# **NC ASA Chapter Bulletin**

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### **Greetings**

Something New for North Carolina ASA Members

#### **Jason Brinkley**

NC ASA Chapter Representative

Hello from the North Carolina Chapter of the ASA! We are starting a new chapter bulletin to be sent out (hopefully) twice a year to help local members stay in the loop on the many exciting events and opportunities going on in our state. North Carolina continues to be one of the most active places for all things statistics, both academic and professional.

#### We need your help.

It is the NC chapter's goal to bring more connectivity to the different statistics groups all across our state but we need your help. In addition to those of us working as officers in the local chapter, we would love to have some external individuals that would help promote events and provide feedback in terms of what is going on in their area. If you would like to be included in our advisory email list, please send an email to <a href="mailto:brinkleyj@ecu.edu">brinkleyj@ecu.edu</a>.

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## Local Chapter One Day Symposium

NC Chapter's contribution to IYOS 2013

#### Sujit Ghosh

NC Chapter President

The North Carolina Chapter of the American Statistical Association is hard at work organizing a one day symposium to bring together local researchers and students to celebrate statistics in N.C. and IYOS 2013. The one day symposium will have separate plenary talks that look at the history of statistics in North Carolina (Dr. Ross Ledbetter – UNC) and future directions for our field in general (Dr. Marie Davidian – NCSU).

The symposium aims to provide a forum for young researchers to discuss recent progress in statistical theory and applications, thereby provide new directions for statistical inference in various fields. In particular, there will be poster competition for high school students and contributed paper oral presentations by undergraduate and graduate students.

We ask members local to NC to hold the date of October 12, 2013 for the symposium which will be held on the North Carolina State University campus. Details are still being worked on and the local chapter hopes to have more information available soon.

#### NC - ASA Annual Conferences

The NC - ASA Chapter will hold annual conferences regularly alternating between a one-day event and a 3-day event. The 2013 conference is a one-day event planned at NCSU; see above. The 2014 conference will be a 3-day event planned for October 2014 at UNC Greensboro. This will be an international conference similar to those held at UNC-G in 2007 and 2012.

#### Symposium in Honor of Butch Tsiatis

The Department of Statistics at NC State is holding a symposium entitled "Advances in Statistical Methods for the Analysis of Observational and Experimental Data," July 12-13, 2013, in honor of Butch Tsiatis.

Speakers include Jamie Robins, Tom Louis, Geert Molenberghs, Gary Rosner, Kyung Mann Kim, and many more!

Visit

http://www.stat.ncsu.edu/events/2013\_tsiatis\_symposium/ for full information, including the program and the optional "but-not-to-be-missed" dinner/dance at the Raleigh Marriott City Center on Saturday evening, July 13!

Hope to see you there!

#### Other Events

The Statistical and Applied Mathematical Sciences Institute is sponsoring several programs in 2013 - 2014, including year-long programs on Low Dimensional Structure in High Dimensional Systems (LDHD) and on Computational Methods in the Social Sciences (CMSS). The CMSS opening workshop is August 18 - 22, and the LDHD opening workshop is September 8 - 12. More information can be found at

http://www.samsi.info/programs/research-programs

Duke University will be sponsoring two upcoming events: a workshop on Sensing and Analysis of High-Dimensional Data on July 23-25. Details can be found at

http://sahd.pratt.duke.edu/index.html .

And Duke University will host Bayes250, an ISBA celebration at Duke on December 17. More information is available at

http://bayesian.org/meetings/Bayes250

# 2013 NC ASA Chapter Executive Committee

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#### **Member Spotlight**

The NC ASA would like to thank Dr. Roland Deutsch for his many years of service to the local chapter (most recently as Treasurer and Webmaster). Roland completed his graduate work at the University of South Carolina in 2007 and has been at UNC-Greensboro for six years. Roland has decided to move on to a position in Europe and we wish him well.

#### **IYOS 2013**

By now most of you have heard that this year we are celebrating the international year of statistics. Please make sure you visit the International Year of Statistics website (<a href="www.statistics2013.org">www.statistics2013.org</a>) and stay up to date on the many face to face and online events that are taking place to celebrate statistics all year long!

