



# American Statistical Association

## SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER

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### DECEMBER 1986 Calendar

DEC 11 THURSDAY Survey of Games (General Applications Program)

#### GENERAL APPLICATIONS PROGRAM

SPEAKER: Michael Orkin, Ph.D.  
Chairman, Department of Statistics  
California State University, Hayward

TOPIC: "SURVEY OF GAMES"

Professor Orkin received his Ph.D. from the University of California at Berkeley where he studied game theory with Professor David Blackwell. His current research specialty is game theory. Professor Orkin will discuss popular gambling games including casino games, lotteries, horse racing, and sports betting. If time permits, he will discuss other types of games.

DATE: December 11, 1986 (Thursday)  
3:30 - 4:30 Presentation  
4:30 - 5:30 No-host cocktails with hors d' oeuvres

PLACE: El Caballo Restaurant  
67 Jack London Square  
Oakland, CA

PRICE: \$4.00/person. Please call Florence Van Geem at (415) 271-5987 by Wednesday, December 10, with reservations.

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If there is a modification to your address label (e.g. correct address, add internal mail routing code, or correct misspellings), or if you have an announcement or a job vacancy, let me know by writing: Kelvin Lee, 515 Tiller Lane, Redwood City, CA 94065, by the middle of the month.

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## Employment Opportunity

The Veterans Administration Cooperative Studies Program Coordinating Center at the Palo Alto VA Medical Center (Menlo Park Division) has 2 vacancies:

### 1. Biostatistician

Responsibilities Include:

- Consulting with medical investigators in the design, implementation, and analysis of multi-center clinical trials in the Veterans Administration.
- Responsibility as a team leader for clinical trials in the ongoing and final analysis stages, including data coordination, statistical analysis, programming and data processing.
- Providing support for the administrative and operational aspects of assigned clinical trials, functioning as a project manager.

Candidates should have a Ph.D. in statistics, biostatistics or related field, with experience in medical consulting. Alternatively, the candidate could have a Masters degree with three to four years of experience in multi-center clinical trials. Good verbal and written communication skills are required with the ability to make effective presentations of research proposals. The starting salary range for the position is \$32,500 to \$38,700.

### 2. Statistical Programmer

Responsibilities Include:

- Design, debugging, implementation, documentation, and maintenance of programs which generate statistical analyses, tables, and/or graphs using PL/I, FORTRAN, and other high level languages and statistical computing packages such as SAS and a BMDP.
- Providing support to biostatisticians and administrative personnel in a multi-center clinical research setting.

This position requires a Masters degree in statistics, biostatistics or related field with programming experience; or a Masters degree in computer science or equivalent with experience in biostatistical applications. Knowledge of JCL, text editors such as WYLBUR or TSO, and microcomputer software is a plus. Experience may be substituted for graduate education. Starting salary range is \$22,400 - \$27,100.

Applicants for these positions must be United States citizens. If interested, send resume to:

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