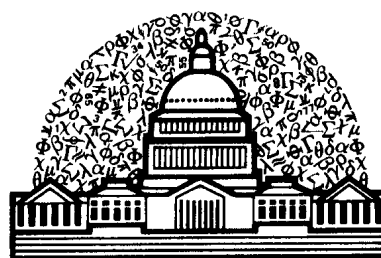
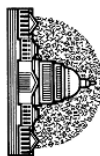


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WASHINGTON STATISTICAL SOCIETY

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Dear Colleague,

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)**. **WSS** offers opportunities to

- Network with colleagues in your field,
- Participate in numerous seminars and workshops,
- Continue your statistical education,
- Increase the level of quantitative literacy in area schools, and
- Help motivate and develop the next generation of statisticians.

With almost 900 members, the **WSS** is the largest chapter of the **American Statistical Association (ASA)**. Our members work in academia, government, and the private sector. Their interests and expertise include applied and theoretical statistics, data collection and dissemination, survey sampling and methods, statistical education, and allied subjects.

WSS is an extremely active chapter, offering a large and varied technical seminar program, short courses, social events, and service opportunities. **WSS** members receive our monthly e-mail newsletter (The **WSS** News), with announcements and descriptions of forthcoming events, volunteer opportunities, and listings of both job opportunities and the credentials of members seeking new positions. Our website (www.washstat.org) provides information on current and past events, **WSS** contacts, **WSS** awards, and a **WSS** history.

Full details on joining **WSS** appear below and are available online at <http://washstat.org/joinus.html>. The annual dues are low compared to the many benefits membership affords:

- **ASA** member \$10 (Full)
- Non-**ASA** member \$10 (Associate)
- Student member \$3 (Student)

If you have any questions about membership or participation in the **WSS**, please e-mail (Linda.Young@nass.usda.gov) or call (352-281-6469) me. I hope you will take this opportunity to

fully engage in some of the diverse activities **WSS** has to offer!

Cordially,

Linda J. Young
WSS President, 2017-2018

TECHNICAL SESSIONS

WSS organizes and sponsors technical programs which are free to any interested persons (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.

More than 35 program sessions are offered each year at convenient locations in the metropolitan area. Many of our seminars are available in multiple locations via video-conferencing. They are usually presented on workdays during daytime hours. Notices of the **WSS** technical sessions appear in the **WSS** Newsletter each month.

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 school project competition for the Curtis Jacobs award, provides volunteers for career days, and judges posters in the annual ASA competition.

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 Herriott 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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Wendy Martinez 540-284-1032

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VACANT.....

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Fritz Scheuren 202-320-3446

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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**. Phone the **ASA** office at 703-684-1221 for an application or obtain one from the **ASA** website, www.amstat.org. You may also join the ASA online.
- Check the box for Washington Statistical Society (DC Metro Area) in the Local Chapters membership area on the application.
- Write your check to the **ASA** to cover both the **ASA** dues and the **WSS** annual dues.

Already an **ASA** member:

- Log into the "Members Only" area of the ASA website.
- 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.

To join WSS as an Associate Member, please complete this form and mail it with your dues payment.

Name: _____

email: _____

Address: _____

Employer (optional): _____

Job Title (optional): _____

Phone: _____

Please be sure to include your e-mail address so you can receive the WSS newsletter.

Student status

Not a student: _____

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