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W.S.S. Newsletter—June 1980

*Note Time Change

Topic:	Recent Trip to China by Government Statisticians and Economists
Speakers:	Courtenay Slater, Janet Norwood, Chuck Waite, Shirley Kallek
Time & Place:	Wednesday, May 28, 1980; Session—3:15 - 4:45 p.m., Cash Bar—4:45 - * 5:30 p.m., Holiday Inn, Rosslyn, 1850 N. Ft. Myer Drive, Arlington, Va.

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Topic: Update on the Survey of Income and Program Participation
Speakers: Charles Lininger and John Coder
Time & Place: Monday, June 9, 1980, 12:30 - 2:00 p.m., Department of Labor Auditorium, Main Floor Center

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Topic: Statistical Concepts and the State of the Economy
Speaker: Janet L. Norwood
Time & Place: Luncheon Session sponsored by the Society of Government Economists (SGE), Reservations required. Wednesday, June 11, 1980, Cash Bar—12:00 Noon, Luncheon—12:30 p.m., Empress Restaurant, 1018 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

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Topic: Time Series Analysis, a short course sponsored by the Washington Statistical Society and co-sponsored by the George Washington U. Department of Statistics
Given By: Michael R. Grupe, William P. Cleveland, David A. Pierce
Time & Place: Four two-hour sessions: June 17, 24 and July 1, 8 at the George Washington University from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. (Registration Required—Fee: \$5.00)
The course will cover a description of time series; time series models; model fitting; forecasting; and special topics.

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ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Speaker: Dr. Lincoln Moses, Administrator, Energy Information Administration
Date and Time: Thursday, June 12, 1980, Cocktails (Cash Bar)—6 - 7:30 p.m.; Buffet Dinner—7:30 p.m.; Program (Guest Speaker's Speech and Presentation of Julius Shiskin Award)—8:30 p.m.
Location: Commissioned Officers' Mess, Washington Navy Yard, Gates at 9th & M Sts., S.E., Building 101, Washington, D.C.
Cost: \$9.50 per person (including tips, etc.)
Buffet Menu: Roast Beef, Fried Chicken, Baked Lasagne, Salad, Vegetable, etc.

Please make checks payable to the Washington Statistical Society and mail to Jim Carpenter before June 4, 1980.

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Jefferson, MD 21755

Social and Demographic Statistics

Topic: Update on Survey of Income and Program Participation
Speakers: Charles Lininger, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Department of Health and Human Services; and John Coder, U.S. Bureau of the Census
Discussant: Milo Sunderhauf, Office of Federal Statistical Policy and Standards
Chair: Marvin Thompson, U.S. Bureau of the Census
Time & Place: Monday, June 9, 1980, 12:30 - 2:00 p.m., Department of Labor Auditorium, Main Floor Center
Abstract: Over the past four years, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare and the Bureau of the Census have been developing a new survey of the social and economic well-being of the population—the Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP). The speakers will present some of the findings which have resulted from the extensive field tests on content and procedures. The current status of the SIPP Program and future plans will be discussed in some detail.

Luncheon Session Sponsored by the Society of Government Economists (SGE)

Topic: Statistical Concepts and the State of the Economy
Speaker: Janet L. Norwood, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor
Time & Place: Wednesday, June 11, 1980, Cash Bar—12:00 Noon; Luncheon—12:30 p.m., Empress Restaurant, 1018 Vermont Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. (Reservations Required.)
Cost: \$6.00, SGE members; \$7.00, non-SGE members
Reservations: For reservations, please call Bill Gerber, (202) 376-0102, before noon on Tuesday, June 10, 1980. Space is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first-come basis. Please call early if you wish to be assured a place. *Please cancel your reservation if you cannot keep it.*

W.S.S. Course

Topic: Time Series Analysis—a short course sponsored by the Washington Statistical Society and co-sponsored by the George Washington University Department of Statistics
Given by: Michael R. Grupe, William P. Cleveland, David A. Pierce
Time & Place: Four two-hour sessions are planned, one session to be held during each of four consecutive weeks. The sessions will be held at George Washington University on June 17 and 24, and July 1 and 8, from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Abstract: The course will cover the following areas: Description of Time Series; Time Series Models; Model Fitting; Forecasting; and Special Topics. Practical examples will be stressed. It will be helpful, though not necessary, to have access to a computer.
Registration: Approximately 50 to 65 people will be able to attend the sessions. Registration is required and selection for attendance will be determined by the date registration materials are received. To register, complete and return the form below, including \$5.00 to cover the rental of facilities, and duplication of materials. Also include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. Mail to: David Morganstein, Westat, Inc., 11600 Nebel Street, Rockville, MD 20852. Make checks payable to The Washington Statistical Society.

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EMPLOYMENT COLUMN

Job Openings

Statistician/Modeler
 GS-12/13
 Position as leader of small team of statisticians/OR analysts. MS in Statistics/Mathematics desired. Team functions as consulting group to agency economists on statistical, mathematical and econometric issues. Familiarity with statistical software and economic modeling desirable. Ability to organize and conduct training seminars on the use of statistical package. For more information contact Bob Rovinsky, Data Services Center, Room 106, Economics, Statistics, and Cooperatives Service, USDA, 500 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20250. (202) 447-5457.

Computer Programmer
 GS-334-7/9 (potential to GS-11)
 A vacancy exists for a statistician, social scientist, or computer specialist who has a thorough knowledge of the statistical package for the social sciences (SPSS) and one of the following: OSIRIS, DATA-TEXT, or SAS. The successful candidate would process data from public opinion surveys and mass communication studies. Applicants need not have civil service status. They should contact David Nolle at: (202) 724-9334, or at the Office of Research, U.S. International Communications Agency, 1750 Penna. Ave., N.W., Wash., D.C. 20547.

Analyst
 Small statistical consulting firm in Bethesda has opening for person with background in statistical methods and analysis. Knowledge of PL61 and previous writing experience helpful. Call 657-4695.

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