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Nevada Chapter of American Statistical Association



Dear Nevada ASA Members and Friends,

Read on for information on
what our Chapter has been up to.
Please keep an eye on our website
for more details on upcoming events.

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The President's Corner

Alicia Chancellor Hansen

Greetings NV-ASA Members and Friends!

I hope you all had an amazing summer! As many schools head back into session and fall approaches, we are gearing up for new events.

Our Fall Symposium will be held on Saturday, October 10, 2026, in Las Vegas and on Zoom. Our tentative theme is The Role of Statistics in the Pursuit of Economic Growth in Nevada. Prior to the Symposium, which will include our Annual Business Meeting, we will be holding

our Annual Election. The positions of Treasurer and Southern VP will be up. Are you interested in serving on the Board? Please reach out!

In February 2027, we will have the privilege of hosting an ASA Traveling Course. Dr. David J. Corliss will be presenting “Modern Ethical Issues and Best Practices in Data, Analytics, and AI” on February 5th. We are eager to hear more about this timely topic! Keep an eye out for more info on these and other upcoming events!

We were delighted to hold our 22nd K-12 Statistics Poster Competition in the spring and especially thrilled to send our state winners on to the national competition where 6 of the Nevada posters were judged as national winners! Read more about it below and in the August Issue of Amstat News at:

<https://magazine.amstat.org/blog/2026/08/03/2026-poster-and-statistics-projects/>

Huge thanks to all the participants, mentors, and judges! Heary congratulations to all the winners!! We can't wait for the 2027 Poster Competition! This statewide competition promotes statistical literacy for Nevada students and NV-ASA is always looking for sponsors and judges!

We're excited for the learning opportunities and connections that will be made in the coming months. We hope to see you at an event soon!

Alicia

Alicia Chancellor Hansen, MS

Announcing the 2026 Annual Meeting and Symposium

The 2026 NV-ASA Annual Meeting and Symposium is scheduled for Saturday October 10 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. The theme of this year's symposium is "The Role of Statistics in the Pursuit of Economic Growth in Nevada. Look for announcements of the keynote address and additional symposium sessions. Information on registration and cost will be mailed electronically in early September.

Calling for Nominations for NV-ASA Board Officers

Dear Members and Friends of the Nevada Chapter of the American Statistical Association (NV-ASA),

The NV-ASA needs YOU!!!

We're still looking for people interested in helping with events and other Chapter activities that promote statistics and data science in Nevada.

We are requesting nominations for the following Board positions:

Southern Vice President
(Term: 2027-28, 2 year term)

Treasurer (Term 2027-28, 2 year term)

We are also looking towards the future and are searching for a future Treasurer, and we are willing to train you!

Chapter Treasurer in Development
(Term: January 2027 – December 2028):
The Treasurer in Development role is a new position designed to develop additional talent

and skills in a member, as well as learn the position of Treasurer with the expectation they would run for Treasurer in 2028 for an additional two-year term. This position would require meetings with the Treasurer (at a mutually convenient time) to learn about the position and responsibilities of the Treasurer. This position must be filled by a regular member of the NV-ASA for the current term and agree to be a national ASA member for the following term.

Board officer duties and requirements are described below. Election results will be announced during the 2026 NV-ASA Annual Meeting on Saturday, October 10.

Deadlines:

Nominations are due by midnight on Thursday, 24 September. Ballots will be distributed to Chapter Members by Monday, 28 September. Ballots will be due by midnight on Wednesday, 7 October.

Please send nominations or questions to Glenn Waddell, at gwaddell@unr.edu

Board Position Duties and Membership Requirements:

SOUTHERN VICE PRESIDENT:

(Term: January 2027 – December 2028):

One of the Vice Presidents shall preside in the absence of the President. Vice-Presidents serve as co-Chairs of the Arrangements and Program Committees. In the event of the resignation or incapacity of the President, the Executive Committee shall appoint one of the Vice Presidents to succeed to the Presidency. Vice Presidents must be a regular member of NV-ASA.

CHAPTER TREASURER:

(Term: January 2027 – December 2028): The Treasurer shall attend meetings of the NV-ASA, manage the finances of the chapter, and provide to the board regular financial statements for approval and posting to the NV-ASA website. The Treasurer also maintains the

records of members and provides a Membership Report to the board. The Treasurer must be a regular member of NV-ASA and a national ASA member.

Thank you! Glenn
Glenn Waddell Jr. PhD, NV-ASA Secretary

ASA Traveling Course 2027

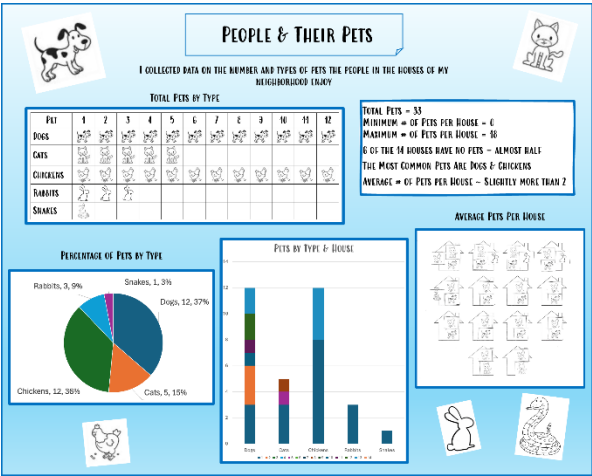
NV-ASA will host an ASA Traveling Course on February 5, 2027. The offered course is “Modern Ethical Issues and Best Practices in Data, Analytics, and AI,” presented by Dr. David J. Corliss. Look for future email announcements.

NV-ASA K-12 Poster Competition

The NV-ASA K-12 Poster Competition judging was held on April . A total of 62 posters were received from schools throughout the state. The Chapter is pleased to announce the 1st-3rd place winners in the four grades categories:

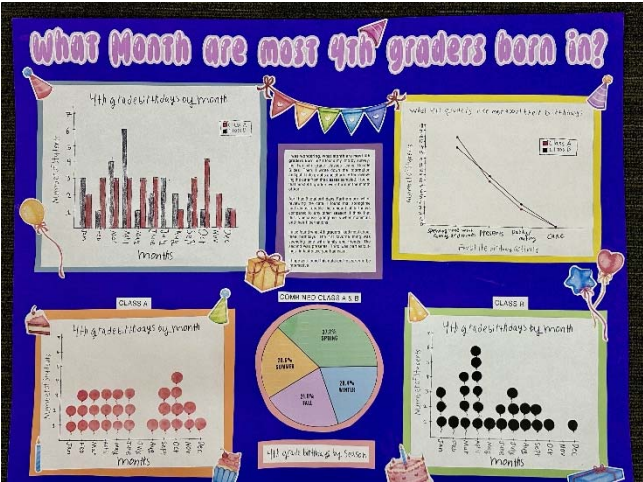
Grades K-3

First Place: Aurelian Hansen, Chansen Academy, “People and Their Pets.”



Grades 4-6

First Place: Danielle Arrington, Ortwein Elementary, What Month are Most 4th Graders Born In?

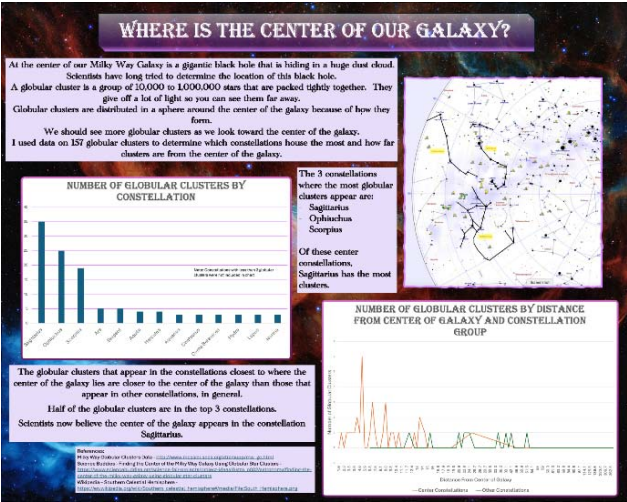


Second Place: Cameron Comia, Nicolas Ciemski, and Akira Dionio, Ortwein Elementary School, “Tech Trends.”

Third Place: Landon Morgan, Ortwein Elementary School, “Are We Getting Enough Rest?”

Grades 7-9

First Place: Tristan Hansen, Chansen Academy, “Where is the Center of Our Galaxy?”

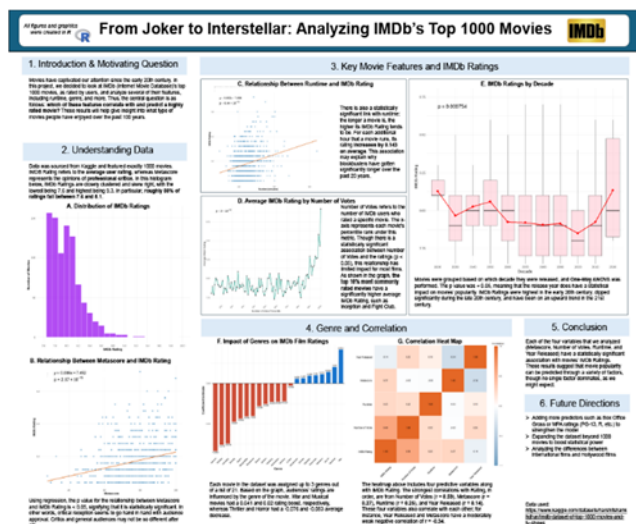


Second Place: Hayden Du and Carlos Najera, Hyde Park Middle School, “No Drugs! How Does This Affect Leaning?”

Third Place: Michaela Hansen, Chansen Academy, “But What About Socialization??? Homeschoolers & Community Involvement.”

Grades 10-12

First Place: Casey Fong and Kaison Fong, Davidson Academy, “From Joker to Interstellar: Analyzing IMDb's Top 1000 Movie”.



Second Place: Yussef Hassan, Palo Verde High School, “Is Global Warming Killing Our Earth?”

Third Place: Daniel Adelhoch and George Lee, Palo Verde High School, “Is the US or China Leading in AI Development? (from 2021-2025).”

Congratulations to our winners and all student participants. And many thanks to our judges, teachers, and volunteers. For more information, visit:

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Other News Around the State

StatsChats is back at UNR! StatsChats is an informal, weekly gathering where you can bring any quantitative questions related to your research. Everyone is welcome and the sessions cover a wide range of topics, including Statistics, Experimental Design, Model Simulation & Analysis, Debugging R code, and more.

Spring semester sessions will be held every Tuesday from 12 – 1 p.m. @ Lilli Brant reading room, DeLaMare Science and Engineering Library on the third floor. Please reference <https://guides.library.unr.edu/StatsChats>. All are invited to join the StatsChats mailing list. Send emails to statschats-join@lists.unr.edu and in the subject field enter "subscribe" (without the quotation marks). Leave the email body blank.

NV-ASA is on LinkedIn

We now have a LinkedIn page for our Chapter. Visit

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/nvasa>. If you are already a LinkedIn member, you will go to our page directly. If not, you will need to join first. One feature is that our NVASA page will allow job postings. To do that, please contact our webmaster at the email address given on our website.

Joining NV-ASA!

Only a minority of the people who receive this newsletter are members of the Nevada Chapter of the American Statistical Association (NV-ASA). Dues are nominal. For full-time students at NV institutions, the cost is \$10 per year (\$2 for student members of the national

ASA). Otherwise, it is \$20 per year (\$10 for members of the national ASA). One can become a Life Member for \$100. You can join NV-ASA when you renew your national ASA membership (or join for the first time); this can be done on-line at www.amstat.org/chapters.

There are two ways to join NV-ASA:

- at amstat.org, while initiating or renewing your national ASA membership; or
- at Wild Apricot

(<https://ncotasa.wildapricot.org/>).

Why should you join?

NV-ASA events provide opportunities for networking and contact with other statisticians working in a wide variety of areas in Nevada. But in addition to that, a major reason is that your dues help support the outreach activities of the NV-ASA including the K-12 Poster Competition and Career Days. Our financial needs are not great, so long as we all pitch in our modest amounts.

Silver State-istics welcomes news items and letters from members and friends of the NV-ASA on matters of interest to the Chapter and the profession. Manuscript or items can be sent as a Microsoft Word document, PDF, or within an e-mail.

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NV-ASA Officers & Others

Voting officers are

President:	Alicia Chancellor Hansen
	Term: (2026-2027)
Past President:	Cheryl Hightower
	Term: (2026-2027)
Northern Vice President:	Mihye Ahn
	Term: (2026-2027)
Southern Vice President:	Miguel Fudolig
	Term: (2025-2026)
Secretary:	Glenn Waddell
	Term: (2026-2027)
Treasurer:	Charles Davis
	Term: (2025-2026)
Chapter Representative:	Miguel Fudolig
	Term: (2026 – 2028)

Other Chapter Positions

Webmaster:	Alicia Chancellor Hansen
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Newsletter Editor:	Deb Stiver