



# American Statistical Association

## SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA CHAPTER

### CALENDAR

\*\*\* RESCHEDULED DUE TO EARTHQUAKE \*\*\*

DECEMBER 14, 1989 THURSDAY Nicholas Jewell  
"Statistical Analysis of HIV Infectivity"

JANUARY 11, 1990 THURSDAY Ingram Olkin  
"Meta-Analysis: Current Issues in Research  
Synthesis"

JANUARY 17, 1990 WEDNESDAY Daniel Rubinfeld  
"Estimating Litigation Damages"

### JOINT GENERAL APPLICATIONS AND BIOSTATISTICS PROGRAM

**SPEAKER:** Nicholas P. Jewell  
Professor of Biostatistics and Statistics  
University of California, Berkeley

**TOPIC:** "STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF HIV INFECTIVITY BASED ON PARTNER STUDIES"

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**DATE:** December 14, 1989 (Thursday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** Shultz Auditorium  
Health Resources and Policy Building

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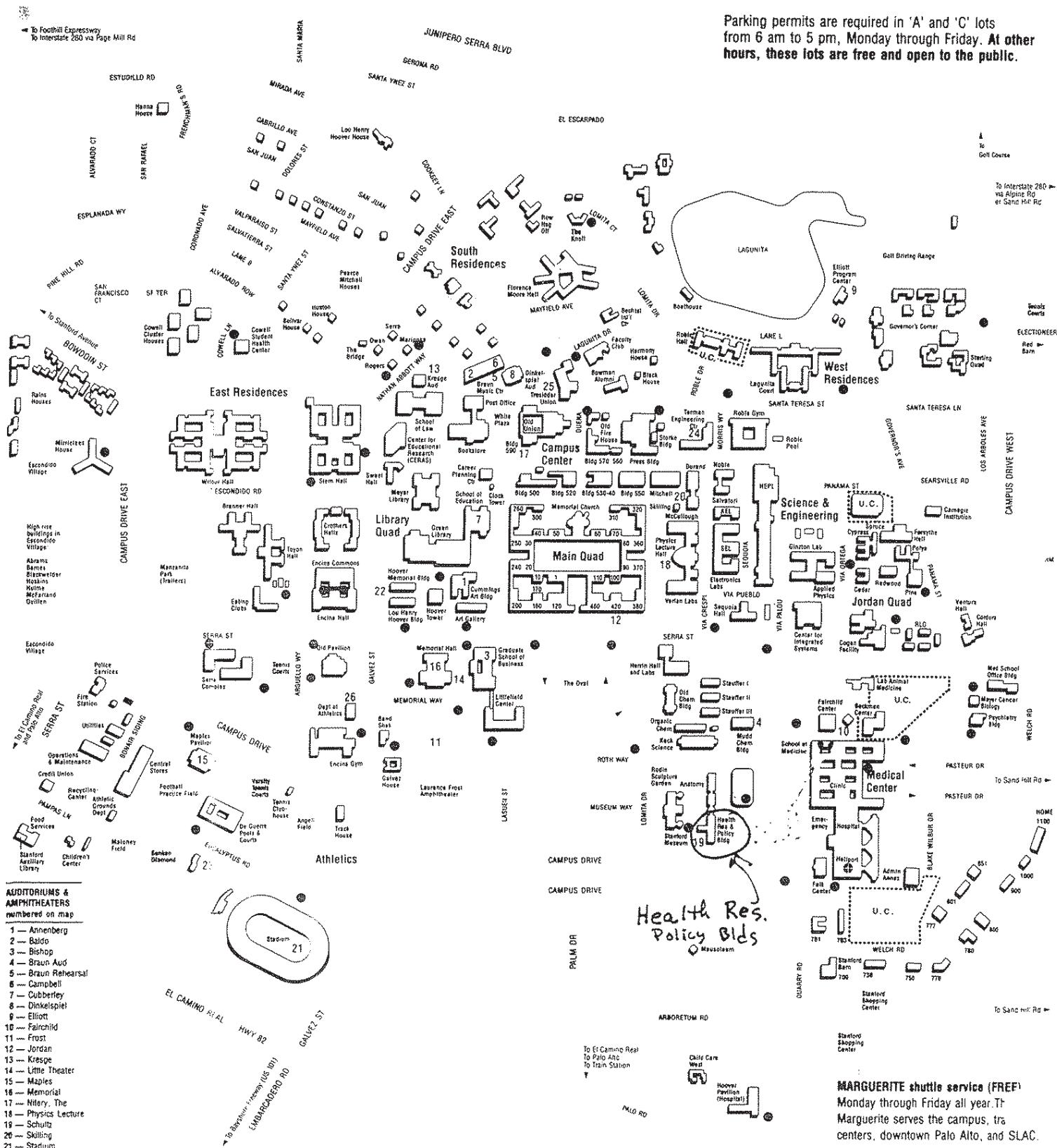
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## **BIOSTATISTICS PROGRAM**

**SPEAKER:** Ingram Olkin  
Professor of Statistics  
Stanford

**TOPIC:** "META-ANALYSIS: Current Issues in Research Synthesis"

The concept of aggregating the results of different experiments has a history of at least 50 years in the physical and agricultural sciences. It was the introduction of this concept in the social and health sciences in the late 1970's that set the stage for a stream of papers pooling results from randomized controlled trials in medicine as well as other fields.

In this talk, we review the history of Meta-Analysis, discuss some of the critical controversial issues and pose some technical problems that remain unsolved.

**DATE:** January 11, 1990 (Thursday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:10 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** University of California at San Francisco  
Nursing 721

## **GENERAL APPLICATIONS PROGRAM**

**SPEAKER:** Daniel Rubinfeld  
School of Law  
Boalt Hall  
University of California, Berkeley

**TOPIC:** "Estimating Litigation Damages"

The application of forecasting techniques involving regression or ARIMA models to the court's determination of damages will be discussed. Examples will be based upon a number of recent tort and anti-trust cases.

**DATE:** January 17, 1990 (Wednesday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:10 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** Kaiser Oakland  
1950 Franklin  
Second Floor Cafeteria and Conference Room

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**STATS: The magazine for Student of Statistics.**

The latest issue of this new ASA publication has articles on the space shuttle Challenger, "Statistics and the Death Penalty" as well as profiles of several statistics departments and information on summer internship programs. The publication is aimed at beginning statisticians and students of statistics. The ASA encourages chairpersons of departments of statistics to obtain copies for distribution throughout their recruitment area. Complementary copies of the first issue are available through the national office. (Bulk rate of \$2.00 per copy for orders of 10 or more). American Statistical Association, 1429 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3402.

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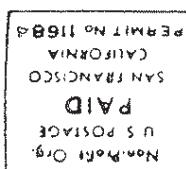
#### **1. BIOANALYST II, Syntex, Palo Alto**

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Provide analysis support to biostatisticians using SAS package and other computer software packages such as BMDP. Establish the accuracy of the data prior to analysis. Create SAS files, produce final statistical report tables, data listings, CRF tabulations, and graphs. Verify analysis outputs/results prior to presenting them to the biostatisticians or other clients. Ensure accuracy, and timeliness. Document analysis programs, corrections to the dataset, and archive files following standard operating procedures.

**REQUIREMENTS:** B.S in statistics, computer science or related field with at least 2 years of experience. or M.S. degree in similar field with at least 1 year of experience in SAS programming. The candidate must know routinely used SAS procedures well. Must be able to communicate and interact with biostatisticians and other co-workers. Have interest in statistical applications, software languages, and the use of computer facilities and systems.

**SEND RESUME:** Roxanne Naes, Staffing Department, L-1108, Syntex Labs, 3401 Hillview Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94304.  
Or Call Ling-ling Tsao (415) 855-6532.

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### CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 30, 1989 THURSDAY Walter Hauck  
"Logit Models: Cluster Effects, Population  
Averaging, and Omitted Covariates"

\*\*\* RESCHEDULED DUE TO EARTHQUAKE \*\*\*  
DECEMBER 14, 1989 THURSDAY Nicholas Jewell  
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### BIOSTATISTICS PROGRAM

**SPEAKER:** Walter W. Hauck  
Department of Epidemiology and Statistics

**TOPIC:** UCSF  
"LOGIT MODELS: Cluster Effects, Population Averaging, and Omitted  
Covariates"

When estimating odds ratios there are two phenomena that one must be  
aware of.

The first of these phenomena is that population-averaged and cluster  
specific logistic models have parameters with different interpretations.  
This is in contrast to models for Gaussian outcomes where there is no  
distinction. In addition, the population-averaged logistic coefficients  
will tend to be closer to the null than the corresponding cluster-  
specific coefficients.

The second of these phenomena results when "maverick" covariates are  
omitted from logistic models. By "maverick" covariates we mean variables  
that are related either to the outcome or the exposure, but not both,  
and hence are not confounders in the classical sense. Regardless,  
omission of mavericks biases logistic coefficients towards the null  
value.

The theme of this talk is that these are related phenomena; that they  
are more easily understood by considering them together. The end result,  
it is hoped, is a better understanding of the interpretation of odds  
ratios and a basis for deciding on the most appropriate analyses.

**DATE:** November 30, 1989 (Thursday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee (479 Kerr Hall)  
4:10 - 5:00 Presentation (176 Chemistry)

**PLACE:** University of California at Davis

Visitors can park in lot VP47 or lot VP25; \$2. is quarters is required. There  
is also parking available in lot 11. Parking in lot 11 is for 2 hours or less  
only.

See the reverse of this announcement for a map of the Davis Campus.  
Kerr Hall is Building 83 and Chemistry is building 9.

There will be an informal dinner after the talk.

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3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** Shultz Auditorium  
Health Resources & Policy Building

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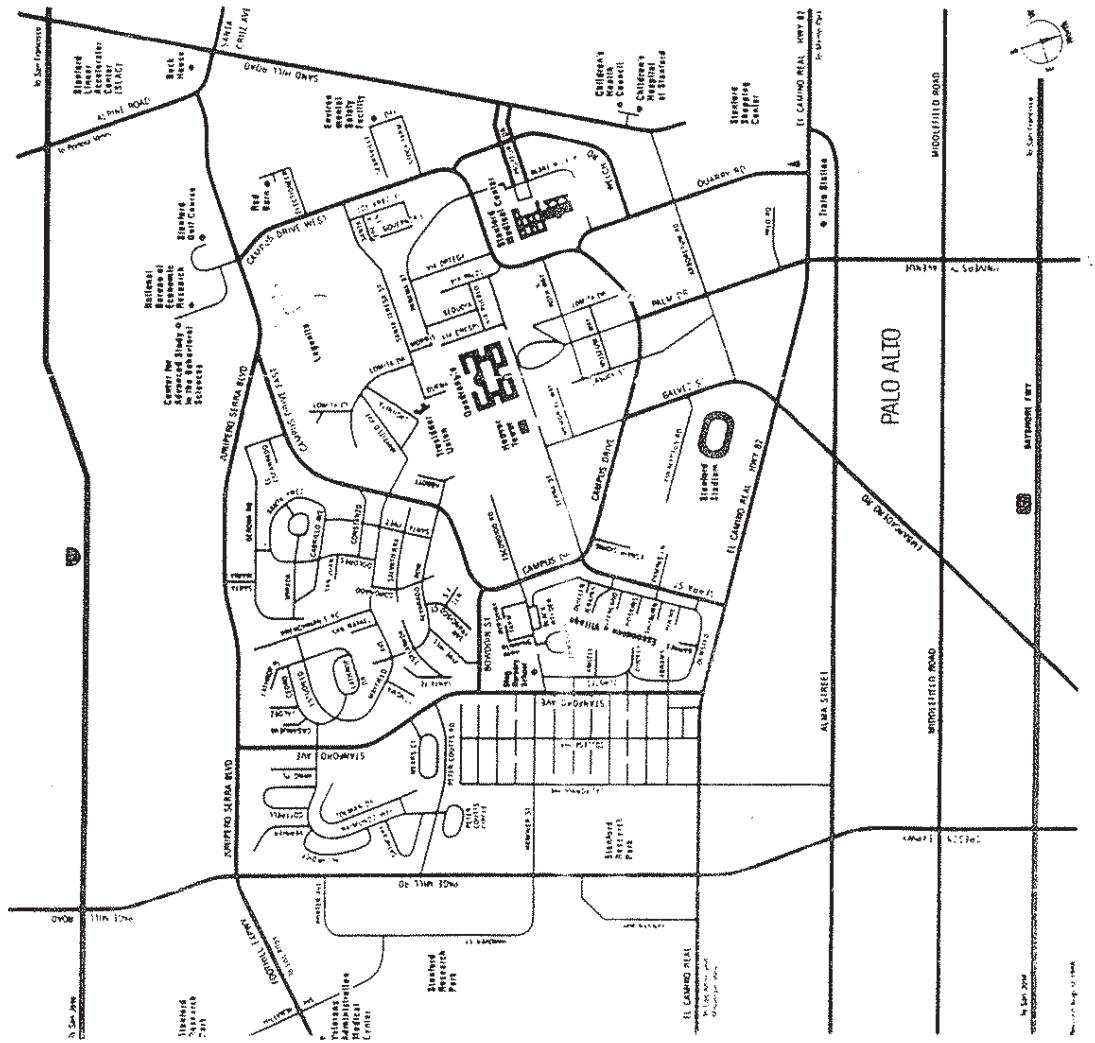


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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Colleagues:

September, 1989

I am pleased to be serving as President of the Chapter for 1989-1990. The Chapter currently has close to 500 members and covers a wide geographic area from the North Bay to the South Bay, and as far east as Davis. Our members represent academia, finance, government, research, services and production. It will be my challenge to meet the professional needs of such a diverse membership. This would be close to impossible if not for the other officers of the Chapter. It is my pleasure to introduce them to you:

Kelvin Lee is President Elect and has served the Chapter for 4 years. Kelvin has been employed at the Veterans Administration for the last 11 years. His area of professional expertise is clinical trials. During the year, I will look toward Kelvin for help in developing solutions in order to better serve the members. He also will begin the planning for the 1990-1991 year.

The Chapter has two Vice Presidents whose responsibilities are to plan the monthly meetings. Dean Fearn is V.P. of the General Applications Program and Mike Tarter is V.P. of the Biostatistical Program. Dean is a professor at Hayward whose area of expertise is branching processes. He has been active in various activities of the Chapter for over 10 years. This is his second year as an officer for organizing the General Applications Program. Even though this is his first year as an officer, Mike is a long-time contributor to the local Chapter. He was instrumental in integrating the Biostatistical community with the Chapter in the early '80s. Mike currently is a professor at UC Berkeley working on various grants. Areas of expertise include computer approaches to identifying distributions and computer graphics.

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Anna Bagniewska is serving her third year as Treasurer. Besides managing the books, maintaining the membership roster and mailing list, Anna has been very successful in organizing meetings in the Palo Alto area. Anna is a manager at Syntex Labs, coordinating the data reporting and collection functions.

Rose Ray first worked with the Chapter in 1987 and is currently serving her second term as secretary. She is responsible for collecting the information, writing and production of the newsletter. Job openings and relevant announcements should be sent to her. Rose's professional interest is epidemiological techniques related to business applications.

Fred Khorasani and Curt Engelhart represent the local organization of the American Society of Quality Assurance. Since the two organizations share many common subjects of interest, the Chapter asked for representation from this organization. In the past, the Chapter and the ASQC Task Group have jointly sponsored meetings and one-day seminars.

Al Wiggins is the Chapter's representative to the Council of Chapters. The Council is a vehicle for local Chapters to communicate and share their concerns in a broader arena. Al has served the Chapter as an officer for over three years, including President, and is well equipped to serve the interests of this Chapter.

Even with this excellent team, we need your support in making this year successful. We feel that an important objective of any organization is to provide a forum where professionals can meet other local professionals. We want to see you (new faces and old friends) at our meetings and to encourage wider participation of our 500 members. Therefore, it is important to identify topics relevant to our members. If you have ideas for topics, speakers or places for the meetings, we would like to hear from you. If you know of visitors coming to your company or institution and who would make an excellent candidate as a speaker for the monthly meetings, please contact either Dean or Mike.

Our goal this year is to organize meetings responsive to the needs of the members. We look forward to serving you and hope to see many of you at the monthly meetings.



Florence van Geem

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## CALENDAR

OCTOBER 19, 1989	THURSDAY	Nicholas Jewell "Statistical Analysis of HIV Infectivity"
NOVEMBER 8, 1989	WEDNESDAY	Donald Ylvisaker "Statistics Inside the Lottery"

## GENERAL APPLICATIONS PROGRAM

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**DATE:** October 19, 1989 (Thursday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** Stanford University Medical Center  
Room M106

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Professor Bill Brown has kindly offered to be the local host. Refreshment will be served at his home following the presentation. Directions will be provided at the meeting. Although there will be no charge for this meeting, the chapter would like to get an idea of the attendance. Please notify Dean Fearn (415) 537-3439 or Mike Tarter (415) 624-4601, by OCTOBER 17.

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## GENERAL APPLICATIONS PROGRAM

**SPEAKER:** Donald Ylvsaker  
Professor of Statistics  
UCLA

**TOPIC:** "STATISTICS INSIDE THE LOTTERY"

The talk will cover events of interest which have transpired during a four year stint as Contract Statistician for the California and Colorado State Lotteries. In particular, the question of what has been learned over time will be addressed in various context. Topics will likely include physical equipment, inventory plans, computer simulations, randomization and issues of finance, security and marketing. There will be some focus on the lottery industry itself, and on odds and oddities which have surfaced. Questions will be especially welcomed.

**DATE:** November 8, 1989 (Wednesday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** Pacific Bell, San Ramon  
2600 Camino Ramon  
The Daffodil Room ICN95

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### 1. STATISTICIAN, SYSTEMS APPLICATIONS, INC., San Rafael

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Perform statistical analyses related to air and water pollution. Seek imaginative approaches to probing and presenting data.

**REQUIREMENTS:** M.S in statistics or related field. In addition to statistical expertise, candidates should possess the oral and written communication skills necessary to present results to clients. Some statistical computing and consulting experience is preferred. Ability to use statistical packages (preferably SAS) is required.

**COMPANY:** Systems Applications, Inc. is an environmental consulting company providing the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and other governmental and industrial organizations with consulting services related to air and water pollution.

**SEND RESUME:** Job # 1-P-90, Systems Applications, Inc.  
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#### CHAPTER NEWS

Elizabeth King was awarded a citation and plaque for outstanding local chapter member at the August ASA national meetings in Washington D.C. This award was part of the ASA sesquicentennial celebration. The citation read in part:

For more than 20 years of devoted and enthusiastic support of the chapter as follows:

- o Chapter President 1986- 1987
- o Handled local arrangement for National meeting with grace and aplomb.
- o Served as a role model and catalyst for the growth of the chapter and enhancement of the membership.

#### SF Bay Area Chapter Business

##### DUES:

At the June 1989 business meeting Article 3 (Dues) of the Chapter's By-Laws was amended as follows:

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### ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Preceded by:

### JOINT GENERAL APPLICATIONS AND BIOSTATISTICS PROGRAM

**SPEAKER:** Michael Orkin  
Professor of Statistics  
California State University at Hayward

**TOPIC:** "ODDS MAKING AND SPORTS BETTING: BOTH SIDES OF THE FENCE"

Dr. Orkin will discuss betting structures from the gambler's and sports book maker point of views. This will include the pointy spread system, money line bets, futures bets, proportion bets and pari-mutuel betting.

**DATE:** June 14, 1989 (Wednesday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** Syntex Corporation, Palo Alto  
3401 Hillview Avenue  
Room A2-1, Gallery Building

For more detailed directions, call Kelvin Lee (415) 852-3253.

Dr. John Varaday will be the local host, there will be a special get together after the business meeting in the Gallery area.

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## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### **1. STATISTICIAN/EPIDEMIOLOGIST, FAILURE ANALYSIS ASSOCIATES**

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Use methods of statistical epidemiology in the analysis of large volumes of accident data. Coordinate and manage tasks performed by research assistants.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Ph.D in biostatistics or Public Health. Experience with analysis of NCHS and SEER databases. SAS or other statistical analysis packages is an advantage.

**COMPANY:** Failure Analysis Associates is a national engineering and scientific services firm specializing in the analysis and prevention of engineering system and product failures.

**SEND RESUME:** Personnel Manager, Failure Analysis Associates, P.O. Box 51470, Palo Alto, CA 94303. Reference AD# rr 4.22  
Equal Opportunity Employer.

### **2. STATISTICAL CONSULTANT, BANK OF AMERICA**

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Identify, conduct and implement credit scoring and behavior scoring projects in the Bankcard department. Interaction with multiple levels of management and with operating departments.

**REQUIREMENTS:** A Master's degree in statistics or related field and 1-2 years of experience. SAS and banking experience is preferred.

**SEND RESUME:** Arlene Frazier, Credit Risk Management #3407, Bank of America, 180 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, CA 94104.

### **3. SR. PROGRAMMER ANALYST, Kaiser Foundation Research, Oakland**

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Statistical programming for research investigators in medical and epidemiological studies. Develop data entry screens, maintain databases, generate reports of the results of analyses. Assist investigators in writing papers and grant proposals. Under the general guidance of the network administrator, maintain and upgrade as necessary, a Novell LAN, install new versions of network software and application programs, add new workstations and other hardware to the network. Provide consultation, support and training to department staff for LAN and PC applications. Provide consultation and programming support, as requested, to investigators at other Kaiser Permanente facilities.

**REQUIREMENTS:** B.S. in computer science, mathematics, statistics or life sciences; M.S. or PhD preferred. At least 5 years experience as a statistical programmer in life sciences or social sciences research environment. IBM mainframe experience in OS/MVS, JCL, TSO, SAS, PLI or related language as well as PC experience with MSDOS and dBase III is required. Experience with Novell LAN, SNA gateway, synchronous communication, desktop publishing, PC hardware interfacing, PC/SAS and Turbo-C is preferred.

**SEND RESUME:** Michelle Brent, KFRI/DOR, 3451 Piedmont, Oakland, CA 94611. Or call (415) 987-3083.

**APPLICANT:**

**POSITION DESIRED: Mathematical Statistician**

**EXPERIENCE:** Ten years (last four as a manager) at the U.S. Census Bureau. Experience in survey design, estimation procedures, technical report writing, oral presentations, methods for data collection, processing, and statistical analysis. Familiar with FORTRAN programming and statistical packages(SPSS, Minitab, SAS and BMDP). Versed in Deming's management philosophy.

**EDUCATION:** M.A. in Applied Math/Statistics, U.C. Santa Barbara, 1978

**CONTACT:** Robert Edson (703) 971-0245 after 3pm (Pacific)

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**DUES:**

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Those present at the June meeting will be asked to vote on these amendments. Passage of the amendments requires a two-thirds majority of members present and voting.

While costs of production of the newsletter (duplicating, preparation, and postage) and for the monthly meetings (e.g. meeting rooms, equipment rental) continue to rise, student dues have been held at \$1.00 since 1983 and non-student dues have been held at \$6.00 since 1980. The additional revenue will allow Chapter officers more latitude in planning and trying out more innovative activities, for example inviting out of state statisticians to present talks, workshops or short courses.

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**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

The following slate of officers for the 1989-1990 term have been proposed by the nominating committee.

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Veterans Administration, Palo Alto

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California State University at Hayward

**Vice President  
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Mike Tarter, Biostatistics Department  
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These recommendations will be voted upon at the June Business meeting. The Chapter wished to thank the nominating committee, Al Wiggins and Elizabeth King ( and Mike Tarter who resigned from the committee when asked to stand for office.)

As is our custom, the President Elect, Florence Van Geem, Department of Economics and Statistics, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan will succeed Abe Silvers as President.

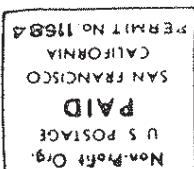
Al Wiggins, Professor of Statistics, University of California at Davis will continue his two year term as Council of Chapters Representative.

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### GENERAL APPLICATIONS PROGRAM

**SPEAKER:** Michael Tarter  
Professor of Biostatistics  
University of California, Berkeley

**TOPIC:** "IDENTIFICATION OF DISTRIBUTION SUB COMPONENTS: A PERSONAL COMPUTER APPROACH"

A method will be demonstrated which can be used to decompose a mixture of conditional or marginal distributions. The new approach does not depend upon normality or for that matter the assumption of any particular distributional model. Therefore, we have designed a computational system which can identify the composed component after the component has been separated.

The above procedures will be demonstrated and the theory which underlies both the decomposition and the model identification processes will be described.

**DATE:** May 17, 1989 (Wednesday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee (475 Kerr Hall)  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation (223 Olson Hall)

**PLACE:** University of California at Davis  
223 Olson Hall

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## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

### **1. STATISTICIAN/EPIDEMIOLOGIST, FAILURE ANALYSIS ASSOCIATES**

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Use methods of statistical epidemiology in the analysis of large volumes of accident data. Coordinate and manage tasks performed by research assistants.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Ph.D in biostatistics or Public Health. Experience with analysis of NCHS and SEER databases. SAS or other statistical analysis packages is an advantage.

**COMPANY:** Failure Analysis Associates is a national engineering and scientific services firm specializing in the analysis and prevention of engineering system and product failures.

**SEND RESUME:** Personnel Manager, Failure Analysis Associates, P.O. Box 51470, Palo Alto, CA 94303. Reference AD# rr 4.22  
Equal Opportunity Employer.

### **2. STATISTICIAN/APPLIED MATHEMATICIAN, TIBURON SYSTEMS**

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** Development and implementation of mathematical algorithms, mathematical modeling, simulation, and algorithm evaluation.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Ph.D or Masters in Statistics or Applied Mathematics with strong statistical background. Experience in solving applied problems in the field is desirable. U.S. citizenship is required.

**COMPANY:** Tiburon Systems is a government contractor specializing in the areas of communications, command, control and intelligence.

**SEND RESUME:** Personnel Manager, Tiburon Systems, Inc., 2085 Hamilton Avenue, San Jose, CA 95125.

**CHAPTER DUES:** Several members are more than a year behind in local chapter dues. Please check the date on your mailing label. The printed date is the last time that we received your dues. If you are overdue please send \$6 to:

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**BIOSTATISTICS PROGRAM**

**SPEAKER:** Kathleen Lamborn  
Northern California Cancer Center  
Vice President American Statistical Association

**TOPIC:** "SURVIVAL ANALYSIS OF BRAIN TUMOR DATA"

**DATE:** May 17, 1989 (Wednesday)  
3:30 - 4:00 Coffee  
4:00 - 5:00 Presentation

**PLACE:** California State University at Hayward  
North Science 215

**DIRECTIONS:** Parking is available in the coin lot (\$.50). There is a shuttle bus from the Hayward BART which runs approximately every 20 minutes.

**FUTURE EVENTS:**

**June 14 (Wednesday)** **ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING** and election of officers, preceded by a talk by Michael Orkin (Cal State, Hayward). Syntex, Palo Alto.

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**APPLICANT:**

**POSITION DESIRED: Mathematical Statistician**

**EXPERIENCE:** Ten years (last four as a manager) at the U.S. Census Bureau. Experience in survey design, estimation procedures, technical report writing, oral presentations, methods for data collection, processing, and statistical analysis. Familiar with FORTRAN programming and statistical packages (SPSS, Minitab, SAS and BMDP). Versed in Deming's management philosophy.

**EDUCATION:** M.A. in Applied Math/Statistics, U.C. Santa Barbara, 1978

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