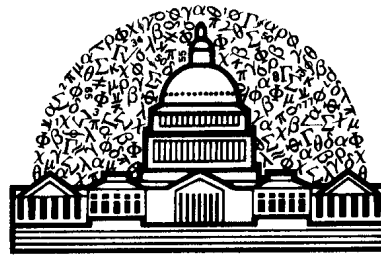
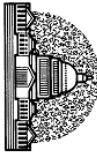


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## WASHINGTON STATISTICAL SOCIETY

### A CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION

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Dear Colleague,

If you work with statistics in the metropolitan Washington DC area, you owe it to yourself to belong to the **Washington Statistical Society (WSS)**. **WSS** offers opportunities to:

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

The **WSS** is the largest, most active chapter of the **American Statistical Association (ASA)** with about 900 members. Our members work in the government, academic, and private sectors, spanning many disciplines. Members' interests and expertise cover an extensive range of areas in applied and theoretical statistics, data collection, survey methods, and allied subjects.

Our activities include a large and varied technical seminar program, short courses, social events, and service opportunities. **WSS** members receive our monthly email newsletter (The **WSS** News), with announcements and descriptions of forthcoming events, volunteer opportunities, and listings of job openings and job-seeking members' credentials. Our website provides information on additional events, **WSS** contacts, and a **WSS** history.

Annual Dues:

- **ASA** member \$7 (Full)
- Non-**ASA** member \$9 (Associate)
- Student member \$3 (Student)

To Join **WSS**:

Use the JOIN form on our website ([www.scs.gmu.edu/~wss](http://www.scs.gmu.edu/~wss)) or send a check (payable to **WSS**) to:

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Include: name, **ASA** number (if **ASA** member), mailing address, and e-mail address.

Please feel free to contact me (by e-mail: [kkrotki@rti.org](mailto:kkrotki@rti.org) or phone: 202-728-2485) if you have any questions about membership or participation in **WSS**.

Sincerely,

Karol Krotki  
WSS President, 2008-9

### 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.

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.

Notices of the **WSS** technical sessions appear in the **WSS** Newsletter each month.

### 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, which provide opportunities for members to socialize in a relaxed ambience. First is the holiday party held in December. The other is the annual dinner which is held in June. At the dinner, election results are announced, special awards are presented, and an invited speaker is featured. 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
- Wray Jackson Smith Scholarship

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

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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](http://www.amstat.org).
- 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:

- Send your name and address to **WSS**. Since the WSS Newsletter is distributed electronically, please include your e-mail address.
- Send **WSS** a check for \$1.00 per month until your **ASA** membership renewal is due, up to a maximum of \$7.00, or \$3.00 if a full-time student.
- Upon renewing your **ASA** membership, check the box for Washington Statistical Society (DC Metro Area) in the Local Chapters membership area on the application to start Washington Statistical Society membership in tandem with your **ASA** membership -- and include the **WSS** dues in your **ASA** payment.

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

- Complete the application form in this flyer.
- Mail it to **WSS**.
- Enclose a check for your dues in the amount of \$9.00 (or \$3.00 for full-time students) for the next twelve months.

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

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Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Student status

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