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Statistics Events:

Joint Statistical Meetings in Seattle
<http://www.amstat.org/meetings/jsm/2006/index.cfm>

During JSM there is a department gathering for friends and alumni at Waterfront Activities Center Aug 7th from 6-10 pm

Conference on Statistical Methods in Epidemiology and Observational Studies:
In Honor of **Norman E. Breslow**
<http://www.biostat.washington.edu/breslow-conference-2006/>

Congratulations

Werner Stuetzle will be Acting Divisional Dean for Sciences 2006-07, replacing Ron Irving who will be Acting Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Congratulations to the following students who passed their Final Exam:

Nema Dean - She will teach Statistics 220 this summer quarter for our department before leaving for a position at the University of Edinburgh in Scotland.

Leah Jager - She has accepted the position of Assistant Professor at Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa.

Marloes Maathuis- She will be teaching Statistics 220 for our department Fall quarter.

Paul Scheet—In the Fall he will go to the Department of Biostatistics at the University of Michigan as a Postdoctoral Research Fellow.

Congratulations to the following students who received their Master's exam:

Marios Pavlides
Conglei Zhang



Welcome

Mathew Barber of Cambridge College will be with us about 3 months to do research with Matthew Stephens.

Yongtao (Grant) Guan of the University of Idaho is also here for 3 months to do research with Matthew Stephens.

Dr. Fero Matus from Institute of Information Theory and Automation, Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic, will be visiting us during the period July 5 to July 19.



Commuting News:

The Bike to Work Challenge team, "*Random Stats in a Robust State*" rode **1303.5 miles and 128 round trips**.

5,800 people, in 650 teams, rode for the Group Health Commute Challenge Bike to Work Month. This is a living demonstration that bicycling is an enjoyable, expedient, and environmentally responsible form of transportation.

Here's some surprising statistics:

Total miles ridden: 739,063

Total days commuted: 52,878

Calories burned: ~ 24.6 million (the equivalent of 92,495 McDonald's hamburgers)

Gallons of gas saved: 35,193 (more than \$110,000)

Reduced CO2 emissions by more than three-quarters of a million pounds

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