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WASHINGTON STATISTICAL SOCIETY



A CHAPTER OF THE

AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION

http://washstat.org/

To the Washington Statistical and Data Science Community:

Do you work with or are you interested in data - how to get it, what can and should be done with it using statistical or data science tools, and how to assess and communicate what information it provides? Do you live or work in the metropolitan Washington DC area? If the answers to these questions are "yes," we encourage you to join the Washington Statistical Society (WSS). The WSS is one of the largest chapters of the American Statistical Association (ASA) and extremely active with over 900 members from government, academia and the private sector. WSS offers opportunities to:

- Learn through seminars and workshops and continuing you own statistical education.
- Socialize through networking with colleagues, and
- Engage in service by increasing the level of quantitative literacy in area schools, and motivating and developing the next generation of statisticians.

This year we are emphasizing the theme "Let's get together!" and highlight these quarterly opportunities for the WSS statistical and data science community:

| Quarter | Learn | Socialize | Service |
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| 3 2018 | DC-AAPOR conference | Informal meet and greet at JSM | Sign up as a mentor or mentee |
| 4 2018 | Hansen Lecture, Leadership Workshop | Hansen Lecture Reception, Annual Holiday Party | Enlist in quantitative literacy activities |
| 1 2019 | President's Invited Lecture | President's Invited Lecture Reception | Volunteer at Science Fairs |
| 2 2019 | Cox Award Seminar | Annual Dinner | Award competition judging |

The mentoring program and various receptions help to build relationships and community. The technical seminar program and short courses foster learning in our statistical workforce in a variety of topics, including for example data science and statistical computing, education, and demographic statistics. Our newsletter (*The WSS News*) and our website washstat.org provide announcements and descriptions of forthcoming events, volunteer opportunities, and listings of job opportunities.

If you have any questions about membership or participation in the WSS, please e-mail me at tomkrenzke@westat.com. I hope you will take this opportunity to fully engage in some of the diverse activities WSS has to offer. Let's get together in 2018-19! Sincerely,

Tom Krenzke WSS President, 2018-2019

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

WSS organizes and sponsors technical programs which are free to interested people (members or nonmembers). Some sessions are general in nature; others are more specialized and focus on technical issues of interest to more narrow subgroups of the membership.

Several sessions are offered each year at convenient locations in the metropolitan area. Many of our seminars are available via remote access. They are usually presented on workdays during daytime hours. Notices of the **WSS** technical sessions appear in the **WSS** Newsletter.

In 1991, **WSS** initiated the Morris Hansen Lecture, an annual event that centers on a special presentation by a distinguished statistician. This talk is followed by a reception.

SHORT COURSES

WSS offers several short courses each year. Some are developed especially for WSS; others are based around videotaped versions of ASA Continuing Education events. Attendance at these events is usually limited and a nominal fee is charged.

ANNUAL SOCIAL EVENTS

There are two regularly scheduled **WSS** social events per year, providing opportunities for members to socialize in a relaxed ambience. First is the holiday party held in December. The other is the annual dinner held in June. At the dinner, election results are announced and special awards are presented. These fee events are announced in the Newsletter well in advance.

QUANTITATIVE LITERACY

Committed to **ASA**'s quantitative literacy goals for pre-college students and the community at large,

WSS rewards outstanding statistical work at area science fairs, sponsors a written project competition for the Curtis Jacobs award (http://washstat.org/awards/#jacobs), provides volunteers for career days, and judges posters in the annual ASA competition (http://amstat.org/asa/education/ASA-Statistics-Poster-Competition-for-Grades-K-12.aspx).

OTHER ACTIVITIES*

Other Society activities include:

- Employment column in the Newsletter
- Sponsorship of an outstanding graduate student
- from each of the area's universities for a
- one-year membership in the ASA and WSS
- Gertrude Cox Award for outstanding
- contributions by a young statistician
- Julius Shiskin Award for outstanding
- achievement in economic statistics
- Curtis Jacobs Memorial Award for outstanding
- statistical projects
- Roger Herriot Award for Innovation in Federal
- Statistics
- Jeanne E. Griffith Mentoring Award
- Wray Jackson Smith Scholarship
- Student travel award to the JSM
- Statistics Education Program Committee seminars/activities.

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MEMBERSHIP

WSS has two types of membership:

FULL -- which is open only to persons who are members of the **American Statistical Association** (ASA).

ASSOCIATE -- which includes all benefits of regular membership except the right to hold office.

Many associate members are active in other professional societies. Their interests in the statistical programs in the metropolitan area often tie in with their profession.

TO JOIN WSS

FULL MEMBERSHIP

Not currently an ASA member: You must join the ASA. Go to ASA homepage at www.amstat.org and click on Join. You will then have the option of downloading an application or applying directly online. Then, check the box for Washington Statistical Society (listed under DC) in the Local Chapters membership area on the application.

Already an ASA member:

- Click on Login near the top of the page at www.amstat.org.
- Choose "My Account", then "My Membership", then "Add Publications, Chapters or Sections", then "Choose Your Chapter(s)".
- Under "District of Columbia", choose "Washington Statistical Society".
- Select an online payment option.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

(for non-ASA members)

MAIL-IN OPTION:

- Complete the application form in this flyer.
- Enclose a check for your dues in the amount of \$10.00 (or \$3.00 for full-time students) for calendar year membership.
- Mail it to WSS.

ONLINE OPTION:

 Access the online form at http://washstat.org/joinus.html and follow the instructions or scan the barcode below.



To join WSS as an Associate Member, please complete this form and mail it with your dues payment, or follow the online option above where there is a PayPal option for payment.

| Email: |
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| Address: |
| Employer (optional): |
| Job Title (optional): |
| Phone: |
| Please be sure to include your e-mail address you can receive the WSS newsletter and othe important announcements. |

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^{*}Some of the awards are co-sponsored by other organization