnomethodological perspective and his extensive knowledge of classic philosophical and sociological thinking. Avoiding preformatted scientific rhetoric and presentation models, Watson's article preserves ethnomethodology's original radicalism. It thus exemplifies intellectual principles that Watson has embodied and promoted consistently and rigorously throughout his work.

2010 Graduate Student Paper Award



Committee: Virginia Gill (Chair), Steve Clayman, and Nick Llewellyn,

Winner:
Kobin Kendrick
Ph.D. candidate, Department of Linguistics,
University of California, Santa Barbara

"Evidential Vindication in Next Turn:
Using the Retrospective 'See?' in Conversation,"

This paper exemplifies the finest attributes of conversation analytic research. It explicates a previously unexamined practice in interaction, namely the use of "see" with rising intonation. It examines a wide range of instances of this practice ranging from simple and straightforward to more complex, and develops an account of what this practice accomplishes and how it participates in developing sequences of action.

In a nutshell, the practice claims that a viewpoint that was earlier treated as contentious or objectionable has now been vindicated or proven by whatever has just taken place. The claim of evidential vindication is thus one instance of what Schegloff has termed a retro-sequence initiator, in that it launches a sequence from a responsive or second position. However, unlike the more familiar type of retro-sequence initiator - namely the next-turn repair initiator - the retrospective "See?" targets not the prior turn in isolation, but rather the relationship between the prior turn and some earlier "provable" for which the prior ostensibly stands as evidence.

The analysis is highly sophisticated and elegantly developed. It advances our understanding not only of this particular practice, but also of retro-sequence initiators as a generic category of action. Well done!

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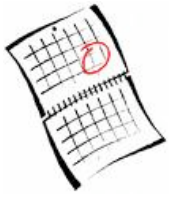
Bylaws: The section voted to approve a bylaws change relating to the Lifetime Achievement award committee. At the 2010 Council meeting it was suggested that we add a graduate student member to the Section Council. This would require a change in the by-laws.

Membership Drive: We continued our ongoing efforts to solicit new members, and to encourage members to renew their section memberships for the coming year. We cooperated with the Social Psychology Section in a mutual advertising campaign to encourage members of each section to add the other section as well.

Council and Business

Meetings: The co-chairs led the section's business and council meetings at the 2010 meeting.

Mel Pollner Prize: This year the section, with the assistance of Mark Peyrot who volunteered to spearhead the solicitation of donations, successfully added a significant amount of money to the fund for the Pollner Prize, a new section award which is made possible by a generous donation from the Pollner Family. A committee has been established to administer the Pollner Award, and they have been reviewing applications. They expect to present the first award at the 2011 annual meetings.



WHAT'S ON CALENDAR

CALL (S) FOR PAPERS/SUBMISSIONS

Workshop on Language, Interaction and Social Relations
April 7th-10th, 2011 University of Toronto, Mississauga

Plenary Speakers

Phillip Angermeyer, York University

Galina Bolden, Rutgers University

Michael Lempert, University of Michigan

Danielle Pillet-Shore, University of New Hampshire

This workshop will provide an interdisciplinary forum for scholarship focused on the intersection of language form, interactional structure and social relations. Possible frameworks or analytic traditions may include, but are not limited to: Conversation analysis, discourse analysis, linguistic anthropology and sociolinguistics. We welcome abstracts from graduate students and faculty working in the areas of Anthropology, Applied Linguistics, Education, Linguistics, Psychology, and Sociology.

Submissions should address one of the four workshop sub-themes:

(1.) Interactional openings, (2.) Addressing the other, (3.) Oratory and public address, (4.) Translation and translators -Mediators in interaction

Abstracts must be: submitted in .doc, .pdf, or .txt, format; no more than 500 words long and should not include the author's name or any other identifying information. Papers will be selected based on evaluation of the anonymous abstract. Deadline for submission and receipt of abstracts is **February 7th, 2011**. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Submissions should be sent as attachments to an email to the following address: Lisrconference@gmail.com

The body of the email should contain the following information: Author name(s), Affiliation(s), Paper Title, Proposed sub-theme.

ASA 106th ANNUAL MEETING 2011:

Social Conflict: Dimensions and Arenas

Section on Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis

1. Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis

2. Section on Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis Roundtables (one-hour)

Submissions: **Due January 13, 2010**

For additional details, see the full announcement on page 2, or visit:

http://www.asanet.org/meetings/Call_for_Papers.cfm

THE 17TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON LANGUAGE, INTERACTION, AND SOCIAL ORGANIZATION
May 12-14, 2010 - at the University of California, Santa Barbara

Plenary Speakers

Virginia Teas Gill, Illinois State University (Sociology)

Julia Menard-Warwick, University of California, Davis (Linguistics)

Jennifer Roth-Gordon, University of Arizona (Anthropology)

The LISO conference promotes interdisciplinary research and discussion in the analysis of naturally occurring human interaction. Papers will be presented by national and international scholars on a variety of topics in the study of language, interaction, and culture. The papers primarily employ analysis of naturally occurring data drawing from methodologies that include conversation analysis, discourse analysis, ethnographic methods, ethnomethodology, interactional linguistics, and interactional sociolinguistics. We welcome abstracts from graduate students and faculty working in the areas of Anthropology, Applied Linguistics, Cognitive Science, Communication, Education, Linguistics, Psychology, and Sociology.

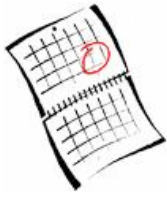
Presenters will have either*: (a) 20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for discussion, or (b) 25 minutes for a data session (small group presentation/discussion of research and data).

** to be determined by the abstract review committee*

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstracts must be submitted via the online abstract submissions system (<http://linguistlist.org/confcustom/liso2011>) Abstracts must be submitted in .doc, .pdf, .txt, or .odt format. Abstracts must be no more than 500 words long and should not include the author's name or any other identifying information. The abstract should include the following: (1) a clear statement of the main point or argument of the paper; (2) a brief discussion of the problem or research question with reference to previous research and the work's relevance to the area of study; (3) a short piece of data to support the main point or argument; (4) conclusions and/or implications of the research, however tentative. In the case of an abstract longer than 500 words, only the first 500 words will be read. Papers will be selected based on evaluation of the anonymous abstract. **Deadline for electronic submission and receipt of abstracts is January 15, 2011.** Late submissions will not be accepted. Notification of acceptance or non-acceptance will be sent via email by March 31, 2011.

For additional information, please visit: <http://www.ucsbisoconference.org/>
 Questions can be sent to: LISOconference@gmail.com



WHAT'S COMING UP

... AT A GLANCE ...

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DEADLINE: December 31, 2010
Last Day to Renew ASA (EMCA)
Membership

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Deadline: December 31, 2010
Mel Pollner Prize Nominations

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Deadline: January 13, 2011
ASA 2011 Submissions

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Submission Deadline: January 15, 2011
UCSB - Conference on Language, Interaction
and Social Organization (LISO-GSA)

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Submission Deadline: February 7, 2011
Workshop on Language, Interaction and Social
Relations
University of Toronto, Mississauga

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Deadline: March 1, 2011
ASA 2011 Section Awards/Nominations

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Deadline: March 16, 2011
National Communications Association,
Language & Social Interaction (NCA-LSI)
Division Annual Meeting (*opens Jan 10, 2011*)

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Conference on Language, Interaction and
Social Organization International
University of California, Santa Barbara
May 12-14, 2011

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Language and Social Interaction International
Communication Association
Boston, Massachusetts
May 26-30, 2011

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12th International Pragmatics Conference
University of Manchester
July 3-8, 2011

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10th Conference of the International Institute
for Ethnomethodology and Conversation
Analysis
University of Fribourg, Switzerland
July 10-14, 2011

CONFERENCES, SEMINARS, & WORKSHOPS

**The 17th Annual Conference
on Language, Interaction, and Social Organization (LISO)**
May 12-14, 2011 - the University of California, Santa Barbara

The theme is, "Interaction, Embodiment, and Materiality."

The conference is co-sponsored by the LISO Graduate Student Association at UCSB, and the Center for Language, Interaction, and Culture at UCLA.

(see the CFP for conference details) or for more information visit:
<http://www.ucsbliisoconference.org>

12th Annual Pragmatics Conference
July 3-8, 2011 - the University of Manchester

Special theme: "Pragmatics and its Interfaces"

The conference is open to ALL OTHER PRAGMATICS-RELATED TOPICS as well (where pragmatics is conceived broadly as a cognitive, social, and cultural perspective on language and communication).

http://ipra.ua.ac.be/main.aspx?c=*CONFERENCE2006&n=1339

**10th Conference of the International Institute for
Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis**

**10th Conference of the International Institute for
Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis (IEMCA)**
July 10-14, 2011 - University of Fribourg, Switzerland

<http://www.iemca-conference.org/>

The conference aims to promote the study of practical action and social interaction and to provide an international forum for researchers working within the domains of Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis.

Four plenary lectures will be given by:

Christian Heath (Kings College London)
Doug Maynard (University of Wisconsin-Madison)
Wes Sharrock (University of Manchester)
Marja-Leena Sorjonen (University of Helsinki)

Our special thanks to **Paul ten Have** (<http://www2.fmg.uva.nl/emca/EMCA.htm>) for providing some of this information

S p o t l i g h t P u b l i c a t i o n s



Job Listings of Possible Interest

Michael Flaherty is the author of a forthcoming book, *The Textures of Time: Agency and Temporal Experience* (Temple University Press, 2011). In this book, he examines how we alter or customize our experience of time and formulates a theory of agency. His analysis concerns the etiology of temporal experience through empirical study of the relationship between determinism and self-determination. This study reveals the different strategies we use to manipulate time along six dimensions: duration, frequency, sequence, timing, allocation, and stealing time.

Using in-depth interviews with people from all walks of life, Flaherty unearths folk theories and practices, which he calls "time work," that we use to construct circumstances in order to provoke desired forms of temporal experience. As such, time is not just inflicted on us; rather, its various textures result from our agentic intervention or efforts to create different forms of temporal experience. These first-person accounts highlight ongoing tensions between agency and determinism in social groups. The strategies he describes reveal the profound and inventive ways in which we manage our experience of time.

The University of Alaska Fairbanks seeks a teacher/scholar at the rank of associate professor/senior assistant professor/chair in intercultural communication/diversity. This tenure-track position begins August 2011. Ph.D. in communication required with a record of peer-reviewed publication and evidence of effectiveness in teaching, and in academic leadership applicable to chairing the department, as well as of ability in mentoring graduate students and directing M.A. thesis research. Also required: five years experience teaching at the university level. To get a sense of the UAF department and its people, visit www.uaf.edu/comm. For more information about Fairbanks, visit www.fairbanks-alaska.com.

The school of communication and information at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, invites applications for positions in the Department of Communication. The Department of Communication seeks applications from scholars whose work, informed by theory and research in the areas of human communication technologies, organizational communication, interpersonal communication/social interaction, and health communication, relates to the school-wide foci and departmental faculty synergies in the areas of Community, Connections, and Collaboration. Applications should be submitted in electronic format no later than December 20, 2010. Submit to: <http://comminfo.rutgers.edu/communicationsearch2011>. For more about the Rutgers-School of Communication and Information, see: <http://comminfo.rutgers.edu>.

2011 Section Membership Form

For ASA membership information and to join -or- renew online:
http://www.asanet.org/cs/root/leftnav/join_or_renew/join

2010 ASA Membership Dues:

- ___ Regular: \$26 - \$189
(sliding scale, based on income)
- ___ Associate: \$45
- ___ Student: \$20
- ___ Emeritus: \$45
- ___ International: \$45

Mail to:

**Membership Services
American Sociological Association
1430 K Street, NW - Suite 600
Washington DC 20005**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____

_____ I am an ASA member and want to join the Ethnomethodology and Conversation Analysis Section. Enclosed is a check for \$10.00 for 2010 section dues (\$5.00 for students). Make checks payable to **American Sociological Association** (Please put "EMCA Section Dues" on the memo line of your check).