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ICSA Member News March 2008

Welcome to the March edition of ICSA Member News, the first newsletter from ICSA. We welcome news for the next newsletter (May 30, 2008) and encourage ICSA members to submit news for the next newsletter by May 20. To submit news, please go to <http://www.icsa2.org/app/s.jsp?&d=1017847385>

News for ICSA

The 17 Annual International Chinese Statistical Association Applied Statistics Symposium (<http://stat.rutgers.edu/icsa2008>)

Time: June 4-7, 2008

Location: Embassy Suites Hotel in Piscataway, New Jersey, USA.

Registration: Early due on April 30, registration online or find the registration form. Credit card payment is available (<http://www.icsa2.org/app/s.jsp?&d=306608327>).

Hotel: Special rate available until May 14 or group block sold-out, either one comes first. <http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/PISNJES-IC220080603/index.jhtml>

ICSA Board Meeting

Time: 5:00pm - 8:00pm, Thursday, June 5, 2008

Location: Embassy Suites Hotel in Piscataway, New Jersey, USA.

ICSA Membership Meeting

Time: 5:15pm - 6:00pm, Friday, June 6, 2008

Location: Embassy Suites Hotel in Piscataway, New Jersey, USA.

We encourage everyone to attend this meeting.

News from Statistica Sinica

Statistica Sinica will host a special session on its new category "Editor Invited Thesis Paper" at ICSA 2008 Applied Statistics Symposium held on June 5-7 at Embassy Suite Hotel in Piscataway, New Jersey. The special session will feature "Tracking of Multiple Merging and Splitting Targets: A Statistical Perspective" by Curtis Storlie etc, with commentators Drs. Sumeetpal S. Singh, Patrick J. Wolf, and Ying-Nian Wu. This new category is designed to promote works by new PhDs. Papers chosen for this category might not be perfect but show great promise in important areas. The invited experts will comment on each paper for its further development.

ICSA central office open

ICSA central office is located in the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health at Georgia Southern University. Office hours are M-TH (8am-12pm) and Fri (1-5pm). Staff of the OICSA include: Chunfeng Ren, Lili Yu, Ruth Whitworth, Karl Peace and Charles Hardy. For information, contact Chunfeng Ren at 912-871-1277 or oicsa@icsa2.org or use the link: http://www.icsa.org/docs/OICSA_final.pdf

Upcoming workshop and meetings

University of Pennsylvania Annual Conference on Statistical Issues in Clinical Trials: From Bench to Bedside to Community

(<http://www.cceb.upenn.edu/biostat/conferences/ClinTrials08/>)

Time: April 18, 2008

Location: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Statistical Genetics Course for Statisticians

(<http://www.genemapping.cn/StatisticalGeneticsCourse.html>.)

Time: May 19-23, 2008

Location: Beijing Institute of Genomics (BIG), Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing.

Information and application forms: <http://www.big.ac.cn/placard/Statisticians.htm>.

Graybill Conference VII - Biopharmaceutical Statistics

(<http://www.stat.colostate.edu/graybillconference/>)

Time: June 11-13, 2008

Location: Colorado State University, Hilton Fort Collins, Fort Collins, CO 80526

Graybill Conference VII will focus on biopharmaceutical statistics, and include invited sessions and associated short courses bringing together leading researchers in the fields of clinical and non-clinical statistics and statisticians, statistical programmers and data managers interested in learning about current work in these fields. The keynote speakers for this Conference are: Bob O'Neill, LJ Wei, Christy Chuang-Stein and Janet Wittes. The two short courses are "Hot Topics in Clinical Trials" and "Graphics". For additional details on the conference, please see <http://www.stat.colostate.edu/graybillconference> or contact Naitee Ting, Pfizer Inc., Global Research & Development, MS6025-B3141, 50 Pequot Ave., New London, CT 06320; Telephone: (860) 732-4871, email: naitee.ting@pfizer.com. The Graybill Conference VII is now open for registration.

Institute of Mathematical Statistics meeting

(<http://www.stat.umn.edu/~statconf/imschina/>)

Time: June 11-13, 2008

Location: Hang-Zhou

Recent Developments in Statistics and Their Applications: A Conference In Memory of Professor Yao-Ting Zhang (ICSA Co-sponsored) (<http://maths.whu.edu.cn>)

Time: June 21-22, 2008

Location: Wuhan University, Wuhan, China

The first International Symposium on Biopharmaceutical Statistics

(<http://www.isbiostat.org/sp1>)

Time: June 30–July 2, 2008

Location: Shanghai, China

2008 Joint Statistical Meetings (<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2008/>)

Time: August 3-7, 2008

Location: Colorado Convention Center

The XV Biopharmaceutical Applied Statistics Symposium (BASS)

(<http://bass.georgiasouthern.edu/>)

Time: Nov 3-7, 2008
Location: Mulberry Inn -- Savannah, GA

The Institute of Mathematical Statistics bi-Annual Meeting (The plan is being developed; forum will be similar to that of the Joint Statistical Meetings.)

Time: 2009
Location: South Korea

Awards News

Morningside Gold Medal of Applied Mathematics (<http://www.cms.zju.edu.cn/iccm2007/>)

Professor Jianqing Fan, the ICSA President-elect has received the Morningside Gold Medal of applied Mathematics "for his ground-breaking and seminal work in nonparametric modeling and inferences for his fundamental contributions to high-dimensional statistical learning, nonlinear time series and biostatistics, and his achievements toward the development of novel statistical techniques in finance and molecular biology.

Shining Star (<http://online.georgiasouthern.edu>)

The Georgia House of Representatives has recognized Dr. Karl E. Peace, Founding Director of the Center for Biostatistics, and Professor of Biostatistics in the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health at Georgia Southern University as a "Shining Star" in the University System of Georgia. Dr. Peace was recognized on the floor of the House of Representatives in Atlanta for his contributions to furthering biostatistics and public health in the State of Georgia and for his work as a Georgia Cancer Coalition Distinguished Cancer Scholar. Dr. Peace is widely recognized for his research, philanthropy to education and public health, and for his efforts in research, technical support and management in the pharmaceutical industry.

News From Other Organizations:

News from American Statistical Association (ASA) (<http://www.amstat.org/newsletters>)

News from International Statistical Institute (IMI) (<http://isi.cbs.nl/NewsItr.htm>)

News from Institute of Mathematical Statistics(IMS) (<http://bulletin.imstat.org/>)