Welcome to the fall 2021 issue of *Chapter Chatter*, the newsletter for and about ASA Chapters. The Council of Chapter Governing Board (COCGB) established this publication to foster improved communications i) between the COCGB and Chapters, and ii) among Chapters by providing a forum for spreading news throughout the statistics community about ASA Chapter initiatives and activities.

Let the Council of Chapters know if you have any suggestions about this newsletter (its content, format, distribution, etc.) We are interested in suggestions on how to facilitate communication more effectively between chapters and enable you to use the COCGB as a resource. We are in the process of actively changing and updating Chapter Chatter so give COCGB feedback on the current changes and suggest additional options for the newsletter. For example, a form ([https://form.jotform.com/zzlalo/chapter-chatter](https://form.jotform.com/zzlalo/chapter-chatter)) to collect articles at your convenience has been created. You don’t have to wait for a request for articles. Chapter Chatter will be published three times a year and major changes are also being made to the format.

In Chapter Chatter, contributors inform us of events and resources available to all chapters which we pass on to you. For example, we are finishing the fifth full year of a program that is being offered from the national ASA to the ASA chapters. This program titled “Chapter Stimulus Funding” is meant to increase chapter enthusiasm and grow chapter membership. To be eligible to participate in the program a chapter must file the annual report and if a chapter doesn’t use their $1,000 for given year then they lose it. Full details on the program, are posted on the COC website at: [http://community.amstat.org/coc/chapterresources/chapterstimulus](http://community.amstat.org/coc/chapterresources/chapterstimulus). Please read the details and start your planning for the remainder of this year as soon as possible. Again, this program uses reimbursement to provide funding from the national ASA to help your chapter fund events, etc to stimulate your chapter (e.g., increases in membership, bringing in a speaker that you might not have been able to bring otherwise, etc).

We recently completed the 2021 JSM and it was a successful online event. There, many upcoming events that you can enjoy. Events offered by ASA are listed [here](https://www.amstat.org/events/joint-statistical-meetings/). There isn’t a single link that I direct you to for chapter events. They range from the COCGB traveling courses located [here](https://www.amstat.org/products-and-services/traveling-courses/) to events that are listed on the chapter’s websites. While most events are currently online, I believe that the quality on the online events is increasing as we learn more about presenting in this format.

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