

-Department of Statistics -NEWSLETTER

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Dallas Johnson Retirement



After 31 years on the faculty at K-State, Dr. Dallas Johnson has retired from the Department of Statistics. A retirement dinner in his honor was held in mid-June, and a host of colleagues students and friends showed up to honor his achievements and wish him well in his retirement.

Dallas was a highly honored and respected member of the faculty. The citation read at his recognition reads: Dallas Johnson is recognized for 31 years of dedicated service to the Department of Statistics at Kansas State University. Dallas earned a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education from Kearney State College in 1960, a Master's degree in Mathematics from Western Michigan University in 1966, and a Ph.D. Degree in Statistics from Colorado

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Weixing Song takes tenure track appointment in department



Dr. Weixing Song has accepted a tenure track faculty appointment in the department and will begin his duties in mid-August. Weixing comes to us from the graduate program at Michigan State University, where he did his doctoral research under the direction of Dr. Hira Koul. His dissertation was in the area of model checking for empirical likelihood problems, categorical data analysis, and efficient estimation in semiparametric models.

Weixing is from Liulin Village (in English that translates to Village of Willows). Many years ago, it was called Phoenix Village, since the shape of the village was like a phoenix. With the expansion of the village, many new buildings were constructed, and it no longer resembled a phoenix. There were many willows then in the village, so people changed the name to the current name. Weixing speculates that its name may change again some day, since the willows which give it the name are all being cut by villagers. Liulin Village is a large village with population more than 2500. Weixing spent his whole childhood there. His mother and some of his best friends still live there. He also has two sisters. The largest cities nearby are Taiyuan City (120 miles away) which is the capital of Shanxi Province, and Changzhi City (10 miles away).

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Keller-McNulty leads ASA in 2006



Sallie Keller-McNulty, who was on the faculty in the department from 1985 to 1998, is currently serving as President of the American Statistical Association. Sallie was elected in 2004, served 2005 as presidentelect, and for the calendar year 2006 will head the ASA, the largest professional organization for statisticians in the world, with more than 17,000 members.

The issues that will be focused on in Sallie's presidency will generally fall into three categories. These were enumerated in her election challenges and are:

- 1. Extend ASA activities in public affairs, particularly in the science policy arena so that ASA can exert greater influence on national research directions.
- 2. Strengthen the statistical sciences voice in the national/international security communities.
- 3. Foster an infrastructure that strongly links the statistical sciences industrial and research

laboratory communities with the academic sector and our national and international institutes.

Sallie was the Group Leader of the Statistical Sciences Group at Los Alamos National Laboratories at the time of her election. She has since moved to Rice University in Houston, Texas, where she is currently Dean of the College of Engineering.

Boyer, Dubnicka elected to ASA Offices

Results of the 2006 election of officers for the American Statistical Association were recently released.

It was announced that John Boyer of the department has been elected to the ASA Board of Directors for a three year term, 2007-2009. Boyer has served in numerous ASA offices, including a current term (2006) as chair of the Council of Sections, plus stints as chair of the Council of Chapters, chair of the Section on Statistical Education, and chair of the Archives Committee. In addition to his current duties with the Council of Sections, he is also the

coordinator for the statistical judging for the International Science and Engineering Fair.

It was also announced that Suzanne Dubnicka has been elected treasurer of the Section on Nonparametric Statistics.





Scholarship Winners

Beth and Holly Fryer Scholarship Awarded to Wijith Munasinghe



The Holly and Beth Fryer Scholarship for 2006-2007 has been awarded to Wijith Munasinghe. Wijith comes to K-State from Sri Lanka, where he earned a bachelors degree in statistics from the University of Colombo, where he currently holds a faculty position. Once he finishes his doctoral work at KSU, he will return to his country and take the faculty position there.

In the fall of 2005, he successfully completed his MS

under the supervision of Prof. Dallas Johnson. His Ph.D. research work is about lack of fit tests for non-linear regression models and he's working on that under the guidance of Dr. Jim Neill. Measure Theory, Asymptotics, Statistical Inference and Bayesian Statistics are among his statistical areas of interest.

Wijith is married to Chamila and they welcomed their first child, a daughter named Iruna, into their family on June 26th. Chamila has a bachelor's degree in accounting and she is planning to do a MS in accounting or statistics starting next year, here at K-State.

Wijith's other activities include being the pioneer president of the Sri Lankan Students' Association at K-State. He loves sports, especially cricket and badminton. Beyond that, he enjoys watching movies and TV in his spare time.

Molly Hort Named Winner of the Iman Scholarship

The Ron and Rae Iman Scholarship for 2006-2007 has been awarded to Molly Hort. Molly graduated from high school in Garden City, Kansas and then obtained an associate's degree in science from Garden City Community College. After that, she transferred to K-State.

She earned her Bachelors Degree in Mathematics in December 2005 and this spring completed her first semester in graduate school. After finishing her statistics degree, she plans to work in the actuarial field. In her free time, she enjoys watching movies, boating, and hanging out with friends.





Statistics Scholarship Awarded to Jeffrey Amos



The Statistics Scholarship for 2006-2007 has been awarded to Jeffrey Amos. Jeffrey is a senior working on a double major in mathematics and statistics and a minor in computer science. Both this summer and last he has been involved in an REU (research experience for undergraduates) program at Trinity University working on combinatorial problems. His goal is to go on to graduate school and eventually work for the government in the national security area. When he's not studying he likes to play volleyball or strategy games (chess, poker, etc.).

News of our Alumni

Lieqi Bi (M.S. 2005) has taken a job working for Ebay in the risk analytic

group, with a focus on detecting fraud outside the U.S. She reports that her major current focus is on



China, which is of special interest to her.

Regina Estes (M.S., 1990) took a job with Medpace, a CRO in the Cincinnati area in May of 2002. Medpace focuses primarily on cardiovascular, endocrine, diabetes, and oncology problems. Since 2001, she's been very happily married to Drew Woods; she describes them as the aunt and uncle with no kids who spoil the nieces and nephews rotten.

Brian Fergen (Ph.D. 1995) has taken a job at the the Center for Veterinary Bio-

logics in Ames, Iowa. Brian and wife Lori are parents to Kenyon $(5\frac{1}{2})$ and Camden $(2\frac{1}{2})$.

Bonnie Fijal (M.S. 1995) has received a

promotion to manager at her company, Johnson and Johnson Pharmaceuticals.

Kim Howell (M.S. 1994) recently won a Privacy Award from her employer Microsoft and had her picture taken with CEO Bill Gates. Kim and Jaden (2) are in the midst of buying a house. Kim reports that her mother, Parkie Howell, who spent a sabbatical leave in the department several years back, is now fully retired from academia.



Qing Kang (Ph.D.2005) and husband Chris Vahl (Ph.D. 2005) have welcomed their first child into the family. Sidney Kang Vahl came into the world



on April 20, 2006, weighing 7 pounds, 8 ounces, and measuring 18¼ inches.

Jennifer Kirk (M.S. 2001) has moved back to her home stomping grounds of Houston. She has taken a job with Westat there. She has also purchased a home in nearby Cypress and reports loving being back close to her family so she can spoil nieces and nephews.

Barbara Kuzmak (M.S. 1986) has moved to part-time status at Proctor & Gamble in Cincinnati. Barb, husband Larry and children Virginia and Michael visited the department in early June.

Sarah Loyer (M.S. 2001) has been accepted into the doctoral program in mathematics education for the fall at the

University of Delaware. She has also been awarded a National Science Foundation fellowship to help foot the bill. She has her eye on a career in college teaching.



Karen McGaughey (Ph.D., 2003) has left her academic position at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo and has joined the staff at AMD (Advanced Micro Devices) in the Silicon Valley area, where Eun-Joo Lee (Ph.D., 2004) is on the staff.

Rhonda Ragual (M.S. 1988) has taken a position as a regional/remote biostatistician with Pharmaceutical Product Development, a contract research organization. This allows her to telecommute for most of her work. This leaves her time to spend with her family: husband Josh Naranjo who is a statistics faculty member at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, and children Jacob (10) and Julia (6).

Brent Rognlie (M.S. 1987) is working

for Aegis Analytical in the Denver area. It's a small software company that provides integrated access to databases related to the manufacture of product in the biotech and pharmaceutical industries. He reports that it's a small company so he wears lots of hats for them. Brent and his wife Sue are parents of Josh (19), Jeremy (17), and Erica (16). The parents and the younger two offspring made a spring visit to the KSU campus and the department.

George von Borries (a continuing student who is working on his doctorate from his home in Brasilia, and who comes to campus periodically to meet with his thesis advisor, Haiyan Wang) and his wife Michelle are proud to announce the birth of a son Felix Ramos von Borries. Felix joins older sister Beatriz in the family circle.

Ron Wasserstein (Ph.D. 1987) is serving 2006 as the chair of the American Statistical Association's Council of Chapters. In his work life, Ron remains vice president for academic affairs at Washburn University in Topeka, KS.



Kansas State University Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture

April 29 - May 1, 2007

The Kansas State University Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture provides a forum for discussion of statistical issues motivated by agricultural problems. The conference brings together statisticians from academia, industry, and government to discuss ideas and advancements in the application of statistics to solving agricultural research problems.

This is a three-day conference consisting of a keynote speaker, workshop, a series of contributed papers and poster presentations. The conference has a relaxed atmosphere to encourage discussions on papers and presentations with authors

and other participants. This com- Papers on either new or innovamunication enhances the interface of statistics with the agricul- tistical methodologies are approtural sciences.

The Kansas State University Conference on Applied Statistics in Agricuture is unique in that it emphasizes the application of statistics in solving real-life problems, highlighting agriculture, while recognizing the joint effort of the statistician and the agricultural researcher. Presentations made jointly by the statistician and the researcher in agriculture are encouraged. Presentation of data sets and analyses which motivated the work shares equal importance with development of the statistical theory.

tive applications of existing stapriate for presentation at this conference.



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Rebecca Doerge to keynote 19th annual conference

Dr. Rebecca Doerge from Purdue University will be the keynote speaker and will present the workshop at the 19th Annual KSU Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture to be held in Manhattan on April 29, 30 and May 1 of 2007.

Rebecca has been a regular attendee at the conference, and she and her students have presented a number of contributed papers over the years. She has played a key role in the establishment of Genomics at Purdue University, and continues to forge new ground in statistical genomics, quantitative genetics and bioinformatics. Although her formal training is in mathematics and statistics, her research lies on the interdisciplinary boundaries of numerous fields, including animal science, biology, biochemistry, botany, chemistry, computer science, horticulture, genetics, genomics and plant breeding.

Her workshop at this year's conference will be a very applied one on quantitative trait locus (QTL) mapping. It is intended to interest both applied statisticians and folks from the biological sciences who are interested in learning the necessary genetic and statistical background required for estimating a genetic map based on genetic markers, mapping QTL relative to a genetic map, and mapping expression QTL as provided from microarray data. No prior experience with QTL mapping is required.





Fryer Session at JSM

Tom Loughin has organized a memorial session for this year's Joint Statistical Meetings in Seattle in honor of Dr. Holly Fryer, the department's founder and first head. The session will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 8 - it will be labeled Session 309 in the program book.

There will be four presentations in the program. The first will be by John Boyer and will be primarily a biographical look at Dr. Fryer's life. That will be followed by three technical presentations in areas that were of particular interest to Dr. Fryer during his career as a statistician. These will be presented by Dallas Johnson, Bruce Weir of the University of Washington, and Mark Kaiser of Iowa State University.



Loughin leaves K-State



Dr. Tom Loughin, who has been a member of the faculty in the department since 1993, has resigned his position and will leave K-

State in the summer of 2006. Tom and his family - wife Marie and daughters Hannah and Juliana - will be moving to the Vancouver, British Columbia area, where Tom will take a faculty position in the Department of Statistics at Simon Fraser University.

Tom has been a popular and engaging faculty member, and an outstanding consultant. He and his family will be missed.



K-State Dinner at JSM

It is a tradition to have a K-State get together at the annual Joint Statistical Meetings. This year's meetings in Seattle will be no exception. The dinner will be held on Monday evening (that is August 7th this year) as usual. Please check the message boards in the convention center for the rest of the details. There will be information and a sign-up sheet posted by Sunday morning, and you will have until mid-day on Monday to sign up. Please join us; it is always lots of fun.

Attached is a photo from the 2005 gathering at the JSM in Minneapolis. We had nearly 40 people with all kinds of KSU connections, and had a wonderful time.



Peter Njuho returns home



The department was delighted to host Dr. Peter Njuho as a visitor for the 2005-2006 academic year. Peter did his graduate work at KSU, writing his dissertation under the direction of Dr. George Milliken in 1995. After finishing his doctorate, Peter returned to his native Kenya, where he began his academic career.

Peter is currently a senior lecturer at the University of KwaZulu Natal in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. He has been active in a number of academic areas, especially the African branch of the International Biometric Society.

Peter was on sabbatical leave from his home university and taught and worked at his research while visiting here. Wife Esther and sons Edwin and Matthew joined him for an extended visit at Christmas time. Esther and Edwin returned to South Africa right after the holidays, but Matthew stayed in Manhattan and attended public schools for the spring semester. Peter and Matthew then rejoined their family in late May. It was a great pleasure to have Peter and his family join us.

Rumsey Selected Fellow of ASA



Deb Rumsey, a faculty member in the department from 1993 to 2000, has been selected as a Fellow by the

American Statistical Association and will be one of those honored at this year's Joint Statistical Meetings in Seattle. Deb is a Statistics Education Specialist and Auxiliary Faculty in the Department of Statistics at Ohio State. She has written three books, Statistics for Dummies (2003), Statistics Workbook for Dummies (2005) and Probability

for Dummies (2006). Deb and husband Eric have a 3-1/2 year old son, Clint.

Song (Continued) Weixing is married to Vincin Bai. She has studied

Xiuqin Bai. She has studied literature, history and opera. Xiuqin became interested in statistics during their time at MSU and is planning on entering the department's graduate program. Her avocations include singing Chinese opera, swimming and reading.

Weixing and Xiuqin will be moving to Manhattan in mid-summer.



Recent Grad News

Ph.D. degrees

Liang Fang finished his doctoral work

under the su-



has taken a job with Amgen Corporation in Thousand Oaks, California.

Qing Kang completed her dissertation under the direction of Paul Nelson. After spending most of a year out of the job market and having a baby, Qing will join her husband, Chris Vahl on the faculty in the Department of Statistics at North Dakota State University in Fargo, ND this fall.

John Keighley finished his degree under the supervision of Dallas Johnson. John has been working for some time at the Kansas University Medical Center in the Kansas City area, and will continue his work there.

Chris Vahl completed his dissertation under the direction of George Milliken. He has spent the 2005-2006 academic year at KSU grads Andrew Pole and Indiana State University of Pennsylvania. This fall he will begin work in a tenure track

position in the Department of Statistics at North Dakota State University in Fargo, ND.

M.S. degrees

pervision of Dallas Johnson. He Jun Chen completed his M.S. work with Winston Yang. He is currently looking for opportunities to work on a doctorate in finance.

> Shannon Dick finished his degree under the direction of Jim Higgins. He will continue his studies in the department as his wife Nicole is joining the department as a student this fall.

Joshua Habiger will attend a workshop on bioinformatics at Iowa state University in Ames this summer, then begin his studies in the graduate program in the Department of Statistics at the University of South Carolina in Columbia this fall. Alan Hartung completed his degree under the direction of Jim Higgins. Alan has taken a job with Target in Minneapolis. He will be working there with Brandon Schaust Jennifer Hunter finished her

degree work with Dallas John-

son as her major professor. She has taken a position with

Statsoft, a software company that produces the STATISTICA statistical analysis package. She travels and does training on the software as well as doing testing and technical support. She has already been promoted to manager of her department and has recently purchased a home in the Tulsa area.

G.B. (Brent) Johnson finished his M.S. work under Tom Loughin. He has taken a position with HSBC, a huge player in the credit card Market, in Las Vegas, Nevada, where KSU grad Sandeepa Sangras also works.

Raymond McCubrey finished his degree under the tutelage of Tom Loughin. He has taken a job with the Maine Health Information Center in Manchester, Maine. This puts him back close to his family home in Standish. Maine.

Wijith Munasinghe has completed his M.S. under the supervision of Dallas Johnson. He has remained in the department and is continuing his studies for a Ph.D.

Lance Ridpath completed his

work that he started under Josh Tebbs with John Boyer's assistance. He has taken a job with the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care in Little Rock. although he will soon (August) be moving to BWX Technologies-Nuclear Products Division in Lynchburg, Virginia. Lane Senne finished his work on his M.S. under the leadership of Jim Higgins. He has taken a job with PRA International, a large contract research organization in Olathe, KS. Jin Shang completed her M.S. work with Dallas Johnson. She has taken a job with East Carolina University working for the office of Institutional Planning, Research and Effectiveness in Greenville, North Carolina, Sadaf Waris has finished her degree under John Boyer. She has taken a statistical position with Corning Glass in Corning, New York.

Sam Wilson did his work



Congratulations:





under the supervision of Jim Neill. He is working on an internship at Hill's Pet Foods in Topeka for the summer. He has accepted an assistantship and will be joining the doctoral program in statistics at North Carolina State University this coming fall.

B.S. degrees

Todd Crawford of Topeka

graduated with a degree in statistics. Todd will remain in Manhattan and join the graduate program in statistics in the summer of 2006.

Michael Higgins of Manhattan (son of faculty member Jim Higgins and wife Mary Lou) graduated summa cum laude with a double major in mathematics and statistics. Mike will be entering the graduate program in statistics this fall at the University of California, Berkeley. **Eric Mann** of Topeka finished at K-State with a double major in statistics and mathematics. He has taken a job with Allstate Insurance Company in Northbrook, Illinois as an actuarial analyst. He reports that he will be pricing insurance products, running statistical analyses, and studying for the actuarial exams.



From the Head's desk

The past year has been a good one for the department, with things proceeding pretty comfortably. There are some changes on the horizon.

From a faculty point of view, there will some changes. Dr. Dallas Johnson is retiring in August, after 31 years on the faculty. There is a separate article about him elsewhere in this newsletter. Additionally, Dr. Tom Loughin, who has been here since 1993, has left the department for a position at Simon Fraser University in Burnaby, British Columbia.

Some of you may also know that we have spent a good deal of time this year looking for a new department head. We opened a national search and found a number of good candidates. As this goes to press, we are still negotiating with an individual that we hope will be the next head. We are quite excited about the possibilities.

We have also hired a new faculty member; Weixing Song from Michigan

State University will join us in August. There is a story about him elsewhere in the newsletter.

Dr. Peter Njuho, who earned his doctorate at K-State in 1995, spent the year here in a visiting faculty position. Peter returned to his home in South Africa in late May, after being a valued member of our faculty. Peter is on the faculty at KwaZulu-Natal University in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa.

In late April and early May, we held our 18th annual

Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture at the Holidome in Manhattan. Dr. Oliver Schabenburger from SAS Institute was our keynote speaker and workshop leader. His workshop on generalized linear mixed models was very well received; in fact we had the largest workship attendance in the history of the conference. We continue to be pleased by the steady attendance at the conference. Who would have known when it began that it would have the long and steady run that it has had? Planning for the 19th conference is already well underway. Dr. Rebecca Doerge of Purdue University will be the keynoter at that conference, which will be held April 29, 30 and May 1, 2007

May 1, 2007.

I will close this note with my usual request; if you know of any potential students for our program, please let them know about us and let us know about them. You can tell folks of the value of your KSU education. I promise you that we will follow up by contacting any prospective student whose name you give us and seeing that they get the information they need. Any help you can give us in this important area will be greatly appreciated.

And we want to be sure thank you all for your various modes of support of the department and the university. I learn over and over again what a caring and talented group of individuals have come through the department over the years.

John Boyer



Faculty Activities

John Boyer has been serving this year as the chair of the ASA's Council of Sections. He also continues to serve as the coordinator of the statistical judging for the International Science and Engineering Fair. That meant a trip to Indianapolis for this year's fair. He also attended the JSM, the K-State Ag Conference and two meetings of the local ASA chapter. He currently serves as administrative advisor to a group called NCCC-170 (formerly NCR-170), which provides statistical training and instruction to the agricultural disciplines. He attended that group's annual meeting in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Suzanne Dubnicka served until April of 2006 as vice president of the Kansas-Western Missouri Chapter of the ASA, at which point she was elected president. Her term will run through the spring of 2007. She also attended the JSM in Minneapolis and gave a technical presentation. She has received grant money from the KSU Advance Career Enhancement Opportunities Initiative to attend the JSM. She was also awarded a mini-grant from the KSU Galicia Center on aging to work with a colleague in electrical and computer engineering on "light-reflectance signals as biometric authenticators for the elderly" in the summer of 2006.

Jim Higgins attended both the JSM and the KSU Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture. In addition, his book entitled *SAS Companion for Nonparametric Statistics* coauthored with Scott Richter made its appearance on bookshelves. He was also appointed to the Noether Awards Committee for the American Statistical Association. At the local level, he participated in the Access and Equity Workshop on campus. In that venue he served on a panel which discussed experiences in delivery of distance education courses.

Dallas Johnson attended the Joint Statistical Meetings in Minneapolis.

Tom Loughin has begun service as the book review editor for Biometrics. He also attended the joint statistical meetings in Minneapolis. He is currently serving as program chair for the ASA's Section on Physical and Engineering Sciences for the 2006 JSM in Seattle.

George Milliken attended the JSM in Minneapolis and was a leader for a round table discussion. He also attended and made a presentation entitled "Using Spatial Information in the Design and Analysis of Experiments Used to Evaluate the Effectiveness of Precision Agriculture Management Practices" at the NCR-170 meeting in Fort Collins, Colorado. He participated in a video seminar for the GIS Institute at Mississippi State University and made a presentation entitled "Experimental Units in Site Specific Management". He also attended the 2006 Graybill Conference at Colorado State University.

Haiyan Wang attended and made a presentation at the JSM. In March, she gave an invited presentation in the Department of Statistics at the University of Florida. In May, she participated in the Workshop on the Frontier of Statistics at Princeton University.

Johnson (continued)

State University in 1971. He taught high school mathematics and served on the faculty at University of Missouri-Rolla before joining the Department of Statistics at Kansas state University in 1975. He moved rapidly through the professorial ranks to full professor. From 1995 to 2001 he served as head of the department. In 2004-2005 he was named a winner of the Commerce Bank Distinguished Graduate Faculty Award.

Dallas has contributed to the success of the Department of Statistics on many fronts. He was a leader in the establishment of the KSU Conference on Applied Statistics in Agriculture. He was one of the driving forces behind and first editor of the Journal of Agricultural, Biological and Environmental Statistics. For many years he was a consultant with the Agricultural Experiment Station (now K-State Research and Extension) and became coauthor of many research articles. He also made many of the connections that caused him to serve as a committee member for more than 100 graduate students outside the department.

His contributions as teacher and researcher within the department are considerable as well. He has served as major professor to 16 Ph.D. students in statistics as well as 10 M.S. students within the department. He is author of a wide variety of technical articles and has been author or co-author of 4 books. He has been a favorite instructor within the department and created at least 4 distance education courses still used by the department. He has been recognized on the national level by being named a Fellow of the American Statistical Association and by being given the Founders' Award by that same organization.

Dallas is well-known for his caring attitude toward his students and his colleagues and his commitment to his profession. He indicated that one of his goals was to be a well-rounded statistician; a good teacher, a good researcher, a good consultant, a good advisor, and a good author. He has succeeded admirably. His many friends in the department and across the campus provide this citation to him in appreciation for many accomplishments and his dedicated service to the Department of Statistics and Kansas State University.



Friends of the Statistics Department, 2005-2006 was a busy and exciting year for the department. In other parts of this newsletter you'll see stories that describe some of the most noteworthy accomplishments. These include Dallas Johnson's retirement Sallie McNulty's presidency of ASA Hiring of Weixing Song as new faculty member Our successes are made even greater because of support from you, our alumni and friends. Private support is vital to ensure that our department is a vibrant, exciting place where students can learn from top-notch faculty. Please consider making a donation to the Department of Statistics. An appropriate form is attached. All gifts - small and large go directly to the support of our students and faculty. Your generosity is essential to our department and is greatly appreciated. If you have given in the past, please accept our grateful thanks for your contributions. Last but not least, do stay in touch. We always enjoy hearing from our alumni and friends. Please feel free to write (using the form below), call, or e-mail me with your thoughts, ideas and suggestions. With many thanks, John Boyer Your tax-deductible contributions to the Kansas State University Foundation can be designated to the benefit of the Depart-

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The Department of Statistics Thanks Its Friends for Their Support!

Below is a list of contributors to the Department of Statistics for the calendar year 2005. We are thrilled to see that the list is expanding each year. We sincerely appreciate your generosity in helping to sustain many vital activities of the department. For example, this year's money from your contributions went toward bringing in outside speakers and sending students to professional meetings. If you would like to help, please use the form on page 7. Again, we thank you sincerely for your tremendous support.

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