

Dr Martin A. Tanner has been appointed Professor of Biostatistics and Statistics, and Director of the Division of Biostatistics, at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry. He has formerly been an Associate Professor in the University of Wisconsin. The Division of Biostatistics collaborates in about 50 medical research projects at the University's Medical Center, conducts biostatistical research and teaches in the Department of Statistics.

Trudy L. Burns
Eastern North American Correspondent

Region & Group journals & newsletters

Did you know that some Regions and Groups of the Biometric Society publish their own journals and newsletters?

The Belgian Region (RBe) have published the journal *Biométrie-Praximétrie* since 1960. Every year the three or four issues comprise some 200 pages of scientific papers and news. The current Editor is Guy Bouxin, avenue des Sorbiers, 33, B-5101 Erpent, Belgium. The main languages are French and English.

The Japanese Region (JR) publish the journal *Bulletin of the Biometric Society of Japan*. The August 1989 issue comprises numbers 1 and 2 of volume 10, with fourteen papers, mostly full texts of those presented at the 1989 Annual Meeting of the Region. Papers are in English, or Japanese with English summary. The Editor is I. Yoshimura and information is available from the Japanese Region of the Biometric Society, c/o Dept Management Science, Faculty of Engineering, Science Univ. of Tokyo, 1-3 Kagurazaka, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo 162, Japan.

The Spanish Group (GSp) produce a lively and informative newsletter with abstracts, called *Biometria*. Volume 4, No. 1 was published in early 1990. The Editor is José Luis Meliá, Universidad de Valencia, Facultad de Psicología, Av. Blasco Ibañez, 21-46010, Valencia, Spain. The main languages are Spanish, English and French.

The Austro-Swiss Region (ROeS) produce a newsletter entitled *ROeS-Nachrichten*. Number 25, published in January 1990, contains 28 pages of news in German. The Editor is C. Hoffmann, Eidgenössische Forschungsanstalt für Wald, Schnee und Landschaft, CH-8903 Birmensdorf, Switzerland.

Nordic

The Nordic Region has elected a new Committee for 1990:

President: Jon Stene, Copenhagen, Denmark
Secretary: Trond Haider, Oslo, Norway
Treasurer: Steinar Trotli, Oslo, Norway.
Other members of the Committee are:
Søren Andersen, Copenhagen, Denmark
Lennart Bondesson, Umeå, Sverige
Sigrun Helgadottir, Reykjavik, Iceland
Niels Keiding, Copenhagen, Denmark
Juni Palmgren, Helsingfors, Finland
Hans Wedel, Gothenburg, Sweden;
and the Council members:

Holmgeir Björnsson, Reykjavik, Iceland
Timo Hakulinen, Helsingfors, Finland.

The new Secretary, Trond Haider, has also taken over as the Correspondent to *Biometric Bulletin* from the Nordic Region. His address is: *Statistical Dept, NYCOMED AS, Nycoveien 1-2, PO Box 4220 Torshov, N-0401 Oslo 4, Norway*

Jon Stene
Nordic Correspondent

Western North American

The Western North American Region of the Biometric Society will hold its 1990 meeting in Bozeman, Montana, from June 17-20. The meeting is jointly sponsored by the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (IMS). WNAR Program Chair is Anthony Olsen, Computational Sciences Department, K1-86, Battelle-Northwest, P.O. Box 999, Richland, WA 99352, USA. Bozeman is located in south-central Montana, 90 miles north of Yellowstone National Park in the mountain-encircled Gallatin Valley. Bozeman is a city of approximately 30,000 residents. A wealth of recreational opportunities abound close to Bozeman: hiking, rafting, splendid sightseeing, and trout fishing in blue-ribbon streams. Accommodations

are available on campus or in Bozeman. Dr Woollcott Smith, Temple University, will give the WNAR President's Address: Impact Assessment for Oil Spills and Other Accidents.

The Invited Paper Sessions will be:
1. Statistical Design of Regional Environmental Monitoring Programs, *Organizer/Chair:* Anthony R. Olse; 2. Statistical Graphics for Geographical Data, *Organizer/Chair:* Daniel B. Carr; 3. EM Algorithms and Missing Data, *Organizer/Chair:* Mark R. Segal; 4. Design of Disease Prevention Trials, *Organizer:* Art Peterson; *Chair:* Motomi Mori; 5. Statistical Issues for Environmental Health, *Organizer/Chair:* Abe Silvers; 6. Environmental Statistics, jointly with IMS, *Organizer/Chair:* Julian Besag; 7. Inference and Applications of Mixture Models, jointly with IMS, *Organizer/Chair:* Martin L. Puterman.

As was the case in past meetings, WNAR will hold a Student Paper Competition. The categories for the competition are The Best Written Paper, 1st and 2nd, and The Best Presented Paper.

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Western North American Correspondent

Biometric Society Region & Group Meetings

Brazilian, 17-18 May 1990, Botucatu, São Paulo, Brazil

35th Annual Meeting. Information: Carlos Roberto Padovani, Departamento de Bioestatística - IB/UNESP, Campus de Botucatu, 18600 Botucatu, SP, Brazil.

Brazilian, July 1991, Goiania, Goias, Brazil

4th Symposium of Statistics Applied to Agricultural Research & 36th Annual Meeting. Information: D.A. Banzatto, Dept de Ciências Exatas - FCAV/UNESP, 14870 Jaboticabal, SP, Brazil.

British, 17 May 1990, London, England

162nd Ordinary Meeting. Information: Byron J.T. Morgan, Mathematical Institute, Cornwallis Building, University of Kent, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NF.

ENAR, 24-27 March 1991, Houston, Texas, USA

Spring Regional Meeting. Information: Barbara C. Tilley, Division of Biostatistics and Research Epidemiology, Henry Ford Hospital, 2799 W. Grand Blvd, CFP 639 Detroit, MI 48202, USA.

ENAR, 1992, Cincinnati, Ohio, USA

Spring Regional Meeting. Information: as above.

ENAR/WNAR, 6-9 August 1990, Anaheim, California, USA

Joint Annual Statistical Meeting with ASA. Information: ASA, 1429 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314, USA.

ENAR/WNAR, 19-22 August 1991, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Joint Annual Statistical Meeting with ASA. Information: as above.

ENAR/WNAR, 9-13 August 1992, Boston, Massachusetts, USA

Joint Annual Statistical Meeting with ASA. Information: as above.

French, 28 May-1 June 1990, Tours, France

XXIIèmes Journées de Statistique. Information: Laboratoire d'Informatique, Parc de Grandmont, 37200 Tours, France.

German, 4-8 June 1990, Trier, FRG

Bootstrapping and Related Techniques. Information: W. Sendler, Fachereich IV-Mathematik, Abteilung für angewandte Mathematik, Universität Trier, Postfach 3825, D-5500 Trier, FRG.

German Democratic Republic, 12-14 September 1990, Leipzig, GDR

Eurotox '90, workshop on statistical methods in toxicology. Information: Dr.sc.nat. L. Hothorn, VEB Arzneimittelwerk Dresden, Zentralstelle für Produktentoxikologie, Bonnewitzerstr. 34, DDR - 8304 Graupa.

WNAR, 17-20 June 1990, Bozeman, Montana, USA

1990 Annual Meeting. Information: Dr Martin A. Hamilton, Dept Mathematical Sciences, Montana State University, Bozeman, MT 59717, USA; Email: IMSWNAR@MTSUNIX1.BITNET. ■