

whom all information and registration forms may be obtained.

Participants from other regions are welcome.

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Spain

Spanish Members Meet

Members of the Biometric Society in Spain held a meeting in November 1984 with the purpose of organizing regular schedules of meetings and connections with other groups. It was decided to hold a scientific meeting each year in the spring as the "Spring Spanish Biometric Meeting." The first meeting will be held in Granada with an advance program and calander to be released shortly.

Anyone interested in meeting with the members from Spain should contact:

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Western North American

1985 WNAR Student Paper Competition

The Western North American Region (WNAR) of the Biometric Society is again sponsoring a student paper competition. The competition is open to all students of statistics and biometrics in the Region. Recent graduates are also eligible if the research was carried out while he/she was a student in the Region. The winner will receive an honorarium of \$150, and the runner-up will receive \$75.

In addition, entrants are encouraged to present their papers at the Regional Meeting at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA, 19-21 June 1985. An award of \$75 will be given for the best presentation.

Entrants should send a title and abstract to the Award Coordinator by 30 April 1985 and should send four copies of the paper by 15 May 1985.

Copies of the rules and the entry procedure are available from Martin A. Hamilton, Award Coordinator, Department of Mathematical Sciences, Montana State University, Bozeman, 59717. Phone: 406/994-5347.

1984 WNAR Student Paper Competition

The winners of the WNAR Student Paper Competition were selected at the WNAR Annual Meeting in Logan, Utah.

The first and second place awards for content and writing were respectively: M. Ataharul Islam, University of Hawaii, "A New Method of Constructing Increment-Decrement Life Tables," and Myung-Hoe Huh, Stanford University, "Simpson's Paradox and Randomization". The first place award for presentation went to Robert J. Tibshirani of Stanford University, "Bootstrap Confidence Intervals".

Winners were selected by members of the WNAR Regional Committee from a list of six entries.

1984 WNAR Elections

Newly elected WNAR officers are Jessica Utts, President Elect; G. Morris Southward, Secretary-Treasurer; Abdelmonem Afifi and Loveday Conquest, Regional Committee; and Lyle Calvin, Program Chairman.

James S. Williams
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pharmacology Meetings

A Satellite Meeting, "Phospholipids in the Nervous System: Biochemical and Molecular Pharmacology," will be held 26-29 May 1985 in Mantova, Italy and another meeting, "Neuronal Plasticity and Gangliosides," will also be held in Mantova, 29-31 May 1985. Information: Dr. Louis Freysz, Centre de Neurochimie du CNRS, 5 rue Blaise Pascal, 67084 - Strasbourg Cédex, France.

COPSS Award Nominations

The Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies, presents the Presidents' Award to a young member of the statistical community in recognition of an outstanding contribution to the profession of statistics. This award is jointly sponsored by the American Statistical Association, the Institute of Mathematical Statistics, the Biometric Society

(ENAR, WNAR), and the Statistical Society of Canada, operating through COPSS. The Award consists of a suitable plaque and a cash award in the sum of \$1,000 and is presented annually at a joint meeting of the sponsoring societies.

The recipient of the Presidents' Award shall be a member of at least one of the participating societies. The candidate may be chosen for a single contribution of extraordinary merit, or an outstanding aggregation of contributions to the profession of statistics. The Presidents' Award is granted to an individual who has not yet reached his 40th birthday at the time of presentation.

Members of the constituent societies are invited to nominate candidates to their society's President. Supporting resumes must be submitted, and deadlines for the various societies may be obtained from their Presidents.

RSS Anniversary Issue

The 150th Anniversary Issue of the Royal Statistical Society (J.R.S.S.-A, Vol. 147, Part 2, 1984) is being sent to all Fellows of the Royal Statistical Society and to subscribers to the Journal of the Royal Statistical Society who have ordered it.

Additional copies are available at a cost (airmail postage paid) of £10 or \$15 (U.S.). The issue contains papers and invited discussions from the 150th Anniversary Conference.

Copies may be ordered from: Secretary, Royal Statistical Society, 25 Enford St., London W1H 2BH, U.K. Checks payable to Royal Statistical Society should be sent with the order.