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Congratulations:

Ping Gao (alumni of about 15 years ago) has been promoted to vice president of *The Medicines Company*.

Alejandro Murua and his wife had a baby girl named Sophie last March.

Adrian Raftery and Hana Sevcikova were married on July 2nd. They are spending the coming year in Prague.

Adrian Raftery has been awarded the *2006 Jerome Sacks Award* for Cross-Disciplinary Research by the National Institute of Statistical Sciences.

Adrian joins Elizabeth Thompson who was the first recipient of this award in 2001. Thus UW Stat has so far won 2 out of 6!

Goodbye and Best Wishes:

Mathew Barber left to do research with Matthew Stephens at University of Chicago, Department of Statistics and Human Genetics.

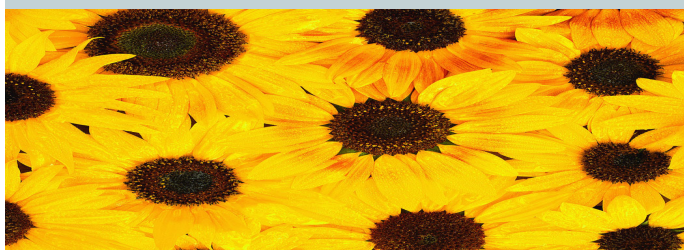
Adam Glynn accepted the position of Assistant Professor in the Department of Government, Harvard University.

Garrett Hellenthal will be attending University of Oxford Statistics department for a three-year postdoctoral research position.

Arindam Roy Choudhury accepted a position at Harvard University joining the Wakeley Lab at the Department of Organismic and Evolutionary Biology as a Postdoctoral Fellow.

Adele Mitchell accepted a position as Assistant Professor in the Human Genetics Department, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine, NYC.

Matthew Stephens began a new position on September 1st as Professor of the Department of Statistics and Human Genetics at the University of Chicago.



Welcome:

Please join me in welcoming our new CSSS Core Faculty Member **Adrian Dobra**. He will be an Assistant Professor in the Department of Statistics and also with Biobehavioral Nursing and Health Systems. Also, he will assume the role of CSSS Seminar Director.

Xavier de Luna, Associate Professor in the Department of Statistics at Umea University in Sweden. and **Sara Sjostedt -de Luna**, Associate Professor in the Department of Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics at Umea University in Sweden. They will be visiting for about 2 months.

Welcome new students:

Le Bao Dalhousie University

Rebecca Bengtson University of Washington

Jennifer Chunn Cornell University

Jonathan Gruhl New York University

William Kleiber University of Iowa

Alex Lenkoski Amherst College

Arseni Seregin Moscow State University & Stanford University

Serge Sverdlov California Inst. Of Technology

Memorial:

Kristin Sprague (retired Graduate Program Assistant of the Department of Statistics for over twenty years) died August 19th of natural causes at her home in Seattle, WA. Her memorial service will be on Saturday, September 30, 2006 at the Friends Meeting House, 4001 9th Ave. NE, Seattle from 3 -7- PM. There will be a potluck afterwards.

The family is requesting that donations be given to the American Diabetes Association in the name of Kristin Sprague for research on Juvenile Diabetes.

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