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American Statistical Association Names 53 Fellows for 2008

[Note to Editors: A list of the 2008 Fellows by state follows the release]

ALEXANDRIA VA (PRWEB) MAY 20, 2008 -- The American Statistical Association (ASA), the nation's preeminent professional statistical society, today announced the election of 53 of its members as Fellows of the Association. The recipients received the honor in recognition of their outstanding professional contributions to and leadership in the field of statistical science. The Fellows will be presented at a ceremony on Tuesday, August 5, at the Association's 168th annual Joint Statistical Meetings in Denver.

"The ASA Fellows designation honors the extraordinary members of the statistics profession," said Peter A. Lachenbruch, ASA president. "The collective outstanding contributions of this year's Fellows from academia, government and industry have invigorated the statistics discipline in education, research, administration and service. Each year, the designation as ASA Fellow brings members from many specialties to the fore. It makes us all proud to recognize their accomplishments."

The 2008 Fellows come from 23 states, Canada, and Israel. Eight Fellows are from the National Capital area; five are from North Carolina; Florida, Massachusetts, Michigan, and Pennsylvania each are home to three Fellows. A list of the 2008 Fellows by state follows this release.

The designation of Fellow has been a superlative honor in ASA for more than 90 years. According to the association by-laws, each year the Committee on Fellows can elect no more than one-third of one percent of the total ASA membership as Fellows. Individuals are nominated for the honor by fellow members and must have an established reputation and made outstanding contributions in some aspect of statistical work to be selected.

The Committee on Fellows evaluates candidates' contributions to the advancements of statistics, giving due weight to publications, the positions held by the candidates in the organizations in which they are employed, activities within the Association, membership and attainments in other societies, and other professional activities. Selection committee members were Roderick J. Little (chair), Demissie Alemayehu, Rick Chappell, Christy Chuang-Stein, Cynthia Z.F. Clark, Roxy L. Peck, Bonnie K. Ray, John H. Thompson, Preston J. Waite.

About the American Statistical Association

The American Statistical Association (ASA), a scientific and educational society founded in Boston in 1839, is the second oldest continuously operating professional society in the United States. For more than 160 years, ASA has been providing its 18,000 members serving in academia, government, and industry and the public with up-to-date, useful information about statistics. The ASA has a proud tradition of service to statisticians, quantitative scientists, and users of statistics across a wealth of academic areas and applications. For additional information about the American Statistical Association, please visit the association's web site at <http://www.amstat.org> or call 703.684.1221.

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2008 American Statistical Association Fellows

NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA

Chet Bowie, National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago, Bethesda, MD

Nilanjan Chatterjee, National Cancer Institute, National Institutes of Health, Rockville, MD

Brian A. Harris-Kojetin, US Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC

Thomas N. Herzog, US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Reston, VA

Henry D. Kahn, National Center for Environmental Assessment, US Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, DC

Karol P. Krotki, RTI International, Washington DC

Jill M. Montaquila, Westat, Rockville, Maryland

Alvan O. Zarate, National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Hyattsville, Maryland

ALABAMA

Subhabrata Chakraborti, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa

ARIZONA

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COLORADO

William G. Henderson, University of Colorado Health Service Center, Aurora

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Keith E. Muller, University of Florida, Gainesville

Xu-Feng Niu, Florida State University, Tallahassee

GEORGIA

Varghese George, Medical College of Georgia, Augusta

Brani Vidakovic, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta

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Dulal K. Bhaumik, University of Illinois at Chicago

Roger Koenker, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

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Daniel S. Nettleton, Iowa State University, Ames

Yongzhao Shao, Iowa State University, Ames

MASSACHUSETTS

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Phillip T. Lavin, Averion International Corporation, Southborough

Yi Li, Harvard School Public Health and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Boston

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Carl Lee, Central Michigan University, Mount Pleasant

Eleanor Singer, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

MINNESOTA

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Kerry L. Lee, Duke University School of Medicine, Durham

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Devan V. Mehrotra, Merck Research Laboratories, North Wales

John J. Peterson, GlaxoSmithKline Pharmaceuticals, Collegeville

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Charles E. Lawrence, Brown University, Providence

TEXAS

J. Jack Lee, University of Texas, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston

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Richard J. Cook, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, **Canada**

Thomas Loughin, Simon Fraser University, Surrey, British Columbia, **Canada**

David M. Steinberg, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, **Israel**

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