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NEWS LETTER - DECEMBER, 1967

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SYSTEMS RESEARCH

Quietly, without fanfare, our wily Administration has slipped into the Federal Octopus a whole new Department -- the U.S. Department of Transportation. A major component is the Bureau of Public Roads, and a major activity is traffic research -- a critical subject to commuters. Also transportation research. The approach is systems- and statistical methods-oriented. This is a chance to learn some of the statistical research this spanking new Department is doing.

All of the participants are members of the Office of Research and Development, Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Transportation.

Chairman: William Wolman.

Speakers: Burton Stephens, "Experimental route guidance."

David Solomon, "Traffic control systems research."

Joseph Hess, "Freeway control systems research."

Harry Weingarten, "Analysis of functions of transportation."

WHEN AND WHERE: Tuesday, December 12, 8 p.m., Conference Room B, Inter-departmental Auditorium, Constitution Ave. between 12th and 14th Sts. N.W.

PARTY - PARTY

The WSS will host a party for ASA, 8 p.m., December 26, Diplomat Room, Shoreham Hotel. This is the first night of our Annual Convention. Cash bar, free food, free music, gemuetlichkeit. This is the time and place to entertain your out-of-town guests. As the largest (and of course best) chapter of ASA, lets offer graciousness to our fellow members and a good time to them and ourselves.

Present program plans and advance registration indicate that this will be the largest joint convention ASA has ever participated in. The need for volunteer services by Society members will be very serious. We earnestly hope that you will respond en masse to the enclosed HELP flyer.

(OVER PLEASE)

D.C. Government, Office of Criminal Statistics. The Congress has authorized and appropriated funds for an Office of Criminal Statistics in the D.C. Government. A Director for this new program, GS-15, is now sought. His principal task will be the development and installation of a crime information and analysis system encompassing all agencies involved in the administration of criminal justice in D.C. — primarily police, courts, and corrections. Please contact John Richardson, D.C. Management Office, Room 526 District Bldg., 142 & Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004.

RECON, INC. needs statisticians and OPS searchers and analysts for systems design, development, implementation for M.I.S., modeling, gaming, simulation, and statistical processing. Salaries to \$16,000. Two to ten years prior experience required. Contact Personnel Manager, 7979 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, Md. 20014, phone 657-2766.

Notices for inclusion in future issues should be sent to Mrs. Marie D. Eldridge, Office of Statistical Programs, Bureau of Finance and Administration, Post Office Department, 425 2nd St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20269. Forms outlining the items to be included in the Notice are available from Mrs. Eldridge. No phone announcements, please.

VERY IMPORTANT NOTICE: Reserve Thursdays in January and February, fee seminar series on subjective probability -- what many of us have been reading about for years and never quite understood. R. Jeffrey, S.W. Greenhouse, H. Raiffa, W. Edwards, P.C. Fishburn. \$30. A fabulous deal. Full details later. Start softening your boss up now. Joint with TIMS.

NB, NB: As everyone knows, the Annual Convention of the American Statistical Association is this year in Washington, Shoreham Hotel, Dec. 26-30. It is a monster convention, being held jointly with over a half dozen other profesional societies. We already know that thousands will be here. Even if you are not staying at the hotel, our national office begs, implores, beseeches you to PLEASE REGISTER IN ADVANCE. This will greatly shorten our waiting lines, lessen our work (for which we are depending on you —— see enclosed flyer), and be much more convenient for you. Please send in the pre-registration form that was sent to you in October. If misplaced, phone or write to ASA for another, 810 - 18th St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006, phone 393-3253.

WHO'S WHO, AND WHY: The Washington Center for Metropolitan Studies is compiling a directory of organizations and individuals conducting sociological and related research on the Washington metropolitan area or any component thereof -- now, in the coming year, or in the past three years. Qualifications for entry into the directory are very wide. If you think you have something in-scope, please write to Stanley K. Bigman, Washington Center for Metropolitan Studies, 1717 Massachusetts Ave. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Don't be bashful. Write and let him decide.

AWARD: Persons age 35 or under are reminded of the WSS Award for achievement by young professionals. Obtain entry form from Washington Statistical Society, c/o American Statistical Association, 810 - 18th St. N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006.



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Volunteers are needed in a wide variety of operations and services such as information, press relations and publicity, registration, conference monitoring, and liaison with VIP's.

Whether you can serve as little as a half-day or as much as the entire period, December 26-30, please let us know now.

Call

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P.S. Most organizations do permit and encourage staff participation in these meetings.