In June of this year, the chapter sponsored and organized an ASA Council of Chapters traveling course, titled “Fundamentals of Causal Inference: With R.” The in-person, all-day course was taught by Babette Brumback, professor emerita in the department of biostatistics at the University of Florida, and attended by about 40 statisticians.

The 2023 Annual Fall Joint Meeting of the Northern Illinois Chapter and Midwest Chapter of the International Chinese Statistical Association was organized by the latter and took place in October. The meeting was a two-day event, with two short courses being taught on the first day and the statistical conference (keynote address, scientific sections, and student poster presentation) taking place on the second day.

Another important activity for 2023 is the election of officers and possible associated reconstruction of the executive committee. Currently, the executive committee is receiving and evaluating nominations for multiple positions, with most of the attention focused on nominating the next president-elect. According to our constitution, the new president-elect will serve two years each as president-elect, president, and past president. Terms for other offices are indeterminate. The new officers will assume their positions on January 1, 2024.

Finally, the chapter is continuing to modernize and update its website with the goal of making it more complete and easier to navigate.